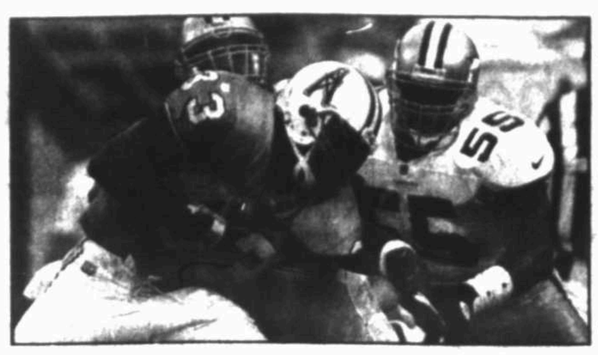


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'Fairyisms'

Leslie D'Allesandro Hill, author and illustrator of "Fairies Have Wings But They're Not Angels," donated a copy of her book to Midland Public Library./**1C**



SPORTS

Texas battle

Mission accomplished for the Dallas Cowboys Saturday night: They beat the Houston Oilers 24-19 and avoided any more serious injuries./**1B**

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Dems accept tobacco money for convention

■ Gifts from country's largest tobacco company to be visible everywhere during the Democratic National Convention.

Associated Press

CHICAGO — As President Clinton cracked down on cigarette makers and his aides declared Republicans were "addicted to tobacco money," Democratic convention planners were quietly securing six-figure donations from the country's largest tobacco company.

Largesse from Philip Morris Cos., and its Kraft foods and Miller beer divisions, will be visible everywhere during the Democratic National Convention this week.

The company gave $30,000 to the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee for "hospitality" events, another contribution to the party's House campaign committee for a dinner reception and is underwriting a large share of Mayor Richard M. Daley's welcome bash Saturday at Chicago's lakefront.

"Guess what? Democrats take our money, too," said Philip Morris spokeswoman Darienne Dennis, whose company also was a major contributor to the GOP convention in San Diego. "We are not anywhere we are not wanted."

While Clinton's announcement Friday of new restrictions on tobacco was a major blow, Philip Morris still has vast interests that will be affected by lawmakers, state officials and others it is hosting.

Among them: tobacco export policies and the writing, over the next 60 days, of the Food and Drug Administration regulations that will implement Clinton's new policy.

Democrats, who for weeks have painted GOP presidential nominee Bob Dole and the Republican Party as unholy allies of the tobacco industry, said they

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Kea Gilhome/Reporter-Telegram

Nike Open

Perry Parker of Dana Point, Calif., watches his 18th green putt during the penultimate day of the Nike Permian Basin Open. Story, photo on page 1B.



John Hohenberger, director of physical plants for Midland College, points out recent repairs to the Administration Building. Funds generated by the proposed tax increase will pay for a new roof, he said.

Curt Wilcott
Reporter-Telegram

MC calls for a nickel

MC still would be lowest local taxing entity

By Gary Shanks
Staff Writer

Even with a proposed 5 cent increase in its tax rate to offset decreased state funding, Midland College is still low in the local property taxing hierarchy.

Although the city's property values have risen slightly in recent years, the decreases in state funding have been sharper, according to MC officials.

State Sen. Teel Bivins, who was in Midland Wednesday, said that state funding for community colleges was higher, overall, and that MC's decreasing state funding was the exception and not the rule.

Bivins said he would "look into" the matter.

State funding accounts for 26.6 percent, or $5.4 million of the college's $20 million-plus budget, compared to 10 years ago when state funding amounted to more than 50 percent of Midland College revenues, explained Rudy Gonzales, vice president of administrative services for MC.

President David Daniel said it's clear why MC's state

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Midland College	*16.33¢
Odessa College	19.84¢
Howard College	20¢
Western Texas College in Snyder	29.08¢
Amarillo College	16.79¢

* proposed rate; current rate is 11.33¢

By Gary Shanks
Staff Writer

The Midland College board of trustees has voted to approve a 5 cent tax increase to help fill a gap in funding created by decreased state funding and increasing usage of the institution.

The current Midland College tax rate is 11.33 cents per $100 of property valuation. With the nickel increase, this will push the school's tax rate to 16.33 cents per $100 valuation.

Although this tax rate will still keep MC's rate under that of neighboring community colleges and keeps the college at the lowest cost of all taxing entities, it amounts to a 44 percent increase in the overall tax rate.

With an increase of th portion, state law requires that the matter be presented to the public in a special hearing and may be subject to a roll-back election if enough citizens oppose the increase.

A public hearing has been set for 4 p.m. Thursday at the Gibson Board Room at the MC Administration Building. At this meeting, the budget will be presented and public input heard before the budget can be made final and tax rate is submitted to the Midland County Appraisal District.

State funding is a major factor in the tax increase, according to MC officials.

State appropriations for the college are currently

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Silent marchers pray for drug dealers, users to change their hearts

By Joe Gaines
Staff Writer

Local church leaders, law enforcement and other citizens marched through the streets of southeastern Midland Saturday to silently ask drug users and sellers to switch from drugs to God.

"We want to get the drugs out of our community," Darren Templeton, assistant pastor at Tru Lite Christian Fellowship, said. "We don't want them to run out of our community and into another, but we want to get the person to change their heart."

It can be done, he said, as demonstrated by the success in a similar march earlier in the year on Oak Street.

Church leaders received calls after the march from residents looking for spiritual guidance and help getting off drugs, he said.

'Some people won't like what we're going to do, but you know what? I really don't care. We're doing this for the glory of God.'

— Rev. Ray Lee Smith

"We don't want people thinking we are better than anyone else because drugs affect everybody," he said. "Drugs lead them to break into a house, take things, and hock it for money to buy more drugs."

The march was routed to go by homes and businesses that deal in drugs, he said.

"This is where we are most needed," he said.

The route of the march was between south Tyler and Lee streets, an area plagued for years with open-air narcotics sales, Midland Police Lt. Price Robinson said.

"It's mostly heroin, cocaine and marijuana being sold," Robinson said.

The area also has a few scattered crack houses and has been the location of three major incidents since May, Robinson said.

"Those incidents were when we had groups of around 100 congregating outside. A lot of them were younger kids, in their late teens or early 20s, who had been drinking ... that's when we have our problems," Robinson said.

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A.M. BRIEFING

Cityline Community Pulse

Code of Conduct

The recently passed MISD Student Code of Conduct has come under fire from some parents who claim it is too strict and far-reaching. Others contend the code, which dictates length of dresses, skirts and shorts, and sets several other clothing guidelines for students, is long overdue. How do you feel? Call Cityline's Community Pulse at 560-2400, Category 7655. If you are in favor of the stricter code, press 1. If you are against the new rules, press 2. You will be welcome to leave comments concerning the new code of conduct after you register your vote. We ask that you leave your name but that is optional. The non-scientific poll will remain open until Tuesday at noon. Results will be published in Wednesday's Reporter-Telegram.

Explosion kills 2

KEMP — A liquid butane pipeline exploded and burned near a rural subdivision Saturday afternoon, killing two teen-agers who were driving to report a leak in the line. Firefighters from six communities battled flames from the rupture. Authorities said fuel to the line had been cut off by 6 p.m., but residual fuel was expected to burn well into the night. Kaufman County Sheriff Robert Harris said Daniel Smalley, who lives near the pipeline, sent his daughter, Danielle, and her friend, Jason Stone, to report the leak. As the 17-year-olds left the house in a pickup truck, the vehicle apparently triggered the explosion, Harris said. Both teens were killed.

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Jackpot jumps

AUSTIN — No tickets correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said. The jackpot was worth $18 million. The numbers drawn from a field of 50 were: **8, 12, 13, 20, 35,** and **49.** Lottery officials estimate the jackpot for Wednesday night's game will be $25 million.

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Russians, Chechens form joint patrol units as peace talks continue

GROZNY, Russia (AP) — Russian and Chechen soldiers jointly patrolled this devastated city Saturday as leaders from both sides tried to hash out details of a political settlement ending the 20-month war.

The patrols are the first step in implementing a truce brokered by Russian security advisor Alexander Lebed, who returned to Chechnya for talks with the top Chechen military commander, Aslan Maskhadov.

Prime Minister Viktor Chernomyrdin said Lebed would offer the Chechens a referendum on their rebel republic's political status in five years. The Chechens are fighting for independence from Russia, something Moscow says it will never allow.

Lebed, who came back to Chechnya with Boris Yeltsin's endorsement of his peace efforts, held talks with Russian officers, then sat down with Maskhadov in Noviye Atagi, 15 miles south of Grozny. A second round was planned for Sunday, Russian television reported.

"We must stop this barbarism because there can be no victors in this war," Maskhadov said. "We must help Gen. Lebed end this war."

Outside a Russian base a few miles away the first joint patrols were formed.

The Russian soldiers stood facing a ragtag band of the tough Chechen guerrillas who had run them out of Grozny. Then, in what could be a prelude to peace, the former foes melded into a single unit. Later, another unit jointly patrolled Grozny.

"This war has cost us a great deal and now in our hands we have the chance to end this war or to continue it, to kill people or not. We must step back from war," said Russian Major Gen. Vyacheslav Ovchinikov.

On Sunday, according to the truce Lebed signed with the rebels earlier this week, fighters from both sides are supposed to start pulling out of Grozny. Next week, the Russians are to withdraw from several southern regions and, eventually, from Chechnya altogether.

Grozny, overrun by the Chechens on Aug. 6 in some of the worst fighting of the war, was relatively quiet Saturday, the second day of the cease-fire.

Chechen fighters were even helping bring food and water to some of the beleaguered Russian units they had had surrounded inside Grozny. They also had their Russian prisoners digging up Russian dead from the battle so the bodies could be returned home.

"I'm not 100 percent convinced this agreement will work," said a top Chechen commander in the capital, Isa Astamirov. "But if we work together, maybe it can. It's in the hands of God."

The Russian military reported occasional shooting, however, including an attack on a military convoy Saturday in Grozny.

Every previous agreement in Chechnya has crumbled amid mutual distrust and the latest one still looks shaky. The Chechens insist they'll settle for nothing less than the full independence Russia has fought so hard against.

But it appeared that Lebed instead would try to persuade the Chechens to put aside their demand for independence, at least for a few years.

The ITAR-Tass news agency said quoted Chernomyrdin as saying Chechnya's political status "should be decided by the people" in a referendum in five years, after the situation has stabilized.

But the prime minister insisted that Chechnya should remain part of Russia. "That's for sure," he said. "But when and with what status should be decided later, not now."

Chechnya declared independence in 1991. In December 1994, Yeltsin sent in troops to crush the separatist movement, igniting a protracted, bloody conflict that had claimed at least 30,000 lives, mostly noncombatants.

The president recently put Lebed in charge of resolving the conflict.

Columbian farmers turn to violence to defend livelihood

FLORENCIA, Colombia (AP) — As teen-age soldiers with bayonets fidgeted nearby, a Catholic bishop tried to soothe a crowd of angry coca farmers — to no avail. Tear gas, rocks, and gasoline bombs were flying in minutes.

Peasants charged through billowing tear gas on a bridge leading into Florencia, taunting soldiers in gas masks but failing to break through barbed-wire barricades.

"Don't let me die," groaned one protester, bleeding heavily from a shoulder wound as soldiers carried him away on a stretcher. He died soon after.

Peasants in this southern coca-growing region are responding with violence to a U.S.-backed campaign to target the drug trade at its source, by wiping out the shrub whose leaves are processed into cocaine.

The government has said it intends to wipe out the more than 100,000 acres of coca plants in Colombia by 1997, but new fields are being planted so fast that the goal seems out of reach.

Protests against eradication have also taken place in recent years in neighboring Peru and Bolivia, where at least 450,000 people live off the illegal crop.

But the Colombian protests, which started last month, have been more violent. Tens of thousands of peasants have marched on southern towns, disrupting business and transport.

Florencia, the capital of Caqueta state with about 120,000 residents, is now virtually under siege. Aerial fumigation began in the region 240 miles south of Bogota a few weeks ago.

At least six people died in last week's violence, and thousands of protesters are camped on Florencia's outskirts, blocked by army barricades. The mayor has declared a curfew and banned alcohol sales.

The military says the peasants have been incited by guerrillas whose drug-related activities rival those of the Cali cartel, the world's most powerful cocaine syndicate.

In comments broadcast nationwide by radio, President Ernesto Samper said Saturday that the riots were evidence of "hidden interests" — which he did not specify — that aimed to destabilize his government.

But so many people in Florencia thrive on coca — from the peasants who grow it to the bank owners, truck drivers and storeowners who do business with them — that red, blue and yellow Colombian flags have been draped outside many of the town's buildings in support of the protest.

Whether aerial fumigation will even work is dubious. The coca plant offers several harvests a year and harvesters make $30 a day — more than three times the wage for picking yucca or corn.

"If they fumigate 20 hectares here, we'll cultivate 200 hectares over there," peasant Cesar Mundaca said. "They'll have to get rid of the whole forest."

Peasants have also developed ways of protecting their crop against the U.S.-supplied herbicide glyphosate: they douse coca bushes with a blend of water and molasses, which acts as a protective film.

The government stepped up eradication under pressure from U.S. officials angered by evidence that Samper won office with drug money.

U.S. officials say crop eradication is the least painful method for Samper's government to curb the drug trade. Establishing longer jail terms for drug lords and confiscating their property would be more effective.

But many protesters see the United States as dictating Colombian anti-drug policy.

"Samper: killer kneeling before the gringos," read a sign at the funeral Thursday for a peasant who died from a bayonet wound.

Mourners shouted "Military murderers!" as they trailed a white Cadillac bearing the peasant's coffin to the Florencia cemetery. People on scooters blasted horns in sympathy.

The army claims guerrillas, who shoot at police planes spraying herbicide, force peasants to protest and that rebels armed with handguns have infiltrated the rioters.

The rebel Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia, with at least 10,000 fighters, makes $1 million a day providing security for drug labs, secret airstrips and other drug-related activities, the government says.

The group, known by its Spanish initials FARC, started in the 1960s as a leftist insurgency.

"The FARC collects along the whole (cocaine) chain," said Gen. Nestor Ramirez, whose brigade is based in Florencia.

The government does offer a $300 million crop substitution program under which about 15,000 peasants nationwide have signed up for bank credits and other aid.

But coca farmers who make cocaine base, an unrefined form of the drug, at crude kitchens on their plots can sell it for $1 per gram.

"They don't want to give it up because it's easy money," said Wenceslao Villa of the alternative crop program, known as Plante. "Coca is a stable market."

German jets crash during training flight

GOOSE BAY, Newfoundland (AP) — Two German jet fighters crashed Saturday during low-level training exercises in northeastern Canada. Four crew members were airlifted to a hospital, but their condition was not known.

The Tornado jets, with two crew members aboard each, went down about 80 miles west of Goose Bay, where a NATO base is located.

Three crew members were picked up alive but injured shortly after the crash. The fourth was found later, but search and rescue officials did not know his condition.

The accident occurred at midmorning over barren wilderness used by several NATO countries to train their pilots for low-level bombing runs.

Native Innu people have often protested the low-level flights by the Canadian, Dutch, British and German air forces from the base at Goose Bay in Labrador. Labrador, while part of the island province of Newfoundland, is located on the northeastern Canadian mainland.

The Innu say the overflights, which were moved from densely populated Europe because of public opposition there, harm hunting.

But the Canadian defense ministry said last year it found no impact on wildlife and recommended an increase in the number of sorties.



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Doctors keep vigil as chest infection adds to Mother Teresa's problems

■ Nobel Peace Prize laureate, 85, still on respirator after being hospitalized for 100-degree fever brought on by malaria.

CALCUTTA, India (AP) — Mother Teresa fought against a new chest infection and an irregular heart beat Saturday as people in India and elsewhere prayed for the recovery of the beloved Roman Catholic nun.

Mother Teresa, who turns 86 on Tuesday, was alert but under a round-the-clock doctor's vigil at a Calcutta nursing home. Doctors had hoped to remove her breathing respirator Saturday, but decided against it when her condition worsened.

The Nobel Peace Prize laureate has been hospitalized since Tuesday night when she developed a 100-degree fever brought on by malaria. Two days later, her heart stopped beating for almost a minute and she was revived with shock treatments.

Dr. S.K. Sen, medical director of the Woodlands Nursing Home, said Saturday she had developed a chest infection. He declined to give details.

Although Mother Teresa's condition had made "marginal improvement" with a reduction in her fever, "the fact remains, she is seriously ill," Sen said.

Her left ventricle, one of the heart's four chambers, continued to fail Saturday, Dr. Sandeep Lahiri said. The ventricle first failed on Friday and doctors have administered an anti-coagulant to ease the flow of blood.

Mother Teresa, who wears a pacemaker from an earlier heart attack, was responding to visitors by nodding her head, said former Indian tennis star Naresh Kumar, who saw her on Saturday. A tube used to feed her milk has hindered her ability to speak.

At the chapel of the Missionaries of Charity, the order Mother Teresa founded, 200 nuns wearing the order's blue-trimmed habits knelt at dawn on Saturday, praying for her recovery.

About 100 young boys and girls of all faiths from an orphanage run by Mother Teresa sang hymns before a large crucifix.

"The whole of Calcutta is praying for her recovery," said David Morris, a local electronics technician who attended Saturday's prayer service.

Saturday marked the 306th birthday of Calcutta, Mother Teresa's home of more than 65 years. Authorities released a previously prepared statement from her in honor of the occasion.

"I am especially grateful to God that he has arranged for Calcutta to be my home for many years," Mother Teresa's statement said. "Here he has given me the joy of loving and serving him in the distressing disguise of the poor."

Known as the Saint of the Gutters for her work among the dying and the destitute, Mother Teresa has been in frail health for years. She suffered a heart attack in 1983 during a meeting with Pope John Paul II in Rome. In 1989, she suffered a second, stronger, heart attack, and received a pacemaker.

She created a network of homes for poor people, from the hovels of Calcutta to the ghettos of New York and the slums of Albania, where she was born. She was one of the first to establish a home for AIDS victims.

For more than 45 years she has comforted destitute old people dying in the gutter, sheltered infants abandoned in trash heaps, treated the putrid ulcers of lepers, and cared for the insane.

She has also been a powerful voice for conservative dogma, defending her values of life and family and arguing passionately against abortion, contraception and divorce.

At the Vatican, the pope issued a statement hoping for her recovery. "His holiness wished Mother well and hoped for her speedy recovery," said Sister Priscilla Lewis of the Missionaries of Charity chapel.

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U.S. women cleared of baby-buying charges

CANCUN, Mexico (AP) — A judge threw out child-trafficking charges Friday against a Wisconsin mother and daughter arrested as they allegedly tried to take a newborn boy out of Mexico.

Judge Eduardo Antonio Trejo Haas of the 3rd Criminal Court of Quintana Roo state cited lack of evidence for the baby-buying charges against Laurie Henderson, 36, of Madison, Wis., and her mother, Beverly Gehrke, 58, of Sun Prairie, Wis.

The women were stopped at the airport Aug. 15 as they tried to board a flight for the north Mexican city of Monterrey with the infant. Authorities say they planned to head from there for the U.S. border.

Prosecutors claim Henderson paid $950 in hospital costs for a woman who gave birth to a baby in Yucatan state.

The differences in appearance between the blond, blue-eyed Henderson and the dark-eyed, dark-haired boy raised the suspicions of police, as did the illegible birth certificate she produced to support her claim she gave birth to the child in Mexico.

Prosecutors alleged that Henderson paid $950 in hospital costs for the woman who gave birth to the baby in Yucatan state. The woman, a widow, allegedly did not want to raise the child on her own.

While dropping the key charge of child trafficking — which could have brought a nine-year prison term — Trejo ruled that Henderson must stand trial on charges of falsifying a birth record and acting under false pretenses.

The remaining charges carry a combined maximum sentence of three years.

All charges against Gehrke were dropped for lack of evidence.

She left the jail an hour after the ruling, hiding her face behind a pillow and her forearm. "I'm free," she said.

Gehrke said nothing more before speeding away in her lawyer's car.

Trejo said Henderson could be released on bond, but must remain in Mexico as long as the trial lasts and must report in person to the court at least once a week.

Jordanian bread protests end; army lifts curfew

AMMAN, Jordan (AP) — The government withdrew army troops and lifted a curfew Saturday as calm returned to the city of Kerak, the flash point of violent protests over bread price hikes.

Residents in Kerak, 90 miles southwest of Amman, said that while the army withdrew, police forces remained deployed at the community's gateway.

Violent protests broke out in Kerak Aug. 16 after the government announced a 117 percent hike in bread prices in line with an economic reform program monitored by the International Monetary Fund. The rioting later spread to nearby Tafila and Maan.

Over two days, demonstrators burned down offices and smashed government cars, inflicting $6 million in damage.

On Saturday, however, Governor Badereddine al-Wedyan said, "life is back to normal."

King Hussein accused the Iraqi government and Jordanians affiliated with a pro-Iraqi political party of instigating the disturbances in which at least 40 people were injured and scores detained.

Jordan has become a harsh critic of Iraq, once its closest ally.

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WEATHER WATCH

Area to see more clouds, rain chance

Staff Report

Today's forecast calls for mostly cloudy skies, 40 percent chance of rain and a high in the low 80s with southeast winds at 5-15 mph, according to the National Weather Service.

Tonight's forecast calls for mostly cloudy skies, 30 percent chance of rain and a low in the upper 60s.

Monday's forecast calls for mostly cloudy skies, 30 percent chance of rain and a high in the mid-80s.

The high for Saturday was 77, compared to the record high for that date of 103, set in 1936.

Saturday's low was 67, compared to the record low of 57, set in 1966.

STATE

Remnant spiral bands from Hurricane Dolly continued to bring scattered showers and thunderstorms over most of Texas on Saturday, with flood warnings in central sections of the state.

While Texas farmers didn't expect a drought-breaker from the rains, they were welcome nevertheless.

Rainfall totals over a two-day period have exceeded two inches in Austin and Corpus Christi. Another 2.20 inches fell at Rockport.

Most rainfall Saturday was west of a line from Wichita Falls through Fort Worth and Waco, the National Weather Service said, with more heavy precipitation extending from Rockport along the middle Gulf coast to Temple.

An upper-level trough in the far west combined with moisture from the remnants of Dolly, which made landfall Friday near Tampico, to bring scattered showers and thundershowers to West and South Texas.

The weather service posted a flash flood warning for Travis County.

A chance of thunderstorms continued through Monday for wide areas of the state, more numerous over deep South and South Central Texas, with overnight lows expected from the low 60s to the mid-70s, with some 50s over the southwestern mountains.

Daytime highs should range from the 70s to upper 90s in the Big Bend valley.

Easterly winds are expected to prevail through the period, gusty in and near storms.

NATION

Showers fell over the parched Southwest and thunderstorms struck the central Appalachians on Saturday as Florida awoke to record cool temperatures.

Severe thunderstorms developed across eastern Tennessee and western Virginia. The storms were expected to drift southeastward into the Carolinas, bringing heavy rain and possibly large hail.

Showers extended across western Texas, New Mexico and Arizona, with locally heavy rainfall in places. College Station, Texas, got the most at 2.76 inches in 24 hours.

The remains of Hurricane Dolly were expected to continue on a west-northwesterly track through the region, spreading rain into Nevada and southern California.

Jacksonville, Fla., dropped to a morning low of 67 degrees, tying a low set in 1957. Miami cooled to 70, beating a record of 72 set in 1957.

A cold front was expected to push across the northern Plains during the night, producing thunderstorms in the eastern Dakotas and into Minnesota.

Saturday's temperatures around the Lower 48 states ranged from a morning low of 32 at Jackson, Wyo., to an early afternoon reading of 109 at Palm Springs, Calif.

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

Lotto Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Lotto Texas numbers drawn Saturday by the Texas Lottery: **8-12-13-20-35-49**

Estimated Lotto Texas jackpot: $18 million

Pick 3 Texas

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

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FUNDS: Dems accept 6-figure donations for convention

(From 1A)

saw no hypocrisy in accepting Philip Morris money.

"We've raised questions, given Bob Dole's defense of tobacco, whether it has been influenced in any way by the significant amount of money that the tobacco industry has given to the Republican Party over the years," said Ann Lewis, the Clinton-Gore deputy campaign manager.

"On our side, Democrats stand by the actions of our president," Lewis said. "Standing up to tobacco companies is not easy. ... We think it is our demonstration that the president does what is right."

Added Jim Whitney, spokesman for the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee: "Philip Morris has a right to participate in the political process. Obviously, not everyone in the Democratic caucuses shares the same views about tobacco."

Whitney's group accepted Philip Morris money for a Tuesday night post-convention dinner.

The company is likely to find a sympathetic audience when it hosts a reception today at a Chicago restaurant for delegates from Virginia and Kentucky, two tobacco-growing states. Kentucky Gov. Paul Patton, a Democrat, already has announced plans to sue to block Clinton's policy.

Critics see a double standard. The American Lung Association's Chicago chapter plans to fly a plane over Daley's lakefront bash with an electronic message "No Tobacco Dough."

INFACT, a Boston-based group that monitors the lobbying activities of large corporations, is staging its own protest.

"There is definitely hypocrisy in cracking down on tobacco here at home and continuing to accept tobacco money at their conventions," INFACT spokeswoman Lucinda Wykle-Rosenberg said.

Wykle-Rosenberg also accused Philip Morris of using its Kraft division to make donations to the Democrats to "use the respectability of their food businesses ... to influence policies around tobacco."

Philip Morris scoffs at any suggestion it is trying to win favor with its largesse.

Dennis said the company has been supporting both parties' conventions since 1972, and that this year's Democratic event was particularly special because the company has some 9,000 employees in Illinois and considers it a key market.

"We believe in supporting the two-party system. And we are proud to be there, especially in Chicago, our second headquarters town," she said.

Philip Morris' largest contribution to the Democratic convention is to the Chicago host committee run by Daley, which is staging many of the welcome ceremonies.

Its Kraft foods subsidiary is listed as one of the committee's vice-chairs, meaning it has committed at least $100,000.

Dennis said Philip Morris was underwriting a large part of Daley's "Taste of Chicago" party for news media and delegates Saturday night on Chicago's lakefront.

Dennis said the company also is planning to underwrite part or all of: a "family day" at the Brookfield Zoo for delegates; a "blue jeans bash" party tonight; and a party honoring the "blue dog" conservative southern Democrats in Congress.

Democratic Party awkwardly embraces Clinton

By John King
Associated Press Writer

■ News analysis

CHICAGO (AP) — Five years ago, in the earliest days of his presidential campaign, Bill Clinton was musing openly about the strengths and weaknesses of the Democratic Party. Mostly the weaknesses.

Too cozy with labor unions, he thought, too quick to spend taxpayers' money, too eager to defend the rights of criminals. "It must change its ways," he said, "if it is to survive as a competitive national party."

As Clinton prepares to once again accept the Democratic presidential nomination, there is little doubt that he has changed the party substantially during a tumultuous 43 months in office, not always with the support of other Democratic leaders.

In Clinton's name, for example, the Democratic Party has embraced a balanced budget and the death penalty, entered into trade agreements fiercely opposed by organized labor and signed into law a welfare measure that ends six decades of guaranteed cash payments to the poor.

But there is hardly unanimity within the Democratic ranks on these and other shifts Clinton has made in an effort to pull the party toward the political center — or simply to survive politically. Clinton's handpicked Democratic Party general chairman, for example, called the president's support of the welfare measure "unconscionable." In the House, Democrats split 98-98 on the issue.

And for all their euphoria over his recent emphasis on more conservative themes, many centrist Democrats have not forgotten more liberal Clinton initiatives, from his early attempts to expand abortion and homosexual rights to the failed 1994 health care initiative many Democrats blame for the Republican takeover of Congress.

"It is very clear that when the party and the president were identified more with traditional liberalism, as we were in 1994, we caught a 2-by-4 between the eyes from the American people," said Al From, leader of the centrist Democratic Leadership Council.

To Republicans, Clinton's intermittently tense relations with each wing of his party are a sign of a politician without principle, who chooses his positions issue by issue based on careful, poll-tested political targeting. "He will be whatever he thinks he needs to be to win," suggests GOP pollster Bill McInturff — and some Democrats share that view.

After losing an Oklahoma Senate race in 1994, Rep. Dave McCurdy blamed Clinton, saying he was presiding over "an administration that has pursued elements of a moderate and liberal agenda at the same time, to the great confusion of the American people."

More sympathetic Democrats, however, suggest Clinton is the personification of the ideological tug of war under way in the party: a former George McGovern loyalist committed to activist government on the one hand, but also a bruised survivor of more conservative Arkansas politics.

"People try too hard to slap old labels — left, right, middle, old Democrat, new Democrat — on politics that are rapidly changing," said White House political director Doug Sosnik. "There are portions of each that the president has been fighting for."

The mood swings among Democrats when it comes to judging Clinton have been nothing short of remarkable.

Desperate to regain the White House after 12 years of Republican rule, many liberal interests put pragmatism above principle and embraced Clinton as the party's best hope in 1992. Two rocky years later, many Democrats didn't bother to hide contempt for Clinton, blaming him for the stunning loss of their congressional majorities.

As Clinton looked ahead to his own re-election run, he angered liberals more by, among other things, embracing the Republican timetable for balancing the budget and lamenting that he had raised taxes too much in 1993. But by this point, Democratic dissatisfaction with Clinton was overwhelmed by a more powerful force: Party activists came to accept Clinton, perhaps begrudgingly, as their only line of defense against House Speaker Newt Gingrich and the new Republican Congress.

With Gingrich as a unifying force, many of the internal Democratic feuds have been masked, but it is more detente than peace, with pointed disagreements over budget priorities, welfare, affirmative action and other divisive issues.

"If Bill Clinton wins, it gives us four years to figure this out," said Democratic pollster Peter Hart. "If Bill Clinton loses, it guarantees us four years of very unattractive civil war. The Democrats have not solved their problems about the past. It wasn't an accident we lost in 1994, but many in our party treat 1994 as being sometime in the middle ages" instead of barely 20 months ago.

Choosing to ignore the bitterness of 1993 and 1994, centrist Democrats point to the party's 1996 platform as proof Clinton has finally decided to govern consistently from the center. The document frowns on big government, talks tough on crime, sets strict school standards and says the private sector — not government — is the best engine for economic and social progress.

Many liberal activists don't particularly like the platform but Clinton heads into his convention week leading "a party that has grown to be pretty comfortable with him," Hart said.

Indeed, the depth of Clinton's support among Democrats can be measured in the tributes now paid him by other Democratic politicians who once openly challenged his leadership.

After the 1994 Democratic drubbing, for example, House Democratic leader Richard Gephardt said the party would take its direction "from America's houses, not the White House" and he briefly explored the idea of challenging Clinton in the 1996 primaries.

In an interview Friday, however, Gephardt wholeheartedly embraced Clinton and said, "We get too enmeshed in this argument over new and old. He is a Democrat."

Democrats find power has ebbed in Texas since their last convention

By Michelle Mittlestadt
Associated Press

CHICAGO — The last time Democrats gathered at a national political conclave, Texas Democrats were riding high.

No one, perhaps, better personified the Texans' good fortunes than Ann Richards. As chairwoman of the 1992 Democratic National Convention in New York, the popular governor with the witty repartee and signature bouffant coiffure was the belle of the ball. As she flitted from the convention hall to swank receptions and television studios, Richards seemed the face of a vibrant Texas Democratic Party.

But in the four years between that convention and the one opening Monday in Chicago, Democrats' hold on the Lone Star State has been substantially weakened. To wit:

■ Impressive popularity ratings notwithstanding, Richards was unable to make the case to Texas voters in 1994 that she deserved a second term — losing to Republican George W. Bush after running a lackluster campaign.

■ The state's two U.S. Senate seats shifted to the Republican column for the first time since Reconstruction, with the mid-1993 election of Kay Bailey Hutchison to the Senate seat Democrat Lloyd Bentsen had held for 22 years before joining President Clinton's Cabinet.

■ Texas Democrats' lead over Republicans in the U.S. House delegation has been whittled, going from a 19-8 edge to 18-12. Further Democratic losses are expected in November.

■ Republicans have trimmed the Democrats' hold on the Texas Legislature as well, picking up five seats in the 31-member Senate and seven seats in the 150-member House. The GOP is within two seats of taking over the Senate, and needs 13 seats to gain control of the House.

"Texas has always been a conservative state, and as the state Democratic Party has fallen in line with the national Democratic Party in terms of the liberal McGovernite tilt it's taken, you see more and more Texans voting Republican," Texas Republican Party spokesman Lester Van Pelt III said in a recent interview.

Democratic Party officials concede there has been erosion, but say they're turning the tide with a new, invigorated leadership intent on regaining the hearts — and votes — of Texans who once pulled the Democratic lever without question.

"There is a real revival of spirit in the Democratic Party," said party spokeswoman Anne Marie Kilday, acknowledging that many had felt the Democratic leadership was "asleep at the switch."

Even as they credit a rejuvenation under the direction of new party chairman Bill White, Democratic officials are quick to claim that their fortunes also are improving because the Texas Republican apparatus has lurched rightward.

"We are luring (voters) back, we really are — with the help of the extremists in the Republican Party who want to return to the gold standard and have English be the official language of the United States and who want to teach creation science in the public schools," Ms. Kilday said.

Beyond tarring the GOP as extreme, the Democrats' mantra of the moment is cultivation of the grass roots.

A spokesman for the Clinton-Gore campaign in Texas points to creation of 21st Century Democrats and the Texas Victory Democrats — two organizations deploying field coordinators to build support at the local level.

"We are relying on more than political consultants and national media buys in the urban areas. We've gone back and started a year ago with a message and outreach to our rural base," said Joe Cutbirth. "The rural Texans are coming home."

The GOP's Van Pelt, predictably, offers a different assessment about which party is gaining the upper hand in the Democrats' one-time strongholds of East Texas and other rural areas.

"We are still in a growth mode," he said. "We're making a lot of inroads into the East Texas area."

Although the Republican resurgence in Texas is part and parcel of the South's new conservative tilt, some suggest it's too early to place Texas firmly in the GOP column.

Clinton, who is the first Democratic president elected without carrying Texas, is in a statistical dead heat with Republican Bob Dole in Texas, recent public opinion polls show.

And, as Congress grapples with major reform of decades-old social policies, voters may be leery of casting their lot with one party.

"While we are somewhat more moderate than the rest of the country, we are not necessarily any more likely to swing Republican on issues like cutting Medicare," said University of Texas political scientist Bruce Buchanan. "For those reasons, I'm hesitant to call this state firmly in the Republican or conservative camp even through '96 because it's just not that clear cut to me."

Dems see silver lining in first lady's unpopularity

By Todd Purdum
N.Y. Times News Service

WASHINGTON — Hillary Rodham Clinton returns to her hometown of Chicago for the Democratic National Convention this weekend by every available index the most controversial, unpopular first lady in modern American history. No one in the White House argues that is a good thing. But as it turns out, they have come to think that it may not be such a bad thing, either.

Four years ago Mrs. Clinton, as a loyal wife and partner, was her husband's sword, slicing away at criticisms of his character. Slowly but surely over the course of his term, she has become something else: the president's shield, absorbing attacks on both of them, and freeing Clinton to seem more popular — and more moderate — by comparison.

After many months in which Mrs. Clinton has been at the center of controversies from Whitewater to the dismissal of the White House travel office staff, some of the president's advisers make it clear that they no longer mind that dichotomy much and, in fact, find it useful. They suggest their polling shows the public draws clear distinctions between the Clintons, personally and politically, that redounds to the president's benefit.

Presidential aides will not speak about the topic publicly, but this is the calculus: Mrs. Clinton's lower public profile since the failure of the health-care overhaul has made voters realize that Clinton alone is president, not his wife. At the same time, voters see in the Clintons' confessed marital complexities as echoes of their own.

By rising vigorously to Mrs. Clinton's defense, the president can now look strong and chivalrous, in contrast to the chastened, halting profile he presented when Mrs. Clinton rose to defend him against Gennifer Flowers on "60 Minutes" in the 1992 campaign. To that degree, the White House was happy when Bob Dole suggested at the Republican Convention that Mrs. Clinton's book on child-rearing, "It Takes a Village," was some kind of socialistic tract.

Finally, this distinction has allowed Mrs. Clinton to carve out a clear role as the administration's official, oratorical liberal — as opposed to its surreptitiously influential one. She remains overwhelmingly popular among the core Democratic constituencies that Clinton wants to rally for the fall. Her whirlwind schedule in Chicago is to take her from a Democratic women's caucus with Tipper Gore, to a park dedication, to a panel on children with the Democratic Governors' Association to a fund-raiser for female candidates to a poor Hispanic neighborhood — all on Monday alone.

"In their efforts to demonize her, her critics not only don't hurt her or the president, but they hurt themselves," said George Stephanopoulos, the president's senior adviser. "They can inflict some damage, but they have not succeeded in erasing her positives, and in fact it makes them appear mean-spirited and small."

Mrs. Clinton was a frequent target at the Republican Convention, but the party is divided on the effectiveness of Hillary-bashing, with some arguing that swing voters need clear reasons to vote for Dole, not more to vote against Clinton. But even those like Marlin Fitzwater, the former White House press secretary in the Reagan and Bush administrations, who say they do not think personal attacks on Mrs. Clinton gain much, acknowledge that Republicans can make hay over her politics.

"Her involvement in the presidency is instantly recognizable as old-time liberal, and that is likely to receive attention," he said. "It's a way to counter the president's strategy of trying to talk like a conservative."

For weeks now, when asked about Mrs. Clinton as a potential political liability, White House aides have taken to responding in chorus that her favorable-to-unfavorable ratings are "better than Bob Dole's." In the most recent New York Times/CBS News Poll of registered voters, taken last weekend, 35 percent viewed Mrs. Clinton favorably and 37 percent saw her unfavorably, compared with 29 percent favorable and 32 percent unfavorable for Dole.

In the same poll, Clinton had a favorable rating of 42 percent and an unfavorable one of 36 percent.

In Chicago, the Democrats will do their best to exploit Mrs. Clinton's assets. Her prime-time speech to the delegates will come on Tuesday, which is being billed as "family night," in keeping with the niche she found for herself in the months after the midterm elections of 1994: a visible advocate and world traveler on issues like mothers and children but not the head of any government plan or program. It is a pattern she is expected to continue on the stump this fall.

"I've traveled with her, and I don't know how else to say it," said the White House political director, Douglas Sosnik. "It's like traveling with a medium-level rock star in terms of the excitement she generates. I think you'll see her out there with a real vigorous fall schedule."

MARCH: Residents protest drugs

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Before the group of about 50 protesters began their march, they gathered for a prayer by the Rev. Ray Lee Smith of Tru Lite Christian Fellowship.

"Some people won't like what we're going to do, but, you know what? I really don't care," Smith said. "We're doing this for the glory of God."

They were not coming with their Bibles, because the people they are trying to reach need more than that, Templeton said.

"They have to be offered hope first," he said. "We want them to get off drugs and if they listen to 'come with me,' we can give them that hope."

It's all going back to fellowship, Templeton said.

"Our pastor says, 'people don't care how much you know, they want to know how much you care,'" he said.

'We'll keep annoying him (known drug dealer) until he changes. he is killing kids...killing their future and destroying their homes.'
— Rev. Ray Lee Smith

As the group marched through the streets, in front of bars and clubs, they got some long looks, but Smith and other protesters stayed silent and held up signs that read, "Let Go & Let God," "Pick up your cross and put down the pipe" and "Why buy two for twenty, when you can buy three for eternity."

"We stand against something, and we're asking that God stand with us," he said.

As the group neared the end of the march it stopped at a house, whose owner was a known drug dealer, police said.

As the group bowed their heads and prayed "for the residents to see the light of God," the residents stared back. One resident took a picture of the group in front of the house.

"We want him to know that we are not going away until he does," Smith said. "We'll keep annoying him, until he changes. He is killing kids ... killing their future and destroying their homes."

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Accused Palestinian bomber schooled in hate, learned trade abroad

KHAN YOUNIS, Gaza Strip (AP) — Hassan Salameh learned to hate Israelis in the sandy lanes of this beachfront refugee camp where he was beaten and shot by soldiers.

He fled abroad to study bomb-making in Syria, weaponry in Iran, and politics with Islamic militants in Sudan and Lebanon, according to his own account and court documents.

As the No. 2 man in the Izzedine al-Qassam Brigade, the military wing of Hamas, Salameh returned to put his training to use in the streets of Israel, orchestrating three suicide-bombing attacks in February and March that changed modern Mideast history.

Salameh, wounded and captured by Israeli troops May 17, faces charges of premeditated murder for attacks in Jerusalem and Ashkelon that killed 46 people and wounded 91. His trial is set to begin Sept. 2.

"Israel should be held responsible for the killing and injury of innocent people because of its policies against the Palestinian people," Salameh, a short man with a dark beard and a confident swagger, told reporters earlier this month.

To those who believe the only way to attain Palestinian statehood and an Islamic government is through bloodshed, Salameh is a hero.

On the wall next to his house, graffiti praises the "fighter Hassan" and says: "If the Israel Defense Force is a defense army, Izzedine al-Qassam is an attack army."

Salameh, the fourth son of a tailor, grew up in a shack with a strip of corrugated tin for a front door. He worked as a busboy in a Tel Aviv restaurant and picked tomatoes for the Jewish settlers who live behind barbed wire and guard towers a mile away.

More than anything, he is the child of the street rebellion that was born in Palestinian refugee camps like this one on Dec. 8, 1987, and led to six years of street battles between Palestinian youths and Israeli troops.

What turned a teenager with ambitions of being a schoolteacher into a Hamas activist?

"It was the intefadeh," said his mother, Khadijeh Salameh, who in deference to Islamic customs of modesty covered her hand with the edge of her white headscarf, or hijab, before shaking a reporter's hand.

"He was a science student. He planned to make a future. If there was no intefadeh, no killings by Jews and their crackdowns and their prisons, he would not make any trouble."

Mrs. Salemeh traced her son's activism to shortly after his father's death when Israeli troops kicked down the door at 2 a.m. They took Hassan, only 15 at the time, and his brothers out of the house and ordered them to clean up the burning tires and debris from a demonstration.

A souvenir photograph shows Salameh dressed in a long white tunic in Marj al-Zahour, the camp in south Lebanon where he was deported in December 1992 along with 400 other suspected Islamic militants. There he met guerrillas of the Iran-backed Hezbollah, or Party of God.

Largely in Salameh's honor, the hair salon on the corner of his nameless street is called the "Marj al-Zahour Salon."

It was another activist from Marj al-Zahour who helped Salameh assemble a team to carry out the suicide-bombings, according to Israeli court documents obtained by The Associated Press.

In just two weeks, between Feb. 12 and Feb. 25, they chose their targets, brought in explosives and recruited three Palestinians willing to die for their cause, the documents based on Salameh's interrogation say.

The court documents, based on interrogations of Salameh, detail a wide-ranging network of support for Hamas activists among states either opposed to the peace process or not participating in it.

Abu Hamdan, in an interview with AP in Tehran in mid-March, defended suicide-bombings as a legitimate part of the Hamas struggle. Israelis, he said, "must understand what it means to cry, to lose your family, to lose your father."

At his first court appearance earlier this month, Salameh confirmed to reporters that he had been to Syria, Sudan and Iran.

But there is no indication in Salameh's statements or the court documents that the bombings in February and March, which led to the downfall of Shimon Peres, were carried out on orders from Iran or other outside powers.

Salameh said the main goal was "to defend the Palestinian cause and to even the score for Israel's Jan. 5 killing of Ayyash, who was lionized by Palestinians.

In makeshift morgue, officials sift through evidence of mass killings at Srebrenica

KALESIJA, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — They work at one end of an abandoned clothing factory, amid broken windows and idled sewing machines, using old tin stretchers as autopsy tables.

Plastic sheeting protects the X-ray machine from a leaky roof, and beat-up lockers from the former workers' changing room are used to store evidence.

Yet despite the less-than-clinical conditions, three dozen forensic pathologists, anthropologists and archeologists are methodically compiling evidence on the Srebrenica massacres — likely the greatest war crime of Bosnia's conflict.

In the makeshift morgue at Kalesija, about 14 miles east of Tuzla, they have examined the remains of 154 bodies unearthed six weeks ago from one grave alone, near Cerska in Serb-held eastern Bosnia.

That grave, and others still to be dug up, likely hold the bodies of many of the up to 7,000 Muslim men who disappeared after Bosnian Serbs overran Srebrenica in July 1995.

On Monday, pathologists plan to begin work on the 33 bodies exhumed from a second grave last month, near the town of Nova Kasaba, just down the road from Cerska.

Preliminary digging began last week in Lazete, about 14 miles north. All three towns are in the same east Bosnian valley where many Srebrenica men are thought to have been massacred.

Although all sides in the war are accused of mass killings, the sheer numbers of the alleged Srebrenica massacres dwarf similar atrocities in comparison.

Bosnian Serbs deny the testimony of survivors and physical evidence of massacres, saying most victims died in battle. Dr. Robert H. Kirschner, whose team just finished the autopsies for the U.N. war crimes tribunal, disagrees.

"There's no doubt that these were people who were executed," he said of the Cerska victims.

Kirschner, who retired as deputy chief medical examiner in Chicago last year, is on loan from the Boston-based Physicians for Human Rights, where he heads the international forensic program.

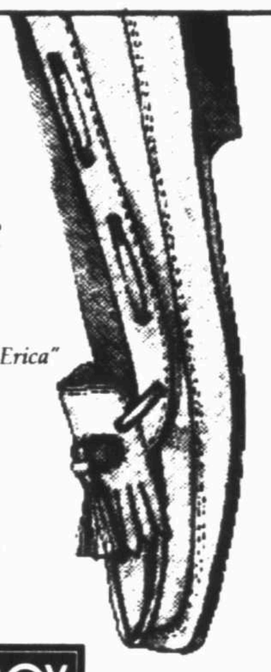
Along with documenting how the victims died, the investigators are trying to identify as many victims as possible and find relatives. "We want to be able to tie these bodies to living people" who might be able to testify about how they came to be there, he said.

Most of the Cerska victims were apparently stripped of identification before they were buried.

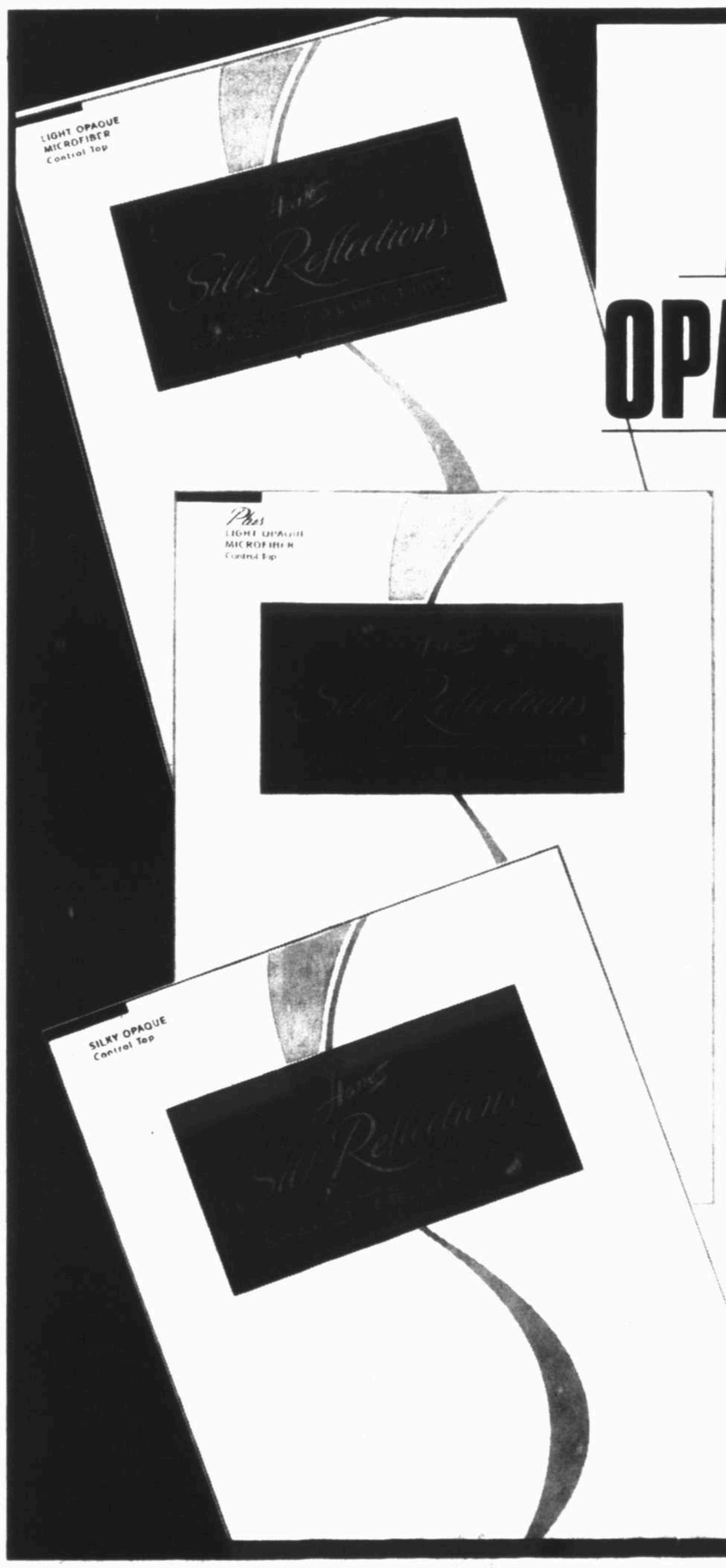
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Their future in doubt, Britain's royal family contemplates changes

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PARIS — Prodded by opinion polls showing that nearly half the British people now favor abolishing the monarchy, Britain's costly and high-living royal family is looking to continental Europe's more modest monarchies for clues on how to survive into the coming century.

Under mounting pressure from the country's political leaders and the media to change their ways before it's too late, the British royals last week disclosed they have begun consultations with constitutional experts on proposals that would add up to the most sweeping changes in their privileges and prerogatives in 300 years.

The driving force behind the royal reform movement is said to be much-criticized Prince Charles, who as the heir to the throne, has the most at stake.

Royal watchers say the 47-year-old prince recognizes it is make or break time for him personally. Unless popular hostility toward him can be turned around, he knows that he could be forced to step aside in favor of his 14-year-old son, William.

But even then, according to some British political analysts, the monarchy might not survive, given the strong tide of opinion running against royalty in a nation where, only a decade ago, republican sentiment was negligible.

Charles, whose divorce from his wife, Diana, becomes effective August 26, is described as a contrite character. He is said to accept that their disastrous 15-year marriage — including their mutual confessions of infidelity — proved the detonator for the anti-monarchist explosion rocking the country.

The Charles-Diana rift culminated a string of marital splits among Queen Elizabeth's offspring: both her daughter, Anne, and second son, Andrew, have been divorced.

However, according to Edward Seymour, a London lawyer specializing in constitutional matters, it was "the messy fall-out from the breakup of the marriage of (the heir to the throne) which caused the serious political damage. It opened a pandora's box, allowing the media and other critics to place the monarchy under far greater scrutiny than anyone had done for a long time."

The result shattered the royal family's carefully hewn image as selfless public servants who put duty to the nation above all else, he added.

Among other disclosures, heavily taxed British citizens learned that the queen, one of the wealthiest persons in the world, did not pay income tax (a situation hastily rectified in 1992). They also discovered that a score or more of royal cousins drew state salaries although few did much, if anything, to earn them.

Public ire grew as British newspapers, no longer feeling bound to treat the royal family with discretion, provided details of frivolous life styles, fleets of Rolls-Royces, luxurious palaces — and how much all this extravagance was costing the nation.

Charles — firmly backed by his mother — is reportedly demanding drastic reforms of two kinds. One reform would drastically cut back royal expenditure, the other reform would abolish some traditions and rules, some of them dating from medieval times, that make the monarchy appear thoroughly out of touch.

"What Charles has in mind is something like the Spanish monarchy," according to Seymour. "One reason King Juan Carlos is vastly popular with his people is that he carries out his duties without an elaborate court, has eliminated all costly pomp. His entire royal establishment consists of about a half-dozen officials."

Charles sees a similarly thrifty and unpretentious mode of existence as the salvation of Britain's monarchy, Seymour said, noting that the Scandinavian, Dutch and Belgian royal houses also operate on a reduced scale.

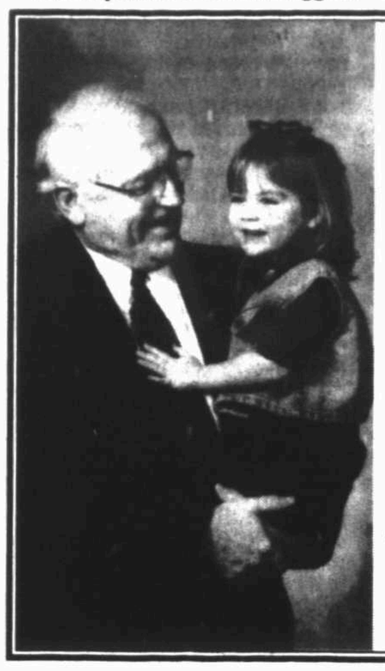
Buckingham Palace officials have been quoted by British newspapers as saying that the royals and their advisers are mulling over the possibility of abolishing the so-called $86 million annual "civil list," the public funds supplied for the upkeep of the royal establishment.

Given the queen's great personal wealth — estimated at upwards of $3 billion — the so-called civil list has become a target of growing controversy.

"As compensation, the royal family will undoubtedly ask for the return of some of their extensive real estate surrendered in the 19th century to the nation," Seymour explained. "How much they get back would, of course, be subject to negotiation. They are unlikely to get much."

On the political side, the biggest symbolic reform would be to eliminate the last vestige of the sovereign's once-dominant power.

The queen still has a nominal role in appointing the prime minister. She and Charles reportedly are weighing whether it might help the monarchy to survive if the throne dropped even its present minimal involvment in politics, as has happened in Sweden.



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Couple who survived air crash have obituary to frame

VANCOUVER (AP) — It was a labor of love and sorrow, the obituary Dennis Patterson wrote summing up the lives of his sister and her husband — tragically cut short as the couple pursued their passion for flying.

So it was laughter, not tears, that came when Patterson learned he could personally deliver his prose to the not-so-late couple after all.

Brian and Sheila Patterson were found bruised and shaken — but very much alive Friday — three days after their plane crashed into a remote lake, leaving everyone assuming the two were dead.

Everyone except for the couple's 8-year-old son, Lewis.

"I thought they did a nose dive in their landing," the boy said. "I thought they jumped and swam to shore."

That optimism proved right.

The Johnsons were on a one-hour sightseeing flight over the northwest coast of Vancouver Island on Tuesday when their amphibious floatplane crashed into Gaultheria Lake.

Brian Johnson, a pilot of only four years, he had made a bad landing and the plane flipped. He and his wife escaped from the sinking aircraft and swam about a quarter-mile to shore.

But when search and rescue officials arrived at the site, they found an oil slick, debris and the couple's identification. They assumed the Johnsons had sunk to a watery grave.

The couple were nowhere in sight because they had decided to follow a creek down to the ocean, where earlier they had seen kayakers who they hoped to ask for help.

They weren't spotted until Friday when a helicopter flew by carrying a coroner to the crash site to prepare a report on their deaths.

The coroner said, "I'm glad I don't have to write this report," Brian "Bugsy" Johnson, 48, recalled during an impromptu news conference at their home. His wife Sheila, 41, skipped the session in favor of a hot shower.

Johnson said they set up a crude oceanside encampment, existing on a "west coast cuisine" diet of mussels, wild berries and creek water.

Wearing only light, summer clothes, they lit fires, drew a huge SOS on the beach and waved a tarp to try to attract attention.

They never gave up hope, but not seeing any searchers was unnerving.

"It was really the fact we couldn't contact anyone. That was the worst part. There were two days of awful silence," Johnson said. "We didn't have any injuries and we knew someone would come."

The horror, he said, was wondering "what everyone was thinking."

Mourning turned to celebration when friends and relatives learned the couple had been rescued Friday. A steady stream of joyous family members and friends arrived at the couple's home to welcome them ba k to life.

A huge cake, with a small chocolate airplane diving nose first into the icing, was inscribed: "Bugsy and Sheila, Welcome Home. You Are Grounded."

U.S. Cuba policy suffers setback as OAS criticizes Helms-Burton

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Legal experts of the Organization of American States have criticized the the Helms-Burton Act, which tightens the U.S. embargo on Cuba, saying it's out of step with international law.

Friday's statement marked a new setback for Washington in its efforts to win support for its boycott of Cuba. It came as President Clinton's new envoy on Cuba policy, Commerce Undersecretary Stuart Eizenstat, prepares to promote the widely criticized policy in Mexico this week.

In Washington, the State Department had no comment Saturday.

Ten legal experts on the Inter-American Juridical Committee unanimously declared the that the measure "is not in conformity with international law."

Foreign governments have widely denounced the Helms-Burton Act, which allows Washington to punish foreign companies dealing with Cuba, as a violation of their sovereignty. Key U.S. trading partners — including Canada, the European Community and Mexico — have said they would retaliate if need be.

Mexico's foreign minister, Jose Angel Gurria, called the OAS statement a victory for Mexico and other U.S. trading partners that could be targeted under Helms-Burton, which Clinton signed into law in March.

"It will be extremely useful in court cases against companies accused under Helms-Burton," Gurria said.

The Helms-Burton Act allows lawsuits in U.S. courts against foreigners who use property seized by Fidel Castro's government from U.S. companies or citizens, including people who were Cuban citizens at the time of the confiscation.

It also bans executives of companies investing in such property from the United States. Top officials of one Canadian firm, Sheritt International, already have been notified they will be banned.

The United States also has warned Grupo Domos of Mexico and STET of Italy they could face sanctions for investments in the phone system nationalized from International Telephone and Telegraph.

The OAS committee ruled that:

— Disputes over expropriations should be handled between governments, not individuals filing suits in foreign courts.

— The U.S. law allows the award of excessively high damages and does not give foreigners a fair chance to defend themselves.

— Countries may not make claims on behalf of people who were not their citizens at the time their goods were confiscated, nor may they target third parties who were not involved in the confiscation.

— The U.S. law cannot forbid the use of crops or goods produced on confiscated property.

Mexico sent a diplomatic protest last week to the State Department against its "unacceptable attempt to exercise extraterritorial jurisdiction."

It was reacting to a U.S. letter advising officials of a Mexican conglomerate, Grupo Domos, that they would be barred from the United States if they did not sell off an investment in the Cuban telephone company.

Mexico's congress plans to consider legislation that might allow for agreements with Canada and Europe so that companies sued in the United States under Helms-Burton could retaliate with lawsuits in other countries.

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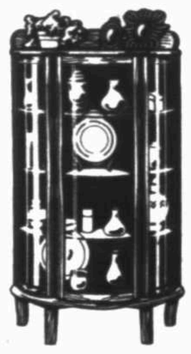
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Sweden, UNICEF combine to combat increase in child prostitution

STOCKHOLM, Sweden (AP) — In a roach-infested Bangkok brothel, teen-age prostitute Noi Wattana said she considered herself lucky — her manager hadn't beaten her yet in her first week of work.

In a bright Stockholm conference hall, delegates from 122 countries meet starting Tuesday in hopes of making other children far luckier, by trying to cut the complex web of circumstances that has dragged Noi and hundreds of thousands of other children into the sex trade.

The World Congress Against the Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children is the first international attempt to attack a staggering problem with a dreadful toll: children taken from their families, forced to submit to sex, beaten, and, if they escape, often treated as pariahs.

Noi, who claimed to be 17 but looked several years younger, had seen much of that suffering only a week after being brought to the brothel by a friend of her impoverished family, a 20-year-old prostitute.

"My mother knows what I am doing," she told an AP reporter in Bangkok. "I've called her three times already. She always cries. I cry, too."

The congress is sponsored by the Swedish government in cooperation with UNICEF and non-governmental groups. Lisbeth Palme, the widow of murdered Prime Minister Olof Palme, headed the Swedish host committee.

The number of child prostitutes isn't known, although it's clearly enormous. The Thai government estimates the country has 40,000, but UNICEF puts the figure at 300,000. Philippines officials say the number there is about 60,000. Estonia, with only 1.5 million people, has 1,000, Social Affairs Ministry official Jaan Ruutman said this month.

While child prostitution is not a modern phenomenon, experts say developments in recent decades have combined to make it grow. Among them, according to a congress background document:

— Fear of AIDS has fueled demand for younger prostitutes, in the mistaken belief that they are less likely to carry the virus. In fact, children are more vulnerable to infection than adults because they are more easily damaged internally and young membranes are more porous.

— In many countries, the rocketing prosperity of some sectors of the population increases envy and desperation among those left behind, inducing them to sell their children to brothels.

— Modern materialism combines with traditional belief in many societies that children, especially girls, are little more than property to be exploited.

— Advances in information technology makes it easier for pedophiles to communicate with each other and organize "sex tours."

Governments often react with no more than bewilderment and resignation.

"Tourism is all about adventure and sex is part of adventure. Prostitution, whether by children or adults, is an integral part of tourism," said Kariuki Ndune, a Kenyan tourism official who opposes prostitution.

In the face of all those factors, a five-day conclave of discussions and speeches might seem to be ineffectual. But while organizers and participants don't expect any immediate, concrete change to come from the congress, neither do they expect the gathering to produce just well-meaning but quickly forgotten statements.

"I think Stockholm will be a turning-point; it will create a sense of outrage," said Mark Connolly, a New York-based UNICEF worker.

"I don't know if the purpose is to embarrass governments, necessarily," said Christa Giles, a UNICEF spokeswoman. "We think the conference will raise awareness and encourage the adoption of laws."

Some countries have already taken some legal steps. In May, Thai Prime Minister Banharn Silpa-archa admitted his administration had not done enough to combat the problem and the government formulated a comprehensive plan to supersede previous haphazard enforcement efforts.

Swedish law allows prosecution of Swedes who commit acts overseas that violate Swedish law and used this provision in 1995 in the high-profile conviction of a 69-year-old man for having sex with a 13-year-old boy in Thailand. Other countries, including Britain, are considering such laws.

In July, a British man was sentenced to 14 to 17 years imprisonment in the Philippines for sexual contact with two young boys.

"We're a lot further ahead than were were five years ago," said Christine Beddoe of the Bangkok-based group End Child Prostitution in Asian Tourism.

Whatever changes are motivated by the congress can be amplified by the victims themselves. Connolly, who spent four years working with street kids in Guatemala, said many child prostitutes need only a small amount of help and encouragement to break free.

"After two or three years (in brothels), they're like rag dolls," he said. "But the first year they wake up every day wanting out. There are so many kids I've seen who make it, by their own determination and will."

For Noi, the young prostitute in Bangkok, a strong will isn't enough yet.

"I want to go home to my village," she said, but "they won't allow it."

Death toll reaches 113 as snow and rain buffet Hindu pilgrims in Himalayas

JAMMU, India (AP) — Navigating through torrential rains, an army helicopter pilot flew Saturday into the Himalayas to rescue two sick Hindu pilgrims from among thousands of people stranded on the slopes.

A freak snowstorm and heavy rains have left at least 113 people dead near Pahalgam, a town about 65 miles south of the Jammu-Kashmir state capital, Srinagar.

Doctors feared the death toll could rise as the storm, which began Thursday, persisted. Rescue teams were prevented from reaching the stranded pilgrims for the second day in a row.

Most of the victims, who were from the plains of India, died of exposure while trekking to a mountain cave to worship an ice idol of Shiva, the Hindu god of destruction.

Two state government officials flew aboard the rescue helicopter from Srinagar to Pahalgam to assess the problem. They delivered hundreds of pounds of medicine before picking up two unconscious pilgrims and ferrying them back to a hospital in Srinagar.

An estimated 80,000 people were in the mountains when the storm hit. The freezing rain and snow have covered the lower slopes with sheer ice, hampering rescue efforts.

The government on Saturday sent a team of 100 policemen and private workers with tents, blankets and warm clothes. Although it had yet to reach the stranded group, officials were hoping the rescue team would arrive within a day.

Authorities on Friday called off the annual pilgrimage to the ancient Amarnath caves, asking Hindu worshipers not to leave the city of Jammu.

But more than 115,000 people already had left. The pilgrimage that began Aug. 16 includes a 30-mile trek to the Hindu temple 13,500 feet up in the mountains.

Much of the route to the Amarnath cave remains buried under snow.

In a rare spirit of religious tolerance, Muslim residents of the village of Khabanal, on the way to the cave, offered food and shelter to an estimated 15,000 Hindu pilgrims stranded there.

The pilgrimage won't be complete until a prayer is said at the shrine on Wednesday, the day of a full moon.

Officials plan to bring priests in by helicopter for the rite.

About 35,000 worshipers are believed to have completed the journey and returned safely, but there was no official estimate. Usually, fewer than a dozen pilgrims die each year from exertion or accidents.

The dead included two soldiers and a Border Security Force guard who were among thousands of troops posted along the route to protect pilgrims from attacks by Kashmiri separatist rebels.

The rebels, not weather, are usually the main threat. The trek takes pilgrims through the main theater of a Muslim-led insurrection that erupted in 1989 and has left about 14,500 people dead.

Egyptian village girl bleeds to death during circumcision

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — A 14-year-old girl bled to death during a female circumcision operation Saturday, the second to die from the procedure in two months.

Police said they were looking for the doctor who fled after performing the surgery on Amina Abdel-Hamid Abu-Elah in the village of Ashfin, just north of Cairo.

Despite the dangers to health, an estimated 70 percent to 90 percent of girls in Egypt are circumcised before puberty. The procedure — also known as genital mutilation — can involve cutting away the tip of the clitoris or removing all exterior genitals.

Many Egyptians think the operation curbs a girl's sexual appetite or enhances cleanliness. Others believe it is ordained by Islam, although Muslim scholars are at odds over this.

Some Egyptian Christians follow the practice, too.

There is no law that specifically outlaws female circumcision in Egypt, but the government has taken steps to try to stop it.

Barbers and midwives, who are the traditional practitioners, face prosecution if caught on charges of performing surgery without a medical license.

Last month Health Minister Ismail Sallam, under pressure from women's and human rights groups, banned all registered doctors, nurses and health care workers from performing circumcisions.

Earlier, the government had banned the procedure in state-run hospitals, and last month Sallam expanded the prohibition to include private clinics. Sallam said violators faced "severe punishment," but did not specify what the penalties would be.

Last month, an 11-year-old girl bled to death after a botched circumcision performed by a barber in another village north of Cairo.

In April, a barber in a village near Assiut in southern Egypt was sentenced to a year in prison for causing permanent damage to a 9-year-old girl during a circumcision operation.

Police officials said Saturday that Abu-Elah was taken by her father, an electrical repairman, to have the circumcision performed.

The officials said the doctor has fled the village and that an arrest warrant has been issued. They spoke on condition they not be identified by name.

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Democratic delegates stream into Chicago for pre-convention activities

CHICAGO (AP) — Democrats streamed into their convention city Saturday determined to propel President Clinton to a second term and recapture control of Congress. Framing his case for the hectic week ahead, the president declared: "America is on the right track."

Clinton was in Washington, dispatching Vice President Al Gore to join the delegates and Democratic activists arriving here for a wide range of pre-convention festivities.

"I've got a file folder full of party invitations," said Gary Hindes, the Delaware Democratic chairman.

Not that the mood among Democrats was universally festive.

Two-time Democratic presidential candidate Jesse Jackson spoke for many party liberals as he criticized Clinton for signing welfare legislation that ended the 60-year federal guarantee of cash assistance to the poor. Noting that Clinton had twice vetoed similar Republican proposals, Jackson said, "He should have done it three times."

The White House was bracing for welfare protests throughout the four-day gathering — and for a pre-convention Illinois visit by Republican challenger Bob Dole.

Dole was attending a GOP picnic Sunday in suburban Chicago at which he planned to outline a new anti-drug initiative and cast Clinton as negligent in the fight to keep children off drugs. On Saturday, Dole sought to insulate himself from the coming torrent of Democratic criticism, rebutting the White House claim that he could not cut taxes by $548 billion without making draconian cuts in Medicare.

Democrats will make their case against Dole — and for a second Clinton term — from a high-tech podium built in Chicago's United Center, the place where Michael Jordan earns his living for the NBA champion Bulls.

In addition to ticketmates Clinton and Gore, first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton has a prime-time speaking role, highlighting Tuesday's agenda. Mixed in with the predictable parade of Democratic leaders were a handful of everyday Americans called on to speak about how Clinton initiatives have improved their lives.

Clinton wasn't the only one with something to prove. Congressional Democrats were given a slice of convention time to promote their candidates — and were talking up their chances of recapturing control of Congress. "I believe we are poised for a big victory in November," House Democratic leader Richard Gephardt said in an interview.

Chicago, too, was looking for redemption. The 1968 Democratic convention here was marred by anti-Vietnam war demonstrations and some arriving delegates recalled watching police firing tear gas at the crowds.

Hubert "Skip" Humphrey III had a bird's-eye view — his father was the Democratic presidential nominee that year, and had a 25th floor hotel suite overlooking the lakefront protests. "It was terrible," said Skip Humphrey, now Minnesota's attorney general.

After lagging 20 points behind Clinton for most of the summer, Dole got a bounce from his San Diego convention earlier this month; most polls now put Clinton's lead in the six-to-10 point range. A Newsweek survey released Saturday, for example, showed Clinton with 47 percent support, Dole at 40 percent and Ross Perot at 7.

Clinton's goal for Chicago was to widen the gap — and to propel himself toward a niche in history: not since Franklin Roosevelt has a Democratic president been elected to a second term.

Practicing for his busy convention week, which includes a train ride through four states en route to Chicago, Clinton used his weekly radio address to remind voters his crimefighting record included signing the Brady handgun control law and legislation banning some assault rifles.

Clinton also reflected on what he called "a week of remarkable achievements" in which he signed legislation raising the minimum wage, making it easier to obtain health insurance and requiring welfare recipients to work.

Making his case for a second term, Clinton said, "America is on the right track, offering more opportunity, demanding more responsibility, building a strong community, a sense of shared values and stronger families."

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Dole tells Florida senior citizens his tax cuts won't mean Social Security cuts

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — Hammering on a podium with his fist, Bob Dole took on Democratic charges that his tax cuts would decimate Social Security and Medicare, booming to voters Saturday in this largely retiree state: "We're trying to save the program. We're going to save the program!"

While the Republican nominee courted Florida senior citizens, he refused to comment for a third day on President Clinton's proposal to crack down on tobacco sales to young people by classifying nicotine as addictive and curbing ads.

Dole appeared determined to keep attention focused on his $548 billion tax-cutting plan, moving to defend it against an anticipated slew of criticism from Democrats gathering in Chicago.

"They will try to get you to believe our tax reductions will mean deep cuts in government programs for America's seniors and those in need," Dole said in a Saturday morning radio address with Jack Kemp, his vice presidential running mate.

In Florida, a politically important state with 25 presidential electoral votes, Dole was explicit in his pledge not to touch Social Security as he seeks ways to offset the proposed tax cuts.

"I would say to seniors in Florida and across America today, many of whom live just on Social Security and Medicare, we're trying to save the program. We're going to save the program! We're not going to devastate the program," Dole said.

Last week, Dole pledged to war veterans that their benefits also would be sacred.

Although Dole has not detailed what spending he would propose cut, he said in an interview in Sunday's Chicago Tribune that balancing the budget would be his priority, ahead of tax cuts. "The balanced budget amendment is No. 1, balancing the budget by the year 2000, and tax cuts are No. 2," Dole said.

Both can be done because Republicans now control Congress, Dole told the newspaper.

Democrats already are airing a new TV ad suggesting Dole's tax cuts would force less spending on Medicare, education and the environment.

But Dole said his plan would only slow the growth in Medicare spending — not cut the program as President Clinton claims.

Telling voters to expect a tax-cut plan from Clinton, too, the Republican nominee also reminded them that Clinton promised tax cuts during the 1992 campaign and instead raised taxes his first year in the White House.

"Don't be fooled again," Dole said. He planned to tweak Democrats by appearing Sunday in Chicago for a picnic — "just a little pre-convention visit."

Dole refused to comment on Clinton's new tobacco rules. Singed by criticism after he recently questioned if nicotine is addictive, Dole for three days has not responded to reporters' questions on the Clinton plan. Asked about tobacco before he ducked into his car Saturday, Dole said only: "I don't use it."

Dole previously had been explicit in his view that the FDA lacked jurisdiction to regulate tobacco sales — and in his concern that such oversight would ruin the tobacco industry.

For Dole's first solo rally since bringing the gregarious Kemp aboard, the Florida GOP packed a University of Tampa sports center with nearly 3,000 rowdy supporters. Dole energetically played to the crowd with one-liners, including a dig at the Clintons, whom he said were even now checking into moving vans.

"They have a lot of files to carry out and things we don't know about," Dole joked to a roar and the rumble of pompons. He planned an afternoon rally in New Orleans.

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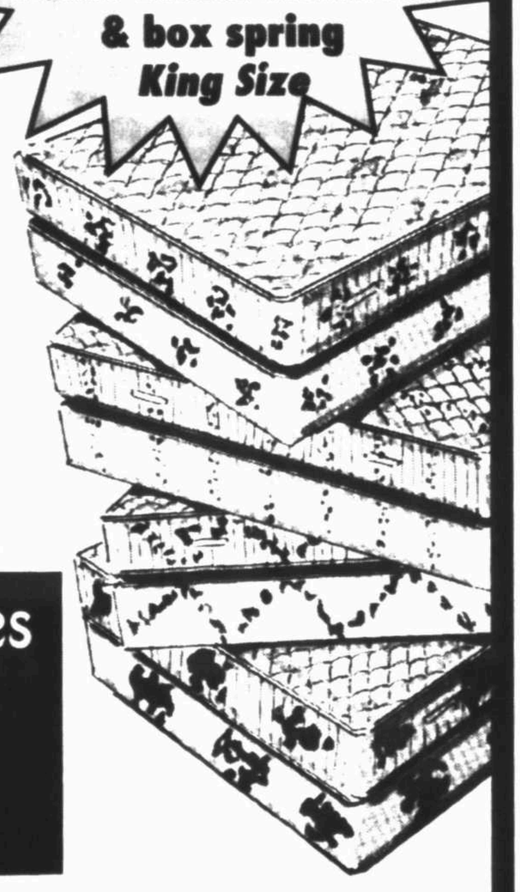
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New Yorkers, experts say compliance with new welfare bill impossible

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It will be virtually impossible for New York City and state to move hundreds of thousands of New Yorkers from public assistance into full-time jobs over the next few years, as the new federal law overhauling welfare intends, according to many economists and job-training experts.

There are nearly 470,000 adults on welfare in New York City, and many experts say that only a small number are likely to find permanent jobs.

The reason is simple: the city's economy is growing much too slowly to absorb so many inexperienced, unskilled people in a short time. The sheer number of welfare recipients in New York City, when compared with the size of the local job market, makes the task of finding real jobs, primarily in the private sector, very daunting.

But there is a mismatch, as well, between most of the sectors of the city's economy that are growing — business services, media, computer and data services, the securities industry — and the unskilled welfare recipients who will soon be thrust into the job market.

Under provisions approved last month by Congress and signed into law on Thursday by President Clinton, most people on welfare will receive benefits for a maximum of five years. Once their time limits are up, most recipients will lose all benefits and be on their own. Up to 20 percent of those on public assistance — the ones who are least employable — will be allowed to remain on welfare beyond the limit. (Even while receiving benefits, most people on public assistance will have to enroll in workfare.)

Critics of the law have long argued that there are not nearly enough entry-level jobs in New York and other large cities with sluggish economies, high unemployment and large concentrations of poor people — like Detroit, Chicago and Los Angeles — to accommodate everyone on public assistance.

Even some proponents of overhauling welfare say that New York's economy cannot provide jobs for so many people so quickly.

Consider this: There are 3.3 million jobs in New York City, and since the city's recession ended late in 1992 there has been a net gain of 88,000 jobs. At that slow rate of growth, if every job gained by the local economy were given to a New Yorker now on welfare, it would take 21 years for all 470,000 adults to be absorbed into the economy.

"You've got a problem," said Robert Lerman, an economist at the Urban Institute, a Washington think tank.

William J. Grinker, a former commissioner of the city's Human Resources Administration, said that the local economy could not, on its own, provide employment to so many unskilled people.

"With a growing economy, I suppose eventually you'd be able to do it," he said. "But in the short term it logically leads you to understand that a massive job creation effort beyond anything the government's done since the Great Depression would have to go on to provide work for all those people.

"It's not that it can't be done, but certainly not within the time frames of the law," said Grinker, who is now a consultant in health and social services, including job training for welfare recipients. "It's a big, big, big hit."

The relationship between people on welfare and the local economy is more complicated, and in many ways even more problematic, than can be understood by looking only at net job gains in the last four years.

The labor market is fluid, and at any time thousands of jobs are being created and thousands of others are disappearing. So there are many opportunities available to an individual on welfare, at least in theory.

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But most job openings are not appropriate for someone with no high school diploma, a spotty work history and limited skills. And even when entry-level jobs are available, thousands of people in addition to welfare recipients compete for them.

Right now, there are 271,000 New York City residents who are unemployed and looking for work, but who are not on welfare. (New York City's unemployment rate, which is 8.5 percent, is 57 percent higher than the national average, 5.4 percent.)

New York also has a smaller portion of people employed, compared with its overall working-age population, than many other large cities. That means there are tens of thousands of New Yorkers who are not actively seeking work, but who might compete for future job openings.

To this grim mix must be added the fact that about 15 percent of the 3.3 million jobs in New York City are part time, according to Census Bureau surveys. And more than 20 percent of the jobs in the city have been held in recent years by people who live in the suburbs, according to Rosemary Scanlon, the deputy state comptroller for New York City.

Of the remaining jobs, many and probably most require more education and skill than the average welfare recipient possesses. The industries that have served traditionally as entry points for unskilled and low-skilled workers — manufacturing, construction and government — have declined or remained static in New York even while the economy has grown in the last four years.

However, several sectors of the local economy that have grown, including retailing, restaurants and home health care, are believed to have provided new entry-level jobs.

Overall, though, even enthusiastic supporters of the central thrust of the welfare overhaul — ending long-term dependency — say that only a small fraction of New Yorkers on welfare are likely to find jobs in the private sector when their eligibility runs out after five years.

At today's rate of growth, if every job gained were given to a New Yorker now on welfare, it would take 21 years for all 470,000 adults to be absorbed into the economy.

"There is no doubt that New York City and other cities don't have the jobs anymore," said Michael D. Tanner, director of health and welfare studies at the Cato Institute, a research organization in Washington that generally promotes free-market policies. "One of the things that welfare has masked is normal migration patterns."

Tanner, while endorsing the law's basic direction, said he was "a little bit concerned at the basic idea of moving large numbers of people who are currently on welfare out all at one time. There is a possibility of overburdening the system if you flood it all at once."

But Sen. Alfonse D'Amato, R-N.Y., contends that the welfare overhaul, by cutting the cost of government, will lead to tax reductions and an expansion of New York's private sector. "If you limit the burdens on businesses," he said, "they will stay in New York and expand and hopefully will be able to absorb the larger work force."

"I believe that that, coupled with the increase in the minimum wage, which is very important for entry-level jobs, will make the market much better than some people fear," he said.

D'Amato also said he expected such a major change in social policy to take time to put into effect. "There will be some hardships and some dislocation," he said. "No doubt there will be some who fall through the cracks. We will watch out for problems, but we should not allow that to prevent us from moving forward."

Those opposed to the welfare changes envision nightmarish scenarios, with tens of thousands of poor single mothers and their children being thrown out on the streets if their benefits run out and they cannot find work.

"I think it is going to look like it did in the Depression in the city," said Liz Krueger, associate director of the Community Food Resource Center, a welfare advocacy group.

"We'll have tent camps. I think we will have a boom in homelessness so extreme that nobody in modern times could have even imagined it. I think there will be an increase in crime in poor communities, because that will be the only option some people will have. I think we will see landlords running away from buildings in poor communities, because people will not have the incomes to pay rents that would enable landlords to keep their buildings up."

Some people wonder if the city and state will be forced to step in to prevent large numbers of welfare mothers and children from becoming destitute and homeless.

Under the new law, 80 percent of those on welfare will have their benefits cut off after five years; the other 20 percent are assumed to be permanently unemployable because of disabilities and other serious problems.

The city and state, which now pay half the cost of welfare, with the federal government paying the other half, could decide in five years to take up the entire burden, to prevent welfare recipients who are unable to find work from becoming homeless.

But to do so, the city and state would have to raise taxes or cut other government services even more than they already have.

Nationally, there are 4.5 million adults on welfare and 126 million jobs. But the jobs and the welfare recipients are not distributed equally. In New York, there are 470,000 adults on welfare and 3.3 million jobs — a ratio of welfare recipients to jobs four times the national average.

It is no accident that midwestern states like Wisconsin and Michigan have been in the forefront of prodding people from welfare to work. The economies of these states have been strong, with low unemployment and surging job growth, and they have had some success in reducing their welfare roles and finding permanent jobs for people.

Government bars sport fishing for bluefin tuna

BOSTON (AP) — Recreational fishermen from Maine to New Jersey are not allowed to catch bluefin tuna this year because their Southern counterparts have fished the stock to its limits.

The federal government banned recreational bluefin tuna fishing on Aug. 17, giving just three days' notice. Closing the season early will cost the region about $20 million, an official said Friday.

Bluefin tuna are a highly migratory species that can live 40 years, weigh up to 1,800 pounds and grow up to 10 feet long. They travel between Maine and the Gulf of Mexico.

Until recently, bluefin tuna were seldom seen off Atlantic shores in the winter. Now the tuna have returned to southeastern U.S. waters during that season, triggering a fishing frenzy.

An international agreement allows U.S. fishermen to catch 1,306 metric tons of bluefin tuna this year. Commercial fishermen, who are not affected by the ban, are allocated more than three times as much of the quota as are recreational permit holders, who come from around the country to fish in the Atlantic.

Some observers attributed the abrupt closing of the recreational season to poor data collection by the National Marine Fisheries Service.

To avoid similar closings in the future, the service wants to change the ways it tracks fishermen and bluefin tuna. Those changes include calling fishermen to verify that they are using their permits and giving the agency director the authority to quickly open or close the fishery.

Of the 78 fish species tracked by the service last year, bluefin tuna ranked 33rd in value and 70th in poundage caught.

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Experts say surge in personal bankruptcies defies economy's recovery

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If the current torrid pace continues, about 1.1 million Americans will file to have their debts wiped away this year under federal bankruptcy laws, up 25 percent from 1995 and far surpassing the record of 900,000 cases in 1992.

Unlike the previous surge in bankruptcy, which took place in the wake of a severe recession, the current epidemic coincides with the fifth year of an economic recovery. Unemployment and inflation are low, a record number of people are working and the stock market is bounding back to its record highs.

How to explain the anomaly? In part it is because many individual households, despite the robust economy, are still being shattered by job loss or an uninsured medical emergency that pushes them over the edge.

"People don't have a safety net," said Jeannie Seeliger, a lawyer in Jersey City, N.J., who specializes in bankruptcy. "They have high credit-card balances at high interest rates and they don't save any money. When the layoff hits or there is a large medical bill or a divorce, they have no cushion."

At the same time, bankruptcy no longer carries the stigma it once did, making it far easier for those who have simply accumulated too much debt to repudiate their obligations with only modest adverse consequences. But most of all, the bankruptcy surge reflects the payback from the wave of unsolicited credit-card offers that banks and card companies have showered on many more Americans than ever before.

Indeed, though sudden tragedy still pushes a lot of people over the edge, even more are drifting almost casually into insolvency. Alan A. Aaron, a lawyer who has practiced in Midland, Texas, for 15 years, said that the vast majority of his new bankruptcy cases were "a husband and wife working where everything seems to be going the right way, except they have more money going out than coming in."

Not only will 1 in 100 households

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declare bankruptcy this year, their debt will be higher than ever before — 5.3 times their annual income, compared with only 3.5 times in 1988, according to Visa International.

All these bankruptcies cost banks and other lenders an estimated $10 billion last year, a cost they passed on to their other customers in the form of higher interest rates. But far from being a painful drain on their profitability, the added expense is in fact a planned consequence of their efforts to win business in an increasingly crowded market by making higher-risk loans.

The banks are allowing far higher credit limits than their customers' incomes would have warranted in the past. And they are giving new credit to people they previously would have shunned, including those in their first jobs, those with low incomes and even those who have just emerged from bankruptcy.

"Nowadays a credit granter can dip into a risky class of borrower," said Robert Johnson, a researcher with the Purdue University Center for the Study of Consumer Credit. "Even if 8 out of 100 will go bad, they can charge enough interest to make a profit."

Many industry experts wonder whether the banks are playing a big game of musical chairs, with more money lent out and circling from one card to another than can ever possibly be paid back. And they envision a mad scramble when the music stops.

A new survey by Visa shows that more people are citing excessive spending as the chief cause of their bankruptcy, instead of job problems or family emergencies, as was the case only a few years ago.

When asked the "main reason" for taking the action, 29 percent said they were "overextended," 17 percent cited medical problems, 15 percent blamed unemployment, 12 percent divorce and 6 percent collection tactics by bill collectors.

The results contrasted sharply with a 1991 survey by the bankruptcy court system in which nearly half of the respondents blamed job problems, including unemployment and loss of income.

Other national trends feeding the bankruptcy courts, experts say, include increased payments due on variable-rate loans and mortgages, the spread of casino gambling into almost every corner of the country and the increase in the number of entrepreneurs who finance their start-ups with credit cards.

The range of people's breaking points can be seen in the windowless hearing room in a Newark, N.J., skyscraper where two dozen people wait for their bankruptcy court hearing.

"We have people who have lost jobs in banking, on Wall Street, you name it, every field I can think of, and it has a ripple effect," said Ms. Seeliger, the Jersey City lawyer, who this morning has five clients on the docket.

These cases fall under Chapter 7 of the bankruptcy code, the most commonly invoked, which will wipe away most unsecured debts except for student loans and back taxes.

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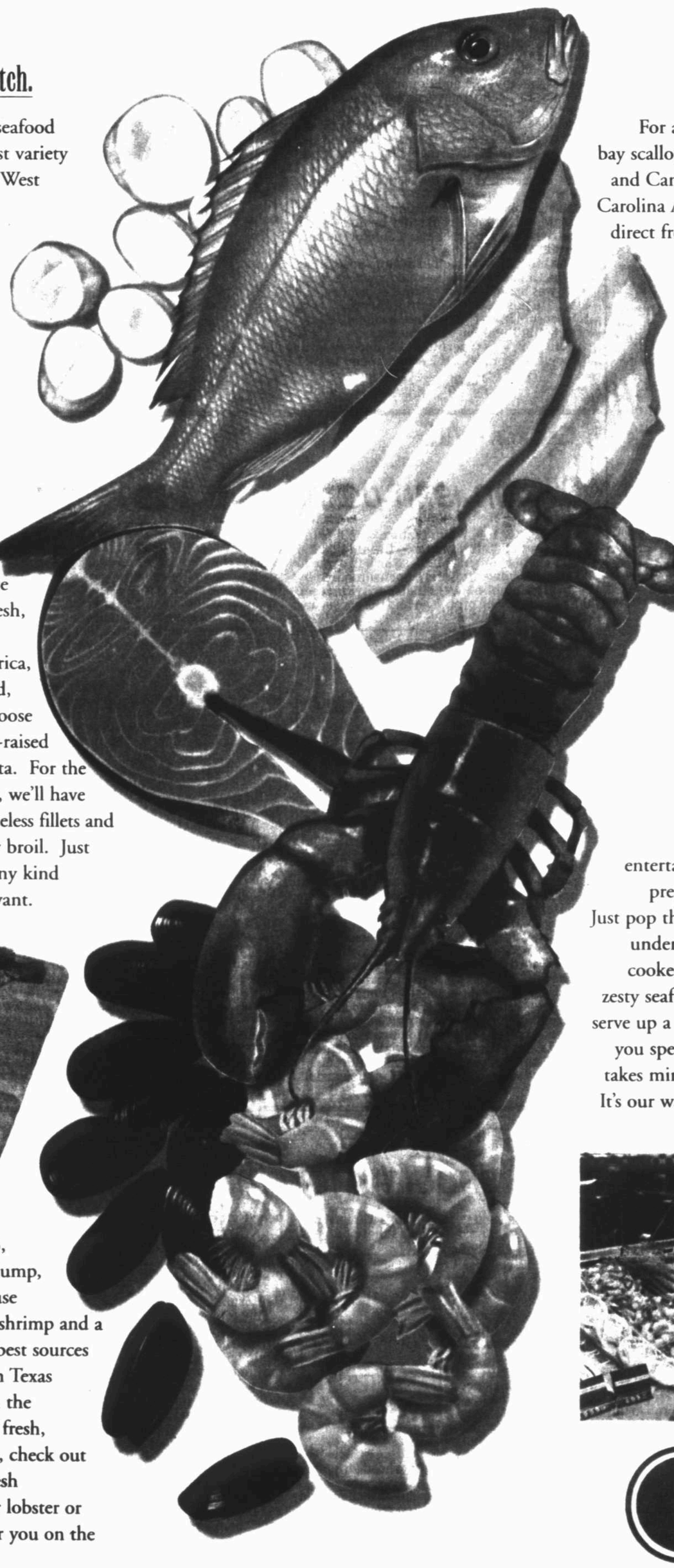
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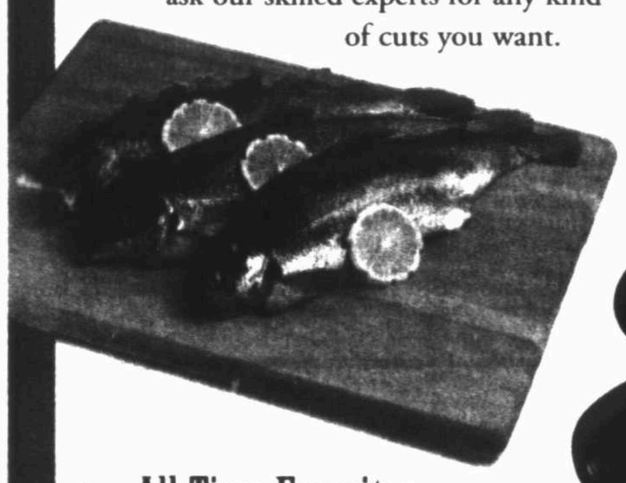


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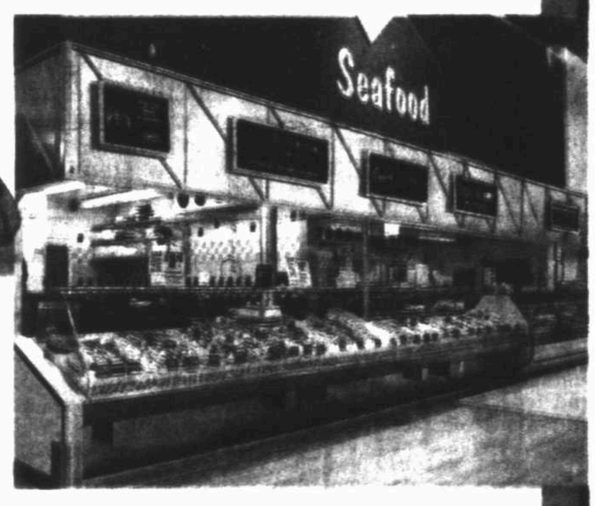


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Sentencings push Whitewater need

With the November presidential election little more than two months away, intensity appears to be building in the Whitewater case. This past week, it was highlighted by the sentencing of two defendants — former Arkansas Gov. Jim Guy Tucker and Susan McDougal — and the revelation that President Clinton's former business partner, James McDougal, is cooperating with prosecutors.

Tucker, who faced up to 10 years in prison for fraud and conspiracy, was handed a four-year probated sentence on Monday. But he received probation only out of compassion for his chronic liver disease.

Mrs. McDougal, on the other hand, was given a two-year prison sentence Tuesday for fraud in connection with a $300,000 loan, $25,000 of which was used to buy land for the Whitewater real estate venture.

Yet the sentencing of James McDougal was postponed until after Election Day, a decision that appears to make little sense. Prosecutors indicated the delay is because McDougal is cooperating with them on the case, but he should get any leniency extended because of his willingness to cooperate and bring other guilty parties to justice, not in the interest of preventing the American people from knowing the full details of the Whitewater case.

The Whitewater land development case is not as much about knowing the difference between right and wrong as it is about deceit and abuse of power. Keeping the American people in the dark about the full details of the case until after the November election serves no useful purpose.

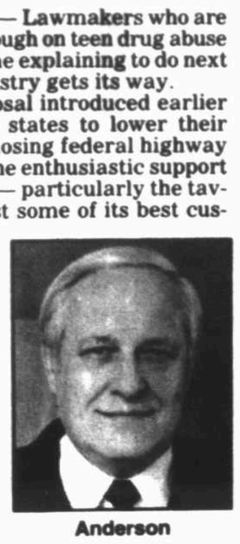
Whitewater is lapping at the doors of the White House because of Bill and Hillary Clinton's possible involvement and the American people need to know as much as they can on the subject before Election Day.

JACK ANDERSON

Higher drinking age protects most important right: life

WASHINGTON — Lawmakers who are posturing as tough on teen drug abuse may have some explaining to do next year if the alcohol industry gets its way.

A little-noticed proposal introduced earlier this year would allow states to lower their drinking ages without losing federal highway funds. The bill enjoys the enthusiastic support of the alcohol industry — particularly the tavern sector — which lost some of its best customers when Congress decided to withhold highway money from states that didn't enforce a 21-year-old drinking age.



Anderson

The law has been credited with saving thousands of lives by reducing drunken driving fatalities. But sponsors of the bill say drinking ages are an issue of states' rights.

People close to the issue say they don't expect the bill to go anywhere this session. But they remain optimistic that Congress will come around once the election is over.

"The bill hopefully will be passed next session when they do the major revision to ... the highway authorization bill," John Chwat of the National Licensed Beverage Association told our associate George Clifford III. The group represents taverns and liquor stores.

Barbara Lecker, government affairs manager of the National Association of Beverage Retailers, said the bill will be a priority for the industry next session. It was introduced this session, she said, "to garner support and to possibly pull co-sponsors on board so when it is reintroduced next year the 105th Congress people will be aware of it."

Though lobbyists are framing the issue as one of states' rights, the real story behind the bill involves money, politics and a Capitol Hill rock 'n' roll band.

The bill is the brainchild of Rep. Scott Klug, R-Wis., a sophomore lawmaker whose home state was one of the last to raise its drinking age to 21. He has lined up an impressive array of co-sponsors from both parties, including Democrat Collin Peterson of Minnesota.

Peterson was recruited as a co-sponsor through his work with the Amendments, a rock 'n' roll band made up entirely of members of Congress. Peterson, who plays electric guitar, was approached by Klug, a drummer, during a meeting about the band.

"He said, 'Hey, I've got this bill. Do you want to sign on?'" Peterson recalled. Peterson says he supported the bill not because he wants a lower drinking age but because he favors states' rights and thought, "Why would I take a duck on this one?"

Opponents of the bill distill a different message from the legislation. They fear it would undo years of progress in reducing drunken driving fatalities, and note that alcohol industry groups are well-organized at the state level to take advantage of any opportunity to lower drinking ages.

On the federal level, the beer, wine and liquor industries poured $4.4 million into congressional campaigns in 1994, according to the Center for Responsive Politics. Federal Elections Commission records show groups and individuals connected to the industry are giving substantial amounts to help lubricate political wheels in the current election cycle.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration estimates that minimum drinking age laws have saved 14,816 lives since 1975. In 1994, the law saved 848 lives, the agency estimates.

In 1994, 1,875 fewer young people died in traffic accidents than in 1984. In that 10-year period, the number of alcohol-related deaths plunged by 50 percent, according to the agency.

Some outside Washington are chaffing at the federally mandated drinking age. Wisconsin Gov. Tommy Thompson and some state lawmakers have said they would consider lowering the state's drinking age if they were not threatened with losing highway money. Similar sentiments have been heard in Louisiana as well.

But even more fundamental than states' rights are individual rights. And common sense tells us that the higher drinking age has protected an important one: the right to life.

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GEORGE WILL

Clinton is in politics because he wants to be something

CHICAGO — When Nature was dishing out the ability to blush, Bill Clinton did not hold out his plate, so he will come to his party's convention here unencumbered by embarrassment about the disparity between the presidency he promised and the one he has produced. If he is re-elected, that will be largely because the country believes, accurately and contentedly, that he has been notably inconsequential and that a second term will be even less consequential than the first.



Will

Four years ago his campaign featured the promise of a finishing filigree on the Great Society — universal health care. A Congress nearing completion of almost four decades under Democratic control would surely enact a Democratic president's request for the largest new entitlement in six decades, since Social Security. The Democratic Party's happy days would be here again because it would have returned to the Rooseveltian and Johnsonian recipe of programs benefiting the broad middle class, not just the needy.

However, Clinton's extravagant health care proposal catalyzed the 1994 elections that cost Democrats control of Congress. And today Clinton is campaigning unblushingly as, he insists, the proud partner of the Republican-controlled Congress in repeal of a New Deal entitlement, Aid to Families with Dependent Children.

Acknowledging the power of fanaticism during the French Revolution, Mirabeau said of Robespierre, "He will go far, for he believes all he says." Proving the power of cynicism in our time, Clinton has gone far toward re-election because he seems to believe nothing he says. And look what is being said about him.

The media have lately made much of Republican strife concerning abortion policy — policy that has not been altered by either a Republican-controlled Congress or a Supreme Court that includes seven justices appointed by Republican presidents. However, concerning the immediately practical question of welfare, Clinton accepts legislation that has provoked one of his party's most distinguished members, Pat Moynihan, to an acidity unmatched in Republican arguments.

"The current batch (of liberals) in the White House," says Moynihan, "now busily assuring us they were against this (the end of the federal entitlement to welfare) all along, are simply lying, albeit they probably don't know when they are lying. They have only the flimsiest grasp of social reality; thinking all things doable and equally undoable." Moynihan praises the opposition to the welfare bill by the Catholic bishops, "who admittedly have an easier task with matters of this sort. When principles are at issue, they simply look them up. Too many liberals, alas, simply make them up."

Moynihan may not be right about the recklessness of the welfare legislation that broadly devolves responsibilities to states and constitutes the most important such devolution of federal power since the end of Reconstruction. But Moynihan is certainly saying what many more timid Democrats are thinking.

They are thinking: Did we go through the barren years (when Democrats lost five of six presidential elections, and but for a few thousand votes in 1976 would have lost six in a row) for this? Of course their only victory in that period was won by a Southern governor whose campaign promise of "a government as good as the American people" was an oblique endorsement of the view that government was not good.

Just two years ago Clinton was saying there was a health care "crisis" that justified the largest peacetime expansion of government in American history. Today he talks more about school uniforms than about that "crisis," thereby calling to mind an old axiom: Some people are in politics because they want to do something, others because they want to be something. Ronald Reagan, who had an adult life before being drawn to politics by the power of his convictions, was one of the former. Clinton, who went almost directly from student life to political life, is one of the latter.

In 1987, on the eve of Margaret Thatcher's third trouncing of the Labor Party, one of her confidants told an American journalist: We know Labor will one day win another general election. It is our job to hang on till Labor becomes sane. Today Labor is led by Tony Blair, who is called Clintonesque partly because of the smoothness with which he has jettisoned some of the statism that made Labor distinctive and self-destructive. He seems on the verge of victory in the next election. If Clinton, on the evening of Nov. 5, delivers a victory speech, it will be for many in his party a concession speech, too, implicitly conceding the end of the aspirations that define them as Democrats.

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TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Sunday, August 25, the 238th day of 1996. There are 128 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Aug. 25, 1944, Paris was liberated by Allied forces after four years of Nazi occupation.

On this date:

In 1718, hundreds of French colonists arrived in Louisiana, with some of them settling in present-day New Orleans.

In 1825, Uruguay declared its independence from Brazil.

In 1875, Captain Matthew Webb became the first person to swim across the English Channel, traveling from Dover, England, to Calais, France, in 22 hours.

In 1916, the National Park Service was established within the Department of the Interior.

In 1921, the United States signed a peace treaty with Germany.

In 1943, U.S. forces overran New Georgia in the Solomon Islands during World War II.

In 1944, Romania declared war on Germany.

In 1950, President Truman ordered the Army to seize control of the nation's railroads to avert a strike.

In 1981, the U.S. spacecraft Voyager 2 came within 63,000 miles of Saturn's cloud cover, sending back pictures of and data about the ringed planet.

In 1985, Samantha Smith, the schoolgirl whose letter to Yuri V. Andropov resulted in her famous peace tour of the Soviet Union, was killed with her father in an airliner crash in Maine.

Ten years ago: The reported death toll continued to climb in the central African nation of Cameroon, where toxic gas from a volcanic lake killed more 1,700 people.

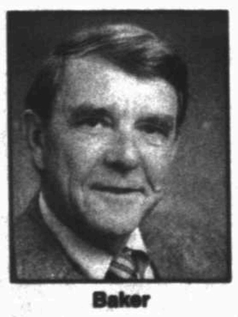
Five years ago: Thousands of abortion foes rallied at a stadium in Wichita, Kan., where six weeks of anti-abortion protests led by Operation Rescue resulted in more than 2,600 arrests.

One year ago: Chinese-American human rights activist Harry Wu, safely back on U.S. soil after two months in Chinese detention, said the spying case against him was "all lies" and vowed to seek compensation from China.

RUSSELL BAKER

Dole should know that old days weren't all that good

Children, believe me: Things were not better in the old days. I was there too, just like Bob Dole, and I was shocked to hear him say things were better back then.



Baker

Things were not. I distinctly remember, back then, bathing out of a tin basin by a coal-oil lamp. I remember black people riding in the back of the bus. I remember summer being a season of fear because summer was when polio stalked the neighborhood, crippling and killing.

I remember cars being cranked by hand and seeing men with arms broken from cranking carelessly. I remember headlines about gangsters spraying crowded streets with Tommy guns, remember hoboes at kitchen doors begging for sandwiches.

Don't let him kid you; Bob Dole remembers all this too. He knows that back then was not the wonderful place he cracked it up to be in his speech the other night.

Just like right now, back then was chock full of meanness. On Sunday afternoons, you could hear Father Coughlin spewing hate out of the radio. Irritating a policeman could get your skull seriously cracked. Corporations paid thugs to fight bloody battles with striking working stiffs. Midwestern farmers, left destitute in the Dust Bowl, became dirt-poor stoop labor in California.

Things back then were just as nasty as things are now, and just as wonderful, too. Such is usually the case. Dole is too good to peddle nostalgic bushwah about the good old days. It is the kind of hooey that comes naturally to political hacks trying to market an elderly candidate in a land that calls its largest population group "baby boomers."

Maybe Dole's technicians made him tell those fibs about back then. In both parties, so many beliefs are now being junked to gain political edge that Dole's turning history into baloney may be too trivial to trouble anyone but a fact-checker.

If Dole sincerely believes things were better back then, we had best beware. Elderly folk who yearn publicly for the good old days must always be approached with caution.

They are not remembering what the world was really like back then; they are only remembering what it was like to be young. The time of one's youth commonly seems in retrospect to have been a golden age. It is almost impossible, after middle age has done its grisly work of destroying the child within, to remember how much suffering and fear must be endured in a typical youth.

Let us hope that Dole will drop the silly argument that the country is in worse shape now than back then. In 1940, when he was 17, only an opium eater could have imagined the soft, lush future in which we now wallow. There is no war, nor threat of war. We are the mightiest military power in the business.

We cannot build highways fast enough to stop our millions of cars from locking them in traffic jams. Speaking of millions, statistics show that in 1980 there were 17,000 households with income of $1 million or more and, by 1990, 200,000. That's a lot of new millionaires for one decade.

Wall Street is booming. The middle class, though not so booming, is far richer than in 1940 when its hope of owning a house and two cars — two cars! — would have been pure fantasy. Have women ever had more freedom or opportunity than now?

Those bankrupt, dirt-poor Midwestern farmers, who fled the Dust Bowl for the West Coast back then when things were better, now account for much of the population of Orange County, California, and vote conservative Republican. They will doubtless vote for Dole and the return of those good old days.

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LETTERS

Clinton should personally search for life on Mars

In reference to your article of Aug. 8th (Scientists present case for life on Mars; Clinton calls for summit). I have a wonderful idea: Mr. President why don't you gather your most important staff and political supporters and make a truly compassionate statement to our fellow life-forms of Mars by traveling to their homeland for this November summit. You never know, you might find a few votes up there. Many of us have suspected there are many Democrats already on Mars (or at least floating in space!).

By the way, isn't it interesting that a tiny bit of meteorite showing possible microscopic life 3.6 billion years ago can really peak your interest, but a proven human embryo only 8 months old (also known as a baby) doesn't even rank your protection from the abortionist with your infamous partial-birth veto.

Karen Bertelson

Clinton scorecard up to 75 percent complete

In 1994, I wrote to President Clinton about my concerns on four subjects: Abortion, special rights for homosexuals, the budget and health-care reform. We are amazed that his score is now 75 percent.

He has promoted less federal spending, and, in his term in office, the budget deficit has decreased. He showed his support of the traditional definition of marriage and family. Also, he dropped the huge health-care reform direction he was heading, and recently signed health-insurance reform. We have sent him our congratulations.

However, his score on abortion is pretty dismal. To reiterate the problem: When a man and a woman choose to have intercourse there is a possibility of creating new life — a baby. It is life from the first day. The choice was before conception, not afterward. Afterward, if the mother chooses to terminate the pregnancy, she has killed a baby. She has destroyed a life. Our current laws should protect the innocent, but the ruling of our highest court has ignored this most basic and obvious right to life.

He had the opportunity to lead us, as a nation, away from this death-on-demand policy, but he has not done it. What we look for in a president is not an accountant or a pretty face, but a leader. That one word, leader, encompasses so many ideals; doing the right thing for the right reasons, taking the hard road, living up to your responsibilities and committing yourself— and the country— to a better future.

We still have the chance to make a difference. Consider the harm that the whole abortion issue is doing to our country. Read a good biography on Lincoln and his time, and see what this divisive controversy can do to our country. Instead of giving in to the enormous pressure and letting the Southern states have their way, Lincoln insisted that slavery could not stand.

This one crucial issue can mean a turning point for our country. And we're still looking for that leader who can make the difference.

John Comeaux

It's no wonder MISD is confused by community

What is MISD supposed to do? First there was widespread clamor for values to be taught explicitly in schools. So MISD drew up a list of character traits to be taught and began writing the "Celebrations" materials. Now some are clamoring against teaching the "wrong" values —or any values at all — in schools. Who can blame MISD for being confused about what it must do to make this particular constituency happy?

To those who've been turned off by the whole debate, please don't think all Christians are as intolerant, afraid and self-centered as those speaking against "Celebrations", nor that they speak for all conservative Christians in Midland. The debate has been an object lesson in why the Founding Fathers wanted religious values out of the state's control, so that each group would be free to follow its own light and no group's religion could be labeled "right" or "wrong" by any government entity.

What do these people want labeled "right" and taught in MISD? Based on their objections to "Celebrations", here's what I see them holding dear: People different from us aren't valuable in God's eyes (we mustn't even allow their beliefs into the classroom, much less take them seriously); things would be ever so much better if we all had the "right" beliefs (i.e., theirs). Yet these same people bemoan increasing friction among groups, from gangs to fights in schools. They want schools to restrict themselves to academics until enough children pass whatever standardized tests happen to be current. Yet they don't speak against athletics and music, which consume much more student time (and taxpayer money) than all supplemental curricula combined. Their vision of public education is certainly not mine.

Those of us who don't share their vision must speak up for freedom and for the dignity of the many peoples who are Americans. We must encourage those who object to "Celebrations" to opt their children out so the rest of the children can enrich themselves and their beliefs by learning of the many diverse peoples and beliefs that make up America. We must tell MISD it needs to continue to educate the whole child, not merely teach to standardized tests. We must take a stand to keep our schools from being held hostage to any single group's views.

Amy Viveiros

C-SPAN's coverage of conventions is preferable

To all voters, whether Republicans, Democrats or Independents. I recommend you pull the plug on ABC, NBC, CBS and CNN and click your remote control to C-SPAN. You will be surprised at the complete and uninterrupted coverage you get of the political process called the political convention.

We changed our channel to C-SPAN and how refreshing it was not to have biased "talking head" commentators, pollsters, pundits and consultants interpreting and analyzing what we just saw and heard.

To all voters, please vote based on your own thoughtful political research, education and principles. Don't let the biased "talking heads" cast your vote in 1996!

Educate yourself and become an informed voter and vote Tuesday, Nov.5. You can make a difference.

Tina Blake

President, first lady should have character

Clinton has decried personal attacks on the character of himself and Hillary, and vows he won't make personal attacks on Bob and Elizabeth Dole, so I will go along with him. Suffice it to say that I want my president, and the first lady, to fit J.C. Watts' definition of a person with character: "One who can be trusted to do what is right when no one is watching."

R.B. Wacker

Republicans are just out to get the president

Republicans have been out to "get" Bill Clinton ever since he took office. When they can find nothing on him, they keep hashing over the same thing, then try to find something new and different.

I guess the Republicans have forgotten all about Watergate and how Bob Dole was a champion of Richard Nixon or how about when one of George Bush's sons was involved in the savings and loan scandal? That was soon hushed up because he was a Republican.

Mountains are made out of any Democratic molehill the Republicans can dig up.

Remember Christ's admonition: "He that is without sin among you let him first cast a stone."

Dail Page

Name partner causes confusion with letters

Sometimes, distinguishing between twins can be difficult or even same first names in an office. In a city the size of Midland, it can also be confusing when two people have the same "first" and last names. This is particularly true when one of them is involved in or does something that gets the attention of the public.

On two occasions over the last few months, views on the MISD were expressed in Letters to the Editor by Larry Lawrence. Each time for several days it was necessary for me to clarify that the letter was written by my local "name-double." This time it also seemed appropriate to use the same source of this identity confusion in an effort to clear it up.

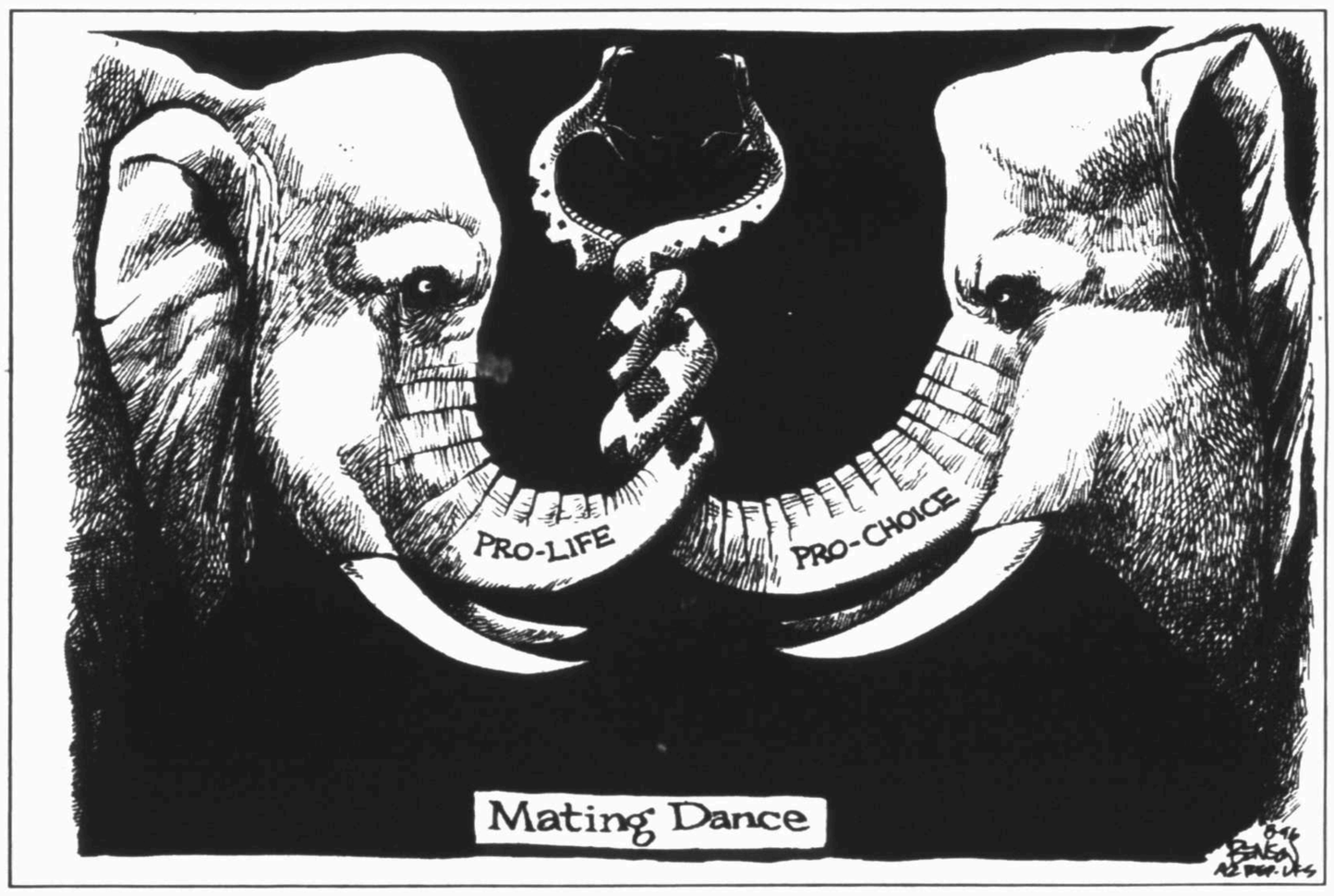
Even though I have not met, nor to my recollection spoken with, the other Larry Lawrence, I believe that it is safe to say that we are not always of the same opinions and views. We also, apparently, choose different approaches to express those views. While each is valid, my choice is through direct communication with those involved coupled with various levels of community involvement to ensure that those views are understood. With that in mind, those of you that know me can rest assured that this is the first and likely the last letter to the editor for this Larry Lawrence.

G. Larry Lawrence
of 4704 Island Drive

Clinton still holds record for fastest getaway

Some impressive track performances at the Olympics produced new records. However, I don't believe the record set by Bill Clinton during the Vietnam War will ever be broken. He ran from Little Rock to London in nothing flat.

Bill Heck



STEPHEN BLOOM

Prof Talk is enough to drive anyone crazy

New York University physicist Alan D. Sokal pulled off the academic caper of the year last spring when he published gibberish in the highly regarded academic journal Social Text.

The problem for the editors of Social Text was that they had no idea Sokal's paper was nonsense. Sokal's parody of how academics write suggested that some scholars use language so obscure that their words are difficult even for them to comprehend.

Of course, scholars haven't cornered the market on impenetrable lingo. Every profession has its own shoptalk — meant as much to inform insiders as to exclude outsiders. Just because you don't understand it doesn't mean the talk is meaningless. Lingo can be a fast, funny and useful shorthand.

For example, when one of us was a teen-age shoe salesman, A, B, C, D and E widths were alberts, bennies, charlies, davids and eddies. Cookies were arch supports and a jimmy was a felt pad meant to make shoes tighter for an Up (a customer) you hoped wouldn't leave without buying. Thus, "Give me an 8 bennie with a cookie, and if that doesn't work, jimmy an 8 1/2 charlie for the Up."

Do you really want your waiter telling the cook, "The customer would like you to make and wrap up a bacon, lettuce and tomato sandwich on whole-wheat toast, but do not, as you usually do, put on any mayonnaise." Better: "BLT down on wheat to go. Hold the mayo."

Scholars and professionals have always needed a language to distance themselves from ordinary workers. For centuries, they had what they needed in Latin, a dead language requiring so much study that anyone who could read and write it was, by definition, learned.

Outside the ivory tower, lawyers and doctors have clung mightily to Latin. When a hypochondriac shows up at the eminent Dr. Futter's office complaining of headaches, Futter does not say, "Take two aspirins and call me in the morning." Instead, Futter advises the patient that he is suffering from "myocranial inversion, a condition that medical science can stabilize but not cure." The patient happily joins a myocranial invert support group and Futter goes on to fill an endowed university chair, edit a specialized medical journal and head the newly established Institute for Myocranial Inversion.

Professors should be so lucky. As Latin lost its hold among professors, many scrambled to find a substitute language. Some professors fared better than others. Sokal and his colleagues in the physical sciences possessed calculus and other mathematical systems even more impenetrable than Latin. This left other academics, especially those in the humanities, with a bad case of science envy. Thus Prof Talk was born.

Those who struggled the hardest were English professors. Obliged to teach students to write clearly, they often assigned Strunk & White's "Elements of Style," which explained: "Vigorous writing is concise. A sentence should contain no unnecessary words, a paragraph no unnecessary sentences. ... Avoid fancy words. Do not be tempted by a 20-dollar word when there is a 10-center handy."

This was great advice for students, but not for professors, who needed to produce research sufficiently inscrutable as to appear learned. Today, some professors have so distanced themselves from Plain Talk that even an English professor at Cornell University, where William Strunk Jr. taught and E.B. White studied, can now write in the field's most distinguished journal, PMLA (Publications of the Modern Language Association of America):

"Quintilian's uncertainty whether irony is included in allegory turns on whether antiphrasis is a sport of irony or its radical essence. If antiphrasis is irony's essence, then all forms of irony must threaten from their place on the inside of allegory the existence of what allegory cannot help affirming ... the logocentric plurality of its meanings, grounded in the material unity of its signs — in a word, polysemy."

While this sort of writing has been standard fare in scholarly journals for years, it was not until last summer in a national program for visiting scholars that we began hearing it as often as the spoken word. As teachers, we felt hesitation in communicating in ways contrary to our callings. Journalism professors teach the use of plain words so that news accounts are widely understood; historians are naturally skeptical of fads and jargon.

Here are some Prof Talk snippets taken from our month-long seminar, along with their Plain Talk translations:

PROF TALK: "Pornographicization transcends experiential values and hegemonic eroticization, which tends to masculinize and ambiguize boys into victims of false consciousness so they must privatize their pain."

PLAIN TALK: "Gee, if only I could meet that girl in the bikini!"

PROF TALK: "If we problematize, leveraging the empirical, and then deconstructualize without partialization so there is no slippage in valuational density, we will totalize a visual sighting, which will label us chronicity solutionists. If we fail, we ought to prepare for meta-disciplinary action."

PLAIN TALK: "We're in deep trouble, and we better figure this out fast."

PROF TALK: "His affect structure of disvalues makes for an essentialist assumption."

PLAIN TALK: "That guy is a pain in the neck."

PROF TALK: "Generalize the document."

PLAIN TALK: "Make 25 copies and send them out."

If you find this gobbledygook ridiculous, you're in good company. "Slovenliness of our language makes it easier for us to have foolish thoughts," George Orwell wrote. And Prof Talk — unlike precise shoptalk — is as slovenly as it gets.

Sooner or later, Prof Talk will run its course. The applause for Sokal's prank is a good sign. Ultimately, the need to convey ideas effectively — the essence of good teaching and scholarship — should be counted on to triumph over babble, and to sustain honest thought and Plain Talk.

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Stephen Bloom's column is distributed by NY Times News Service.

PAT TRULY

Dragging Doles' divorce out of closet is waste of time

I am troubled by a little Washington Post story that went out on the wires last week. It has to do with the circumstances of Bob Dole's divorce from his first wife, Phyllis, back in early 1972.

Anyone in this country who has been paying attention knows that Dole, like many other prominent politicians and non-politicians, has been divorced and remarried. There has been no clamor for more details.

Is the 24-years-later tidbit about the divorce newsworthy? Well, Dole is running for president, which by the rules of the 1990s (established more by his political friends than by his enemies) seems to mean that every corner of his life, however personal, will be fair game for speculation, analysis and rumor. Too, Dole would like for moral character to be an issue in the presidential race. He has kissed up to Ralph Reed's bunch. But I still don't think the divorce is news.

What is supposedly titillating about the Dole divorce is that his wife came to court in Topeka, Kan., and in a few minutes two lawyers (one of them a law school classmate of Dole) and a judge (also a Dole classmate) had waived the required 60-day waiting period and the Dole marriage was no more. There was no court reporter, so there is no public record of the testimony. Any property settlement was out of court. Dole himself was in Miami at the time.

The first Mrs. Dole, now Phyllis Macey, told the Post that Dole had wanted the divorce. She also apparently continues to support Dole's candidacy.

So? So there is very little "there" there. Yes, it was an expedited proceeding. And apparently Dole's chief worry was to get it done with as little political damage as possible. But that surely is neither illegal nor unusual. What is the issue? Dole has never denied being divorced. Frankly, this ranks with revelations about which politicians now in their 40s and 50s tried marijuana in the 1960s or 1970s.

The Associated Press version of this story mentions that Dole is co-sponsor of a gay marriage bill that defines marriage as being between a man and a woman. So? Was he a co-sponsor in January 1972? Is this to be investigated by the Post or by a special prosecutor? Give us a break.

I'm not here to defend Bob Dole. The Lord knows there is room for questions about Candidate Dole's too-cozy romances with Koch Oil, Archer-Daniels-Midland and Chiquita Brands International; about how he got his home in Florida; and, most of all, about his broken-field running through tobacco, economics, gun control and abortion this year. I mean, here's a man who has been in Congress since Hector was a pup and now, as a presidential candidate, he is trying to decide what he stands for?

But dragging up his divorce from 1972? And dragging it up on the eve of the Republican National Convention? Hey, Dole was married for 24 years to one woman and has now been married for 21 years to another. As things go these days, 45 years and two wives is a fair record. In an earlier interview, the first Mrs. Dole said the divorce was the result of Dole's job as Republican National Committee chairman in 1971. She said he was never home. At least she noticed his absence.

So Dole stands convicted of being a dedicated politician who avoided a noisy divorce. I just wonder where all this stops. How much does a 24-year-old divorce tell us that we wouldn't otherwise know? Does it say anything about Dole's presidential qualifications? Or is it perhaps time that we stifled some of the impulses to drag out personal bones from politicians' pasts?

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MC calls for a nickel

LOW: MC's rate is below other institutions

(From 1A)

funding is dropping.

State funding is based on "contact hours," which are student classroom hours in core academic and technical courses at the college. Not all courses count as contact hours at the institution, Daniel explained.

These contact hours are multiplied by a factor, or "multiplier," to determine the amount of state funding the college receives, Daniel said.

Over the past 10 years, this multiplier has steadily declined. For the 1996 fiscal year, the multiplier was 0.818789, but for 1997, that factor has been dropped to 0.791866.

"It (the multiplier) really ought to be 100 percent," Daniel said. "But each year they've been cutting back."

The overall growth in state funding for community colleges is linked to the overall growth in Texas' major metropolitan areas. With enrollment skyrocketing at all seven Dallas community colleges, state funding is up even though the multiplier has been reduced.

In Midland, however, student enrollment increases have been much more modest, he said. This keeps the contact hours reasonably steady and, coupled with the drop in the multiplier, means decreased funding.

"The state is proportionately withdrawing from the arena each year by reducing that factor," Daniel said.

The new restaurants on Loop 250 also have been a factor in keeping contact hours from growing, he said. College students are the primary source for waiters and waitresses at those businesses, and many students are trying to work full time and thus have cut back their class hours, he said.

Daniel, however, believes this trend will correct itself in the near future, with students soon realizing how long it will take to acquire their education at that rate.

In addition, $148,500 was dropped from state contributions in the last biennium and the state no longer covers the cost of health insurance for maintenance and auxiliary personnel. The college is now paying for the insurance, according to MC figures.

Although property values have been inching up in recent years, the increase in revenue generated from the increased property valuations will not provide the needed funds for the institution, school officials insist.

Total property value for the city of Midland and the portion of Midland County taxed by Midland College currently stands at $3,975,254,447, according to the Midland County Appraisal District. This is an increase in the MC taxing district of $225 million in total taxable value. There have been lesser increases over the past few years.

The area included in the Midland College tax district is identical to the area covered by Midland Independent School District, according to appraisal district officials.

At 11.33 cents, MC's tax rate is well below other such institutions in the area. With the tax increase, the 16.33 cent rate would still be below Odessa College's 19.84 cent rate, and Howard College's 20 cent tax rate. Western Texas College in Snyder has a tax rate of 29.08 cents and Amarillo College has a comparable tax rate of 16.79.

The last tax increase at MC was a year ago when the tax rate went from 10.79 cents to 11.33 cents.

At 16.33 cents, however, MC still will be just below the next lowest local taxing entity, the hospital district, which taxes Midland property at 17.39 cents per $100 valuation.

Midland County has a tax rate of 26.43 cents per $100 valuation. The city of Midland taxes at a current rate of 67.4 cents per $100 valuation and the Midland Independent School District, the largest taxing entity, taxes at a current rate of $1.3873 per $100 property valuation.

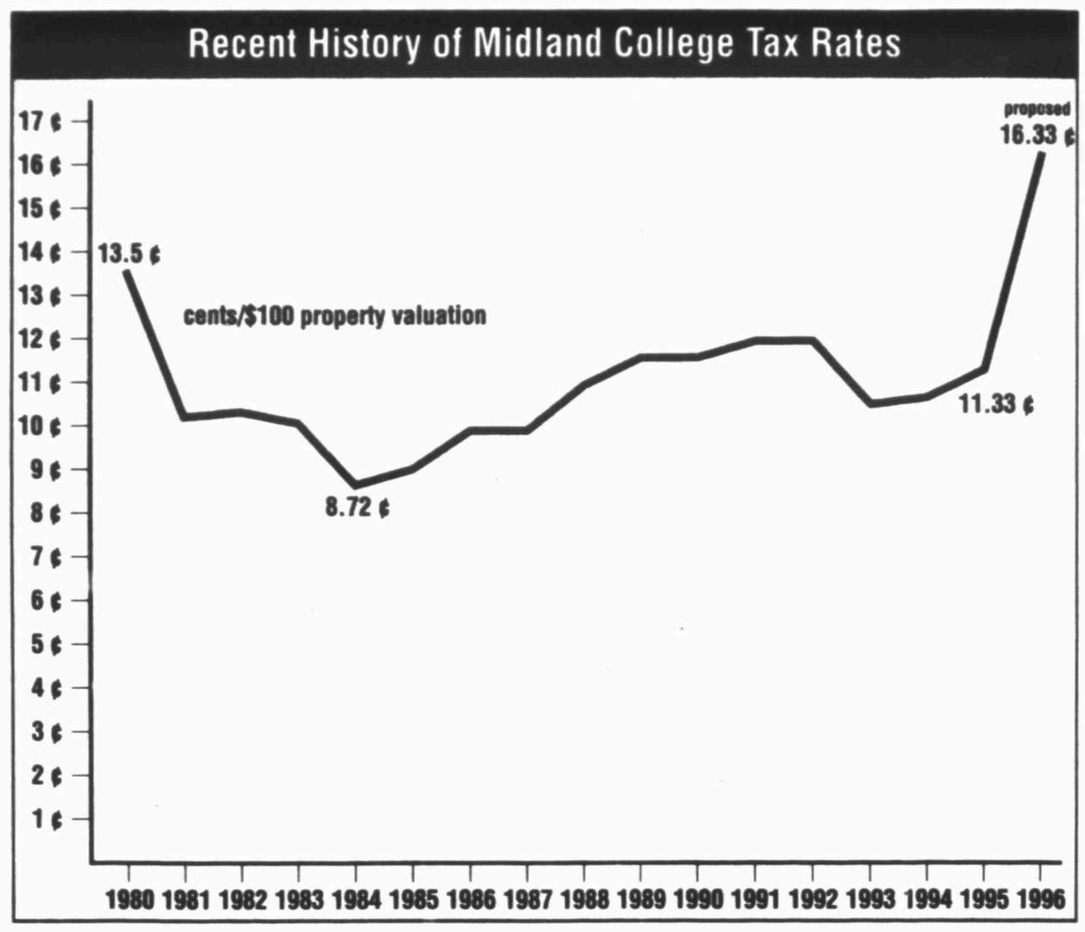
With the increase in property values, the average Midland home is now valued at $60,630.

With the current Midland College tax rate of 11.33 cents, that homeowner would pay $68.69 for the year's taxes to the college (not including other property taxes). With the increase, that homeowner would pay $99.01 for an annual increase of $30.32.

For an $80,000 home, taxes are currently $90.64 and would be $130.64 with the nickel increase for an overall increase in annual taxes of $39.68.

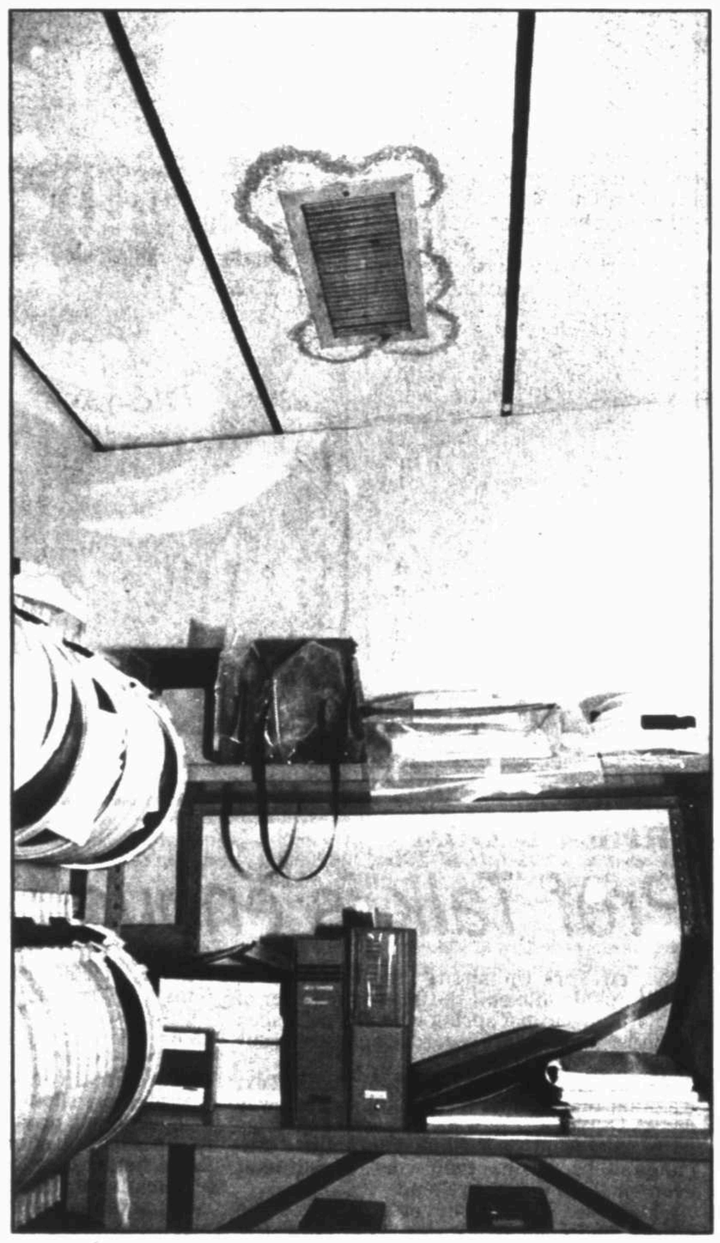
For a $110,000 home, the current taxes would be $124.63 and $179.63 with the tax increase for an annual increase of $55.

Recent History of Midland College Tax Rates



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Below, the recently repaired roof of Midland College's Administration Building would be replaced with funds generated by the proposed tax increase. At left, a ceiling tile shows signs of water damage in a computer room at Midland College's Administration Building.

Photos by Curt Wilcott

How Midland College Tax Rate Affects Homeowners

	$60,630 HOME	$80,000 HOME	$110,000 HOME
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Taxes paid to MC with tax hike	$99.01	$130.64	$179.63
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INCREASE: College to present budget to public for input

(From 1A)

26.40 percent of the operating revenue for MC, compared to 10 years ago when state funding amounted to 55 per ent of the budget, explained Rudy Gonzales, vice president of administrative services for MC.

The 1997 appropriations have been reduced by 1.27 percent for a total decrease of $74,250 at a time when operating costs are on the increase, Gonzales said.

Increased usage at MC has accounted for increased expenses in the neighborhood of extraordinary maintenance costs, personnel, the Concurrent Enrollment program, capital outlay, supplies, travel and operating expenses.

Extraordinary maintenance costs will amount to $303,003 for the repair of several roofs, the replacement of an underground chiller and boiler pipes, pothole repairs and the seal-coating of deteriorating parking lots and finally, the replacement of software for the MC telephone system.

Increased personnel brings an additional cost to the institution of $1,218,933. New personnel have been added to the Fire Technology program, Health Information Technology, Behavioral Sciences, Computer Technology, campus security and trainers for the athletic programs.

With the increases in the numbers of concurrent classes in local high schools, the Concurrent Enrollment program now costs MC an additional $74,101.

An additional $228,838 is needed for increased laboratory supplies, increased travel cost (from $18 a day to $25 a day) and increases in student recruitment costs, postage costs, long distance calls, photocopies and equipment maintenance.

Finally, capital outlay is up $70,892 for new admissions software and vehicle replacements.

These costs are only partially offset by increases in tuition revenues. "We do have a projected enrollment increase of 250 students and we have provided for an adjustment in lab fees," Gonzales said. "The total increase in tuition and fees is $176,346."

With the new tax rate, trustees approved an overall budget of $20,279,699.

A special bond election to pay for these renovations and some additional classroom space had been discussed, but this nickel tax increase should take care of the institutions needs, at least for the time being, according to Parker Humes, president of the MC board of trustees.

Of the $20 million budget, tuition fees accounts for 11.16 percent, or $2.26 million. Local taxes provide 30.05 percent or $6.09 million, Gonzales said.

The proposed tax increase would lead to 30.05 percent of the new budget coming from taxes, for total revenues of $6,093,516 from taxable property.

Local funding sources other than taxes amounts to 10.88 percent of the newly adopted budget, or $2.2 million.

Finally, federal funding and restricted use funding sources amount to 21.31 percent of the budget, or $4.3 million. Restricted funds including gifts, grants and donations amount to $2.04 million of this amount, with the remainder coming from federal grants of $2.27 million.

In the past few years, MC has been forced to use some of its reserve funding, instead of using only the interest accrued from the investments. This has led to a decrease in net worth of investments by about $10,000, according to data supplied at last week's board meeting.

The tax increase is necessary to halt this depletion of the reserve investments, according to MC trustees.

In 1976, the MC tax rate was 31 cents per $100 property valuation, but this decreased as other funding sources became available and physical plant costs were paid off. In addition, this rate was charged against only 75 percent of property valuation. In 1981, state law changed to mandate that all taxes be made against 100 percent property valuation.

"For every $100 our local taxpayers pay in property taxes to Midland College, they get back $107.20 in tax revenues. This figures to a return on their investment of 7.2 percent," Gonzales said, quoting a study that shows community colleges comprising 2.7 percent of the gross state product for Texas.

Expenditures listed in the proposed budget include:

- General administration: $860,597.
- Student services: $1,007,163.
- General institutional services: $756,294.
- Staff benefits: $1,367,467.
- Resident instruction: $6,792,011.
- Library: $430,963.
- Extension and public service: $556,093.
- Physical plant: $2,336,138.
- Auxiliary expenses: $1,855,965
- Federal and reserve funds expenditures: $4,317,008.
- Total expenditures: $20,279,699.

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'Chain reaction' may have led to Flight 800 crash, source says

SMITHTOWN, N.Y. (AP) — TWA Flight 800 may have been destroyed by a bomb that was not especially powerful, but large enough to ignite a "chain reaction" that blew the jetliner in half, a source close to the investigation said Saturday.

Most aircraft bombs have detonated at higher altitudes when the plane is fully pressurized. In those cases a simple fuselage rupture led to massive decompression, causing the plane to disintegrate without a large explosion.

But Flight 800 exploded in a huge fireball seen as far away as 10 miles.

Although not the usual effect of a bomb, the Boeing 747 was well below cruising altitude and not yet pressurized. Under those conditions, a small bomb that could fit in carry-on luggage would probably not cause an immediate break-up.

A bomb is one of three theories under consideration in the blast, along with possible mechanical failure or a missile attack.

One problem with the particular bomb theory is that jet fuel, a kerosene-like compound, is prone to burn rather than explode.

Some investigators have theorized that vapors lingering in the empty tank from the plane's previous flight from Athens to New York could have been what ignited.

Sources theorize that if it was a bomb, a piece of carry-on luggage placed beneath a seat and above the plane's center fuel tank could have caused the chain reaction needed to produce such a massive explosion.

FBI chief investigator James Kallstrom said the microscopic bits were not enough to conclude the jetliner was destroyed by a criminal act.

A source said the FBI was expanding its inquiry to cover passengers, service and maintenance personnel who came in contact with the jetliner on its last Athens-to-New York trip prior to the fateful day.

TWA Flight 800 exploded and crashed July 17 while climbing out of Kennedy Airport on a flight to Paris. All 230 people aboard were killed.

As the ocean search went on Saturday, salvage ships hauled ashore the jet's main landing gear. An L-shaped strut with one tire remaining was unloaded from a barge for delivery to a nearby hangar, where the plane is being reassembled.

Also recovered was a cone, possibly the jet's nose, and two cargo nets brimming with twisted metal.

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Delegates recall 1968 convention

CHICAGO (AP) — Etched in Unita Blackwell's mind, 28 years after it happened, is one distinct scene from the 1968 Democratic Convention.

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— Unita Blackwell, who attended the 1968 Democratic Convention and is a delegate this year

She's among more than 60 delegates to the Democratic National Convention who attended the 1968 convention in Chicago, where police and anti-Vietnam War protesters battled in the streets while Hubert Humphrey received the party's presidential nomination.

Blackwell, who served as chairman of the National Conference of Black Mayors and mayor of Mayersville, Miss., came to the Democratic Party from the civil rights movement.

"We were trying to participate in the political process," she said. "Blacks could not participate in the caucuses. We didn't even know where they had them."

Mike Ramey of Okemos, Mich., was "a Humphrey delegate and proud of it" in 1968.

"I remember seeing the hippies and the yippies rehearsing in Grant Park. They were carefully going over everything they would do before the television cameras."

The yippies, probably as much interested in put-ons as protests, had promised mass nudity, greased pigs, LSD in the water supply and young men to seduce delegates' wives and daughters while comely young women seduced and drugged the male delegates.

Anti-war groups promised major protests, and Humphrey, as the establishment candidate, became the focus of many young people's rage.

"Chicago was a city in a siege, really," said Agar Jaicks, a member of the Democratic National Committee from San Francisco who was a California delegate in 1968.

"There were police, the National Guard.

"The yippies were out demonstrating. When our bus would drive by it would have 'California Delegation' on it. The yippies would give us the thumbs up. The Chicago Police — some of them — would turn their backs on it."

That was because the California delegation was known for its near-unanimous opposition to the Vietnam War.

Bused back and forth from the South Side convention site to their North Side hotels, many delegates had only a whiff of tear gas and a whispered rumor of rioting to let them know something big was happening outside.

But after demonstrators trying to march from Grant Park on the North Side to the convention site were repulsed by National Guard troops, the situation escalated.

Television showed a shocked nation 17 minutes of bloody chaos outside the Chicago Hilton the night Humphrey won the presidential nomination.

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South Texas lake's business drops off as water level in reservoir drops considerably

By Pauline Arrillaga
Associated Press

ZAPATA— In a typical year, weekends usher a flood of visitors to this town on the Texas-Mexico border.

Jeeps packed with fishing poles lug enormous boats along the main drag, headed for lodges nestled along the community's principal attraction: Falcon Lake.

Stretching more than 78,000 acres, the lake is considered one of the state's best for bass fishing. Up to five tournaments are held here weekly.

Of course, that's in a typical year. This year has been anything but.

The drought has drained Falcon Lake to more than 50 feet below normal, and as the lake recedes, so, too, has the town's economy.

"Every little town has a bass club, but at least 75 percent of those guys are going to other places. There's no bookings," said Gaylen Gilbreath, a lake guide and owner of the Beacon Lodge.

Gilbreath estimates his business has dipped 50 percent this year. The problem, he said, is access to the once-colossal lake.

Usually, there are more than 100 launching facilities in town, from private boat ramps to the public launching site. With the drought, just two still reach the water.

Last year, Gilbreath poured 150 feet of concrete to extend one of his five boat ramps to the lake's edge, and he purchased a portable ramp. The cost was about $25,000.

Today, the concrete leads to a bed of willow trees and brush. A dilapidated fishing dock and boat launch sit on either side, filled with weeds instead of water. The portable ramp lies dormant in a muddy puddle.

"As the lake went down, we tried to follow it as best we could just to keep in business," Gilbreath said, adding that he'll have to spend another $6,000 in repairs when the lake returns to normal. "It does not help when something's supposed to float and it's sitting on the ground."

The stories are similar all around this town of 5,000 people, located 40 miles southeast of Laredo. Most of the community's economic base is derived from oil and gas exploration and another drought-devastated industry, ranching.

Tourism is the second-largest income producer and is supposed to be the area's growth industry. But thanks to the drought, it also is suffering.

Marilyn Wieters, manager of the Zapata County Chamber of Commerce, estimates the town has lost millions of dollars in fishing tournament and tourism revenues.

One cancelled tournament cost merchants up to $500,000. The 300-boat contest, scheduled for October, moved to Del Rio because of the lack of launching facilities here, Ms. Wieters said.

"That shows an effect at the gas stations, restaurants — everything," she said. "It has cut into the business economy of the town, there's no doubt about that."

At the White House restaurant, the impact can be measured during what should be the lunch-time rush. Just two tables are taken, while the rest are dismally empty.

"It's plain to see," Hector Lopez Jr. said of the drought's effect on his family's restaurant. "You're looking at it right now. It's really a pitiful sight."

His father, Hector Lopez Sr., has owned the restaurant for 15 years. He also serves as a local justice of the peace, and worries about the drought's lasting effect on the town.

"One of the main attractions of our community is Falcon Lake, but in view of this great drought, it isn't much of an attraction anymore," Lopez Sr. said. "Because of the drought, we don't have a lot of tourists or fishermen. Consequently, every business is directly or indirectly affected."

Merchants are hoping the economy bounces back this fall with the return of the Winter Texans, northern retirees who head south for the winter. But others are concerned that they, too, will shun Zapata if the lake remains low.

"The water got them started coming," said Tom Haralson, whose family owns the Redwood Lodge, a motel, RV park and bait and tackle shop. "The ones that come over here to go fishing for white bass, I doubt they'll be back."

Already facing thousands of dollars in losses this year, Haralson estimates just half of his RV spaces will be rented come winter.

Ms. Wieters also is worried the retirees, who double the town's population, will look for other places to winter. To combat that, she is trying to lure first-time Winter Texans by highlighting Zapata's other assets.

"The history, the healthful climate, the endangered species are what we're trying to target," she said. "The old-timers expect the lake to be here and they like to go fishing every day. We're trying to attract first-timers."

The chamber also is promoting the few positive aspects of the drought, such as historic bridges, towns and cemeteries that once were submerged by lake water but now can be seen. A month ago, Ms. Wieters drafted a new map showing visitors where to find the sites.

Last week, officials with the National Parks Service and Texas Historical Commission traveled here to document some of the landmarks before they once again disappear underwater.

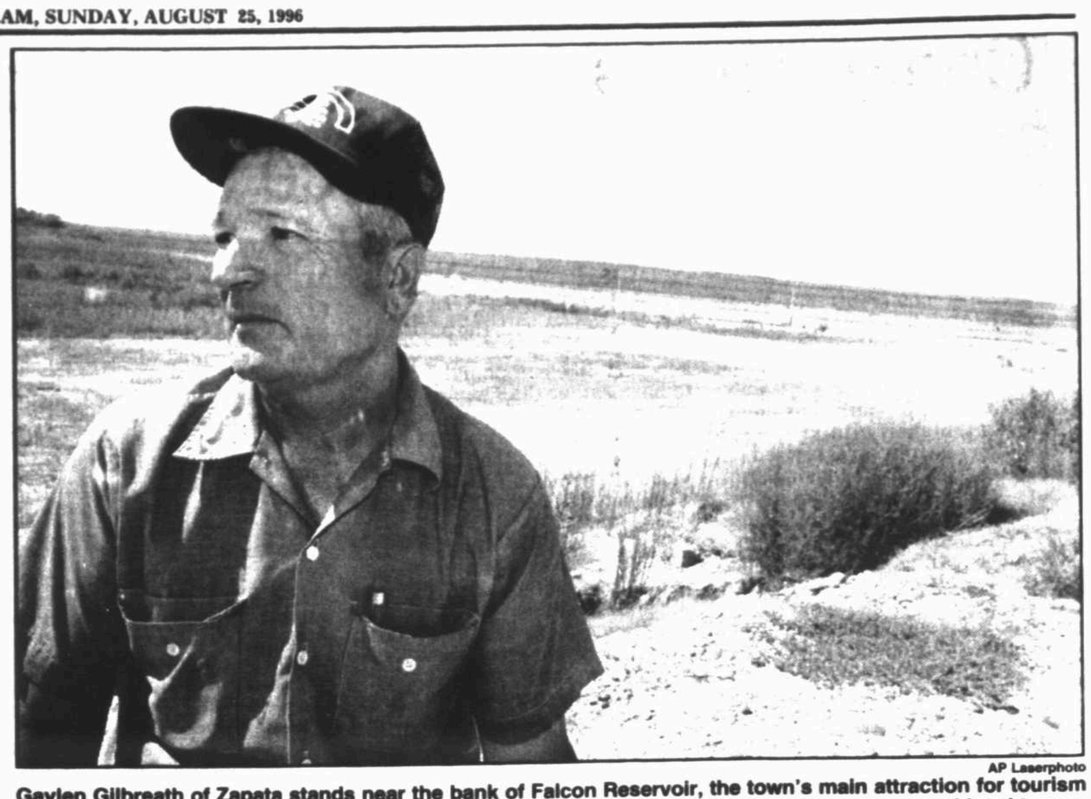
Some visitors have begun hunting for Indian arrowheads on the dried lake bed, even though federal laws prohibit the taking of such artifacts.

Paul and Carol Coker of Corpus Christi, who spend every weekend at the Beacon Lodge, proudly display a collection of arrowheads, all of which they said were collected legally on the Mexican side of the river.

The Cokers, who have been coming to the lake for 20 years, said they had never seen the water as low. But the drought hasn't drained their spirits.

"We do our part," Mrs. Coker said. "We get up on the table every night and do a rain dance."

Gilbreath also stays optimistic, reminding himself and others that South Texas is long overdue for a hurricane. The lake will not remain low forever, he said.



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Gaylen Gilbreath of Zapata stands near the bank of Falcon Reservoir, the town's main attraction for tourism and bass fishermen. the low lake level caused the cancellation of a major bass tournament and local townspeople are hurting. Gilbreath owns the Beacon Lodge on Falcon Lake , and RV park and motel for bass fishermen.

Austin police officer suspended for selling property room's rings

AUSTIN (AP) — An Austin police sergeant was suspended after taking nine rings from a police property locker, selling them and using the money to help pay tuition for a training seminar for three other officers.

"He felt the training would be of benefit. And when you don't have adequate budgeting you can start thinking wrong, and when you start thinking wrong you can start doing wrong," said Sgt. Howard Hall of the department's theft detail.

Investigators said Sgt. Jerry Staton, a 21-year veteran of the force, thought the city should pay to send three officers who worked for him on the special missions team to a weapons seminar in San Antonio.

Police said Staton had asked administrators for the money last February to send three SWAT officers to the five-day weapons training course.

Theft investigator Detective John Johnston said that on Feb. 2, Staton took nine rings from a property locker and sold them for $325 to a precious metals company.

"The (training) funds were denied, and apparently he was very frustrated," Hall said.

Investigators said three SWAT officers attended the seminar at their own expense. When they returned, Johnston said, Staton gave them the $325 to help offset those costs.

"He did not use any of the money from the rings for himself," Johnston said.

Capt. Gary Olfers, head of the police department's internal affairs division, said Staton was suspended without pay from July 23 through Aug. 6 for disobeying rules against abuse of office and improperly using police property.

A Travis County grand jury "no-billed" Staton on Aug. 16. Although the panel didn't comment on the case, such action usually means jurors found no evidence to justify prosecution.

Assistant Police Chief Bruce Mills said he believes the grand jury didn't recommend criminal charges "because it is obvious Jerry did not enrich himself from the sale of that jewelry."

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Teenagers get firsthand look at life behind bars as part of program to set lives straight

GATESVILLE — The voices of prison are loud, interrupting, sometimes convulsed with laughter, peppered with profanity, insults and orders.

Bearing their brunt is a 16-year-old girl, a first-time offender who was charged with possession of marijuana.

She has come to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice's Hilltop Unit with eight other Coryell County girls as part of Operation Outreach, a program meant to give juveniles a taste of prison life and its realities.

In response to the artillery of tones, the 16-year-old gives her name and crime.

"You know, you don't look good to me, sister. You're a funny-looking thing," one inmate tells her.

"You're gang-related and you're a dope fiend," another charges. "You're not beyond coming to this place. None of you are."

That's a large part of the message a select group of inmates attempt to give juveniles who come through the program. But the four hours spent in the prison are also about hearing the voices and language, the harshness, that is a part of incarceration.

Sounds are not muffled here; words are not minced. In the maze of walls and fences, lived between regulations, orders and the clanging of locks, other barriers of privacy and dignity are stripped.

"When you go to prison you have no privacy," said Earl Lloyd, a juvenile probation officer in Bell County. "You lose part of your identity, your individuality, become a number. And the kids need to realize that."

The Central Texas counties of Bell, Coryell, Falls, Hamilton, Milam and Robertson are among the more than 60 statewide who participate in Operation Outreach.

Lloyd said 80 to 85 percent of Bell County juveniles who go through the program do not wind up in his office again.

"The kids have some fantasies: 'I can survive in prison. Prison's not that tough,'" he said. "Once they see the horror of it — that the bars do clang, that it is overcrowded, that the guards don't care, that you will work in the fields and work hard — they have a change of heart."

The program has been in effect more than a dozen years, said Charles Brown, TDCJ's assistant director for community liaisons.

He is careful to distinguish it from the Scared Straight program, which gained fame and controversy in the 1970s.

"We try to use education and hands-on experience rather than rough talking," Brown said.

But there is some semblance of fury as well, especially in the first hour of the program.

Inmates, mimicking the guards they obey daily, greet the juveniles with sudden shouts and demands.

"Fear plays the biggest part in here," said inmate Tammy D'Agrella, 36, who is serving time on forgery and theft convictions. "Without fear, you're not going to listen."

That means yelling at the juveniles, which she sometimes finds difficult.

"But we've got to get our point across because you're not going to get that compassion here," D'Agrella said. "You're going to have people telling you how stupid you look crying. It's real cold."

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— Earl Lloyd, juvenile probation officer

When the girls first enter the unit, they are stripped of earrings. Those in clothing too baggy or too tight must change into prison-issue whites.

"We try to take all the dignity, show 'em what it's really like," said Officer Elva Reed. "It's humiliating. It hits home that we can do anything we want to when they walk through those gates."

Inmates, sometimes as many as five at once, surround one teen at a time, demanding their name, age and crime as they did to the 16-year-old, then asking questions about their drug use, family relationships and sex lives.

They herd the group outside, making the girls walk a painted line that inmates lose privileges for straying from.

That, the girls find, is a simple task compared to what lies ahead in the field, where they will shoulder hoes and beat away at weeds as prisoners do during the week.

"The field is the most important part to us. It's the thing that breaks us when we get here," said 33-year-old inmate Denene Reyna, serving a sentence for a burglary conviction.

And the girls struggle under the demands and the watchful eye of officer Reed, standing guard on horseback. A few falter or stop. On the way back, several examine their hands for blisters

There's something of a tour included in the afternoon: A view of the showers and solitary confinement, also known as the Bahamas during the summer and Alaska in wintertime.

The juveniles are herded outside the bars of a unit where prisoners leer and call to them.

Then the original group of inmates gather the girls together again. Following a subtle shift through the afternoon, the shouts and insults lean now toward talk and exhortation.

Several prisoners tell the teens their stories, a. lyze their mistakes and offer advice and encouragement. Juveniles then meet one-on-one with prisoners.

"I've had kids tell me something they've never told anybody," said Angela Jordan, 21, imprisoned on an arson conviction.

To participate in the program, inmates must have a clean disciplinary record, Reed said. It's a volunteer program which involves giving up free time on weekends.

Candidates must speak at a group meeting, and the inmates already in the program vote whether or not to let the newcomers in. Prison officials make the final decision, Reed said.

Eight prison units have Operation Outreach, but Gatesville, which joined the program a couple of years ago, is the only female unit.

Counties have differing opinions on which juveniles to take and who it may help the most.

For example, Navarro County juvenile probation officer Blu Nicholson said he only takes chronic offenders, usually 15 or 16 years old.

"I wouldn't recommend it for just a minor first-time offender," said Nicholson, who has taken two groups through the program. "I just think it would be shell-shock."

Debra Dillenberger, chief juvenile probation officer for Falls, Robertson and Milam counties, said she takes children as young as 10 to 13 years old, but separates them from older groups.

"I think the younger the kid is, the better," said Dillenberger, whose office has been involved in the program for six years. "Once they're over 15, unless they're real innocent, I don't think it'll work."

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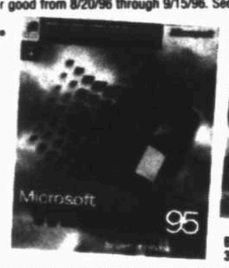
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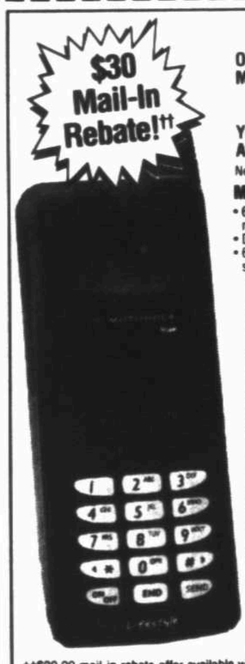
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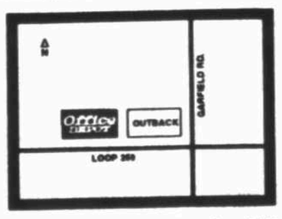
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Margaritas continue to be one of Texas' leading drinks

WACO (AP) — It's said the tongue has four types of taste receptors — sweet, salt, sour and bitter, which perhaps explains the popularity of margaritas.

For this popular mixed drink includes each of these tastes.

The first sensation when you sip a margarita is saltiness, as your lips touch the glass traditionally rimmed with salt. Then comes the sour taste of lime, the sweet taste of orange liqueur and the bitter taste of tequila.

And whether it's because people are conducting scientific research on their taste buds or just drinking them for the fun of it, margaritas are one of the most requested bar drinks in the country, according to surveys from the Distilled Spirits Council.

And they are also easy to prepare at home, whether you use a ready-made mix or mix them up yourself.

Many people wanting to make margaritas at home like the convenience of the margarita mixes, said Joe Dicorte, one of the owners of Dicorte Brothers liquor store. And, he noted, there are several good mixes on the market now.

Jose Cuervo makes the No. 1 seller, and it's a good mix, he said.

"But then there are people who buy all the ingredients so they can mix them themselves," Dicorte said.

These ingredients are limes or lime juice, tequila and an orange liqueur. The later can be the less expensive triple sec or the more expensive Grand Marnier or Cointreau.

The latter two are used to make what's called "top shelf" margaritas, and you'll want to use one of the better tequilas, Dicorte said. A popular brand is Patron, which sells for $30 per bottle.

Dicorte's recipe for a top shelf margarita is 1 1/2 ounces of tequila, 1/3 ounce of Grand Marnier and the juice of two limes sweetened with a little sugar.

Another recipe was offered by Manuel Rodriguez, general manager of the soon-to-open Ninfa's:

Equal parts tequila, orange liqueur and fresh squeezed lime juice with a dash of simple syrup (sugar dissolved in water).

"Let me warn you, it's potent," Rodriguez said.

Because the liquor flavors are so pronounced in this recipe, Rodriguez said it's important to use premium brands.

He said the tequila needs to be 80 proof, and he likes gold tequila because it is aged.

"There's a difference in the way the tequila goes down," he said of more expensive brands, such as Patron. He noted that the better the tequila, the smoother the drink will be.

The same goes for the orange liqueur. He said Cointreau is the best, but those who like their margaritas a little sweeter might prefer Grand Marnier.

But you don't have to spend that kind of money or go to that much effort to get a good margarita, Dicorte said.

He said Sauzo Giro is a good, lower priced tequila that works well with margarita mixes, which usually have the triple sec flavor included. With those ingredients you can make a pitcher of margaritas for $6 to $7, Dicorte said.

But that's for a margarita on the rocks. Those mixes aren't concentrated so become diluted if blend them with ice, Dicorte said.

For a frozen margarita, Dicorte recommends frozen mixes, such as Dicorte Brothers own frozen margarita mix, or frozen limeade concentrate from the grocery store freezer section.

"You take 6 ounces of tequila, 6 ounces of mix and 2 ounces of triple sec and you put it in the blender with a handful of ice. Put salt on the rim of the glass, then pour in the margarita," Dicorte said.

"The beauty of using mixes like ours or even the frozen limeade is that you can adjust the lime tartness according to your tastes," he said.

Americans, always looking for new flavors, also have embraced flavored margaritas. They can be made with flavored syrups or juices.

Richard Guthrie, general manager of Burgers and Blues, which should open in River Square Center in October, mixed up a strawberry frozen margarita with strawberry-flavored syrup and an orange margarita with fresh-squeezed orange juice.

For flavored margaritas, you'll want to rim the glass with sugar rather than salt, Guthrie said.

Those who want to make lots of frozen margaritas but don't want to be chained all night to the blender might check into renting a frozen drink machine. Several local liquor stores offer them. At Dicorte such machines rent for $65 per day.

You pour a half-gallon of margarita concentrate, two bottles of tequila and a bottle of triple sec in the top and 20 minutes later you can get frozen margaritas out of the front, Dicorte said. The machine makes about 4 gallons of frozen margaritas at a time.

Central Texas town hot about pile of smoldering cedar mulch's smell

JONAH (AP) — This small town has a big smell, and some residents are burning mad about it.

A Texas-sized pile of cedar mulch caught fire here about three weeks ago. But state and Williamson County officials say there's little that can be done except to let it burn.

Depending on the wind's direction and strength, the odor of burning cedar can be smelled for up to several miles away. Nearby, the smell is constant and strong.

"It's bad. My three kids all have asthma. They haven't been able to play outside at all," said David Vasquez, one of about 60 Jonah residents.

Vasquez lives about half a mile away from the private property where the mulch is burning.

The cedar pile, owned by an Austin man, is "not quite the size of a football field, but has the look of one," said Terry Hadley, a spokesman for the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission.

The state agency and officials from the Williamson County emergency services and health department planned a meeting with Jonah residents to discuss the situation.

Hadley said there are state regulations on outdoor burning and nuisance laws. But he said those subjective nuisance standards have not been reached.

And he said there is no law regulating the size of mulch piles.

"We're going out there to get more information," Hadley said Friday. "People would have to not be able to enjoy the use of their homes for some time" for the nuisance laws to kick in.

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BASEBALL — Chicago Cubs at Atlanta Braves, noon, TBS, WGN.
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Texas Scores

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TEXAS LEAGUE — Wichita Wranglers at Midland Angels, 6 p.m., Christensen Stadium. Radio: KCRS-AM (550).

GOLF — Nike Tour Permian Basin Open, final round, the Club at Mission Dorado, Odessa, 8 a.m.

Player suspended

FORT COLLINS, Colo. — Paul Turner, who was Colorado State's leading receiver in 1995, has been suspended for the season because of his grades, coach Sonny Lubick said Saturday.

Lubick said Turner would have an opportunity to rejoin the team next year if he completes his academic requirements.

Turner is a fourth-year senior who has not redshirted and has one year of competitive eligibility remaining. Lubick said Turner would be able to rejoin the team in January of 1997 if he mets academic requirements, continues his academic progress and fulfills team regulations.

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Rodriguez forges to lead

By Stewart Doreen
Sports Writer

ODESSA — At least one Aggie did well Saturday.

Former Texas A&M standout Anthony Rodriguez did what his old friends in Provo couldn't by having his name on top of the leaderboard after the third round of the Nike Permian Basin Open.

Rodriguez shot a seven-under par 65 on a moist course at The Club at Mission Dorado to take a two-shot lead over the field going into today's final round.

"I set a goal to get to 13 and did one better," said Rodriguez, who played for Texas A&M from 1991-1995. "I wanted to stay in a good frame of mind going into the final round."

Rodriguez, who stands at 14-under-par is two strokes ahead of Perry Parker and Deane Pappas. Michael Christie, David Berganio and Briny Baird are three behind.

Rodriguez, who grew up in McAllen and resides in San Antonio, made seven birdies and no bogeys. That included successful birdie putts of over 20 feet on No. 8 and No. 10. He also just took what the course gave him.

On a day where the par-72 layout was recovering from the Friday's rain, that meant some nice greens to work with.

"I putted well today and that kept me in the game," said Rodriguez, who played in the 1996 U.S. Open at Birmingham, Mich. "The greens remind me of the Open greens. They are quicker in some places. I was just trying to stay within myself.

"This course has played different all three days."

The two-time U.S. Amateur participant got into the Permian Basin Open via the Monday qualifing tournament. It is his first Nike event since the Nike Tallahassee Open in April. At that event, P.J. Cowan became the ninth player in the history of the tour capture a Nike crown after getting in becuase of the Monday event.

Rodriguez realizes the importance of getting a win and the opportunities like one-year Nike Tour exemption, automatic second-round berth into the PGA Tour School and $30,000 paycheck.

"If I could win, it would mean more than anything," said Rodriguez, who is 23-years old. "It is more than just being a winner, a lot comes with it. I don't have any status. This will be a good way to get some."

Rodriguez will be in the final group with Parker. The two players will tee off at 12:30 p.m. It is a chance for Rodriguez to better a performance in his previous-best Nike tournament, the 1996 Nike Monterrey Open and make up for that less-than-desired last round

"I was two back going into the last round and in the final group," said Rodriguez, who finished three back and tied for ninth after an even-par 72. "I was really nervous and will probably think about it (today)."

Rodriguez will have a number of players gunning for

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PERMIAN BASIN OPEN — NIKE TOUR

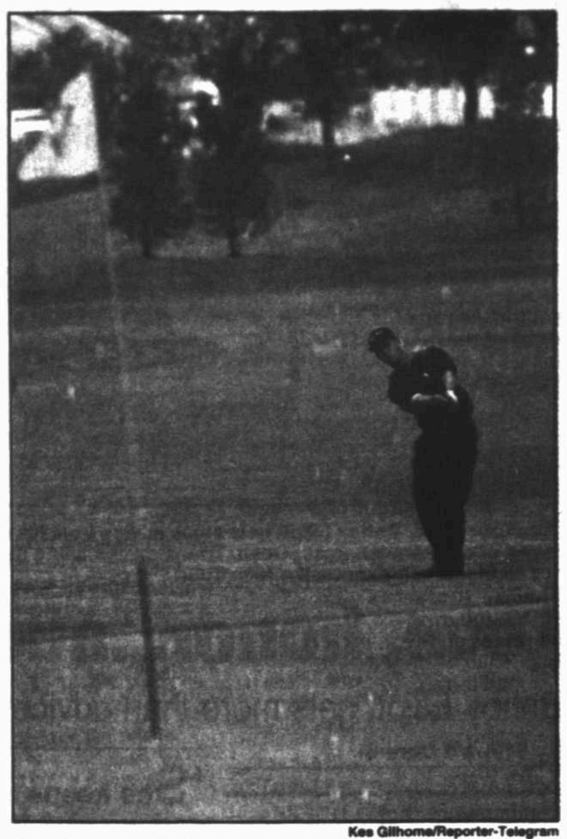
ODESSA — Leaders after Saturday's third round of the $200,000 Nike Permian Basin Open:

Player		Total
Anthony Rodriguez	69-68-65	— 202
Deane Pappas	65-69-70	— 204
Perry Parker	69-69-66	— 204

Three players tied at 205.

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Kes Gilhome/Reporter-Telegram
Phil Tataurangi chips up to the 18th green during Saturday's third round of the Nike Permian Basin Open.

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL '96: GREENWOOD RANGERS

Reversal of fortune

■ Greenwood has finally turned the corner and built a program which could contend for another district crown.

By Mike Butts
Sports Writer

GREENWOOD — Fortunes can change quickly in high school football. And none have shifted more dramatically than the Greenwood Rangers'.

The Rangers busted out of a four-season playoff drought with postseason appearances in the last two years. Greenwood went 17-5 over that span, won two playoff games, including its first-ever postseason triumph in 1994, and took a district championship and co-championship.

But with only five returning starters and one lineman with varsity experience back, Greenwood is not making anyone's lists of potential playoff teams this year. In fact, the Rangers could be looking at an 0-5 start and a two-win season.

As head coach Bob Purser puts it, Greenwood will have to survive some tough early games just to be competitive once District 4-3A play begins.

"Sometimes a year like this everything falls apart at the beginning and it's up to the coaches to keep it going through the tough times," said Purser, in his tenth year at Greenwood. "What you want to do is improve without being demoralized, and that could happen against some of the people we're going against."

Some of those people include the state's No. 4-ranked Class 3A team, Ballinger, which the Rangers open against at home Sept. 6. After that Greenwood lines its inexperienced team up against three 3A non-district foes that are picked second, third and second in their districts (Seminole, Denver City, Alpine).

The Rangers then take off a week before opening district against 4-3A favorite Colorado City.

"We're looking at seven outings (including scrimmages against Monahans and Pecos) where we will be the underdogs, and that's tough," Purser said.

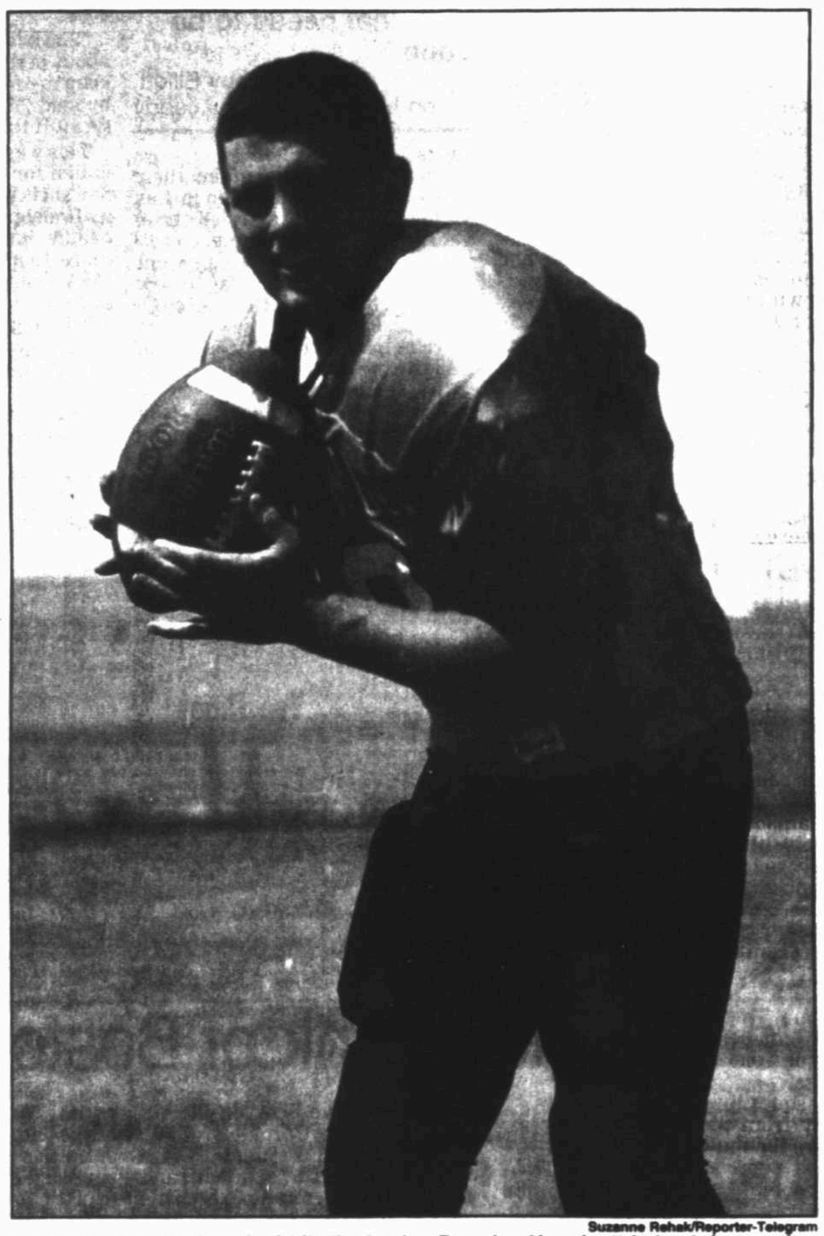
Greenwood's '95 senior class produced district offensive MVP Bucky Smith and seven first-team all-district selections, including quarterback Casey Otho and kicker Josh Jones. Their departure has left the Rangers with one of the smallest senior classes they have had in Purser's tenure.

"We have 10 seniors and three of them are new to the program so we really have seven," said Purser. "We normally have right at 20."

It's the kind of down year that comes to most programs. But all is not bad for the Rangers. They hope some of the success of the last two years has taught them how to win.

"That's probably the best thing we have going for us right now," senior lineman Tanner Cross said. "We don't want to be the ones that end that (play-

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Suzanne Rehak/Reporter-Telegram
Junior running back and middle linebacker Brandon Hunnicutt is back for another year to anchor the defense. The district defensive MVP had 143 tackles last year.

Errors give Wranglers 6-3 victory

By Mike Butts
Sports Writer

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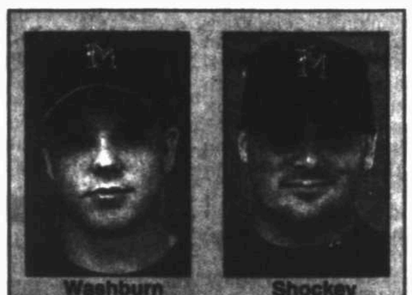
Surely this is not the way Abner Doubleday meant for baseball to be played. After the Angels awful 6-3 loss to Wichita Saturday at Christensen Stadium, the man given credit for inventing the sport probably took a few spins in his grave.

The Angels have no chance of making the playoffs. And they finish their Texas League season after just seven more games. But it would be hard to come up with a legitimate excuse for the way they blew Saturday's game against the Wranglers.

Midland took a two-run lead into the ninth inning and preceded to show Wichita the way to its second win of the five-game series with three errors, a wild pitch and a walk. Closer Mike Freehill, who has struggled since coming back to the Angels after a promotion the Triple-A Vancouver, gave up four hits and five runs in the ninth and lost his sixth game of the season.

Wichita's last at-bat turned Chris-

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Washburn Shockey

Angels at a glance

■ **WHO:** Wichita Wranglers at Angels, 6 p.m., fourth game of a five-game series
■ **WHERE:** Christensen Stadium
■ **RADIO:** KCRS-AM (550)
■ **RECORD:** 24-40, 4th in TL West.
■ **PITCHERS:** Phil Leftwich (2-2, 3.91 ERA) will be on the mound for the Angels while Mike Bovee (9-10, 4.43 ERA) will start for Wichita.

Friday's Recap

■ **SCORE:** Wichita 6, Angels 3
■ **STREAK:** Lost 1.
■ **HALO HEROES:** P Jarrod Washburn went eight strong innings on the mound, allowing only one run and striking out five; DH Greg Shockey went 2-4 with a two-run homer, his seventh of the year.

What's On Deck...

Date	Opponent	Time
Monday	Wichita	7 p.m.
Tuesday	San Antonio	7 p.m.
Wednesday	San Antonio	7 p.m.
Thursday	San Antonio	7 p.m.
Friday	San Antonio	7 p.m.

Rebels as advertised in scrimmage

By Terry Williamson
Sports Editor

LEE FOOTBALL

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Midland Lee	3

PECOS — The Midland Lee Rebels appear to be as much as advertised after a 3-0 scrimmage win over El Paso Riverside here Saturday night.

As advertised is a highly deadly defense and an offense that is still somewhat in the gray area.

Riverside never came close to scoring on the Lee defense that produced six sacks and some hits that rank right up there with Godzilla in Tokyo.

On offense, however, Lee's first unit got off to a slow start, failing to score on its first 20-play possession and making only two first downs during that stint.

In fact, it was the No. 2 defensive unit that put the Rebels in lights when newcomer J.P. Ratliff, a sophomore, returned a Riverside interception 72 yards for a touchdown.

Then it was Lee's No. 2 offense against Riverside's No. 2 defense to gain the next score with senior Leroy Robinson cashing in on the final three yards of a 70-yard drive, which was directed by quarterback John Sosa.

But Lee's first unit finally got untracked with two nice drives in the first quarter of a two-quarter set. Lee drove inside the Riverside 20, but Brian Evans missed a 37-yard field goal try. The

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WAC 1, Big 12 0: BYU takes A&M

By Bob Mims
AP Sports Writer

Pigskin Classic

PROVO, Utah — Steve Sarkisian wrecked the "Wrecking Crew."

The Brigham Young quarterback threw six touchdown passes Saturday as the Cougars upset No. 13 Texas A&M 41-37 in the Pigskin Classic, the opening game of the college football season.

"One thing to remember is when BYU gets rolling on offense, it's kind of hard to stop the train," said Sarkisian, who completed a career-best 33-of-41 passes for 536 yards against A&M's vaunted "Wrecking Crew" defense.

Exploiting the Aggies' sophomore-laden secondary, Sarkisian threw the winning, 46-yard TD pass to K.O. Keahaluhi with 1:07 remaining.

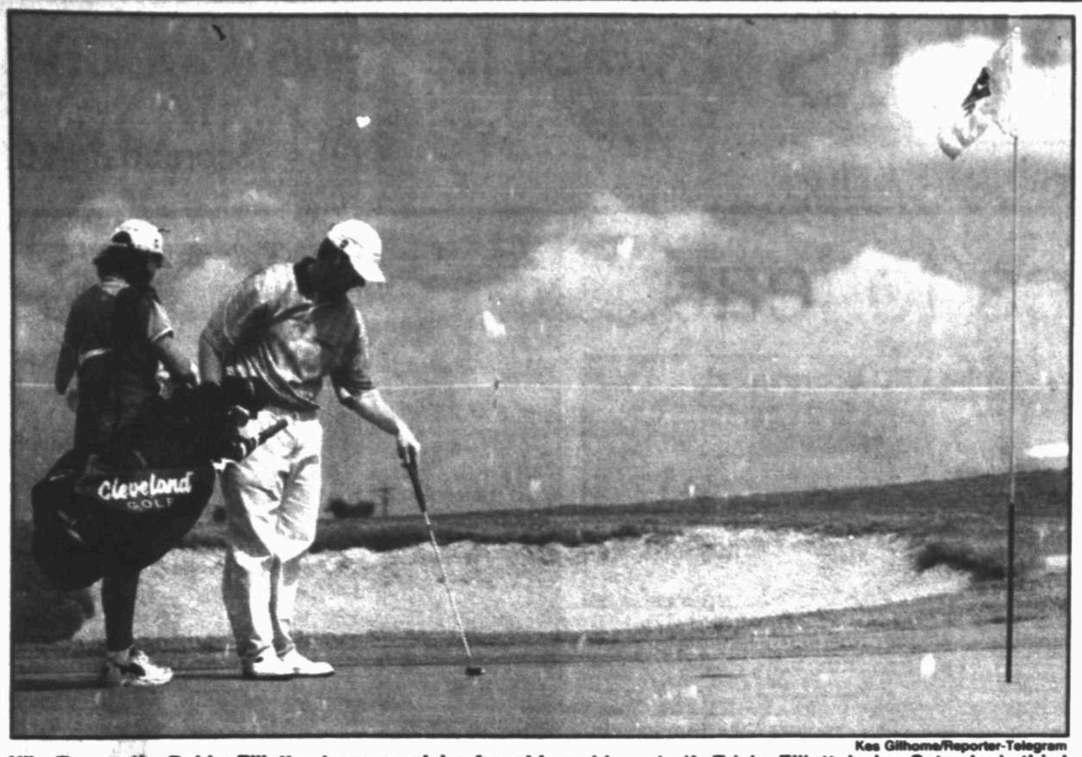
"Once we got in the groove and got people going we were all right," the senior quarterback said. "They didn't give this to us; we went out and won it."

Two of Sarkisian's TD tosses went to Kaipo McGuire, who finished with seven catches for 146 yards. Keahaluhi gained 151 yards on six catches.

"This was a great victory for us ... (but) we've always stepped up for big games," said BYU coach LaVell

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Nike Tour golfer Bobby Elliott gets some advice from his caddy and wife Trisha Elliott during Saturday's third round of the Permian Basin Open. Trisha enjoys being her husband's caddy from time to time, a sight that is not all the uncommon on the Nike Tour.

Mickelson leading Series

Associated Press

Pro Golf Roundup

AKRON, Ohio — Phil Mickelson took the lead with a 4-under-par 66 in the suspended second round, then cemented his position with a 68 to take a three-stroke lead Saturday through 54 holes at the World Series of Golf.

Thirty-five minutes after Mickelson teed off in the third round, an explosion in a cardboard trash container just behind the first tee caused minor injuries to two spectators.

An Akron police spokesman said the explosion was caused by a fused device — but not a firecracker or pipe bomb. Police were looking for two teen-agers who witnesses said were near the trash container shortly before the explosion.

Mickelson was two under on No. 8 when play was halted by rain and lightning Friday night with 38 players in the 43-man field still on the course.

He played the rest of the way in two under — including a bogey on the closing hole — to take a one-stroke lead over Tim Herron and Billy Mayfair after 36 holes.

After a three-hour wait, the left-hander pulled away from the field with three birdies and a bogey in a round of 68 that left him at 6-under 204 through three rounds.

Tied for second at 207 were defending champion Greg Norman and Mayfair, who along with Nick Price was victimized when Norman chipped in to win last year on the first playoff hole.

Five shots off the lead were Masters champion Nick Faldo and Steve Stricker. Faldo and Norman will be paired for the first time since Norman blew a six-stroke lead in the final round at the Masters, which Faldo won by five strokes.

Stricker, Mayfair and Norman all caught Mickelson to tie for the lead at one time or another, but were all done in on the back side.

Local favorite John Cook, who grew up in Akron, and Justin Leonard were at even-par 210. PGA champion Mark Brooks shot a third-round 74 and was at 212. British Open winner Tom Lehman and U.S. Open champion Steve Jones shot 74 and 76, respectively, and were at 215.

Star Bank LPGA Classic

DAYTON, Ohio — Laura Davies pulled away from the rest of the field at the Star Bank LPGA Classic on Saturday, putting herself in a good position to earn a $100,000 bonus.

Davies shot a 6-under-par 66 and was at 134 for 36 holes, three strokes ahead of Brandie Burton and Beth Daniel.

The winner's share of the $550,000 purse is $82,500, but tournament organizers said the winner will get an extra $100,000 if she has won another LPGA Tour event this year. Davies has won three tournaments in 1996.

Burton also shot a 66 Saturday and Daniel had a 68. Three other golfers — Susan Veasey, Kelly Robbins and first-round leader Pat Hurst — were at 138.

Love, honor...and read greens?

Bobby Elliott gets more than advice from his caddy, who is his wife

By Stewart Doreen
Sports Writer

PERMIAN BASIN OPEN TOUR

ODESSA — Bobby Elliott's caddy this week at the Nike Permian Open is a jack of all trades.

In addition to the club cleaning and bag carrying, Elliott gets his meals cooked, cleaning done and reservations made. If you didn't know any better, you'd think it is his wife.

That is exactly who it is.

Bobby and Trisha Elliott have found new ways to spend quality time together and this week that not only means as husband and wife but golfer and caddie, a common occurance on the Nike Tour.

"This week I was going to fill in for a local caddie (during the first round, but he shot 65 on Thursday so I got to stay on," Trisha said. "I travel with him every week but haven't caddied for a while. It is fun and I enjoy staying inside the ropes."

> **'She keeps me loose and we we talk about other things and she helps keep my mind off the game...She also does all the little stuff that needs to be done.'**
>
> — Bobby Elliott, on his wife being his caddy

The Elliotts, who make their home away from the tour in Las Vegas, have been married three years and in the beginning, carrying the 30-plus pound bag went right along with promising to love and cherish each other through thick and thin. Trisha was even there helping her hubby out when things weren't so prosperous.

"At the beginning, we could afford to carry a caddie," Trisha said. "He was pretty much on his own. I didn't know how to do yardages or read greens."

This year, in Bobby's official rookie year on the Nike Tour, the former University of Nevada-Las Vegas golf standout has made $27,270 in 21 events and can afford to pay for a caddie at stops around the U.S. But from time to time he enjoys having her carry the bag as much as he appreciates what she does.

"She keeps me loose and we talk about other things and she helps keep my mind off the game," Bobby said. "She also does all the little stuff that needs to be done."

This week the 29-year old golfer is tied for 10th place — he's only five shots back of the leader Anthony Rodriguez, though — so yes his caddie has come through. With more tournaments like this, the PGA Tour might be in the future and if that is the case don't expect Trisha lug the bag around.

"I get a little bit here and there and am improving," Trisha said. "He still knows some of these courses and the terrain. But if he was on the pro tour he would need one."

1996 Nike Tour Permian Basin Open

Saturday's Results

ODESSA — Third round scores from the $200,000 Nike Permian Basin Open held at the 7,135-yard, par-72 Mission Dorado Course:

Nike Scores	
Anthony Rodriguez	-69-68-65 —202
Deane Pappas	-66-69-70 —204
Perry Parker	-69-68-67 —204
Briny Baird	-69-69-67 —205
David Bergantio	-67-71-67 —205
Michael Christie	-68-71-66 —205
Pat Bates	-67-69-70 —206
Bobby Doolittle	-69-68-69 —206
Rick Cramer	-69-73-70 —206
Mike Small	-68-69-70 —207
Perry Moss	-69-65-73 —207
Doug Barron	-67-71-69 —207
Bobby Elliott	-65-72-70 —207
Phil Tataurangi	-69-71-68 —207
Jeff Gove	-68-73-69 —208
Joe Durant	-67-70-71 —208
Eric Epperson	-70-70-68 —208
Jaime Gomez	-71-68-69 —208
Russell Beiersdorf	-68-72-68 —208
Rafael Alarcon	-72-68-68 —208
Paul Gow	-67-75-66 —208
Jerry Foltz	-71-70-67 —208
Dennis Harrington	-68-69-72 —209
Damon Green	-69-75-71 —209
Brent Geiberger	-67-70-72 —209
Steve Larick	-72-67-70 —209
Mike Schuchart	-71-68-70 —209
Dean Wilson	-70-71-68 —209
Chad Campbell	-67-72-70 —209
Jimmy Green	-71-71-67 —209
Michael Long	-74-67-68 —209
Jim Estes	-69-68-73 —210
Bobby Gee	-69-70-71 —210
Jaxon Brigman	-71-68-71 —210
Collin Stoops	-73-68-69 —210
Rocky Walcher	-69-71-70 —210
Paul Claxton	-71-71-68 —210
Jack O'Keefe	-71-70-70 —211
Steve Golsche	-69-71-72 —211
Larry Silveira	-68-73-70 —211
Tom Hearn	-72-69-70 —211
Tim Dunlavey	-69-73-69 —211
Billy Downes	-74-67-70 —211
Jeff Bloom	-73-69-69 —211
David Jackson	-70-71-71 —212
Michael Clark	-69-71-72 —212
Tom Pernice Jr.	-68-75-71 —212
Matthew Lane	-69-72-71 —212
Scott Petersen	-71-71-70 —212
Greg Bruckner	-69-72-71 —212
Mike Sposa	-70-72-70 —212
Javier Sanchez	-72-70-70 —212
Tim Conley	-69-71-73 —213
Shaun Haberstroh	-69-73-72 —213
Tom Shaw	-69-72-73 —213
Bob Wolcott	-71-70-72 —213
Kawika Cotner	-69-72-72 —213
Kent Jones	-70-72-71 —213
Steve Novarro	-69-72-72 —213
Greg Whisman	-69-71-74 —214
Terrance Mitkell	-70-72-72 —214
Steve B. Parker	-68-74-73 —215
Brad Greer	-69-73-75 —217

Tee Times

Tee Times for Sunday's final round of the Nike Permian Basin Open. All players will start on the No. 1 tee at the Club at Mission Dorado:

8:22: Larry Nunez (Marker Player), Brad Greer (217); 8:30: Greg Whisman (214), Steve Parker (215); 8:38: Tim Conley (213), Terrance Mitkell (214); 8:46: Shaun Haberstroh (213), Tom Shaw (213); 8:54: Bob Wolcott (213), Kawika Cotner (213).

9:02: Kent Jones (213), Steve Navarro (213); 9:10: David Jackson (212), Michael Clark (212); 9:18: Tom Pernice Jr. (212), Matthew Lane (212); 9:26: Scott Peterson (212), Greg Bruckner (212); 9:34: Mike Sposa (212), Javier Sanchez (212); 9:42: Jack O'Keefe (211), Steve Golsche (211); 9:50: Larry Silveira (211), Tom Hearn (211); 9:58: Tom Dunlavey (211), Bill Downes (211).

10:06: Jim Estes (210), Jeff Bloom (211); 10:14: Bobby Gee (210), Jaxon Brigman (210); 10:22: Collin Stoops (210), Rocky Walcher (210); 10:30: Dennis Harrington (209), Paul Claxton (210); 10:38: Damon Green (209), Brent Geiberger (209); 10:46: Steve Larick (209), Mike Schuchart (209); 10:54: Dean Wilson (209), Chad Campbell (209).

11:02: Jimmy Green (209), Michael Long (209); 11:10: Jeff Gove (208), Joe Durant (208); 11:18: Eric Epperson (208), Jaime Gomez (208); 11:26: Russell Beiersdorf (208) Rafael Alarcon (208); 11:34: Paul Gow (208), Jerry Foltz (208); 11:42: Mike Small (207), Perry Moss (207); 11:50: Dou Barron (207), Bobby Elliott (207); 11:58: Pat Bates (206), Paul Tataurangi (207).

12:06: Bobby Doolittle (206), Rick Cramer (206); 12:14: Briny Baird (205), David Bergantio (205); 12:22: Deane Pappas (204), Michael Christie (205); 12:30: Anthony Rodriguez (202), Perry Parker (204).

Wargo leads Bank of Boston event

By Joe Concannon
The Boston Globe

PGA Senior Bank of Boston

CONCORD — As Raymond Floyd tried to keep his mind on his own game instead of pondering how his son, Robert, was doing in the semifinals of the US Amateur, Tom Wargo had no trouble keeping his mind on the business at hand Saturday in the $800,000 Bank of Boston Senior Classic.

They may have traveled vastly different routes to the Senior PGA Tour, but Wargo and Floyd were paired in the penultimate threesome in this storm-delayed second round. The former club pro/bartender/ bowler Wargo put together four straight birdies starting at the fourth hole and finished with a 5-under-par 67 and a 135 total. He has a one-shot lead over Floyd entering Sunday's final round at Nashawtuc CC.

Floyd, whose second son was beaten by University of Florida teammate Steve Scott in the US Amateur at in Cornelius, Ore., had his second straight 68. He talked briefly with the media and headed for the trailer to watch his son's match. He'd bypassed this event a year ago to watch both Robert and Raymond Jr. in the US Amateur at Newport CC.

The storm interrupted play for 34 minutes in late morning. Opening-round leaders Isao Aoki and Larry Ziegler faded to 72s and were in a group of six that were four strokes astern at 139. Jay Sigel shot himself into contention with the tournament's low round of 66. He is tied for third with Terry Dill (68) and Jim Dent (68) at 137.

Wargo started his run of birdies when he wedged his second shot to 6 feet on the fourth, then made back-to-back 15-foot putts on the fifth and sixth holes and a 6-footer at No. 7.

"I'm staying in Hudson and it was raining so hard I wasn't sure if we were going to play at all," said Wargo. "I guess the golf course drained rather well."

After his only bogey in two rounds on the 11th (thanks to three putts), Wargo ran in a 30-foot birdie putt on the 12th and a 3-footer on the 14th. He wasn't able to capitalize on the par-5 18th and had to settle for par. "I hit a good drive," he said, "and the lie was good, but the stance wasn't. My left foot was down in a hole. I hit as good a shot as I could out of there and it went into the rough at the edge of the green."

Floyd had a 30-foot bid for an eagle on 18 come up short and settled for a birdie. He started off with birdies on four of the first six holes and he and Wargo were both at 8 under when they made the turn. Floyd pulled his tee shot on the par-5 10th and it landed in a hazard. Forced to drop, he settled for a two-putt bogey and fell out of the lead.

"I thought I was going to shoot really low," said Floyd. "I hit it in the hazard on the 10th hole and took 6. After that, I really played some good golf. I just couldn't make any putts. I had a good chance on 11, 12, 14, 15, 16 and 18 for an eagle. When I started walking, I thought I'd made it. I felt I putted the ball very well."

Woods, Scott reach Amateur finals

By Ron Sirak
AP Golf Writer

U.S. Amateur Championship

CORNELIUS, Ore. — Maybe if Bobby Jones magically walked out one of the corn fields that surround Pumpkin Ridge Golf Club there would be a chance of Tiger Woods losing in the U.S. Amateur Championship.

But this tournament is turning into Woods' own field of dreams, especially the back nine at the Witch Hollow course where Woods once again pounced on an opponent and advanced to the finals for the third straight year.

No one has played in the finals trying for a third straight title since Jones in 1926. And he lost to George Von Elm 2-and-1.

Don't bet on Woods blowing his chance at history.

He was far from perfect in Saturday's 3-and-1 victory over Stanford teammate Joel Kribel, but he made every big par save he needed to make and when Kribel, who played a brilliant front nine, opened the door, Woods stormed through.

Woods gets his chance Sunday to move into the golf history books against Steve Scott, a 19-year-old University of Florida student who defeated his college teammate, Robert Floyd, 3-and-2, winning the last three holes of the match.



AP Laserphoto

Tiger Woods goes over some strategy at the U.S. Men's Amateur Championships with his caddy and best friend Bryan Bell.

No one has ever won 18 consecutive matches in the Amateur. No one has ever won three straight titles. Woods can accomplish both by beating Scott.

But this 20-year-old with the poise and tournament experience of someone who has been playing for 20 years, remains perfectly focused on the task at hand.

"I've got 36 holes tomorrow," Woods said. "That's the hard part about the Amateur. There is no rest. You are always playing. And this heat makes it worse."

The temperature was well into the 90s when the match started shortly before noon, and Kribel got out to a start that was just as hot.

He birdied three of the first four holes to go 2-up. But Woods failed to fold. He made a 30-foot birdie putt on top of Kribel on No. 3 to halve the hole.

And on No. 7, he scrambled for a par when he drove into the left bunker, hit across the fairway into the right rough and had to play a low punch shot under a tree short of the green.

But he got up-and-down from 60 feet away to save par and tie the hole.

"He made a lot of big saves," Kribel said.

His biggest par save came on No. 8. With Kribel facing a 12-foot birdie putt, Woods had a very difficult long greenside bunker shot to a tight pin. He stuck it to four feet, spinning it back, and made the putt. Kribel missed.

Woods was six under par for the 17 holes with four birdies and an eagle and — most importantly — no bogeys. When Kribel conceded the match, Woods first hugged his mother, Kultida, and then his coach, Butch Harmon.

He is one more set of hugs away from history.

NIKE: Rodriguez leads tourney

(From 1B)

him. There are 21 players within six strokes of the lead and with over 23 rounds played below-par in the third round, low numbers should be the constant.

"You can't do that (shoot even par) out here or you will get lapped," Rodriguez said.

Pappas and Parker lead the list two shots back at 12-under-par. Pappas shot 65 on Thursday and Parker blistered the course Saturday with a 66. So they can reach low numbers.

Another guy who can definitely get a large number of birdies is Christie, who ranks second on the tour in birdies made per round.

Christie, who is three shots back, made the course his play toy with a torrid last few holes. He burned up the last 12 holes with seven birdies and made eight birdies during his round of 66.

"I started off badly and turned it around on seven," Christie said. "I played solid and hit my irons well."

For Christie, who ranks fifth on the Nike tour money list, his strong finish today puts him in great shape to pick up a nice check and help secure his spot in the top 10. With only four of the Nike money leaders at the PBO, there was room for such advancement.

"At this stage in the game, every opportunity is important," said Christie, who is only member of the tour's top 10 within five strokes of Rodriguez. "I'm the only guy (high on the money list) in the top 14 except for Berganio. That is good for me."

Christie says that if he has the same type of round, he like his chances.

"Hell, if I make eight birdies tomorrow, I will win" Christie said. "This is one of my favorite events as wide open as it is. It is my kind of course.

"I haven't made that many bogeys this week. I just haven't made that many birdies."

GEE ROLLS: Former Midlander Bobby Gee kept his best Nike Permian Basin Open going. The Dallas resident and former Midland Lee star stands at 6-under-par and is tied for 32nd.

It would have been much stronger if not for two bogeys on the last two holes.

"I didn't read putts too well," said Gee, who shot a 1-under-par 71. "It could have been 69 but I had some missed opportunities to finish like I did. What can you do?"

For the second-straight day his round started with a bogey, but again he rebounded well with. Gee birdied the par-5 third hole and then had the hat trick on the 7,8 and 9.

A top 25 finish at the Nike Permian Basin Open will give him an exemption into the Nike Colorado Classic.

"That is a goal of mine," Gee said. "I had higher expectations going into today especially after the turn. Tomorrow I will take it as deep as I can, go for it and see what happens."

NIKE NOTES: Andrews' Chad Campbell stands at 7-under and seven shots out of the lead after the third round. He shot a 70 on Saturday... The 14th hole staked its claim as the toughest hole on the course. The par-4 played to a stroke average of 4.270 on Saturday and was ranked as the second toughest hole on the course during the three days. The easiest is still the par-5, 11th which gave up only one bogey Saturday compared to 26 birdies and three eagles.

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TWINS 6, RANGE

TEXAS	ab	r	hbi	MINNE
Hmilton cf	5	0	1	0 Knblch
IRdrgz c	5	0	1	1 Becker
Greer lf	5	1	1	0 RKelly
JGnzlz dh	4	1	1	1 Molitor
WClark 1b	3	0	0	0 Sthvk
Palmer 3b	3	2	2	1 Crdva
Newson rf	3	0	0	0 GMyrs
Ttleton ph	1	0	0	0 DHlins
McLmr 2b	4	1	2	0 Lawton
Elster ss	4	0	1	1 Meares
Buford pr	0	0	0	0
Totals	37	5	9	4 Totals
Texas				010 101
Minnesota				121 011

E—IRodriguez (9). DH
DP—Texas 1. LOB—Tex
nesota 7. 2B—Knoblauch
Meares (5). HR—JGonz
Palmer (31), Cordova (13).
CS—Knoblauch (11).

	IP	H	R
Texas			
Pavlik L,14-7	5 1-3	10	6
Stanton	1 2-3	0	0
Russell	2-3	0	0
Vosberg	1-3	0	0
Minnesota			
FRdrgz W,12-10	7	6	3
Guardado	1	0	1
Trombley S,3	1	3	1

Guardado pitched to 1
9th. HBP—by Russell (K
WP—Pavlik. T—3:06.
(44,457).

ORIOLES 5, ANGE

CALIFORNIA	ab	r	hbi	BALTI
Velarde 2b	4	0	0	RAlmr
Edmns cf	5	0	1	0 ByAdsn
Salmon rf	4	1	2	0 RPmro
CDavis dh	4	1	0	0 Bonilla
GAndsn lf	4	0	1	0 Surhoff
Snow 1b	3	2	1	0 CRpkn
DSrcna ss	4	0	2	2 Murray
Fbrgas c	2	0	1	2 Hoiles
Slaught ph	1	0	1	0 Devrz
OPlmro pr	0	0	0	0 Bowers
Arias 3b	3	0	1	0 Dvraux
Hudler ph	1	0	1	0
Totals	35	4	11	4 Totals
California				020 002
Baltimore				100 022

DP—California 1. Ba
LOB—California 9, Baltim
Edmonds (20), Snow (13
son (30), RPalmeiro (3
(16). 3B—Devereaux (2).
mar (16). S—Velarde, B
SF—Fabregas, Murray.

	IP	H	R
California			
Harris	5	7	3
Abbott L,0-1	1	4	2
Gohr	2	0	0
Baltimore			
Mussina W,17-8	7	8	4
Orosco	1	1	0
RMyers S,25	1	2	0

Abbott pitched to 1 batt
HBP—by Harris (CRipken
A—46,487 (48,262).

BREWERS 4, INDI
10 Innings

MILWAUKEE	ab	r	hbi	CLEVI
Vina 2b	5	0	2	0 Lofton
Cirillo 3b	3	1	2	1 Vzcano
Nilsson rf	3	1	1	1 Thome
Hulse rf	0	1	0	0 Belle lf
Jaha dh	4	0	0	1 MRmnz
Seltzer 1b	5	0	2	1 SAlmr
JsVlntn ss	5	0	1	0 Brntz p
Nwfld lf	4	0	0	0 Pena c
GeWms cf	4	0	0	0 Cndele
Levis c	4	1	1	0 Kent 1b
				Giles c
				Vizque
Totals	37	4	9	4 Totals
Milwaukee				003 000 0
Cleveland				001 000 0

E—Vina (15), JsValen
lone (1), SAlomar (6). DP—
1, Cleveland 2. LOB—M
Cleveland 9. 2B—Vina (16
Seltzer (25), Belle
JsValentin (7). SB—Hulse
(60), Thome (2). CS—Vizq
Cirillo.

	IP	H	R
Milwaukee			
Karl	7 1-3	7	
Villone	1-3	0	
Wickman W,5-11	1-3	3	
Fetters S,25	1	0	
Cleveland			
Ogea	7	7	
Plunk L,2-2	2	1	
Assenmacher	1-3	0	
Shuey	2-3	1	

Plunk pitched to 1 batt
WP—Villone, Ogea. T
42,437 (42,865).

ROYALS 9, TIGE

DETROIT	ab	r	hbi	KANS
Bartee cf	4	1	2	1 Offrmn
MLewis 2b	4	0	0	0 TGdwn
Frymn 3b	3	0	0	0 Tucker
Sierra rf	4	0	1	0 Vitiello
TClark 1b	4	0	0	0 Lckhrt
Nieves dh	4	1	1	0 Hmelsk
Easley ss	4	0	1	0 Paqtte
Nevin lf	3	0	1	0 Damon
Asmus c	3	0	1	0 Sweet
				DHwrd
Totals	33	2	7	1 Totals
Detroit				110 000
Kansas City				005 01x

DP—Detroit 2. Kan
LOB—Detroit 8, Kansas
Offerman (27). HR—Bart
er (12), Vitiello (8). SB—
Nieves (1). S—TGoodwi

	IP	H
Detroit		
Olivares L,7-9	2 1-3	6
Keagle	5 2-3	5
Kansas City		
Rosado W,5-3	8 2-3	7
Bluma	1-3	0

HBP—by Keagle (
Rosado (Nevin). WP—R
Sweeney. T—2:49
(40,825).

YANKEES 5, ATH

OAKLAND	ab	r	hbi	NEW
Hrera rf	4	1	1	0 DJeter
Molina ph	1	0	1	0 Boggs
Pintier pr	0	0	0	0 Strwb
Brosius 3b	5	2	3	1 Fields
Giambi lf	5	0	0	0 TMrtnz
McGwr 1b	4	0	3	1 BeWll
Brnigal 2b	0	0	0	0 O'Neil
Berroa dh	4	0	1	1 Sojo
Stnbch c	4	0	0	0 Girard
TBtsta 2b	4	1	1	0
Young cf	3	0	1	1
Stairs ph	1	0	0	0
Bordick ss	4	0	2	0
Totals	39	4	13	4 Total
Oakland				000 10
New York				100 00

DP—Oakland 1,
LOB—Oakland 8, New
Berroa (25), Young (1
(9), BeWilliams (19).
Sojo (9). SB—Brosius
SF—Strawberry.

	IP	H
Oakland		
Telgheder L,1-5	5 1-3	5
Groom	1-3	1
Corsi	1 1-3	1
Mohler	2-3	1
Acre	1-3	0
New York		
Whtrst W,1-0	7	7
Lloyd	1-3	2
Boehringer	1	1
Polley	1-3	2
Pavlas S,1	1-3	1

WP—Lloyd 2. T—3:
(57,545).

BLUE JAYS 9, WH

TORONTO	ab	r	hbi	CHI
Nixon cf	4	1	1	1 Phillips
RPerez lf	0	0	0	0 DaMrt
Green rf	5	2	2	1 Mouton
Brmfld lf	4	1	3	3 DLee
Olerud 1b	5	0	1	1 FThms
Sprgue 3b	4	1	1	0 Bailey
CDlgdo dh	5	0	0	0 Vntrs
O'Brien c	4	2	1	0 Trfrd
AGnzlz ss	2	2	2	3 Drhm
TPerez 2b	4	0	1	0 Brdlk
				Gulln
				Ced
Totals	37	9	12	9 Tot
Toronto				200
Chicago				200

E—FThomas (8). D
Chicago 1. LOB—Toro
9. 2B—Nixon (10).
Sprague (27). TPerez
(22). 3B—Brumfield (2
zalez (10). CS—Brum

	IP	H
Toronto		
WWilliams W,2-1	5	
Spoljaric	2	
DnJohnson	1	
Timlin	1	
Chicago		
Baldwin L,9-4	3 1-3	
Berlotti	2 2-3	

SPORTS SCOREBOARD

Major League Baseball

AL Boxes

TWINS 6, RANGERS 5

TEXAS	ab	r	hbi		MINNESOTA	ab	r	hbi
Hmlton cf	5	0	1	0	Knblch 2b	2	2	1
IRdrgz c	5	0	1	1	Becker rf	4	0	1
Greer lf	5	1	1	0	RKelly rf	0	0	0
JGnzlz dh	4	1	1	1	Molitor dh	3	0	1
WClark 1b	3	0	0	0	Sthvk 1b	4	0	1
Palmer 3b	3	2	2	1	Crdva lf	4	1	1
Newson rf	3	0	0	0	GMyrs c	4	1	1
Ttleton ph	1	0	0	0	DHllns 3b	4	0	1
McLmr 2b	4	1	2	0	Lawton cf	3	1	2
Elster ss	4	0	1	1	Meares ss	4	1	1
Buford pr	0	0	0	0				
Totals	**37**	**5**	**9**	**4**	**Totals**	**32**	**6**	**10**

Texas	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	**6**
Minnesota	1	2	1	0	1	1	0	0	x	**6**

E—IRodriguez (9), DHollins (15). DP—Texas 1. LOB—Texas 7, Minnesota 7. 2B—Knoblauch (33), 3B—Meares (5). HR—JGonzalez (37), Palmer (31), Cordova (13), Lawton (5). CS—Knoblauch (11).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Texas						
Pavlik L,14-7	5 1-3	10	6	6	3	4
Stanton	1 2-3	0	0	0	0	1
Russell	2-3	0	0	0	1	1
Vosberg	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Minnesota						
FRdrgz W,12-10	7	6	3	2	1	4
Guardado	1	0	1	1	1	1
Trombley S,3	1	3	1	1	0	1

Guardado pitched to 1 batter in the 9th. HBP—by Russell (Knoblauch). WP—Pavlik. T—3:06. A—16,648 (44,457).

ORIOLES 5, ANGELS 4

CALIFORNIA	ab	r	hbi		BALTIMORE	ab	r	hbi
Velarde 2b	4	0	0	RAlmr 2b	3	1	1	1
Edmns cf	5	0	1	0	ByAdsn cf	3	2	2
Salmon rf	4	1	2	0	RPmro 1b	3	0	2
CDavis dh	4	1	0	0	Bonilla rf	4	1	2
GAndsn lf	4	0	1	0	Surhoff 3b	4	0	2
Snow 1b	3	2	1	0	CRpken ss	2	0	0
DSrcna ss	4	0	2	2	Murray dh	3	0	1
Fbrgas c	2	0	1	2	Hoiles c	4	0	0
Slaught ph	1	0	1	0	Devrz c	0	0	0
OPlmro pr	0	0	0	0	Bowers lf	2	0	0
Arias 3b	3	0	1	0	Dvraux lf	2	1	1
Hudler ph	1	0	1	0				
Totals	**35**	**4**	**11**	**4**	**Totals**	**30**	**5**	**11**

California	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	**4**
Baltimore	1	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	x	**5**

DP—California 1, Baltimore 1. LOB—California 9, Baltimore 8. 2B—Edmonds (20), Snow (13), ByAnderson (30), RPalmeiro (33), Murray (16). 3B—Devereaux (2). SB—RAlomar (16). S—Velarde, ByAnderson. SF—Fabregas, Murray.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
California						
Harris	5	7	3	3	4	3
Abbott L,0-1	1	4	2	2	0	0
Gohr	2	0	0	0	0	1
Baltimore						
Mussina W,17-8	7	8	4	4	2	5
Orosco	1	1	0	0	0	0
RMyers S,25	1	2	0	0	1	1

Abbott pitched to 1 batter in the 7th. HBP—by Harris (CRipken). T—3:16. A—46,487 (48,262).

BREWERS 4, INDIANS 3, 10 innings

MILWAUKEE	ab	r	hbi		CLEVELAND	ab	r	hbi
Vina 2b	5	0	2	0	Lofton cf	4	2	3
Cirillo 3b	3	1	2	1	Vizcano 2b	4	1	1
Nilsson rf	3	1	1	1	Thome 3b	5	0	1
Hulse rf	0	1	0	0	Belle lf	5	0	2
Jaha dh	4	0	0	1	MRmrz rf	5	0	1
Seitzer 1b	5	0	2	1	SAlmr c	3	0	0
JsVlntn ss	5	0	1	0	Brntz ph	1	0	0
Nwfld lf	4	0	0	0	Pena c	0	0	0
GeWrns cf	4	0	0	0	Cndele ph	1	0	0
Levis c	4	1	1	0	Kent 1b	4	0	1
					Giles dh	4	0	0
					Vizquel ss	4	0	1
Totals	**37**	**4**	**9**	**4**	**Totals**	**40**	**3**	**10**

Milwaukee	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	**4**
Cleveland	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	**3**

E—Vina (15), JsValentin (30), Vilone (1), SAlomar (6). DP—Milwaukee 1, Cleveland 2. LOB—Milwaukee 8, Cleveland 9. 2B—Vina (16), Cirillo (34), Seitzer (25), Belle (27). 3B—JsValentin (7). SB—Hulse (3), Lofton (60), Thome (2). CS—Vizquel (7). S—Cirillo.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Milwaukee						
Karl	7 1-3	7	2	2	0	7
Villone	1-3	0	1	1	1	0
Wickman W,5-11	1-3	3	0	0	1	0
Fetters S,25	1	0	0	0	0	2
Cleveland						
Ogea	7	7	3	2	4	4
Plunk L,2-2	2	1	1	1	0	2
Assenmacher	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Shuey	2-3	1	0	0	0	2

Plunk pitched to 1 batter in the 10th. WP—Villone, Ogea. T—3:32. A—42,437 (42,865).

ROYALS 9, TIGERS 2

DETROIT	ab	r	hbi		KANSAS CITY	ab	r	hbi
Bartee cf	4	1	2	1	Offrmn 2b	4	1	2
MLewis 2b	4	0	0	0	TGdwn cf	3	0	0
Frymn 3b	3	0	0	0	Tucker lf	4	2	2
Sierra rf	4	0	1	0	Vitiello 1b	3	1	2
TClark 1b	4	0	0	0	Lckhrt 2b	0	0	0
Nieves dh	4	1	1	0	Hmelin dh	3	1	1
Easley ss	4	0	1	0	Paqtte 3b	4	0	0
Nevin lf	3	0	1	0	Damon rf	3	2	1
Asmus c	3	0	1	0	Sweeny c	3	1	2
					DHwrd ss	4	1	1
Totals	**33**	**2**	**7**	**1**	**Totals**	**31**	**9**	**11**

Detroit	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**2**
Kansas City	0	0	5	0	1	0	0	3	x	**9**

DP—Detroit 2, Kansas City 1. LOB—Detroit 8, Kansas City 4. 2B—Offerman (27). HR—Bartee (1), Tucker (12), Vitiello (8). SB—Bartee (17). Nieves (1). S—TGoodwin.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Detroit						
Olivares L,7-9	2 1-3	6	5	5	2	0
Keagle	5 2-3	5	4	4	2	8
Kansas City						
Rosado W,5-3	8 2-3	7	2	1	3	6
Bluma	1-3	0	0	0	0	0

HBP—by Keagle (Hamelin), by Rosado (Nevin). WP—Rosado. PB—Sweeney. T—2:49. A—28,011 (40,625).

YANKEES 5, ATHLETICS 4

OAKLAND	ab	r	hbi		NEW YORK	ab	r	hbi
Hrera rf	4	1	1	0	DJeter ss	2	2	0
Molina ph	1	0	1	0	Boggs 3b	4	1	3
Pintier pr	0	0	0	0	Strwbr lf	3	1	1
Brosius 3b	5	2	3	1	Fielder dh	4	0	0
Giambi lf	5	0	0	0	TMrtnz 1b	4	0	0
McGwr 1b	4	0	3	1	BeWms cf	3	1	2
Bmigal 2b	0	0	0	0	O'Neill rf	3	0	1
Berroa dh	4	0	1	1	Sojo 2b	3	0	1
Stnbch c	4	0	0	0	Girardi c	3	0	0
TBtsta 2b	4	1	1	0				
Young cf	3	0	1	1				
Stairs ph	1	0	0	0				
Bordick ss	4	0	2	0				
Totals	**39**	**4**	**13**	**4**	**Totals**	**29**	**5**	**8**

Oakland	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	2	0	**4**
New York	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	**5**

DP—Oakland 1, New York 1. LOB—Oakland 8, New York 6. 2B—Berroa (25), Young (16), Strawberry (9), BeWilliams (19), O'Neill (28), Sojo (9). SB—Brosius (5). S—Sojo. SF—Strawberry.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Oakland						
Telgheder L,1-5	5 1-3	5	3	3	2	2
Groom	1-3	1	1	1	1	0
Cérsi	1 1-3	1	1	1	1	1
Mohler	2-3	1	0	0	0	0
Acre	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
New York						
Whtrst W,1-0	7	7	2	2	0	1
Lloyd	1-3	2	2	2	0	0
Boehringer	1	1	0	0	0	1
Polley	1-3	2	0	0	0	0
Pavlas S,1	1-3	1	0	0	0	1

WP—Lloyd 2. T—3:03. A—32,125 (57,545).

BLUE JAYS 9, WHITE SOX 2

TORONTO	ab	r	hbi		CHICAGO	ab	r	hbi
Nixon cf	4	1	1	1	Phillips lf	4	0	2
RPerez lf	0	0	0	0	DaMtnz cf	3	0	1
Green rf	5	2	2	1	Mouton ph	1	0	0
Brmfld lf	4	1	3	3	DLewis cf	1	0	0
Olerud 1b	5	0	1	1	FThms 1b	4	1	2
Sprgue 3b	4	1	1	0	Baines dh	3	1	1
CDigdo dh	5	0	0	0	Vntura 3b	4	0	1
O'Brien c	4	2	1	0	Trtbull rf	4	0	2
AGnzlz ss	2	2	2	3	Drhm 2b	4	0	0
TPerez 2b	4	0	1	0	Brders c	4	0	1
					Guillen ss	3	0	1
					Cedeno ph	1	0	0
Totals	**37**	**9**	**12**	**9**	**Totals**	**36**	**2**	**11**

Toronto	2	0	0	3	0	1	0	0	0	**9**
Chicago	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**2**

E—FThomas (8). DP—Toronto 1, Chicago 1. LOB—Toronto 7, Chicago 9. 2B—Nixon (10), Green 2 (25), Sprague (27), TPerez (12), FThomas (22). 3B—Brumfield (2). HR—AGonzalez (10). CS—Brumfield (2).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Toronto						
WWilliams W,2-1	5	8	2	2	1	2
Spoljaric	2	2	0	0	0	3
DnJohnson	1	1	0	0	0	0
Timlin	1	0	0	0	1	1
Chicago						
Baldwin L,9-4	3 1-3	6	5	5	2	2
Berlotti	2 2-3	3	1	1	1	1
Clontz W,6-2	2	2	3	3	3	3

BPatterson pitched to 1 batter in the 8th. T—2:58. A—46,804 (52,710).

Standings

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Streak	Home	Away
New York	74	54	.578	—	z-5-5	Won 2	42-25	32-29
Baltimore	68	60	.531	6	z-6-4	Won 1	34-32	34-28
Boston	65	65	.500	10	z-7-3	Won 1	39-29	26-36
Toronto	61	69	.469	14	7-3	Won 7	28-33	33-36
Detroit	46	83	.357	28 1/2	4-6	Lost 1	25-34	21-49

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Streak	Home	Away
Cleveland	76	53	.589	—	4-6	Lost 3	37-26	39-27
Chicago	69	62	.527	8	2-8	Lost 5	34-28	35-34
Minnesota	65	64	.504	11	z-6-4	Won 2	33-36	32-28
Milwaukee	62	68	.477	14 1/2	7-3	Won 3	31-35	31-33
Kansas City	59	72	.450	18	z-3-7	Won 1	27-39	32-33

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Streak	Home	Away
Texas	74	56	.569	—	z-6-4	Lost 2	43-24	31-32
Seattle	66	62	.516	7	5-5	Lost 1	31-33	35-29
Oakland	62	70	.470	13	2-8	Lost 5	30-36	32-34
California	60	69	.465	13 1/2	z-6-4	Lost 1	36-27	24-42

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Streak	Home	Away
Atlanta	81	47	.633	—	8-2	Won 2	48-22	33-25
Montreal	70	58	.547	11	4-6	Won 3	38-25	32-33
Florida	60	70	.462	22	z-4-6	Won 2	41-25	19-45
New York	59	71	.454	23	3-7	Lost 3	34-28	25-43
Philadelphia	53	76	.411	28 1/2	5-5	Won 1	27-35	26-41

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Streak	Home	Away
Houston	69	61	.531	—	z-5-5	Won 1	37-26	32-35
St. Louis	68	61	.527	1/2	z-5-5	Lost 1	35-28	33-33
Cincinnati	64	64	.500	4	z-5-5	Lost 2	33-31	31-33
Chicago	63	64	.496	4 1/2	z-5-5	Lost 2	36-31	27-33
Pittsburgh	55	74	.426	13 1/2	z-4-6	Lost 1	27-36	28-38

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Streak	Home	Away
San Diego	70	60	.538	—	5-5	Lost 1	36-31	34-29
Los Angeles	69	60	.535	1/2	z-6-4	Won 3	36-28	33-32
Colorado	67	63	.515	3	z-6-4	Won 1	44-20	23-43
San Francisco	54	73	.425	14 1/2	4-6	Lost 3	29-34	25-39

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AMERICAN LEAGUE

Saturday's Games

Boston 9, Seattle 5
Milwaukee 4, Cleveland 3, 10 innings
Toronto 9, Chicago 2
Baltimore 5, California 4
Kansas City 9, Detroit 2
New York 5, Oakland 4
Minnesota 6, Texas 5

Sunday's Games

Seattle (Wagner 3-4) at Boston (Maddux 1-1), 12:05 p.m.
Milwaukee (D'Amico 4-5) at Cleveland (McDowell 10-8), 12:05 p.m.
California (Springer 3-2) at Baltimore (Erickson 8-10), 12:35 p.m.
Oakland (Adams 1-2) at New York (Pettitte 18-7), 12:35 p.m.
Toronto (Flener 2-0) at Chicago (Tapani 11-8), 1:05 p.m.
Texas (Witt 12-9) at Minnesota (Klingenbeck 1-1), 1:05 p.m.
Detroit (Van Poppel 1-6) at Kansas City (Linton 5-8), 1:35 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Saturday's Games

Late Game Not Included

Atlanta 6, Chicago 5
Houston 3, St. Louis 1
Montreal 3, San Francisco 0
Los Angeles 7, New York 5
Florida 5, Cincinnati 3
Colorado 9, Pittsburgh 3
Philadelphia at San Diego (n)

Sunday's Games

Chicago (Foster 4-2) at Atlanta (Glavine 13-7), 12:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Miceli 2-9) at Colorado (Wright 3-1), 2:05 p.m.
New York (Harnisch 8-9) at Los Angeles (I.Valdes 11-7), 3:05 p.m.
Philadelphia (West 1-1) at San Diego (Sanders 6-4), 3:05 p.m.
Montreal (Cormier 7-9) at San Francisco (Fernandez 5-13), 3:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Remlinger 0-0) at Florida (Miller 1-1), 3:35 p.m.
St. Louis (Andy Benes 13-8) at Houston (Hampton 10-8), 7:05 p.m.

Simas	2	3	3	3	3	2				
Levine	1	0	0	0	0	1				

T—2:56. A—29,413 (44,321).

RED SOX 9, MARINERS 5

SEATTLE	ab	r	hbi		BOSTON	ab	r	hbi
Amaral lf	3	1	0	0	O'Lery rf	4	1	1
Whiten lf	2	1	2	0	Frye 2b	4	1	1
ARdrgz ss	4	0	2	0	Nhring 3b	4	0	1
Grfy Jr cf	3	1	0	2	MVghn 1b	3	1	0
EMrtnz dh	3	2	1	0	Jffrson dh	4	2	2
Buhner rf	5	0	1	1	JnVlntn ss	2	2	1
BRHntr 1b	4	0	2	2	Grnwll lf	4	0	2
Srrento ph	1	0	0	0	Tinsley cf	0	0	0
Manto 3b	1	0	1	0	Stanley c	2	1	0
Strange 3b	3	0	1	0	Bragg cf	4	1	1
Mrzano c	5	0	1	0				4
Sheets 2b	2	0	0	0				
Cora 2b	1	0	0	0				
Totals	**37**	**5**	**11**	**5**	**Totals**	**31**	**9**	**9**

Seattle	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	**5**
Boston	0	3	0	0	2	4	0	0	x	**9**

E—Frye (8), JnValentin (14). DP—Seattle 2, Boston 2. LOB—Seattle 12, Boston 3. 2B—O'Leary (22), Greenwell 2 (12). HR—Frye (3), Jefferson (17), Bragg (10). SF—Griffey Jr.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Seattle						
BWells L,11-6	4 1-3	6	5	5	2	2
RJohnson	2 2-3	3	4	4	2	3
MJackson	1	0	0	0	1	1
Boston						
Eshelman	4 1-3	6	4	3	3	3
Suppan	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Lacy W,2-0	1 2-3	3	0	0	2	1
Gunderson	1	2	1	1	0	0
Slocumb	1 2-3	0	0	0	0	2

HBP—by Lacy (EMartinez). WP—Eshelman. T—3:20. A—32,928 (33,871).

NL Boxes

MARLINS 5, REDS 3

CINCINNATI	ab	r	hbi		FLORIDA	ab	r	hbi
Howard rf	4	1	1	0	LCstlo 2b	4	1	1
LHrns lf	4	0	2	1	ERntra ss	4	1	2
Larkin ss	4	0	1	1	Shffield rf	4	2	2
EDavis cf	4	0	0	0	Conine lf	3	0	0
Morris 1b	4	0	1	0	DvWht cf	3	1	0
Tbnsee c	4	1	2	1	Clbrnn 1b	3	0	1
WGrne 3b	4	0	0	0	Tvrz lf	0	0	0
Brnson 2b	3	0	0	0	KAbbtt 3b	2	0	1
Shaw p	0	0	0	0	Nen p	0	0	0
Mitchll ph	1	0	0	0	Natal c	3	0	1
Burba p	2	0	0	0	KBrwn p	3	0	1
LeSmth p	0	0	0	0	Arias 3b	1	0	0
Boone 2b	0	1	0	0				
Totals	**34**	**3**	**7**	**3**	**Totals**	**30**	**5**	**9**

Cincinnati	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	**3**
Florida	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	1	0x	**5**

E—Howard (2). DP—Cincinnati 1. LOB—Cincinnati 5, Florida 7. 2B—Sheffield (29), KAbbott (16). 3B—Howard (8). HR—Taubensee (9). CS—Colbrunn (5). SF—Conine.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cincinnati						
Burba L,7-13	5 1-3	6	4	4	4	3
LeSmith	2-3	1	0	0	1	2
Shaw	2	2	1	0	0	0
Florida						
KBrown W,13-10	8	7	3	3	1	6
Nen S,26	1	0	0	0	0	1

PB—Natal 2. T—2:29. A—33,883 (41,855).

ROCKIES 9, PIRATES 3

PITTSBURGH	ab	r	hbi		COLORADO	ab	r	hbi
Alnwth cf	4	0	1	0	EYng 2b	5	1	2
Martin lf	4	1	2	0	Burks cf	3	3	3
King 2b	4	0	0	0	LWlkr rf	4	1	1
DClark rf	4	2	2	2	Glrrga 1b	4	1	2
MJhnsn 1b	3	0	1	1	Bchette lf	3	0	1
Hayes 3b	4	0	0	0	Castilla 3b	4	1	1
JBell ss	3	0	0	0	JOwens c	4	1	2
Kendall c	3	0	2	0	Weiss ss	1	1	0
Peters p	1	0	0	0	MaTmn p	4	0	0
Kngery ph	1	0	0	0				
Morel p	0	0	0	0				
Wehner ph	1	0	0	0				
Wnhuse p	0	0	0	0				
Totals	**32**	**3**	**8**	**3**	**Totals**	**32**	**9**	**12**

Pittsburgh	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	**3**
Colorado	3	0	3	0	1	2	0	0	x	**9**

E—EYoung (9). DP—Pittsburgh 2, Colorado 3. LOB—Pittsburgh 3, Colorado 4. 2B—DClark (11), EYoung (20), Burks (36). 3B—Burks (7), Galarraga (2). HR—DClark (7), Burks (35), Castilla (32). SB—JOwens (4). CS—Martin (8). SF—Burks, Bichette.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Pittsburgh						
Peters L,1-3	4	8	6	6	1	1
Morel	2	4	3	3	1	2
Wainhouse	2	0	0	0	1	0
Colorado						
MaTmn W,7-8	9	8	3	3	1	2

T—2:33. A—48,014 (50,200).

BRAVES 6, CUBS 5

CHICAGO	ab	r	hbi		ATLANTA	ab	r	hbi
McRae cf	4	1	2	0	Grssom cf	5	1	1
Bullett rf	3	1	2	0	Pndlton 3b	4	2	2
Grace 1b	3	1	0	0	CpJnes ss	4	1	1
Gnzalez lf	2	1	0	0	McGriff 1b	5	2	5
TAdms p	0	0	0	0	Klesko lf	3	0	0
BPttrsn p	0	0	0	0	Dye rf	3	0	1
Wndell p	0	0	0	0	JLopez c	3	0	0
Casian p	0	0	0	0	Lemke 2b	4	0	1
Mgdan 3b	2	0	1	1	Belecki p	1	0	0
LGmez 3b	2	0	0	1	Hrtgrvs p	0	0	0
Sndbrg 2b	4	1	2	3	DwSmt ph	1	0	0
Huston c	4	0	1	0	Wodall p	0	0	0
JHrndz ss	4	0	0	0	Polonia ph	1	0	0
Nvarro p	3	0	0	0	Clontz p	0	0	0
Tmmns lf	1	0	0	0	Mrdcai ph	1	0	0
Totals	**32**	**5**	**8**	**5**	**Totals**	**35**	**6**	**11**

Chicago	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	2	0	**5**
Atlanta	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	4	x	**6**

Two outs when winning run scored. E—CpJones (14). DP—Chicago 1, Atlanta 1. LOB—Chicago 6, Atlanta 8. 2B—McRae (29), Magadan (3), McGriff (29). HR—Sandberg (21), McGriff 2 (25). SB—McRae (32), Bullett (7), Lemke (4). CS—McRae (7). S—Bullett, JLopez.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
Navarro	7	6	1	1	1	3
TAdams	2-3	2	1	1	0	0
BPatterson		0	0	0	1	0
Wandell	1	1	2	2	2	1
Casian L,1-1	0	2	2	2	0	0
Atlanta						
Bielecki	4 1-3	6	2	2	2	6
Hartgraves	2-3	0	0	0	0	1
Woodall	2	0	0	0	0	2

DODGERS 7, METS 5

NEW YORK	ab	r	hbi		LOS ANGELES	ab	r	hbi
LJhnsn cf	3	1	1	0	Hindsw lf	4	1	2
Espnza 3b	3	0	0	0	Kirby cf	4	2	1
Ptgne 1b	1	0	0	0	Piazza c	3	0	2
Gilkey lf	4	2	2	3	Karros 1b	3	2	2
Hndley c	4	0	2	0	Mndsi rf	4	1	2
Baerga 1b	4	0	1	0	DeShld 2b	3	1	0
Wllace p	0	0	0	0	Wllach 3b	4	0	0
DHenry p	0	0	0	0	Gagne ss	4	0	3
Everett rf	3	1	1	0	RMrtnz p	3	1	2
Alfonzo 2b	4	0	1	2	Osuna p	0	0	0
Ordnz ss	3	0	0	0	Rdnsky p	0	0	0
CrJnes ph	1	0	0	0	Hansen ph	1	0	1
MClark p	2	0	0	0	Parker pr	0	0	0
Byrd p	0	0	0	0	TdWrl p	0	0	0
Tmbrln ph	0	1	0	0				
Bogar 3b	0	0	0	0				
Mayne ph	1	0	0	0				
Totals	**33**	**5**	**8**	**5**	**Totals**	**35**	**7**	**12**

Wallace dominates in Goody's win

By Mike Harris
AP Motorsports Writer


Goody's 500 Notebook

BRISTOL, Tenn. — Rusty Wallace lived up to his reputation as a short-track ace Saturday night, dominating the Goody's Headache Powders 500 on the half-mile oval at Bristol Motor Speedway.

Wallace, who has five victories this season and 46 in his Winston Cup career, led 353 of 500 laps on the way to his sixth victory at Bristol and the 20th of his career on tracks shorter than one mile.

There wasn't much drama in this one as Wallace, driving a Ford for Penske Racing South, took the lead for the final time on lap 340, racing past Jeff Gordon's Chevrolet, and easily stayed out front the rest of the way.

"We've done some stupid things this year, like getting off track (two weeks ago) at Watkins Glen," Wallace said. "And we've had some bad breaks like that broken engine last week (at Michigan). But we've been strong just about everywhere we've gone and we're going to win some more this year."

Defending series champion Gordon finished second but was unable to mount a challenge over the final 161 laps as Wallace sliced masterfully through the heavy traffic on the fast .533-mile track.

"I think we might have had something for Rusty if we could have had some longer green flag runs," Gordon said. "And the traffic was terrible. We had some lapped cars out there that did not use their heads at all. They'd let the leader by and then make it really tough on us."

Mark Martin, who started from the pole, wound up third, followed by Dale Jarrett and defending race winner Terry Labonte, who lost a little ground to Gordon and Jarrett in the race for the Winston Cup title.

Labonte, who came into the event with a 134-point edge over both Gordon and Dale Earnhardt and 137 over Jarrett, now leads Gordon by 114 and Jarrett by 127 with nine races remaining.

Earnhardt, still driving with pain from fractures to his left collar bone and sternum, was involved in an incident on lap 211 that cost him dearly in his quest of a record eighth series championship. He was running 12th when he banged with the lapped car of Lake Speed and bounced hard into the second-turn wall.

He was able to regain control and continue, but slowed considerably and quickly lost several laps to the leaders before making a long pit stop that put him 20 laps off the pace. Earnhardt wound up 24th and fell to fourth in the standings, 198 points behind Labonte.

Wallace won $77,090 as he averaged 91.267 mph. He crossed the finish line 0.63 seconds, or about six car-lengths, ahead of Gordon.

It was a typical Bristol race, with plenty of bumping, banging and crashing that brought out eight caution flags for 67 laps. But there were no injuries and the final 76 laps were run under the green flag.

Thirty-four of the 39 starters, many of their cars considerably banged up, were running at the end.

Race Notes

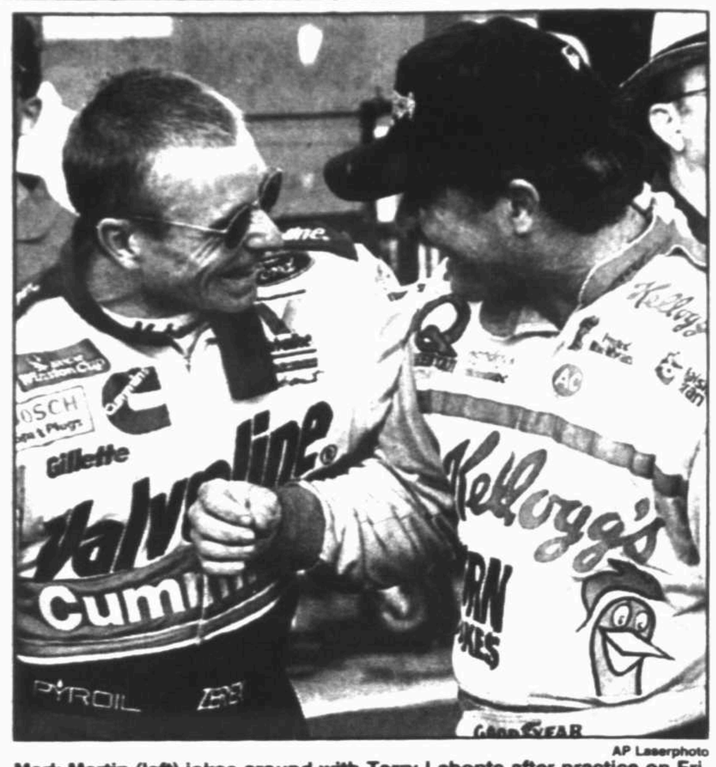
BRISTOL, Tenn. — At one point, concrete looked like it might be the racing surface of the future.

Former Bristol Motor Speedway owner Larry Carrier started the trend in 1991, when he tore up the asphalt on the .533-mile oval and replaced it with concrete.

Dover Downs followed suit on its one-mile oval, and Martinsville Speedway concreted the turns on its eggs-shaped half-mile oval.

WINNING WAYS: Terry Labonte's victory in the Bristol race last August ended in awkward fashion when Dale Earnhardt hit him from behind on the last turn of the last lap and sent him careening off the wall and backward over the finish line.

At the time, Labonte shrugged off the incident, saying that it was no problem "so long as we won the race."



AP Laserphoto
Mark Martin (left) jokes around with Terry Labonte after practice on Friday before Saturday's NASCAR Goody's 500 race in Bristol, Tenn.

Villeneuve helped by video game

Associated Press


Formula 1 Belgian GP

SPA-FRANCORCHAMPS, Belgium — Jacques Villeneuve admits it might not sound very professional, but a computer game helped him win the pole Saturday for the Belgian Grand Prix.

Facing his maiden drive on the demanding circuit cut through the hills and woods of the Ardennes, the IndyCar champion but Formula One rookie was looking for all the help he could get.

Little helped him as much as the Grand Prix computer game that simulates a drive round the Formula One circuits.

"It may sound childlike and stupid," the Canadian admitted, but thought the game helped.

That would be hard to argue considering his pole after only one day on the track — a twisting layout considered among the toughest on the circuit.

But after practice on the computer screen "you know what's coming. That's very useful."

It was, but not very encouraging. On the computer, he could do no better that 18th.

"It's good to be in front of him now," Villeneuve said of Williams-Renault teammate Damon Hill, the series points leader.



AP Laserphoto
Jacques Villeneuve reads over some technical data with his pit cew Saturday during practice for today's Formula 1 Belgian Grand Prix.

Villeneuve qualified at 140.994 mph, touring the 4.3-mile course in 1 minute, 50.574 seconds. Belgium's trademark rains moved in to deny Hill any chance to do something about a .406-second deficit.

"I was frustrated when the rains came," Hill said.

Two-time reigning Formula One champion Michael Schumacher, bouncing back from a crash Friday, qualified third. His Ferrari went around in 1:51.778.

Fourth on the grid Sunday will be David Coulthard in a McLaren-Mercedes, followed by Gerhard Berger in a Benetton-Renault.

Spectator killed at 1,000 Lakes Rally

Associated Press


Auto Racing Notes

JYVASKYLA, Finland — A Belgian spectator was killed and 25 others injured when a rally car skidded into a crowd during the 1,000 Lakes world championship.

Ludo Briers, 45, of Alken, Belgium, had surgery but died hours after the accident Friday from his injuries.

The car, a Mitsubishi driven by Karsten Richardt of Denmark, went out of control before a slight right turn at the end of a straight and crashed through a barrier tape onto a side road hitting spectators.

Richardt told the Danish tabloid B.T. that the car had hit a rock.

"The wheel didn't touch the ground and we couldn't brake," said the driver who estimated the car hit the crowd at 12-25 mph.

"I feel horrible. I don't know how to handle this," was quoted as saying in Saturday's editions of the newspaper.

Five of the injured were foreigners, three Belgians, one Italian and one French.

Organizers canceled the stage after the accident, but the rally continued Saturday. An investigation was being conducted into why the car veered off the road.

"It seems the spectators were in exactly the right place, the area marked out for them, when the accident happened," said Simo Lampinen, head of the rally organizing committee.

As the race progressed, four-time world auto rally champion Juha Kankkunen of Finland opened by winning the first seven special stages, and leading championship contender Tommi Makinen, also from Finland, by 42 seconds.

Reigning world champion, Scotsman Colin McRae, saw his hopes of defending the title disappear. McRae lost control and overturned his Subaru on the fifth stage.

Spaniard Carlos Sainz, the 1990 and 1992 world champion, and the only driver still challenging Mitsubishi driver Makinen for this year's title, also suffered setbacks.

On the first stage an electric cable was detached, and Sainz promptly lost one minute 30 seconds to his main rival Makinen, who leads the standings with 13 points with four events to go.

On the eight stage Sainz damaged a shock absorber and lost a further 25 seconds. Sainz, who trails Makinen by more than two minutes, will be trying to cut the deficit Sunday.

With Toyota barred from fielding a works team this year, Kankkunen, entered as a private driver, did well on the high speed gravel roads he knows so well. No less than four drivers among the top ten Saturday come from the central Finnish region used for most of the stages.

The rally started Friday with a special stage in central Jyvaskyla. But a serious accident, in which one spectator was killed, and 27 injured, forced the cancellation of the premier stage.

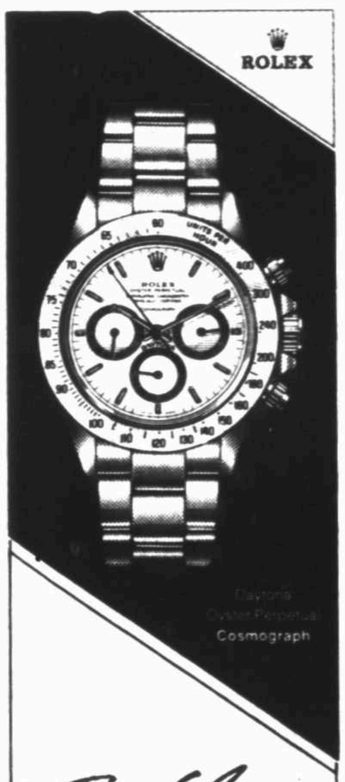
A car driven by Dane Karsten Richardt lost control and skidded into the crowd, with a Belgian man sustaining fatal injuries.

NASCAR Truck Series

WATKINS GLEN, N.Y. — Fill-in driver Mike Park was the surprise pole winner at Watkins Glen International on Saturday, but there's a good possibility he won't start Sunday's NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series Parts America 150 race.

Park, retained to shake down a Chevrolet for NASCAR Winston Cup Series veteran Joe Nemechek, did better than that, lapping the 2.45-mile road course at 115.379 mph. The run knocked Mike Skinner's Chevrolet out of the top spot. He had a lap of 114.66 mph as Saturday's first qualifier.

Nemechek, at Bristol, Tenn. for Saturday night's NASCAR Winston Cup Series Goody's 500, was supposed to fly to New York after the race — and that still appeared to be the plan, despite the NASCAR Featherlite Modified Tour veteran's steller performance.



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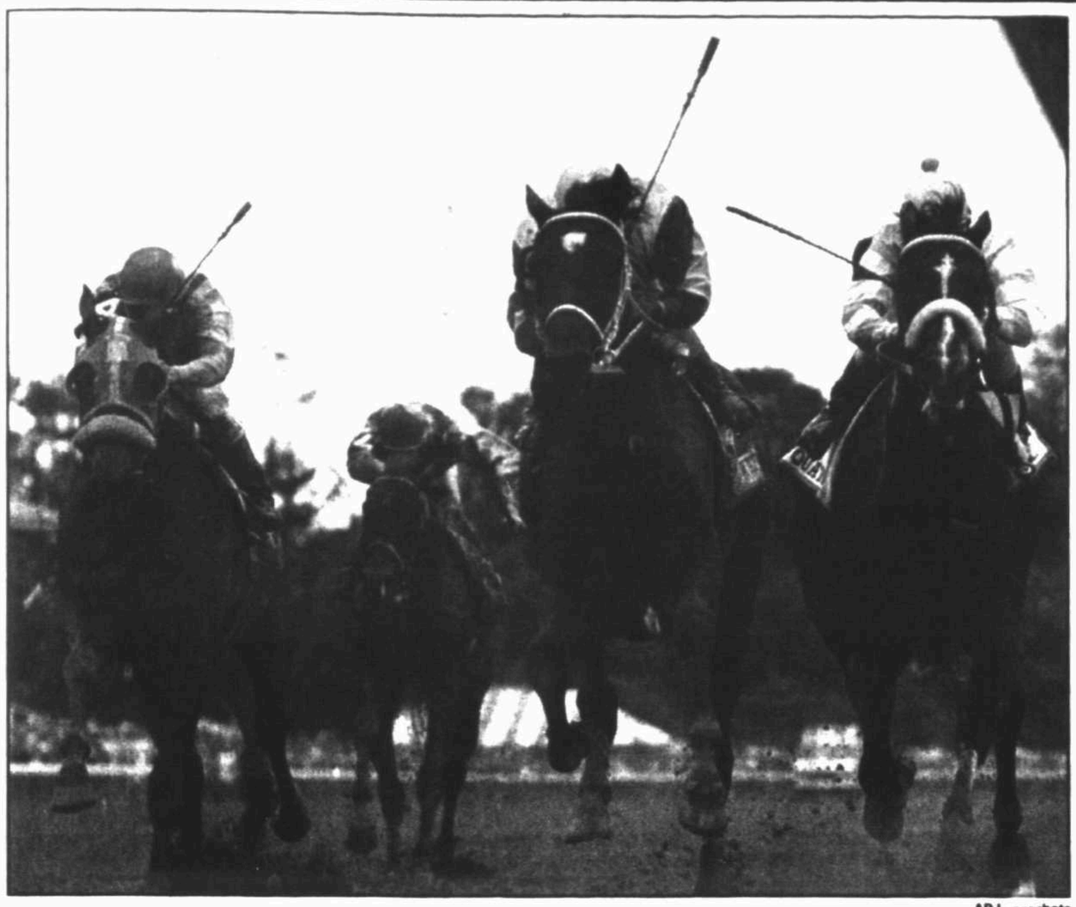
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Will's Way (center), ridden by Jorge Chavez, crosses the finish line ahead of Louis Quatorze (right), ridden by Pat Day Saturday to capture the Travers Stakes.

Will's Way captures Travers

By Ed Schuyler Jr.
AP Racing Writer

SARATOGA SPRINGS, N.Y. — James Bond had his way Saturday at Saratoga.

Will's Way, trained by H. James Bond, won the Travers and denied clear-cut leadership of the 3-year-old division to Louis Quatorze and Skip Away.

"Today I'm a hero," the 39-year-old Bond said. "Hopefully, tomorrow I won't be a bum.

Making only his sixth start, all of them this year, Will's Way, ridden by Jorge Chavez, took the lead with a quarter-mile remaining, then oudueled Louis Quatorze for a three-quarter-length victory that avenged a neck loss to him in the Jim Dandy three weeks ago at Saratoga.

Skip Away, who had to be steadied on the backstretch when he tried to get through on the rail, finished third another length back and 3 1/2 lengths ahead of Editor's Note. Completing the order of finish were Secreto de Estado, Prince Heaven, and Dr. Caton.

A victory by Louis Quatorze, the Preakness winner, or Skip Away, second in the Preakness and Belmont Stakes before winning the Ohio Derby and Haskell Invitational, would have established either one as the leading 3-year-old.

"There was another horseshoe thrown into the ring today," Bond said.

As for what's next for Will's Way, Bond said he wasn't sure, adding, "I'm not going to hurt this horse just to get an Eclipse Award."

Will's Way paid $16.60, $6.70 and $3.50. Louis Quatorze returned $4.70 and $2.80. Skip Way was $2.40 to show.

It was an impressive performance by the lightly raced Will's Way, who carried 126 pounds — 12 more than in the Jim Dandy — as he raced 1 1/4 miles for the first time.

Will's Way, who won in 2:02.55, was kept off the pace. He was fifth after Louis Quatorze, ridden by Pat Day, led the field through the first half mile in 46.30, then moved to third when Louis Quatorze reached the three-quarter mark in 1:10.67.

Favored Skip Away, ridden by Jose Santos, tried to go through on the rail near the half-mile turn. But Louis Quatorze still had a lot left, and when it became apparent Skip Away could not get by before entering the turn, Santos steadied the colt.

"I tried to sneak up the inside and there wasn't much space, but once he got to the outside he came with a nice run," Santos said.

Sonny Hine, Skip Away's trainer, declined to comment.

■ Golf Roundup

Beverly D

ARLINGTON HEIGHTS, Ill. — Timarida bolted to the lead in the stretch and outran Perfect Arc to win the $500,000 Beverly D on Saturday at Arlington International Racecourse.

The turf race for fillies and mares was marred by the death of Matiara, who broke down on the back stretch. The 4-year-old entered a track ambulance under her own power but died on the way to the stable from internal bleeding.

Timarida, a 4-year-old gray mare, was bred in Ireland and is owned by Prince Karim, the Aga Khan. She started slowly and was caught in heavy traffic at the quarter pole but pulled away to win the 1 3-16-mile race by 1 1/2 lengths and was timed in 1:54.

Alpride came in third, three lengths off the pace, while Khalisa was fourth.

"When you get Chris McCarron you've got to be ready to take the rail," John Murtaugh, Timarida's jockey, said of Alpride's rider. "When the gap opened she was ready to take it."

John R. Velasquez, who rode Perfect Arc, said his horse started fast but couldn't keep up.

"But she was too sharp and wanted the front," he said. "She still ran really good."

Timarida returned $5.20, $3 and $2.80. Perfect Arc paid $5 and $4.20, while Alpride was $7.20 to show.

Matiara, a bay filly bred in Kentucky, broke down midway through the backstretch, but seemed fine as she walked into a track ambulance. Her jockey, Corey Nakatani, said he believed the horse's injury would not be life-threatening.

But track veterinarian Robert Gowen said the filly died as she reached the stable. Matiara was taken to the University of Illinois for an autopsy.

"Matiara died in the ambulance ... from a major internal hemorrhage, possibly the result of a pelvic fracture," Gowen said in a statement.

Kafelnikov bows out of U.S. Open

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Yevgeny Kafelnikov, seeded seventh in next week's U.S. Open despite being ranked fourth in the world, withdrew from the Grand Slam event Saturday in protest over what he calls unfair seeding practices.

The U.S. Tennis Association dropped the 22-year-old Russian three spots from his world ranking despite his winning the French Open and leading the ATP Tour in points this year.

"I was shocked when I saw what they did to me," Kafelnikov said. "I deserve to be seeded No. 4. I won a Grand Slam tournament and consider myself a good hardcourt player. It took me a few days to decide. I am disappointed, but I am sending a warning."

The draw for the 128-player men's field — minus the 16 seeds — was made in a non-public meeting Tuesday night. The next morning, at a public ceremony, the seeded players were announced and their names were selected from a cup to determine exactly where they would be placed in the draw.

In an unprecedented move sparked by the threat of a player boycott, the USTA on Thursday redid the draw for the year's final Grand Slam tournament, which begins Monday.

"They basically set up the draw in favor of American players," Kafelnikov said. "I have in my mind the American players — (Pete) Sampras, (Andre) Agassi and (Michael) Chang — not meeting before the semifinals. I don't want to have all the tournaments ignore the rankings."

The ATP Tour said it believes a subjective seeding system presents the perception of favoritism. Therefore, it will not penalize Kafelnikov by awarding him zero points for the tournament.

■ Tennis Roundup

Medvedev defeated Karol Kucera of Slovakia 7-6 (7-0), 6-3. Kucera, who beat top-seed Michael Chang on Friday, committed three double faults in the tiebreaker.

Damm rallied to overcome Adrian Voinea of Romania 5-7, 7-5, 7-5. Voinea injured an ankle in the second set, but had it taped and continued play.

Toshiba Classic

CARLSBAD, Calif. — Arantxa Sanchez Vicario of Spain rebounded for a 1-6, 6-2, 6-3 victory over Jana Novotna of the Czech Republic on Saturday in the semifinals of the $450,000 Toshiba Tennis Classic at the La Costa Resort and Spa.

Sanchez Vicario, who qualified for the finals in her fifth straight tournament, will face Kimiko Date, a 6-2, 7-5 winner over Conchita Martinez.

Du Maurier Classic

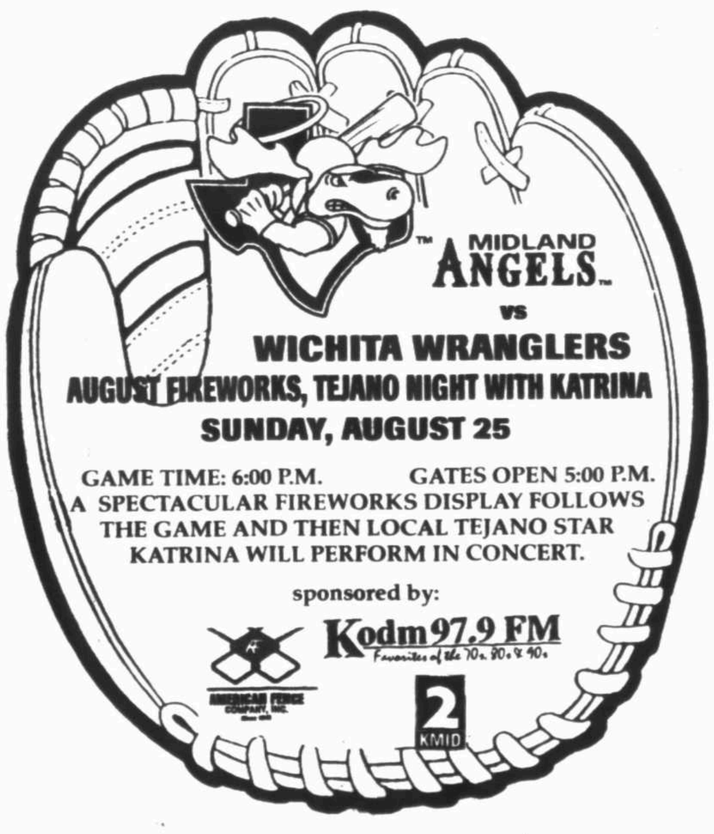
TORONTO — Unseeded Australian Todd Woodbridge defeated an uninterested Marcelo Rios 6-0, 6-3 Saturday to reach the final of the $2 million du Maurier Open.

The match took just 53 minutes and even that seemed too long for the fourth seed from Chile, who is 11th in the world rankings. Rios, 20, didn't even attempt to make a play at several shots in the second set, drawing boos from the crowd.

Woodbridge advanced to Sunday's championship match and will meet No. 3 Wayne Ferreira of South Africa.

Hamlet Cup

COMMACK, N.Y. — Fifth-seeded Andrei Medvedev of Ukraine and unseeded Martin Damm of Czech Republic won semifinal matches Saturday to advance to the finals of the Hamlet Cup tennis tournament.





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McGriff homer in ninth gives Braves 6-5 win

Associated Press

NL Roundup

ATLANTA — Fred McGriff's three-run homer with two outs in the bottom of the ninth inning Saturday capped a four-run rally and lifted the Atlanta Braves to a 6-5 win over the Chicago Cubs.

McGriff's second homer of the day was his fifth hit, matching a career best, and came after the Braves rallied with two outs and the bases empty off Turk Wendell and Larry Casian (1-1).

Casian relieved and allowed a run-scoring single to Chipper Jones before McGriff hit his 25th homer, to right field on a 1-2 pitch.

Brad Clontz (6-2) allowed three runs in two innings.

Expos 3, Giants 0

SAN FRANCISCO — Pedro Martinez allowed only two singles by Rick Wilkins in eight innings and David Segui drove in two runs for Montreal.

Martinez (11-8) fanned 10, striking out the side in the eighth. He allowed six base runners, but got inning-ending double plays in the second and third innings.

After issuing his fourth walk to start the ninth, Martinez was lifted in favor of Mel Rojas, who got three outs for his 25th save.

Dodgers 7, Mets 5

LOS ANGELES — Todd Hollandsworth hit a two-run homer following rookie shortstop Rey Ordonez's two-out error in the second and Tim Wallach also homered for Los Angeles.

Mike Piazza hit a pair of run-scoring doubles to help Tom Candiotti (8-9) earn his first victory at Dodger Stadium in six starts since June 6.

Todd Worrell pitched the ninth for his 34th save.

Marlins 5, Reds 3

MIAMI — Kevin Brown pitched eight strong innings and Gary Sheffield drove in two runs to reach a career-high 101 RBIs.

Brown (13-10), who has won his past three starts, fell behind 2-0 in the second inning but later retired 11 in a row. He allowed seven hits and three runs, which increased his ERA to 1.96, still the best in the major leagues. Robb Nen pitched a perfect ninth for his 26th save.

Rockies 9, Pirates 3

DENVER (AP) — Ellis Burks and Vinny Castilla each hit two-run home runs and Mark Thompson went the distance.

Burks, who narrowly missed hitting for the cycle, homered in the first to highlight a three-run inning. Castilla's homer keyed a three-run third, helping the Rockies to a 6-2 lead.

It's Miller time: Astros win 3-1

By Michael A. Lutz
AP Sports Writer

Cardinals	1
Astros	3

HOUSTON — Orlando Miller hit a two-run homer with one out in the bottom of the ninth inning Saturday to give the Houston Astros a 3-1 victory over St. Louis and snap a seven-game losing streak to the Cardinals.

The Astros regained first place in the NL Central by a half-game over the Cardinals.

Tony Eusebio led off the ninth with a single off Todd Stottlemyre (11-9) and pinch-runner James Mouton was sacrificed to second by Bill Spiers. Miller followed with his 13th homer on Stottlemyre's next pitch.

Shane Reynolds (16-6) won his fifth consecutive decision by scattering five hits. He struck out six and walked one in his fourth complete game this season.

Stottlemyre, who allowed seven hits, extended the Cardinals' shutout streak against Houston to 22 2-3 innings before the Astros took a 1-0 lead in the fourth inning. Jeff Bagwell and Derek Bell singled, and Eusebio hit an RBI groundout.

Stottlemyre, 2-0 against the Astros this year, shut out Houston on June 2 and three St. Louis pitchers blanked the Astros on Friday night.

Reynolds mastered the Cardinals until the sixth, when Ray Lankford singled to start the inning and scored the tying run on Ron Gant's double to left-center.

Stottlemyre pitched himself out of trouble in the third inning after Spiers walked and Miller singled. Reynolds sacrificed the runners to second and third but Stottlemyre struck out John Cangelosi and Craig Biggio grounded out.

Notes: Reynolds walked Luis Alicea in the fifth inning, ending a string of 106 batters faced without a walk. Reynolds' previous walk was issued to Rick Wilkins on Aug. 3, 28 2-3 innings ago. ... Bagwell and Craig Biggio are tied for first in the NL with 130 games played. Bagwell has started every game this season. ... The Astros honored Cardinals shortstop Ozzie Smith, who is retiring after this season, with a video tribute and a pair of western boots. It didn't take Smith long to put his gift to good use. He wore the boots to home plate to present the starting lineups. ... A crowd of 43,896 attended the game, boosting Houston's home attendance to 1,568,470 and a 24,896 average for 63 games.

ANGELS: Errors lead to downfall in ninth

(From 1B)

tensen into a field of nightmares for the Angels. Only one of its five runs was batted in with one coming on the wild pitch and the other three coming on the errors. Midland falls to 24-41 with the loss.

Freehill has 17 saves on the year and was almost within reach of Jose Musset's club record 21. Otherwise he may not have seen action because starter Jarrod Washburn had gone eight strong innings and give up only one run. He had faced the minimum six batters in his last two innings.

Midland's Greg Shockey broke a 1-1 tie in the eighth inning with his seventh home run of the year. His two-run shot seemed to insure him star-of-the-game status in what to that point was a well-pitched game.

But the Angels turned the comedy into a tragedy with some funny fielding. With two outs, Freehill's wild pitch scored Andy Stewart, who had a 3-hit night. Errors by left fielder Eddie Christian, second baseman Keith Luuloa and shortstop David Davillilo resulted in three more runs. Lino Diaz had the only RBI of the frame with a double.

Only two runs in the inning were earned.

Washburn and Wrangler starter Javier Gamboa had a 1-1 duel going into the eighth. But Gamboa gave way to Wichita's bullpen, and Shockey drove a 1-0 pitch from Allen McDill with two out in the eighth over the fence in left field.

The Angels went in order in the ninth and finished the game with only six hits. But that would have been enough to win Doubleday's game if not for a ninth inning illustration of how not to play baseball.

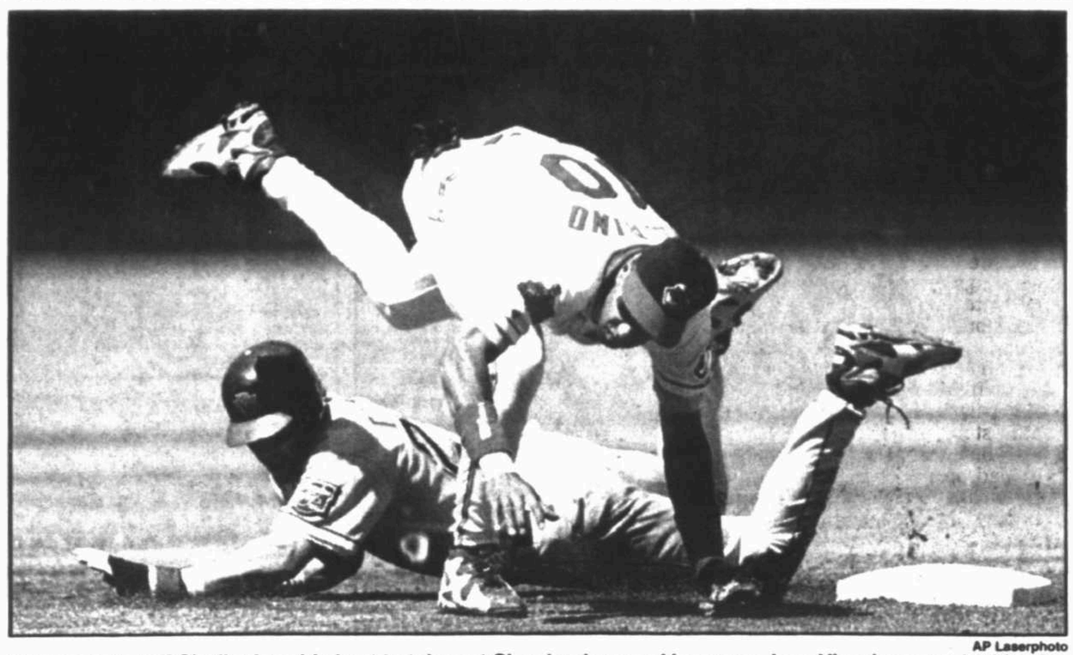
Wichita 6, Midland 3

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Sutton 1b	5	1	2	0	Ortiz cf	3	1	1	0
Sisco 2b	3	0	0	0	Shockey dh	4	1	2	2
Martinez 2b	0	0	0	0	Guiel dh	3	0	1	0
Stewart c	4	1	3	1	Molina c	4	1	1	0
Strickland dh	4	0	0	0	Boykin 1b	3	0	0	0
K. Long cf	3	1	2	0	Davalillo ss	3	0	0	0
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Midland						
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Freehill L, 7-6	1.0	4	5	2	1	1

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Milwaukee's Jeff Cirullo does his best to take out Cleveland second baseman Jose Vizcaino on a double-play situation during Saturday's game with the Indians. The Brewers won 4-3 in extra innings.

Bragg slams Mariners

Associated Press

AL Roundup

BOSTON — Darren Bragg's grand slam was the first home run by a left-handed batter off former teammate Randy Johnson since 1992 and helped the Boston Red Sox to a 9-5 win Saturday over the Seattle Mariners.

Bragg's grand slam in the sixth inning was his first in the major leagues and gave Boston a 9-4 lead. Boston's Mo Vaughn was the last left-handed batter to homer off Johnson.

Boston has won 18 of 24 and the Mariners have lost four of six.

Jeff Frye's third home run of the season, with Troy O'Leary on base, gave the Red Sox a 5-4 lead off Bob Wells (11-6) in the fifth inning.

Wells pitched 4 1-3 innings and gave up five earned runs before he was replaced by Johnson.

Brewers 4, Indians 3, 10 inn.

CLEVELAND — Kevin Seitzer singled home the go-ahead run with two outs in the 10th inning, and Milwaukee beat Cleveland for its second win in two nights over the Indians in extra innings.

Jeff Cirillo opened the 10th with a single off Eric Plunk (2-2) and was forced at second on Dave Nilsson's sacrifice attempt. Pinch-runner David Hulse stole second as John Jaha struck out against Paul Shuey and scored easily on Seitzer's single to left-center.

Bob Wickman (5-1) won despite yielding the game-tying single to Albert Belle in the eighth in his first appearance since being acquired Friday from the New York Yankees. Mike Fetters pitched the 10th for his 25th save.

Orioles 5, Angels 4

BALTIMORE — Mike Mussina won his sixth straight start and Baltimore got its offense going again, using an 11-hit attack.

The victory put the Orioles atop the AL wild-card race, a half-game ahead of the Chicago White Sox, who lost to Toronto.

Rafael Palmeiro went 2-for-3 and drove in two runs, including the go-ahead score in the sixth inning.

Baltimore had just 11 hits and scored a total of three runs in its previous two games, both losses.

Kyle Abbott (0-1) was the loser.

Yankees 5, Athletics 4

NEW YORK — Wally Whitehurst won in his first major league start since 1994, and Paul O'Neill hit a three-run double as the New York Yankees beat the Oakland Athletics.

The Yankees held off Oakland in the ninth inning. O'Neill made a catch at the top of the right-field wall for the second out, but the A's then loaded the bases on three straight singles.

Dave Pavlas preserved the win, striking out Jason Giambi to earn his first save in the majors.

Blue Jays 9, White Sox 2

CHICAGO — Jacob Brumfield, a last-minute addition to the starting lineup, and Alex Gonzalez each drove in three runs as Toronto won its seventh straight.

All of the Blue Jays' victories have come during their 10-game road trip, which ends Sunday. The White Sox lost their fifth in a row.

Royals 9, Tigers 2

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Rookie Jose Rosado came within one out of his third complete game in 10 starts this season as Kansas City stopped a six-game losing streak.

Michael Tucker homered and drove in three runs as the Royals ended Detroit's four-game winning string, its second-longest of the year.

Rodriguez, Twins shut down Texas

By Ron Lesko
AP Sports Writer

Rangers	5
Twins	6

MINNEAPOLIS — Frank Rodriguez became the Minnesota Twins' first 12-game winner in three years, and Marty Cordova and Matt Lawton hit solo homers Saturday night in a 6-5 victory over the Texas Rangers.

Rodriguez (12-10) allowed six hits in seven innings to become the winningest Twins pitcher since Kevin Tapani went 12-15 in 1993. Mike Trombley gave up two runs in the ninth but finished for his third save.

Lawton, who has a .385 average in his last 18 games, drove in two runs as Minnesota beat the AL West leaders for the second straight night and closed within 3 1/2 games of Baltimore in the wild-card race.

It was just the fourth loss in 15 games for the Rangers, who got solo homers from Dean Palmer and Juan Gonzalez. The only other run Rodriguez allowed was unearned.

Rodriguez, who had lost his last three starts around a 10-day stint in the bullpen, struck out four and walked one before Eddie Guardado came on to start the eighth. After a 1-2-3 seventh, Rodriguez was embraced by catcher Greg Myers as he left the field.

Roger Pavlik (14-7) lost for the fifth time in his last seven starts. In 5 1-3 innings, he gave up 10 hits, his most since allowing 12 on July 3.

One night after announcing his new $30 million, five-year contract, Chuck Knoblauch doubled leading off the Twins' first and scored on Scott Stahoviak's RBI single. After Palmer tied it with his 31st homer in the second, Knoblauch scored again in the bottom half as Minnesota took a 3-1 lead on two-out RBI singles by Rick Becker and Paul Molitor.

Lawton's two-out single in the third pushed the Twins' lead to 4-1 before Gonzalez made it 4-2 with his 37th homer on the first pitch from Rodriguez in the fourth.

Cordova's broken-bat, 411-foot solo homer, which tied him with Dave Hollins for the team lead with 13, extended Minnesota's lead to 5-2 in the fifth before the Rangers scored an unearned run on Hollins' two-out throwing error in the sixth.

Lawton led off the sixth with his fifth homer.

Kevin Elster's RBI single and Ivan Rodriguez's fielder's choice grounder brought the Rangers within 6-5 in the ninth.

Notes: The Twins sent Denny Hocking to Triple-A Salt Lake on a rehabilitation assignment. ... Texas lost for the first time in 11 Saturday road games this season. ... Gonzalez extended his hitting streak to 16 games with his towering homer in the fourth. ... When Knoblauch grounded out in the fourth, it snapped a string in which he had a hit in 11 straight at-bats and reached in 13 consecutive plate appearances against Pavlik.

Knoblauch key player in dispute

By Ronald Blum
AP Sports Writer

AP Analysis

When Chuck Knoblauch re-signed with the Minnesota Twins, the forces within the owners who want a labor deal completed soon got a big lift.

Twins owner Carl Pohlad, one of the seven owners who had been against granting service time, is now prepared to side with acting commissioner Bud Selig if he calls for a vote on a deal, a person familiar with the owners' deliberations said Saturday on the condition he not be identified.

According to sources on both the owners' and players' sides, turning around Pohlad's vote was one of the factors in the timing of the $30 million, five-year extension announced Friday night.

Randy Hendricks, the second baseman's agent, knew that Pohlad's opposition to granting service time would vanish once the owner had Knoblauch's commitment for five more seasons. Management negotiator Randy Levine and union officials were involved in the background of the Knoblauch talks, one source said.

The only premier players left among the 18 of 19 still affected by the service time issue are Alex Fernandez (Chicago White Sox), Bernard Gilkey (New York Mets) and Moises Alou (Montreal Expos). Gilkey and the Mets already have begun talks about a possible extension.

The person familiar with the owners' deliberations predicted Saturday that Chicago White Sox chairman Jerry Reinsdorf, Chicago Cubs president Andy MacPhail, Florida Marlins chairman H. Wayne Huizenga and Montreal Expos president Claude Brochu were the only four sure votes against a deal that would grant service time for the 75 regular-season days wiped out by the strike.

If service time is eliminated, only two major issues remain unresolved in the labor talks:

— The structure for the union's option year in 2001, and

— The owners' insistence that three-man panels be used in all salary arbitration cases.

The focus for a deal is now coming down on Selig: When will he push teams to make a decision?

In the past, Selig has been slow and deliberative on major issues such as revenue sharing and expansion, allowing time for a consensus to form without pushing too hard. Levine has urged him to push the bargaining process to conclusion and appears frustrated that Selig has allowed talks to linger the last two weeks.

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The **Permian Basin Football officials** are now recruiting for the 1996 season. Please call 520-5566 or and leave a name and number...

Golf...

The **Permian Basin Petroleum Golfers Association** will sponsor a miniature golf tournament August 26 at Putt Putt Golf and Games from 6-8:30 p.m. to benefit Special Olympics. Entry fee is $5. Call Gene Davis at (915) 686-6603...

The **Permian Basin Petroleum Golfers Association** has its annual golf tournament Sept. 27 and 28 at The Club at Mission Dorado in Odessa and Green Tree Country Club in Midland. Entry fee is $200 and entry deadline is Sept. 5. All golfers whose primary employment is the oil and gas industry are invited, limited to the first 128 entrants. Call Gene Davis at (915) 686-6603 for more information...

The **Flatlanders Ski Club's annual Handicapp Skier** fund raiser golf tournament is Sept. 14 at the Sunset Country Club. The four-person scramble open to the public is $35 per person. Call Sam Ares (580-7600) or Rocky Anderson (332-4822)...

The **Ratliff Ranch Golf Links** in Odessa will hold classes concentrating on specific clubs and games on Monday and Wednesday from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. through Sept 23. Call 550-8181 for more information...

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Martin County Country Club will host the following tournaments: August 24-25, 4-person scramble; Sept. 21-22, 3-person scramble; Oct. 19-20, Jack and Jill scramble. Call 756-2556 or 756-2314 for information...

Manor Park will host a golf tournament Sept. 13 at Hogan Park with a shotgun start at 9 a.m. The format is a 4-person scramble and entry fee is $30, which includes cart, green fee, lunch and small bucket of balls. Deadline is Sept. 6. Call Tracy Lasater at 689-9898 for information...

Hogan Park will host a **2-person scramble** on Sept. 2. Entry fee is $30 per person, plus green fee and cart. Players put together own teams with handicaps within six strokes of each other. Deadline is August 29 at 6 p.m. Entry forms at Hogan Park Golf Shop...

Basketball...

The **Boys and Girls Clubs of Midland** will have their first 3-on-3 basketball league for boys and girls 13-18 years old. Fee is $8 for members, membership is $3. For more information call Sherman Petterson at 683-5297 or 567-6373 on weekends...

The **Hoopin' Hispanic Classic Basketball Tournament** will be conducted August 24-25 in San Angelo. The teams must be a comprised of primarily Hispanic (Mexican, Cuban, Puerto Rican, etc.) players with the allowance of one non-hispanic on the team. The entry $125 per team and $50 is non-refundable. To enter or ask any questions about the tournament please call (915) 659-0004 or 658-6610. Ask for Chris...

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Bowling...

A **Non-Smokers Bowling League** is now forming and team openings are still available. Anyone interested in forming a team call Don at 689-4220 or Terry at 563-7915...

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Fishing...

CAST, West Region, will hold a season ending bass tournament, the CAST Classic Oct. 4-6 at Lake Ivie. Call Tommy Busbee at 687-2522 for more information...

Outdoors...

The Midland-Odessa organization of **Ducks Unlimited**, established in 1937, is attempting to revitalize. The organization focuses on the conservation of wetlands and waterfowl through fundraising events like formal dinners, shooting tournaments, informal barbecues, golf outings and educational programs. The immediate plan is to hold a membership meeting in the fall and a sponsor meeting early 1997. Committee volunteers are needed. Call Claudia 522-3273 for more information.

Rodeo...

The **Tall City Youth Horse Club's** Labor Day Rodeo is August 30 and 31 at 7:30 p.m. at the Midland County Arena. The all-kid competition has events for under-5-year-olds. Admission is $2 for adults, $1 for children and free for kids under six. For more information or to enter the rodeo call Susan Lucas at 520-8012...

Running...

The **Permian Basin Runners Club** is participating in the following events: Sept. 7, **Septemberfest**, 10K, 5K, 2M, 5K walk and 1K children's fun run, Midland, call Sue Johns, 520-7400; Sept. 14, **Shallowater Stampede**, 10K, 2M, Shallowater High School, 8 a.m., call Dwayne Oakeley, 806-799-4473. For information on the PBRC call Thomas Schneider, 520-7421...

Other races are **Red Raider Road Race** 5K, 10K at Texas Tech at 8 a.m. on Oct. 5. Call Randy Wolcott, 1-806-703-8869; **White Buffalo Stampede** in Snyder on Oct. 5, contact Dalton Walton, 1-915-550-5308; **Run for Rehab** 2M and 10K in Odessa Oct. 19, call Rodney Hurt, 1-915-550-5308...

Skiing...

The **Flatlanders Ski Club** sponsors ski trips to various snowbound destinations but the nonprofit organization has a variety of activities on addition to skiing for Midland residents to participate in. The club has current plans for trips to Keystone, Colo. (Nov. 27-Dec. 1), Snowmass, Colo. (Jan. 4-11, 1997), Val Di Fasse, Italy (Jan. 17-25, 1997), Purgatory, Colo. (Feb. 8-15, 1997) and Sugarloaf, Maine (March 8-15, 1997). Other club activities include Summer Mummer Night in August, a Lake Amistad Boating Weekend in October and other raft and golfing events. For more information on upcoming trips or other information, call Kevin or Tom at 520-2057...

Soccer...

SDS soccer camps for 4 to 12-year-olds are available for teams and individuals in August. Cost is $25 per child with a maximum of 12. Call David Stall at 682-8904 for more information...

The **Midland Soccer Association Turkey Shoot-out Tournament** will be on Nov. 1-3 for U9-U10 ($175); U11-U19 Rec ($225); on Nov. 8-10 for U7-8 ($125) and U11-U19 Comp ($225). The deadline is Oct. 1. Call 684-5425 for more information...

Softball...

The **Owasa Co-ed Softball Tournament** is Sept. 7 in Odessa with $110 fee for double elimination and $125 for round robin. Call Natalie Watkins (337-5306) in Odessa for more information...

The **Midland United Girls Softball** fallball program sign ups are August 24 3-7 p.m., August 25 2-5 p.m. Registrations also accepted at Stadium Sports during business hours. Season starts Sept. 7. Registration fee is &35. Call Betty Hartman (687-0092) or Monica Murray (697-0060)...

The **Texas SuperCup Big Boy** tournament is Sept. 6-8 in Lubbock. It is a World Hispanic Qualifier with a $125 entry fee and Sept. 3, 8 p.m. deadline Call (806) 763-3841 or 1-800-373-9789...

Tryouts for a **new ASA 12-under fast-pitch softball team** will be conducted August 24 at 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Midland United Girls Softball complex at Ulmer Park. Pitchers and Catchers will need to stay until 5:30 p.m. All interested players who will not have reached their 13th birthday before Sept. 1, 1997 are invited. Call David Mains at 520-3778 or Mike Kimbro at 689-0630....

The **USSSA State I Pitch Men's Softball Tournament** will be held Sept. 7 at the Rio Concho Sports Complex in San Angelo. Entry fee is $100 per team. For more information, contact Leo Brannan at 655-4292 or Jim Schafer at 659-4707...

Tennis...

Results Sports and Fitness is currently holding several tennis clinics. A children's clinic for beginning through intermediate divisions are Mondays and Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. and on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Cost is $8 per class per person. Pee Wee clinics for ages 4-7 are Mondays and Wednesdays from 11 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. and on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2 p.m. to 2:45 p.m. Call 682-0813 for more information...

The **Midland College Tennis Center** announces clinics for players (pre-kindergarten through high school) are available with the first session beginning August 26. There will also be a Tournament Trainer 3 for players 12-under playing in leagues and tournaments. The deadline is August 25. Call Luis Valdez at 683-5360 or 687-4046 for more information. A women's beginner tennis clinic begins Sept. 4 Mondays and Wednesday's 9-10 a.m. The deadline for registration is Sept. 3 at $8 per day or $64 per session... Call Lance Armstrong or Jon Lanier at 687-4046...

The **Tennis Association of Midland** is now accepting registration for Youth Fall League. Players will be accepted on a first come, first serve basis. All players who are interested in weekly match play are encouraged to play. Players will be divided into leagues as follows, Elementary age girls, Elementary age boys, Junior High and older girls, Junior High and older boys. League play will begin Sept. 9 and continue until late October. Registration forms are available at Midland area Tennis center or by mail on request. Please call Chrys Beal at 699--7458 or TAM at 685-0044 for more information...

The **Pacesetters** Junior Tennis Progression Program for Pre-K (age 4) to 8th grade (age 13) will have four fall sessions, August 19-Sept. 27, Sept. 30-Nov. 1, Nov. 4-Nov. 29 and Dec. 2-Jan. 31 at Midland College. Call Luis Valdez at 687-4046 for play times and information...

The **Midland Tennis Club** will hold the following events: Sept. 1 - Mixed Doubles; Sept. 7-8, - Men's Singles; Sept. 14-15 - Women's Doubles; Oct. 5-6 - Men's Doubles; Oct. 12-13 - Women's Singles; Nov. 2-3 - Mixed Doubles; Nov. 9-10 - Men's Singles. Nov. 16 - Team Tennis. Please call 682-4218 for more questions...

The **Southwest Oilman's Tennis Tournament** is Sept. 18-21 at Midland Country Club and Racquet Club. Entry fee is $175 before August 26 and $200 after. Over 270 players expected. Call Joe de Compieque at 682-5371 for information...

Bicycling...

The **Permian Basin Bycycle Association** meets every third Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. at the Coors Hospitality room. For more information, please call 694-0640 or Peyton Bike Store at 699-1718...

In-Line Hockey...

In-Line Hockey Hockey Leagues are now forming at the Sticks and Kicks Indoor Sports Center. Register as a team or individually for 8-under, 9-11, 12-14 and 15-17 Junior divisions. A Senior Divisions (18-over) will also be formed. The fee is $50 for the fall season and $25 for insurance. To register come by 3918 W. Wall or call 520-6633...

Swimming...

The **City of Midland Swim and Diving teams** are currently conducting tryouts. Swimmers must be able to complete one length of freestyle and backstroke. Tryouts are Monday through Thursday after school or by appointment. Call 684-7755 for more information...

Mabee Aquatic Center is registering fall classes for Learn to Swim, Learn to Dive, Pre-School Tumbling, Gym Swim, Dive Safe and Beginning Diving. Call 684-7755 for information...

Volleyball...

The Central YMCA is now hosting the spring volleyball leagues. Deadline for registration is Sept. 15 for men's and women's sixes, coed rec, and coed ope . For more information call Thomas Talley at 682-2551...

Hunting...

The Llano Estacado Birdhunters Association is having its annual De-Snaking Clinic on August 24 from 7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the West Texas Sportsmanship Club. The clinic is designed to train dogs to avoid snakes. The fee is $30 and $20 for each additional or repeat dogs. Call 687-8128 (day) or 687-4274 (night) for more information...

Scuba Diving...

The **Dust Devil Divers scuba Club** will meet August 27 at 7 p.m at the COM Swin Complex. There will be a short meeting a cookout at the back of the building. Any interested divers are welcomed to attend. On Sept. 21, the club will be participating in the world-wide clean up at O.H. Ivie Lake at 10 a.m. For more information call 570-8761...

Taylor enrolls in drug intervention program

Associated Press

CONWAY, S.C. — Former NFL great Lawrence Taylor, arrested last spring for trying to buy crack cocaine, has enrolled in a pretrial intervention program that would wipe the charge from his record.

Taylor enrolled Friday in the program, which includes 60 hours of community service, random drug testing and drug rehabilitation.

"We intervene and try to turn people around before they get more involved in criminal activity," said program director Mary Christmas. "We send them to a rehabilitation program or mental health. We find out what the problem is and get them into the place they need to be."

The program will be monitored in New Jersey, where Taylor will enroll in a drug-abuse treatment program and complete his community service.

Reports will be sent to the Conway PTI office. The penalty for failing a drug test is having the case sent back to the solicitor for prosecution, Christmas said.

Taylor had arrived Thursday evening in Myrtle Beach where he was scheduled to speak to about 70 students about drug abuse. The talks were canceled because Taylor arrived late. He said he was delayed in New Jersey by personal problems.

He said Thursday he was a recovering addict and was attending Narcotics Anonymous meetings.

"If you think a program for six months will win the war on drugs, you're wrong. The PTI program is a great program, but it's not the way to fight it," Taylor said. "The only way to fight it is not to do it. You may stay clean for 30 years, but you're still close to it and will always be an addict."

Taylor left Myrtle Beach Friday morning to visit his ailing father in Williamsburg, Va., before returning to his home in New Jersey.

"Drugs have kept me from being the Christian I want to be," Taylor said. "It's something you got to fight."

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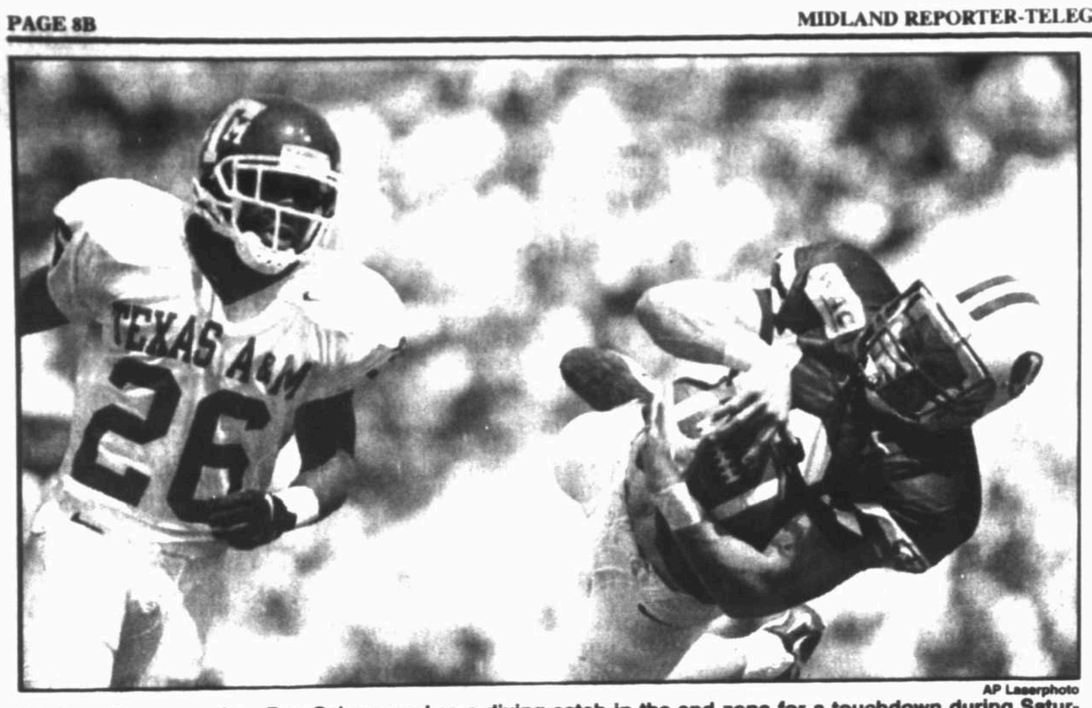
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Brigham Young receiver Ben Cahoon makes a diving catch in the end zone for a touchdown during Saturday's game against Texas a&M in the Pigskin Classic. The Cougars won the game over the Aggies 41-37.

Kickoff Classic has look of big game

By Malcom Moran
N.Y. Times News Service

Kickoff Classic

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — The full house at Giants Stadium, a jammed parking lot with all those buses coming from the west on Interstate 80, everything about the 14th Kickoff Classic will have the look and feel of a big game.

But when Penn State and Southern California meet Sunday afternoon at 1 p.m., CT, two offensive units will be in the early, nervous stages of an uncertain work in progress. The matchup is rare in the history of the game — two teams ranked high (the Trojans seventh, the Nittany Lions 11th in the pre-season Associated Press media poll) but not so high as to be preoccupied with national championship possibilities.

"The one thing we know going into this game is we're going to answer a lot of questions about ourselves," said Keith Olsommer, Penn State's senior tight end and one of three returning offensive starters.

The teams share a willingness to cope with any newly discovered weaknesses as part of a season-long process. "Win or lose, I think we will be a better football team coming off of the Southern Cal game than we might have been, and will be better going in against the next opponent than we would have been if we opened up without having played Southern Cal," Joe Paterno, the Penn State coach, said on campus last week.

"I think we have an opportunity to push our younger kids," Paterno said. "I think they are further along than they would have been. They might not be where we want them for a game against a team of this caliber, but this certainly will give us a higher platform to start from when we go back to work next week to get ready for the rest of the schedule."

The parallels are striking. Two quarterbacks that emerged last season, Wally Richardson of Penn State and Brad Otton of USC, will have to cope with experienced defensive units while operating behind new offensive lines. Penn State will have one returning starter in the line, senior center Barry Tielsch. USC will have four offensive linemen with the first significant playing time of their careers, including right guard Travis Claridge, a highly-recruited, 6-6, 300-pound, 18-year-old freshman.

"If I had to guess," Otton said, "maybe the first quarter is going to be a little ugly for our offense."

For the Lions, two years removed from the perfect 1994 season, the offensive line includes several products of the system who have earned this chance. Phil Ostrowski, one of the guards, started against Ohio State last season before suffering a sprained ankle. Brad Jones, the other guard, is a fourth-year senior who was the no. 2 center last year. Pete Marczyk, a tackle, is a fifth-year senior. Jason Henderson, a 6-7 senior tackle, was voted the most improved player in spring practice.

"It's not like they're coming in blindfolded," said Darrell Russell, the outstanding junior Trojan defensive tackle. "They're Penn State linemen. Penn State is not going to put anybody up front."

Still, an offensive line with one returning starter will require patience and simplicity. Did somebody say vanilla?

"I'll say we're more of a traditional Penn State team again," Olsommer said. "We'll probably run the ball a little bit more. Three yards and a cloud of dust ... Will we pass on third and two now? I think we'll be more of a traditional team."

The question is whether the Lions will grow more comfortable passing on third and 2 in October, during Big Ten games that will determine the outcome of their season.

"As the coaches see their confidence level, and their ability to learn the plays and run them the correct way, the offense will expand," Olsommer said. "When we have our complete offense in, we're a pretty good team ...

"We don't have a huge package for the game," Olsommer said. "Sometimes we'll go into a game with 20 run plays and 30 passing plays. This time, it may be down to 12 runs and 20 passes. Something to help the younger kids get into the system, know the plays, learn them and perfect them."

Penn State's starting linemen average 275.6 pounds, 0.7 pounds less than the USC defensive line. But Paterno is concerned about the middle, where Russell and Matt Keneley have a major advantage. "We will be playing with 275-pound guards against 320-pound defensive tackles," Paterno said last week. "We are going to have to fight like dogs just to hang in there with them."

Taiwan wins Little League crown

By Jeffrey Bair
Associated Press Writer

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa. — The home run king of the Little League World Series record books is a 4-foot-11 outfielder who can't sit still, has two older sisters and is heading to Disneyland.

Hsieh Chin-hsiung hit his seventh home run of the five-game series Saturday as Taiwan won the title for the 17th time with a 13-3 victory over Cranston, R.I.

Yang Chia-chen homered and scored four runs for the elementary school team from the port city of Kaohsiung. Taiwan has won the series, which celebrated its 50th anniversary, in 12 of the last 23 years and four times in the 1990s.

The game was ended one inning early because Taiwan had a 10-run lead.

The 95-pound Hsieh, whose nickname is "Bear," broke the record set last year by Lin Chih-hsiang of Taiwan. Hsieh finished with a .706 batting average and 16 RBIs.

Hsieh, the son of a construction worker and a journalist, wants to be a professional baseball player and cannot wait to get home to jump in a swimming pool. He beamed when describing his happiness at getting the final at-bat in the fifth that allowed him to break the record.

Asked if he was a hero, he said through an interpreter, "A little bit." He led a Taiwan team that hit 16 home runs in five games.

"They're all great batters from one through nine in the lineup, and if you let up on them, they'll jump all over you," Rhode Island starting pitcher Tom Michael said.

Taiwan (5-0) took a 2-0 lead in the top of the first on Chen Chao-ping's fourth homer of the series. Michael threw 31 pitches and walked three but struck out Lee Tung-ming with two on to end the inning.

Craig Stinson and Michael each homered off Cheng Chi-hung in the bottom of the first. After two walks, manager Ho Tung-yu replaced Cheng with Chiu Chi-pin, the pitcher in an abbreviated 21-2 win over Canada on Wednesday. Chris Gallo tapped a two-out ground ball to Chiu, who struck out nine in four innings of relief.

Chiu and Hsieh hit three-run homers in Taiwan's six-run fifth inning.

Michael became the first pitcher to lose three games in the series as Cranston (2-3) became the first team to play in the championship game with two losses since the Little League adopted its pool format in 1992. Cranston committed five errors.

"We had a great ride. I thought we played well today, except for a couple of mistakes," Cranston manager Mike Varrato said. "They didn't surprise us. I knew we were a big underdog coming in."

Yang hit Michael's first pitch of the second inning onto the grassy embankment beyond center field for a two-run homer and a 4-2 lead. Varrato intentionally walked Chen, who had four homers since Monday, to face Hsieh, who at that point had six.

The gamble worked — Hsieh grounded out. But Stinson said after the game that the success was dumb luck because Michael was supposed to walk Hsieh.

"We walked the wrong guy," Stinson said.

AGGIES: Late TD sinks A&M's opener

(From 1B)

Edwards, referring to upsets of Miami in 1990 and Penn State in 1991.

The loss was the first in eight season-openers for A&M coach R.C. Slocum.

"We knew going into the ball game that we had a real vulnerability in the secondary," he said. "We lost three out of four of our starters. Also, we had a lot of respect for BYU's capability to exploit that."

The upset ruined Branndon Stewart's heralded debut as A&M quarterback. Before a national television audience, he finished with 232 yards and two touchdowns on 20-of-28 passing.

The loss also overshadowed fine running by Aggies Eric Bernard (108 yards) and Sirr Parker (101 yards).

Trailing 37-34 after Kyle Bryant's third field goal for A&M — a 51-yarder with 1:31 left — Sarkisian needed only 24 seconds to complete the winning drive.

Starting at his 22-yard line, he moved the Cougars to the Aggies' 46 with quick down-and-out strikes of 11 and 21 yards to McGuire before throwing the TD pass to Keahaluhi.

Stewart then drove A&M close to midfield on a 10-yard run and shorts passes to D'Andre Hardeman and Albert Connell. But with nine seconds remaining, Stewart fumbled and BYU's Daren Young recovered.

The Aggies, who forged a 20-20 halftime tie after blowing an early two-touchdown lead, found the Cougars impossible to shake in the second half. Time and again, A&M scoring drives were countered by Sarkisian's passing.

Bernard's 40-yard TD run early in the third quarter was answered by Sarkisian's 51-yard pass to McGuire. After Stewart's 6-yard lob to Hardeman gave A&M a 34-26 lead late in the third period, Sarkisian threw a 12-yard TD pass to James Dye and added a 2-point pass to Dustin Johnson to tie it again at 34.

BYU struck first, when Sarkisian threw a 5-yard scoring strike to Chad Lewis early in the first period. But A&M controlled the ball and the tempo for the rest of the opening quarter and half of the second, building a 20-6 lead.

Bryant's 45-yard field goal gave the Aggies their first score of the 1996 season with 7:29 left in the first quarter. Four minutes later, Parker streaked 19 yards down the right sideline to cap a nine play, 67-yard touchdown drive and give A&M a 10-6 lead.

Another Bryant field goal, a 43-yarder early in the second quarter, and Stewart's 57-yard scoring pass on a post pattern to Aaron Oliver with 9:55 left in the half gave the Aggies a two-touchdown bulge.

A&M's defense swarmed the Cougars on the next series, stopping two runs short before forcing Sarkisian to throw incomplete on a third-and-4 at the BYU 31.

But just as the Aggies seemed poised for an early blowout, disaster struck. The ensuing punt was fumbled by A&M's Michael Jennings, and BYU's Greg White recovered at A&M's 23 yard line.

With fourth-and-5 at the A&M 18, McGuire held on to Sarkisian's hard pass, even as hard-hitting Aggies linebacker Warrick Holdman leveled him, popping the Cougar receiver's helmet off.

The 6-yard gain gave BYU a first down at the A&M 11, and two plays later Aggies cornerback Justin Lucas tipped Sarkisian's 9-yard pass into the arms of BYU's Itula Mili for a touchdown.

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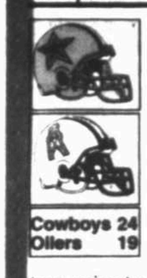
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Cowboys end preseason with win

By Fred Goodall
AP Sports Writer



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ORLANDO, Fla. — Mission accomplished for the Dallas Cowboys Saturday night: They beat the Houston Oilers 24-19 and avoided any more serious injuries.

Wade Wilson threw three touchdown passes — two to Derek Ware within a two-minute span of the third quarter — for the defending Super Bowl champions, who have been slowed by injuries and off-field problems.

Houston (2-2) lost the Texas Governor's Cup for the second straight year and 18th time in 31 preseason meetings with the Cowboys (2-3).

Wilson was 7-of-10 for 163 yards with one interception. Ware scored on receptions of 29 and six yards, while Wilson and Kevin Williams combined on an 82-yard TD play in the first half.

Troy Aikman played three series for the Cowboys, going 3-of-6 for 17 yards. Coach Barry Switzer was disappointed with the production of the injury-riddled, first-team offense but didn't dwell on it.

"We clearly had some highs and lows," he said. "But we've got to look to the defense to pick it up when the offense is struggling, just like we would look to the offense when the defense is struggling. We've got to quit thinking about the missing parts of this team and start thinking about who's playing at this time."

Eleven Cowboys didn't suit up for the game at the Florida Citrus Bowl, including starters Emmitt Smith, Jay Novacek, Michael Irvin, Charles Haley, Mark Tuinei and Chad Hennings.

A seventh regular, linebacker Darrin Smith, left the game in the first half with a strained hamstring and did not return. Deion Sanders strained his left shoulder on a reception early in the third quarter, however the injury is not believed to be serious.

Chris Chandler and Steve McNair each directed one touchdown drive in the first half for Houston, helping the Oilers to a 13-10 lead before Wilson took over the game in the third quarter.

The Cowboys backup quarterback found Ware crossing the middle of the field on his 29-yard TD pass, then took advantage of a fumble by Anthony Dorsett that Dallas' Dominique Ross forced and recovered on the ensuing kickoff to set up the 6-yarder to Ware for a 24-13 lead.

Wilson worked five series, producing three touchdowns and Chris Boniol's 29-yard field goal. He threw an interception that Houston's Tomus Barnes returned 23 yards to the Cowboys 18 in his only possession that didn't put points on the board.

Dallas overcame the mistake when Eddie George fumbled a handoff from McNair on the next play. Wilson made the most of the exchange of turnovers, finding Williams streaking up the right sideline just ahead of Barnes on their 82-yard scoring play.

"We've struggled the last three weeks. It's due to a lot of factors," Wilson said.

"We weren't able to game plan. We ran basic plays. We've had a lot of new faces in there doing things the Michael Irvins and Jay Novaceks have done in the past. That's some explanation."

Chandler, who was 6-of-7 for 81 yards, set up a 1-yard, first-quarter scoring pass to Frank Wycheck with a 53-yard completion to Willie Davis. McNair finished an 11-play, 72-yard drive just before the half with a 7-yard TD pass to Derek Russell, then tossed a 25-yarder to Malcolm Floyd in the third quarter.

McNair was 14-of-25 for 121 yards with one interception.

"Steve has confidence in me, and I have confidence in him," said Russell, who had four of his team-high five catches for 40 yards on McNair's first scoring drive. "I dropped the first pass he threw to me, but he kept coming to me anyway."

The crowd of 44,296 was the smallest for a Dallas exhibition or regular-season game in five years.

Green wants back with Dolphins

■ Former all-pro tight end Eric Green meets with dolphins' coach Jimmy Johnson about possibly returning to Miami.

By Stephen Wine
AP Sports Writer



DAVIE, Fla. — Unemployed tight end Eric Green, trying to recover from knee surgery and a tarnished reputation, wants a second chance with coach Jimmy Johnson and the Miami Dolphins.

Green and Johnson met for an hour Saturday in an attempt to patch up their relationship.

Johnson, who began his career with the Pitssburgh Steelers, released the former Pro Bowl tight end July 9.

"The guy is an up-front guy," Green said. "I respect him and he respects me. I think this thing is going to come together."

Among the issues likely discussed were Johnson's annoyance at Green's work habits and weight problems. Bothered by knee trouble, Green missed 39 practices last season under coach Don Shula.

The 29-year-old Green, recovering from arthroscopic knee surgery in May, resumed jogging two weeks ago and looked trim as he emerged from Johnson's office.

His agent, Drew Rosenhaus, said Green will be available by the third or fourth game of the season.

Rosenhaus expressed confidence that he'll work out a deal with Johnson.

"The bottom line is that Eric wants to win and Coach Johnson wants to win," Rosenhaus said. "Jimmy Johnson can bring out the best in Eric Green, and Eric Green can help Jimmy Johnson win the Super Bowl."

The Dolphins need help at tight end. Keith Byars moved there from fullback during training camp and became the starter just two weeks ago.

But prior to the meeting with Green, Johnson said no deal was imminent.

"If anything is going to be done, it's not going to be any time soon — not in the next few days or maybe in the next week or two," Johnson said.

Rosenhaus said Jacksonville, Baltimore, Washington and Kansas City have also expressed an interest in Green, who was selected for the Pro Bowl in 1993 and 1994.

But Green, who signed with Miami as a free agent prior to last year, would prefer to rejoin the Dolphins.

"I know the system here, and I know Dan Marino," Green said. "This would be the easiest fit for me."

In July, Johnson terminated the six-year, $12 million contract Green signed prior to last season.

This time Green would settle for a one-year contract.

Green would also withdraw a grievance filed by the NFL Players Association to collect his $1.5 million salary this year, Rosenhaus said.

"This isn't financially driven," Rosenhaus said. "He wants to get his career back to where it was before he got injured."

Harbaugh guides Colts by Packers

By Steve Herman
AP Sports Writer

Preseason Roundup, Notes

INDIANAPOLIS — Once again, Jim Harbaugh wrecked Green Bay's shot at a perfect preseason.

Harbaugh, who rallied Indianapolis in the final period and beat the Packers in overtime last year, barely needed more than the first two quarters Saturday night as the Colts beat Green Bay 30-6.

Harbaugh was 11-of-15 for 223 yards and two touchdowns before leaving the game early in the third quarter. Paul Justin replaced Harbaugh on the next series and passed 69 yards to Aaron Bailey for a touchdown in the fourth quarter.

Green Bay (3-1), trying for its first unbeaten and untied preseason since 1967, did not get a first down until early in the second quarter. By that time, the Colts (3-2) had a 13-0 lead on two field goals by Cary Blanchard and a 54-yard touchdown pass from Harbaugh to rookie Marvin Harrison.

Blanchard's field goals of 19 and 36 yards were the only first-quarter points the Packers allowed the entire preseason. And both of the field goals were set up with long passes by Harbaugh, a 43-yarder to Sean Dawkins on the Colts' second possession and 38 yards to Marcus Pollard on the next series.

Harbaugh, the NFL's top-rated passer last year, was 15-of-24 for 187 yards and one TD in the 20-17 overtime exhibition victory over the Packers last year. The Colts also handed Green Bay its only preseason loss in 1989.

The first Green Bay first down came on a 16-yard pass from Brett Favre to Robert Brooks three minutes into the second quarter. Until then, the Packers had more penalty yardage than net offense. But Favre threw 21 yards to Keith Jackson, and two more passes and an Indianapolis holding penalty — the Colts' first infraction of the game — took Green Bay to the Indianapolis 16. Favre was sacked for a 7-yard loss, and two plays later Chris Jacke's 32-yard field goal made it 13-3.

Early in the third quarter, a 9-yard pass from Harbaugh to Harrison and a 14-yard run by Marshall Faulk took the Colts near midfield. Two plays later, Harbaugh passed 39 yards to Dawkins for the second touchdown and a 20-3 lead.

Jim McMahon, who replaced Favre late in the second quarter, gave way to Doug Pederson midway through the third quarter. A fumble by Clif Groce of the Colts set up a 47-yard field goal by Jacke with 1:09 left in that quarter, but Blanchard matched that distance for his third field goal after a 47-yard punt return by Bobby Olive early in the final period.

The 69-yard TD pass from Justin to Bailey with 8:35 left gave the Colts their most points in a preseason game since 1992.

Talley's consecutive games string in jeopardy

MINNEAPOLIS — Minnesota Vikings linebacker Darryl Talley is questionable for next Sunday's opener against Detroit, putting his string of 221 consecutive games in jeopardy.

Talley, signed in camp when Ed McDaniel was sidelined by a knee injury, sprained his left knee in Friday night's exhibition game at New Orleans.

The Vikings also lost running back James Stewart on Friday night because of a broken bone in his left leg, the same injury he sustained as a rookie last season. Stewart is expected to miss at least six weeks.

Steelers place Mills on unable to perform list, cut six

PITTSBURGH — The Pittsburgh Steelers placed receiver Ernie Mills on the physically unable to perform list Saturday, and cut six players to reach the regular-season roster limit of 53.

Mills, who tore a knee ligament in Pittsburgh's loss to Dallas in the Super Bowl, must stay on the list a minimum of six weeks. Once he comes off, the Steelers will have up to 21 days decide if he can play. During that time, Mills won't count against the 53-man roster.

The Steelers released fullback Steve Avery, receiver Johnnie Barnes, defensive back Ricky Bell, tight end John Farquhar, and linebackers Tom Myslinski and James Parrish. After 4 p.m. Monday, teams can sign a maximum of five practice-squad players.

Saints cut Botkin, three others

NEW ORLEANS — The New Orleans Saints got a jump on Sunday's mandatory roster reduction, releasing tight end Kirk Botkin and three others Saturday.

Botkin, who also served as a long snapper last season, was cut along with linebacker Ron Childs, defensive tackle Buster Stanley and receiver John Jackson. The Saints must cut three more players by 3 p.m. CDT on Sunday to reach the 53-man limit.

REBELS: Defense looking good early

(From 1B)

Rebels came right back with another drive that saw quarterback David Smith hit wingback Ricky "Phantom" Green with a 34-yard scoring strike.

Lee's third team offense also drove to the Riverside two-yard line, but ran out of plays in a 10-play set. Quarterback Jeremy Deramus and I-back Jason Hernandez did the bulk of the work in that drive.

Still, Lee head coach John Parchman seemed to have few concerns after the scrimmage.

"Actually, Riverside ran a defense that we didn't prepare for and the inexperience in our offensive line showed the first time we had the ball," Parchman said. "They did a pretty good job after that. I didn't see anything that we can't correct."

Tailback Josh Norman, a junior, led all Lee rushers with 53 yards while Robinson had 36 and Hernandez 30. Quarterback Smith, who is expected to start for Lee this year, was just an eye lash off a huge game. He completed only three of nine passes for 47 yards and one touchdown, but a couple were dropped, a TD pass was called back and he just missed connecting with John Norman in the end zone for another.

Senior Antwan Alexander also got a few snaps with the first team, completing one of two passes for 17 yards, but also threw an interception. Alexander also ran for 28 yards.

Riverside arrived dressed in full uniform, looking a bit like the Texas Longhorns — in dress that is. Lee looked like a back alley clan in practice uniforms and played like bare-knuckled boxers of old. John L. Sullivan would have been proud.

Defensive end Fred Pertile racked up three sacks while Corry Pertile, Kyle Hulme and Trey Atwater added three more. Alexander had the hit of the night, a booming head on collision with a Riverside runner that could be heard in Monahans.

The two teams ended the scrimmage by working on the new tie-breaker system, and wouldn't you know, Lee won that experiment in rare fashion with two scores, which is almost impossible.

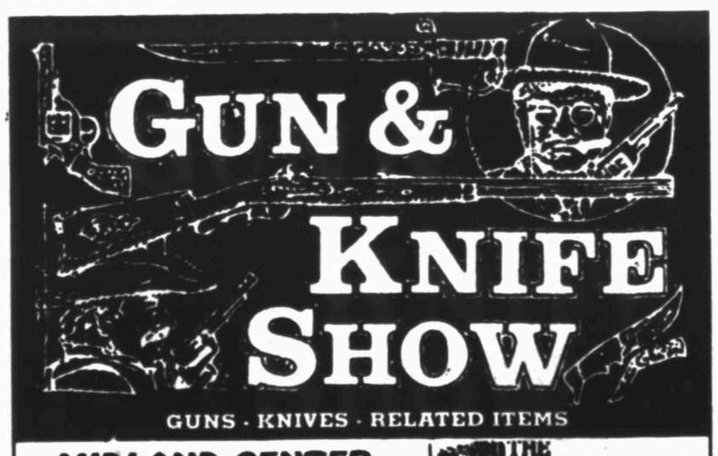
In the tie-breaker session, Lee got the ball first and scored on a drive from 25 yards out as Josh Norman scored from the two. However, Evans missed the extra point (he was 1-of-2 on extra point tries during the night), meaning Riverside could win the tie-breaker by scoring and kicking an extra point.

However, Pertile sacked the Riverside quarterback and Shae Jones picked it up and returned it for a touchdown to give Lee a score on both offense and defense in the tie-breaker. Jones also blocked a Riverside punt during the scrimmage.

"I was real pleased with the defense," Parchman said. "Riverside ran some stuff we hadn't worked on at all, but the kids adapted well. Riverside has a good little team. We've just got to go to work now."

Polish is still needed. There were far too many missed snaps from center with the first unit early on. Even Riverside had problems in that area.

But Lee has another scrimmage in which to unleash some offensive lightning bolts. The Rebels will travel to Fort Stockton Friday to meet El Paso Socorro, a team Lee beat by two points in the area playoffs last fall.



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Greenwood not getting respect

By Mike Butts
Sports Writer

GREENWOOD — Nobody seems to think Greenwood will finish at the top of its district for 1996. But that's nothing new for this class of Rangers.

Greenwood was picked third and second by the state's leading high school football preview magazine before the 1994 and '95 seasons. It went on to finish in first place both years.

This season the team again finds itself below the top in the league rankings. A fourth-place preseason selection has left team members wondering what they have to do for a little recognition. Many of the Rangers want to prove the experts wrong again this year.

"I don't think it's right," senior David Curry said of his team's fourth-place rank. "We make the playoffs every year but they don't rate us any higher."

"It seems like since we were sophomores we've been rated low," senior lineman Tanner Cross said. "It just gives us something to work harder for to try to prove everybody wrong."

Greenwood will have to rebuild most of its offensive line and all of its defensive line. With only seven seniors coming back from last year and five starters back, low expectations seem reasonable.

Colorado City, which tied the Rangers for the championship of District 8-3A last year, has 13 starters back and is the District 4-3A favorite. The Wolves have the leading returning Class 1A rusher in the state, Arian Emerson (1,906 yards).

But Greenwood was picked third two years ago and went undefeated in district. Last year they turned a second place pick into a league co-championship.

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Greenwood Rangers

Coach's district favorite picks: Colorado City

Key quote: "If we get our line to come around in seven weeks then we can play (well) when we have to," said coach Bob Purser

Returners: 2 on offense, 3 on defense

Returning offensive standout: Brandon Hunnicutt (5-8, 170) second-team all-district running back, 647 yards rushing

Returning defensive standout: Hunnicutt, district MVP, 143 tackles

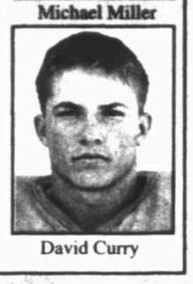
Last playoff appearance: 1995

Last season's record and district finish: 8-3 overall, 4-1 in district, tied for first

Team colors: Columbia blue and white


Tanner Cross


Michael Miller


David Curry

"I think they're not giving us any respect again, but they never do," said senior Michael Miller. "I think it will be fun showing we're better than they picked us."

Running back Jonathan Wilson doesn't mind the team's role as predicted also ran.

"I feel better about being picked lower," Wilson said. "It makes us the underdog and gives us the advantage. Everybody thinks they're going to have an easy time with us."

Wilson thinks momentum from the last two years can carry over to '96.

"It makes a big difference — tradition," Wilson said. "Nobody wants to break that (playoff streak). And it gives you confidence. We've done it before, we can do it again."

Doing it this year would keep both the playoff and the exceeding-expectations streaks alive.

"It's kind of tough, everybody picking us low," said senior Brandon Hunnicutt, the district MVP on defense last year. "But when the season starts everybody's going to realize we're a top contender to be district champs."

RANGERS: Playoffs not out of question

(From 1B)

off) streak."

And the rebuilding will take place around a small nucleus of top talent.

Leading the players with experience is junior running back and middle linebacker Brandon Hunnicutt (5-feet-8, 160), the district's defensive MVP last year. And the team does have a stable of running backs for its wishbone. New quarterback Michael Otho has the potential to be a standout. And Hunnicutt and two returning defensive backs give the Rangers some experience to back up a green defensive line.

That and the fact that the team has momentum from the past two years could result in a better year than some anticipate. He had 143 tackles last year.

"We probably can't compete defensively without Brandon at middle linebacker," Purser said. "He runs the defense and is a great high school football player."

And fortunately the Rangers have enough good running backs that Hunnicutt will not have to carry the team in that area. Hunnicutt has played every position in the offensive backfield in the last three years and in two-a-days was considered the backup quarterback.

"He's the best back we have but we can live without him better on offense (than defense)," Purser said. "Offensively you have to rest him when you can."

The bi-district champs of the last two years have five running backs and two fullbacks that played some last season. They are running backs Hunnicutt, David Curry, Phil Morrison and Steven McFarden and fullbacks Tyrell Warren and Leland Foster. Morrison went to region in the 100 meters last year and is the fastest of the bunch.

'This is a hump year for us to keep the tradition going...I think we can stay in the playoffs a long time.'
— head coach Bob Purser, on the Rangers' 1996 season

Otho is a junior and the brother of Casey.

"We had two good quarterbacks last year but I don't think we'll drop off at all with Michael Otho," Purser said. "He throws the ball as well as anybody we've ever had. He doesn't have the speed of Casey but he's been running this offense (the wishbone) since the seventh grade."

"He's a good athlete," said Cross of the new quarterback. "Ever since Pee Wee football, since we were in the fourth grade, he's always led the team."

Cross will start at guard, the lone lineman with a varsity letter.

"I think if we had more experience in the line this would be one of those years we feel pretty good about our chances because offensively and defensively our skill positions are pretty good," Purser said. "(On defense) we just don't have the front, no tackles, no ends. But linebacker we feel pretty good about and the secondary we feel pretty good about."

Joining Cross on the offensive line will be junior center Evan Pierce, senior guard Danny Teague, and junior tackles Frankie Keller, Michael Glasscock and Mario Jurado. Senior Michael Miller will start at tight end.

Hunnicutt will be joined by returning starters Curry, a senior cornerback, and Jonathan Wilson, a senior safety, on defense. Foster and Pierce play the other linebacker spots and Keller, impressive in two-a-days, will also vie for starting outside linebacker.

Other defensive backs are Morrison and senior Josh Davila. The defensive end slots are between sophomore Marcus Stack (205), Jurado (230) and senior Steven Hester. The tackles should be manned by Warren and Glasscock.

"This is a hump year for us to keep our tradition going," Purser said. "So it puts a lot of pressure on the kids and coaches to keep it going. If we could get through this year I think we can stay in the playoffs for a long time."

RANGER NOTES: Wilson isn't putting too much importance on the season-opener with state-ranked Ballinger. "I don't think it will measure our season one way or another. It will be a good learning experience." ... Cody Mebane has joined the Ranger coaching staff as the offensive backfield coach. He graduated from Greenwood in '90 after making all-region at quarterback. "I think Cody can help us," Purser said. "He's a guy we trained five years ago and he played the position (quarterback)." He graduated from Angelo State this year and is teaching English ... Greenwood has lost one pre-district game in each of the last three seasons ... Four of the Rangers first five opponents this season made the playoffs last year ... Of Greenwood's 14 returning lettermen, eight are listed in the backfield on offense.

Champ Grey loses IBF crown

By Pete Herrera
AP Sports Writer

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — Junior bantamweight Danny Romero didn't have to land many punches Saturday, and he knew the last one would bring him a world title.

Romero, a flamboyant, hard puncher, captured the IBF title Saturday in his hometown by knocking out two-time champion Harold Grey of Colombia, 1:25 into the second round.

Romero (28-1-0, 25 KOs), thrilled the partisan crowd by knocking down Grey three times in the first round. He finished off the former champ with an overhand right that caught Grey on the chin and sent him to the canvas.

Grey (21-2-0, 15 KOs) tried to get up but could only manage to roll over as referee Larry Chavez counted him out.

Romero, the former junior flyweight champion who vacated that title to move up to bantamweight, leaped into the arms of his father and trainer, Danny Romero Sr.

"The last punch I felt in my hand. I liked it," the new champion said. "I knew he wasn't getting up."

Grey, stunned by the sudden loss of his title, declined to be interviewed afterward.

Romero's only loss came last September in a non-title bout against Mexico's Willy Salazar in Las Vegas. Salazar caught Romero with a right in the first round and broke a bone behind Romero's left eye. Romero underwent surgery on the damaged eye, recuperated and went into Saturday's bout as the aggressor from the opening bell.

Romero took command immediately and sent Grey down for the first time 90 seconds into the fight. It was a stiff right that caught Grey on the chin and dropped him to one knee.

Grey recovered and managed to regain enough composure to briefly ward off further damage. But a combination from Romero again sent Grey down for another eight-count. Another right by Romero dropped Grey near a neutral corner for the third time, and only the bell extended the bout into the second round. A staggering Grey made it to his corner.

Romero finished it quickly in the second, catching Grey for the last time as the rowdy hometown crowd of about 6,400 cheered.

Romero, noted for his knockout power, said his father advised him before the fight not to get anxious and "work him for a couple of rounds."

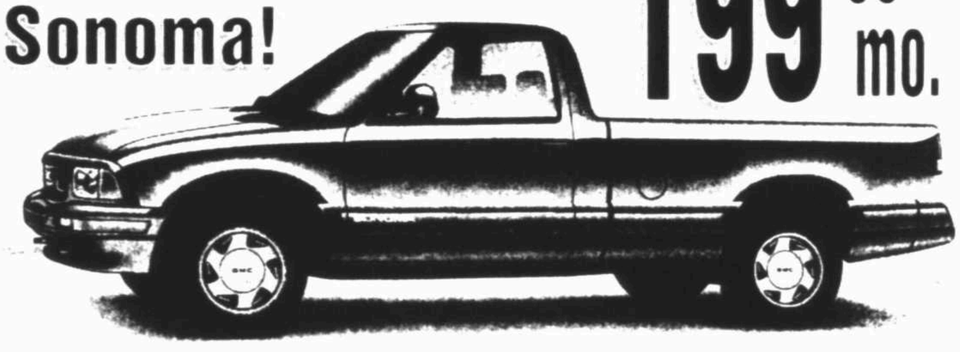
Romero ignored the advice once he found an opening.

"I was going to come out hard. My power shots will be there from Round One to Round 12," Romero said. "He said he was going to wait me out and see what I was going to do. Well, he waited all the way to the floor."

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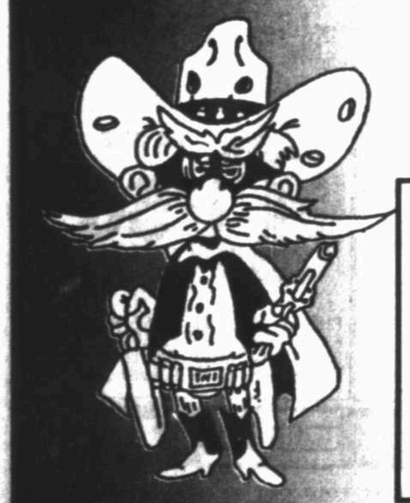
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August 23	Monahans (scrimmage)	There	8:00	October 11	Colorado City	Here	7:30
August 30	Pecos (scrimmage)	Here	7:30	October 18	Kermit	There	7:30
September 6	Ballinger	Here	8:00	October 25	Crane	There	7:30
September 13	Seminole	There	8:00	November 1	Sonora	Here	7:30
September 20	Denver City	There	8:00	November 8	Reagan Co.	There	7:30
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City officials consider mandates

Federal guidelines will have to be observed when population reaches 100,000

By Michael Kashgarian
Staff Writer

When Midland reaches a 100,000 population — expected by the next census in 2000— the city will experience some financial and regulatory growing pains because of two federal mandates.

City officials have begun to anticipate the work and costs associated with requirements to monitor storm water for contaminants and provide details on drinking water purification procedures.

To obtain the mandated National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the city will need to sample storm water at various sites for pollutants to determine adverse effects on water sources such as lakes and streams.

The measures required are overkill for cities in West Texas such as Midland, local officials said.

One, a lack of adequate rainfall may make sampling impossible during a prescribed period of time. Two, the absence of lakes and streams makes it difficult to fully apply the reasoning behind the testing.

"We're not trying to be insensitive to the environment but the concerns that led to this act were in areas of large populations and heavy rainfall," Assistant City Manager Glen Hackler said. "It seems common sense that in arid and semi-arid areas the things they are looking for are not likely to exist."

The cost to implement the program has been estimated to be between a half and three-quarters of a million dollars.

And if contaminants beyond a specified level are detected in the storm water, additional costs may be forthcoming. Although the city has minimal surface water threatened by contamination, the federal government might not be easily convinced of that, local officials said.

Remedial action could cost the city millions of dollars. "You are not looking at solutions that are simple or inexpensive," Hackler said. "They are going to be costly if we encounter that."

A second mandate on the horizon, also under the eyes of the EPA, comes under the information and collection rule of the Safe Drinking Water Act.

Local officials will be required to make a technical review and submit information regarding the process, design and testing procedures used for drinking water.

"Frankly on this one, we recognize the importance," Hackler said. "When it comes to public drinking water you probably want to err on the side of caution and that's what this does."

Nevertheless, the city hasn't encountered problems with safety aspects of its water and doesn't anticipate any changes due to the added precautions.

Compliance is estimated to cost less than $100,000 annually. "It's not overwhelming, but it's not cheap," Hackler said.

BASIN BRIEFING

Open house

An open house/reception for teachers is set for 7-9 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday at Hastings. Teachers can talk to staff about books needed for the coming school year and enter drawings for gift certificates. Refreshments will be served. For more information call 694-1151.

Choir meeting

The Lee High School Choir parents will meet 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the LHS cafeteria. The choir will perform. Parents are urged to attend.

Orchid society

The West Texas Orchid Society is to meet 2 p.m. Saturday at 909 Shirley. The meeting will include a tour of the greenhouse.

Police appearance

The Midland Police Department will have its Low Patrol and officer trading cards during Tejano Night at Christensen Stadium Sunday before the Angels game. The Low Patrol, an actual patrol car made into a low rider equipped with hydraulics, will join officers who will be handing out and signing trading cards in front of the ticket stand beginning at 5 p.m.

Gospel singing

A gospel singing event will be held from 7-9 p.m. Tuesday at the Midland Senior Citizens Center in Kingsway Center, 3303 W. Illinois Ave. For additional information, call Maywood Kelly at 561-9135.

Ranch mission

JOHNSON CITY — J. David Bamberger is veering his Jeep — no doors or seatbelts, thank you — from one gravel road to another on his 5,500-acre ranch 6 miles south of this town in Blanco County where Lyndon B. Johnson grew up. For a brief moment, this sliver of the Texas Hill Country could just as well be the plains of northern Africa.

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Party convention

AUSTIN — Neither rain nor the absence of their presidential candidate dampened spirits at the Reform Party's first Texas convention, where Democratic U.S. Senate nominee Victor Morales declared he almost ran as an independent. "I didn't want anyone to place me in a little cubbyhole — Democrat, which I've been, or Republican," said Morales, who got an enthusiastic reception from Saturday's crowd of about 150. "I'm a very, very independent man.'

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Holy detective

ARLINGTON — Whether searching for the Ark of the Covenant or dealing with a family crisis, Vendyl Jones can't stay away from the Holy Land. The Texas Bible scholar and amateur archeologist remains in the West Bank with a sickly son. Jones was denied a permit earlier this year from the Israeli government to continue three decades of work near where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found. But Jones and associates at his Texas-based Institute of Judaic Christian Research were hopeful that Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu would be more receptive than the previous government.

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TODAY'S AGENDA

11th Step Study group for people in recovery, 10:30 a.m., 2103 W. Louisiana Ave., 697-4751 or 682-1646.

Greater Permian Basin Duplicate Bridge & Novice Duplicate Bridge, 1:30 p.m., Allison Bridge Center.

Tall City Road Riders, 9 a.m., Warfield Truckstop, 682-9669 or 687-5313.

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Leslie D'Allesandro Hill

Fairies take up new home in library

Ann Lowe, 10, gasps as she and her friend Courtney Beck, 11, look at the fairy broach worn by Leslie D'Allesandro Hill, author and illustrator of "Fairies Have Wings But They're Not Angels." The former Midlander donated a copy of her recently published book to Midland Public Library Saturday and will sign copies 2-4 p.m. today at Barnes & Noble Booksellers. The book and illustrations highlight 52 "fairyisms," a tongue-in-cheek work showing the humor of "fairies in our midst."

Tax-cut proposal may be opposed at next meeting

By Ed Todd
Staff Writer

Midland County Judge Jeff Norwood's proposal to reduce the county's tax rate by 10 percent may be opposed during the next Commissioners' Court meeting, set for 9 a.m. Monday at the Midland County Courthouse,.

"That's a real cut," Norwood said Saturday. "Government at all levels is taking too big of a piece of the family paycheck."

Commissioner Guy McCrary, who endorses the proposal when coupled with "restraint on spending" and a vigorous economy, said that the 10 percent tax-cut proposal is a "responsible decision" and is realistic.

However, Commissioner Louisa Valencia suggested that Norwood's proposal is "too drastic," particularly in view of economic uncertainties.

Commissioners Henry Goulet and James Brezina were not immediately available for comment.

Norwood's proposed 10 percent tax cut would reduce the county tax rate by 2.643 cents — to 23.787 cents per $100 valuation from 26.43 cents, or about a $26.43 reduction on a homeowner's $100,000 house.

However, that house's valuation would have increased about 5 percent from 1995 to 1996 because of the overall increase in the tax base, according to figures released by Chief Appraisal Ron Stegall of the Midland Central Appraisal District.

The tax-base increase indicates a healthy economy in existing housing, new housing, business developments — especially along Loop 250 in north and west Midland — and in oil-and-gas projects, including Parker & Parsley Petroleum Co.'s drilling in the Spraberry Trend.

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Judge's order to help species on endangered list angers some

AUSTIN (AP) — A federal judge's order to limit water pumping from the Edwards Aquifer was an unprecedented action to limit groundwater use to protect endangered species, legal specialists said.

Senior U.S. District Judge Lucius Bunton III has ruled that San Antonio and other major users of the Edwards Aquifer must restrict pumping from the reservoir to protect people and species that rely on the water.

"I do not recall any comparable example in which the courts have ordered a reduction in groundwater withdrawals to meet endangered species objectives," said Michael Bean, chairman of the wildlife program for the Environmental Defense Fund, a nonprofit group based in New York City.

Bean told the Austin American-Statesman that the only case remotely similar involved the successful federal effort to force a landowner in the early 1970s to reduce groundwater pumping to protect the Devil's Hole pupfish, a small fish found at Death Valley National Park in Nevada.

'To (fail to) put human beings, who also need water to meet our needs, over this one little lizard is a perversion.'
— Bill Thornton, San Antonio mayor

Although it involved an endangered species, the case was brought under antiquities laws that protect public lands from external threats, Bean said.

In the 10-page ruling, Bunton says pumping must be reduced by Oct. 1. He also affixed a plan that outlines recom-

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New dress code makes its way onto MISD school-board agenda

By Myra Lee Salcedo
Staff Writer

Many parents have called the Reporter-Telegram to say MISD's dress code is too strict, but not one Midland parent has wanted to go on record expressing concerns about hem lengths. Some parents said the focus should be on student discipline and "not whether or not a pair of shorts violates the dress code by 1/4 an inch." Other parents have called to say they have seen as many as 40 to 50 students in the office at a time at one of the junior high school campuses for hem-length violations.

"Surely, teachers have better things to do than measure the length from the kneecap to a hem on every student," one disgruntled father said. "And all those students waiting for parents to bring them a change of clothes are missing out on class time. This is a ridiculous waste of teachers' and students' time." Parents said they will not insist their children wear long pants to avoid hem-length violations.

Now, some Midland parents have gotten the issue put on the agenda for Tuesday's Midland Independent School District board meeting. Set to be presented following the 6:30-7:15 p.m. dinner break, the agenda item reads "Parent (s) wish to address the board concerning the enforcement of the dress code."

There are no parents' names mentioned on the agenda and there is no letter from parents requesting that the item be put on the agenda. No other informa-

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GARY OTT

Catch phrase makes storyteller's ego go into hiding

"Been there. Done that."

It is the new catch phrase of the '90s.

You tell someone about a bizarre incident that took place during your first marriage and the person immediately replies, "Been there. Done that."

You recount a funny story from your old college days and the listener quickly nods his head and says, "Been there. Done that."

You mention to a co-worker how you narrowly avoided a traffic accident on the way to work that morning and she shrugs and notes, "Been there. Done that."

To which you want to say, "Oh, shut up, No you haven't."

I don't know when the phrase first took on such popularity, but, I, for one, don't like it.



Ott

First of all, it is downright rude. The person in question obviously wants to tell a story but halfway through it, some Know-It-All brings the tale to a screeching halt by — in effect — saying: "You can stop it right there. I already know the ending."

Have you any idea what that does to the storyteller's ego?

I'll tell you what it does. It crushes it.

So he retreats into his innermost thoughts and ponders a counterattack.

Which is to make his story even more outlandish.

So he says, "OK, Mr. Big Shot. You been THERE and done THAT, well, try THIS on for size.

And then he really unloads a whopper.

That shouldn't be necessary.

If the rest of us would just exhibit a small degree of common courtesy that person would not have to humiliate himself publicly by telling a story that is so obviously a figment of his imagination that all his listeners can do is shake their heads in pity.

Why not let the poor sap tell his story without interruption. Sure, it's boring and you've probably heard it a hundred times before, but so what? Give the guy a break. His stories are all he has left.

That's because his life ceased being interesting in the early 1980s. So he lives in the past. He dwells — endlessly, I might add — on events and situations that occurred years ago.

It is rather pathetic, of course, but not all that uncommon. In fact, if we were to be completely honest with ourselves we might have to admit that we too sometimes fall into that category. None of us seem to do as many exciting and offbeat things as we used to.

It has something to do with the aging process, I suppose. We become more cautious, more reserved, more conservative as we grow older.

But, deep inside, we don't want to admit it. We want to continue to think of ourselves as fun-loving and carefree, sort of "children of the night," if you know what I mean.

So we rely on our past experiences to make us seem like that same old "wild and crazy guy" we once were. And to emphasize that image we tell "wild and crazy" stories from our past, which, of course, are more than slightly exaggerated.

To which our listeners, who are also trying to project a "super-cool" image, casually reply, "Been there. Done that."

Obviously, a change of strategy is needed. Instead of telling exciting stories, we should start telling incredibly stupid stories that make us appear to be dull and foolish.

Then when Mr. Smarty Pants yawns and smugly says, "Been there. Done that," we can arch an eyebrow and smirk, "Oh, really? I didn't know your life was so boring."

Gary Ott is city editor of the Reporter-Telegram.

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POLICE REPORTS

Midland Police Department
Friday

Burglary of a vehicle: A report was made at 4511 N. Midkiff Road at 6:12 p.m.

Saturday

Vandalism: A vehicle was scratched and a windshield wiper damaged at 3107 Mariana Ave., reported Neomi Bonilla at 8:44 a.m.

Grafitti: A building was spray painted at 4706 N. Midkiff Road, reported Albertson's at 9:10 a.m.

Theft: Cash was taken at 6 Desta Drive, reported Steven Wilson at 11:42 a.m.

Midland County Sheriff's Office
Friday

Theft: Gasoline was taken at 2622 S. State Highway 349, reported Town & Country Conveniece store at 7:57 p.m.

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

CUT: Commissioners to talk possible tax-rate decrease

(From 1C)

"Who knows what is going to happen?" Stegall said of the economy. "I just take it a year at a time."

In pressing for the tax cut, Norwood said that the Commissioners' Court has "adopted a number of efficiency measures, such as consolidation of purchasing, privatization, and adjusting the work force.

"I think it is important that we take every opportunity to reduce the tax burden on the people of Midland," Norwood said.

During Monday's meeting, Norwood is to recommend a budget amendment, which is to include the 10 percent tax-rate reduction. "And I hope it is adopted by the court."

The proposed tax rate would generate about $9.7 million of the county's projected $19 million to $20 million general-fund budget if tax collections were 100 percent. But because of uncollected taxes, Norwood conservatively is projecting about $9.25 million in property-tax revenues.

The county's additional revenue sources are the half-cent sales tax, which is to generate about $6.2 million, and fines and fees, which would generate the balance.

"Sales tax revenue is going up because our economy is expanding," Norwood said. Revenue from fines and fees is "fairly flat," he said.

Mrs. Valencia, who is the only elected Democrat in Midland County government, suggested that Norwood's 10 percent tax cut may be "too drastic," especially in view of the "hefty, hefty" sales tax revenue and uncertainties in the economy despite growth in building construction and retail business.

"We may have to increase it (the tax rate) next year, so what's the use?" Mrs. Valencia said. She favors the 2 percent or 3 percent tax-cut proposals Norwood suggested earlier.

"I think we may get in trouble by going higher than that," she said. "I don't have a problem with a 3 percent. It's not much. We will be enjoying the same amount of (property-tax) revenue that came in last year" because of a 5 percent increase in the countywide tax base, from $3.87 billion to $4.097 billion.

In preparing for the tax cut, McCrary said that he was "pleased in the way (commissioners) have whittled on spending proposals. ... Even with the tax cut, we will have ample" surplus funds amounting to about $7 million.

Mrs. Valencia, however, expressed concern that the Commissioners' Court may have to draw money from those reserve funds to keep the budget balanced and to keep the county government going.

"When you couple ... positive revenue trends (reflected in economic growth) with restraint on expenses, then the taxpayers" benefit, McCrary said. "In as much as we have imposed some expenditures restraints, then you can have significant tax relief."

Norwood seemed confident that even with the 10 percent tax cut, the Commissioners' Court "can meet the obligations of the county" despite the "probably 3 percent average pay increase for the county's 500 employees and the indebtedness incurred in the almost $3 million planned expansion of Culver Youth Home.

About 85 percent of the county's $19 million to $20 million general-fund budget is "geared toward the criminal-justice system," Norwood said. "And that's from the courts to the jail to the patrol officers to the probation department."

The county's annual payroll is about $12 million.

The proposed tax cut is a "very positive step for Midland County to take," Norwood said. "Tax relief is perhaps the most important thing we can do as elected officials."

CODE: Clothes make meeting agenda

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tion on the agenda item is available.

Any parents interested in talking to the board about the dress code, or those just interested in hearing it discussed, are invited to attend the meeting.

Also, following the dinner break, four parents are appealing the decision of the district review committee concerning the multicultural "Celebrations" curriculum.

Another agenda item includes a report on the Texas Education Agency's accountability report on MISD.

The board meeting is at the downtown MISD administration meeting, 615 W. Missouri Ave. The public is invited to attend.

Miles Cotton Festival set for Sept. 14

From Staff Reports

MILES — The annual Miles Cotton Festival will be Sept. 14 in the Miles City Park.

Festivities begin at 8 a.m. with the opening of the arts and crafts booths, followed by a parade through downtown, games for children and adults, entertainment by area musicians, and a street dance under the stars to conclude the day.

Pork-ribs and brisket cookoffs will be held in the Miles Preservation Authority Park beginning at 9 a.m. Entry fee is $30 to enter both, or $25 to enter just one.

A noon meal of "country cooking" will be served in the historic Miles Opera House and fast-food booths will be located in the city park.

A barbeque supper will be served from 5-7 p.m., followed by the Miles Cotton Queen Contest. Buddie Hrabal and his Memory Lane Band will provide music for the street dance, set to run from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Tickets are $5 per person.

Miles is located on U.S. Highway 67 between San Angelo and Ballinger.

For additional information, call the Miles Opera House at (915) 468-3001 or the Miles Messenger at (915) 468-3611.

Pipeline explosion kills two teenagers

KEMP (AP) — A liquid butane pipeline exploded and burned near a rural subdivision Saturday afternoon, killing two teen-agers who were driving to report a leak in the line.

Firefighters from six communities battled flames from the rupture, which occurred near where the line crosses Farm-to-Market Road 148. Flames and a column of black smoke could be seen for miles.

Authorities said fuel to the line had been cut off by 6 p.m., but residual fuel was expected to burn well into the night.

Kaufman County Sheriff Robert Harris said Daniel Smalley, who lives near the pipeline, sent his daughter, Danielle, and her friend, Jason Stone, to report the leak.

DEATHS

J. Marvin Kemper

Services for J. Marvin Kemper, 84, are to be at 2 p.m. today, Aug. 25, at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel with Tom Paris and Jessie Hutcheson officiating. Burial will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Kemper died Friday, Aug. 23, at his Midland residence.

Pallbearers are to be his grandsons and nephews.

Memorials may be made to Circle of Life Hospice in Odessa or the charity of one's choice.

Don Singleton

CARLBAD, N.M. — Services for Don Singleton, 56, of Carlsbad, N.M., son of Midlander Marjorie Singleton, are to be at 2 p.m. (MDT) Monday, Aug. 26, at Terpening & Son Chapel in Artesia, N.M., with Paul Stevenson officiating. Burial will follow at Twin Oaks Memorial Park in Artesia under the direction of Terpening & Son Mortuary.

Singleton died Friday, Aug. 23, in Carlsbad.

He was born July 13, 1940, in Lamesa.

He was a member of the Pentecostal church.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Tammy L. Singleton, in 1964.

Other survivors include two daughters, Donna Michelle Singleton of Ruidoso, N.M., and Sheila Doyal of Carlsbad; a son, Donnie W. Singleton of Amarillo; his father, Noel Singleton of Carlsbad; a brother, Jerry Singleton of Fountain Valley, Calif.; and one grandchild.

Pallbearers are to be Doug Simpson, Don McDaniels, Sylvester Salazar, Rod Cunningham and Larry Troublefield.

Juanita Garcia

Graveside services for Juanita "Tighty" Dorn Garcia, 49, are to be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 28, at Fairview Cemetery with Robert Dorn officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Thomas Funeral Home.



Garcia

Mrs. Garcia died Thursday, Aug. 22.

She was born Feb. 3, 1947, in Brandon.

She had lived in Midland for 43 years and graduated from Carver High School.

She was a cosmotologist.

Survivors include her husband, Ruben P. Garcia of Midland; five brothers, Billy D. Henderson of San Francisco, Elester R. Dorn Jr. of San Antonio, Robert L. Dorn, Eugene Dorn and Jackie Dorn, all of Midland; two stepbrothers, Levi A. Duson of Midland and Kenneth R. Duson of Fort Worth; four sisters, Edna M. Mackey of Midland, Dorothy Gilmore and Ruby J. Humphrey, both of Los Angeles and Betty J. Dorn of Corsicana; a stepsister, Peggy J. Hardin of San Antonio; and many aunts, nieces and nephews.

Honorary pallbearers are to be her brothers and nephews.

Douglas Tomlinson

Services for Douglas Edward Tomlinson, 52, are to be at 11 a.m. Monday, Aug. 26, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Later-day Saints with Adrian Rocha and Jose Ramirez officiating. Burial will follow at Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Thomas Funeral Home.



Tomlinson

Tomlinson died Friday, Aug. 23,at his Midland residence.

He was born Oct. 7, 1943, in Houston.

He served in the U.S. Army.

He moved to Midland 16 years ago. He worked for Hondo Drilling until his retirement.

He married Guadalupe Aranda on March 14, 1987, in Midland.

Survivors include his wife of Midland; four sons, Curtis Tomlinson of Warner, Okla., John K. Tomlinson and Douglas E. Tomlinson II, both of Lubbock and Carlos Tomlinson of Midland; three daughters, Monica Tomlinson, Paulina Tomlinson and Alma Tomlinson, all of Midland; a brother, Frank Tomlinson of Temple; two sisters, Eva Stewart of Gatesville and Carol Graves of Wiesbaden, Germany; three nephews and one niece.

B.F. White

STANTON — Services for B.F. White, 90, of Stanton, are to be at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 27, at First Baptist in Stanton with the Rev. David Harp officiating. Burial will follow at Reathaven North in Midland under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home.

White died Friday, Aug. 23, in Midland.

He was born Nov. 6, 1905, in Franklin County.

He attended East Texas State College in Commmerce.

He married Vallice White on Sept. 28, 1923, in Mount Vernon.

He moved to Stanton in 1929.

He taught school in the Badgett community for eight years. He served as Martin County Judge from 1940 to 1948. He owned and operated White Motor Co. Ford Dealership since 1949.

He was a deacon and Sunday school teacher at First Baptist Church in Stanton. He was a member of the Lions Club and was founder of Martin County hospital.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Myrtle Fuquay, and two brothers, Harvey White and Philip White.

Survivors include his wife of Stanton; and a sister, Ruth Hazlewood of Stanton.

Memorials can be made to First Baptist Church of Stanton Building or Youth Fund.

ORDER: Judge orders water limitation

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mendations for voluntary water conservation.

The injunction overruled an Aug. 17 decision by the 8-week-old Edwards Aquifer Authority to allow summer pumping at 1.4 times the normal winter rate. San Antonio had lobbied for relaxation of pumping rules, saying it couldn't meet a more stringent 1.2 mark.

Bunton reinstated the 1.2 standard in situations where the flow from Comal Springs drops below 175 cubic feet per second. Water is running at about half that level, court documents said.

The springs support such endangered species as a fish called the fountain darter, the San Marcos salamander, the Texas blind salamander and the Texas wild rice.

San Antonio Mayor Bill Thornton, whose city is most affected by the restrictions, said the injunction will be appealed Monday to the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans.

He accused Bunton of placing the needs of tiny amphibians above those of humans.

"It's water for our families, for our homes, for our jobs," Thornton said.

San Antonio is the largest U.S. city dependent on a single aquifer.

Thornton said San Antonio already has voluntarily reduced water consumption significantly and further cuts would cause severe economic hardship.

"And we're doing it all for a little blind lizard," Thornton said. "To (fail to) put human beings, who also need water to meet our needs, over this one little lizard is a perversion."

A spokesman for Gov. George W. Bush also expressed concern.

"We have not yet seen or analyzed the decision, but Governor Bush is concerned about federal control of the aquifer," said Ray Sullivan. "The governor believes that the aquifer authority should be given an opportunity to do its job."

The authority was created by the Texas Legislature to avoid this sort of federal intervention. However, the authority board declined twice in the last month to declare an emergency and order cutbacks.

Rogelio Munoz, a lawyer from Uvalde who serves on the authority board, said Bunton should "stay out of it" and let the state manage the aquifer.

"He doesn't have any consideration for what it's going to do to jobs and the economy," Munoz said. "You can't make such drastic cuts and not affect people and their jobs."

But environmentalists hailed the decision.

The Sierra Club has sued San Antonio, several military bases and other major pumpers under the federal Endangered Species Act. Club attorney Stewart Henry said San Antonio has a history of whining about water restrictions.

"I think the judge is right on target," he said. "Our whole goal is to keep Comal Springs flowing."

But Michael Beldon, a San Antonio roofing contractor who heads the aquifer panel, said computer-assisted studies show that even a complete cessation of pumping might not keep Comal Springs from drying up if the drought persists.

Casino's weekend debut may spark legal battles

DALLAS (AP) — Texas Kickapoo Indians are betting that a new $3.5 million casino along the Rio Grande will bring a better way of life and an end to years of wandering for the nomadic tribe.

But the formal opening of the Lucky Eagle Casino near Eagle Pass on Saturday has threatened to spark a legal battle with state and federal attorneys.

"We've been waiting a long time for this day to arrive — longer than you can imagine," Tribal Chairman Raul Garza told The Dallas Morning News in the Kickapoos' ancient language. "This will allow us to break the cycle of migrant labor."

But even before the first bets were placed, state and federal authorities questioned the legality of Texas' second American Indian-owned casino.

The Kickapoo casino is offering high-stakes bingo with prizes of up to $1 million, along with poker, slot-like machines and Kickapoo 22, a takeoff on blackjack.

But Texas law prohibits Las Vegas-style casino gambling. The U.S. Supreme Court has ruled that Indian tribes may offer only games of chance that are legal in the states where their reservations are located.

"It alarms me," U.S. Attorney Bill Blagg of San Antonio said. "It's my understanding that if they don't have a pact with the state, they are not operating within the law."

Ron Dusek, a spokesman for Attorney General Dan Morales, said if the casino is offering anything other than bingo, it "may be in violation of state and federal criminal laws."

And Texas Gov. George W. Bush, an opponent of casino gambling, believes state law should also apply to Indian reservations, said spokeswoman Karen Hughes.

The president of Southwest Casino & Hotel Corp., which built and will operate the casino under contract with the Kickapoos, avoided discussing legal issues.

But James Druck, the president, and partner Jeff Halpern said they researched federal law and were confident the casino has tailored its games to avoid any legal problems.

The Lucky Eagle Casino will bring jobs and other benefits to largely uneducated, unskilled Kickapoos living on the dusty, 125-acre reservation near the Rio Grande south of Eagle Pass.

The Tigua tribe's Speaking Rock casino at the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo near El Paso has already been operating several years.

The Lucky Eagle is the Texas Kickapoos' first tribally owned enterprise. It has about 100 full-time employees — roughly 40 of whom are tribal members — according to Jay Boyd, director of marketing.

Leaders said their new casino is critical to the survival of the 450-member tribe, whose members now spend months each year traveling the country harvesting onions, beans and other crops.

The tribe until 1982 lived as squatters in squalid conditions in an undeveloped park under the International Bridge between Eagle Pass and Piedras Negras. Then donations helped the Kickapoos acquire their reservation lands.

The Kickapoos in the mid-1640s w re driven westward from their historic homelands in the Great Lakes region and finally into Mexico. A drought there in the 1940s forced them back into Eagle Pass, and they have been following the harvest ever since.

Forty percent of the tribal members able to work are unemployed, the U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs said. The Eagle Pass area has a 37-percent unemployment rate.

Many of the several hundred city, county and local dignitaries who attended an invitation-only preview Thursday for the new 16,000-square-foot casino were enthusiastic.

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Baylor officials upset by former students posing nude

WACO (AP) — With the Bears of Baylor University coming out in the new Big 12 Conference, Playboy magazine is coming with two bare Baylor alumnae.

The photos in the magazine's October issue are part of a "Girls of the Big 12" feature. And officials at the world's biggest Baptist-affiliated university are not happy about the exposure.

The magazine announced last February that it would attempt to recruit Baylor students to appear in the issue to mark the start of the Big 12's debut football season.

Baylor President Robert Sloan at the time threatened discipline and possible expulsion for any student posing for Playboy. He said it would violate Baylor's student code of conduct.

Nevertheless, the magazine found two women who "had the nerve to appear," Playboy publicist Karen Borgstrom told the Waco Tribune-Herald.

The women, both of whom graduated in May, are Jennifer Feilke of Palm Desert, Calif., and Sherryl Keith of Beverly Hills, Calif.

Another woman wanted to pose for the magazine but has not graduated yet, Ms. Borgstrom said.

"We talked her out of it. The school was being so tough about it, and we don't like to see anyone get hurt," the publicist said.

Stan Madden, Baylor vice president for marketing, said Ms. Keith and Ms. Feilke would face disciplinary action if they hadn't already graduated.

"If they were still on campus, we would investigate it," Madden said. "We have rules against indecency. But, frankly, our argument is mostly with Playboy. We view the students as the victim in this. They're duped by the opportunity. Playboy knows exactly what they're doing."

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LUCKS CELEBRATE 45th ANNIVERSARY



Bill and Hazel Luck of Midland celebrated their 45th Wedding Anniversary Sat. August 24th at the home of their son, Terry Luck & his wife Stella.

The couple were married August 28, 1951 in Badin, N.C.

They have four children: Terry Luck and wife Stella of Midland, Thomas Luck and wife Jasmin of Flower Mound, Dale Luck and his wife Tami of Midland, and daughter Dawn Luck-Ezell and husband Eric of Flower Mound, Texas.

They also have 7 grandchildren: Jason, Joshua and Audra Luck of Sioux City, Iowa, Bambi and Blade Luck of Flower Mound and Andy and Alye Luck of Midland.

Bill is retired from the U.S. Marshall, the military and the federal government and both are enjoying spending time with their children and grandchildren.

More than 22 metric tons of plutonium await disposal at Pantex plant

AMARILLO (AP) — There's a Cold War heating up the High Plains.

Critics northwest of town are pleased that Pantex Plant workers are busily dismantling the world's most powerful bombs rather than building them, which they had done there since the 1950s.

Some now are wary of the leftovers of peace. Namely, the debate centers on a fallow plutonium supply reported at 22 metric tons and growing on this otherwise pastoral landscape.

The plutonium guts of about 9,000 former atomic weapons currently sit in storage, with about that many more waiting to be removed. The unique, mildly radioactive metal inside those bombs is Amarillo's multi-million-dollar question.

"Researchers are looking for the best way to store it and the best way to use it," said Kathy Dixon, spokeswoman for the Amarillo National Resource Center for Plutonium, an academic consortium sponsored by the U.S. Department of Energy.

The word "use" disturbs some activists who have lobbied to get the 3,600-employee plant out of the nuclear materials business.

"We just don't want to turn into the plutonium capital of the world," said Beverly Gattis, president of STAND of Amarillo, a group that has long opposed nuclear activities at Pantex.

President Clinton has declared 38 metric tons of the country's plutonium to be in excess, about a third of the national supply. Most of the excess awaits its fate inside World War II-era ammunition bunkers arrayed across a heavily guarded plot at Pantex known as Zone 4.

One option is to follow the lead of several European countries and reconfigure the pits and the other plutonium-based materials into a mixed-oxide, or MOX fuel for nuclear reactors.

"That's been done a lot for a couple of decades," said Bill Harris, director of the Amarillo consortium and a 25-year veteran of the atomic industry. "The amount of waste would not be different than the nuclear plants we run with uranium fuel."

Boosters of the Pantex Plant, which could face severe downsizing once the government decides its dismantled enough warheads, are pushing for a fabrication facility to process plutonium into MOX fuel rods for fuel. Several utilities have lobbied the federal government for such a project.

Consortium board chairman Dale Klein, nuclear engineering professor at the University of Texas at Austin and associate vice chancellor of the UT system, has been a vocal advocate of MOX fuel as the logical solution.

Klein has discounted other options, such as burial of plutonium miles below the earth's surface or vitrification, which involves coating the metal in a glass encasement, rendering it practically useless.

"You can either split the atom (MOX fuel) or simply make it hard to get," Klein said. "The Russians do not believe that the United States is really getting rid of it by just burying it."

Opponents counter that plutonium remains a threat as long as it's considered a viable resource.

"It's a signal to third-world countries that we're not serious about permanent and complete nuclear disarmament," said Mavis Belisle, leader of the 20-acre Peace Farm protest site across the street from Pantex and an ardent opponent of nuclear power.

U.S. Energy Secretary Hazel O'Leary is expected to compose a federal position on the excess plutonium supply later this year.

Ms. Gattis fears that the resource center, a combined effort of the University of Texas, Texas A&M and Texas Tech systems, is dedicated to maintaining Pantex's place in the nation's nuclear complex.

"Some of us are a little uncomfortable with the independence of the consortium," she said, referring to consortium board member Wales Madden Jr.'s prominence in Panhandle 2000, a pro-Pantex economic development group.

The close proximity of the consortium is beneficial strictly for easy access to plutonium research by the plant, Pantex officials said.

"We're very pleased to have them here because they're a natural resource for us to draw upon for information," said Robert Barton, spokesman for Pantex's main contractor, Mason & Hanger-Silas Mason Inc., which has operated the facility for 40 years.

Whether the plant becomes a fabrication site for MOX fuel isn't up to Pantex or the consortium, Klein said.

"That's a community decision," he said from his Austin office. "Our goal is to educate people as to what the options are. If they decide upon a MOX option, no matter where it goes it will be done safely."

Hill Country rancher works to restore ecosystem

JOHNSON CITY (AP) — J. David Bamberger is veering his Jeep — no doors or seatbelts, thank you — from one gravel road to another on his 5,500-acre ranch 6 miles south of this town in Blanco County where Lyndon B. Johnson grew up. For a brief moment, this sliver of the Texas Hill Country could just as well be the plains of northern Africa.

Bamberger brakes suddenly, his blue eyes flashing. A hundred yards ahead, 47 scimitar-horned oryx, spooked by the vehicle, are sprinting across the road, their powerful flanks pumping in near-unison. This rare species of antelope, with two swept-back horns named for the curved sword they resemble, hasn't been seen in its native Sudan for close to a decade. Bamberger's herd, which numbers 100, is thought to be the largest and most genetically diverse in the world, supplying zoos from Toronto to Tokyo. Although he's been breeding the oryx for years, their loping gait and pensive glances never fail to thrill him.

"This is the only place in the world you can see this, I don't care how much wealth you have," he says.

Bamberger's spread — known as Selah, the Bamberger Ranch — is no ordinary cow corral. And this former door-to-door vacuum-cleaner salesman and fried-chicken executive is no ordinary rancher. Since he bought the place 27 years ago, Bamberger's passion — indeed, his obsession — has been to nurse this corner of the planet back to ecological health.

When he began, the ranch was choked with cedar trees, devoid of springs and scarred by eroded gullies. It had fewer than 40 species of birds, and the largest deer would have fit into a paper grocery bag after field dressing. But with the help of a small cadre of employees — affectionately known as the tree aggie, the cow aggie, the deer aggie and the dam aggie, even though not all are graduates of Texas A&M University — extraordinary progress has been achieved.

Bamberger and his aggies bulldozed and pruned 3,000 acres of cedar, also known as Ashe juniper; planted native grasses and 3,300 trees, including 500 rare bigtooth maples; and installed an ingenious network of pipes, valves and storage tanks to tap 12 springs that began flowing when the water-sucking cedar stands were scaled back. Even now, in one of the worst droughts on record, most of the ranch's 22 ponds and lakes still have water.

The property has more than 140 avian species, including the endangered black-capped vireo and golden-cheeked warbler, and the smallest deer harvested last year weighed 105 pounds field-dressed. The ranch also supports about 200 cows and 40 goats. What's more, Bamberger has opened the place to environmental workshops, tourists and students. A conference center of stone, wood and glass sleeps 48, and a replica of an old-fashioned country store displays implements from his mother's kitchen in Ohio, the state where Bamberger grew up.

"It's a little garden of Eden right in the middle of scrub country," says Alan Rost, a zoologist at the Jacksonville, Fla., zoo who, as the North American stud-book keeper for the oryx, advises Bamberger which males and females to breed for the betterment of the species.

Many ranchers have dabbled in restoration of grasslands, which once covered much of Texas. But Bamberger stands out because of his holistic approach, combining endangered species, exotic antelope and restoration of water supplies, says Andrew Sansom, executive director of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

"David is an eccentric," says Sansom, who has known him for 15 years. "There is no one like him. For a while he was viewed as a real radical. I sense he is clearly now increasingly being accepted as a man ahead of his time."

For his part, Bamberger is focusing on what will happen to his ranch after his time. At 68, he is as peripatetic as a politician two days before election day. One glass of water and a couple of small tomatoes sustained him during eight hours of driving and hiking around the ranch in 100-degree heat last week. The outing left him barely winded. But he was hospitalized and treated for heart disease 12 years ago and has decided to plan for ensuring the ranch's continued operation after his death.

He has formed a private, nonprofit organization, the Bamberger Ranch Conservancy, and hopes to line up donations from charitable foundations and philanthropists. James King, director of land protection for the Nature Conservancy of Texas, a nonprofit preservation group, estimates that an endowment of at least $2 million is needed to generate sufficient income to operate the ranch. Bamberger is comfortable but doesn't have $2 million to spare. He says operating losses for the ranch run about $100,000 annually. This year, for the first time, he is charging overnight visitors in an effort to stanch the red ink.

Bamberger moved to Texas in 1951 with $124 and a salesman's zeal. By 1954, he was making $72,000 a year hawking vacuum cleaners door to door. Soon, he was buying and selling houses and making loans. One loan, for $2,000, went to a former vacuum-sales associate named Bill Church, whose father had established what would become Church's Chicken, a multinational network of fast-food shops specializing in fried chicken.

This was the 1960s, the infancy of fast food, but the gamble paid off. Church and Bamberger took the company public on May 4, 1969, and their stock soared — at least on paper. Two days later, Bamberger bought the Blanco County ranch. He took a 10-year sabbatical, trading his briefcase for lopping shears, then returned as president and chief executive of Church's, only to see the economic crash of the late 1980s devastate his holdings. A hostile takeover and a divorce from his wife of 45 years didn't help.

Bamberger still has a lot of the vacuum-cleaner salesman in him. He's peddling a conservation ethic, a respect for water, soil, grass, wind and sun. Without proper stewardship of natural resources, he says, the human race will go down the tubes.

"It's deceiving to say these old chalky hills are just caliche and won't grow anything," Bamberger says, standing on a steep slope where he and his crew have thinned out cedars and planted bigtooth maples. Native grasses also are taking hold, curbing erosion of precious topsoil. He doesn't chop down mature cedars, whose peeling bark warblers use to fashion nests.

Bamberger was inspired to buy and restore the ranch by a book, "Pleasant Valley," a romantic account by Louis Bromfield of how he revived the worn-out farm of his youth in Ohio. Selah, the name Bamberger gave to his ranch, is an obscure Hebrew word occurring many times in the Psalms and thought to signify a pause, the end of a phrase or a blessing meaning "forever."

"To me," Bamberger says, "Selah is what Walden was to Thoreau — a place to stop and reflect on your role in the nature of things."

He tries to put visitors in a contemplative mood the moment they set foot on the ranch. First stop on the tour: a small tombstone inside a black iron fence. It's inscribed "in memory of man ... He who once dominated the Earth destroyed it with his wastes, his poisons and his own numbers."

Bamberger likes to tell the story of placing the order for the unusual marker: "The tombstone maker told me, 'Bamberger, I've made tombstones for horses and cows and every other critter, but this is the first one I made for the whole human race.'"

Dole's wife drums up Texas support

HOUSTON (AP) — Elizabeth Dole stuck with her winning formula Saturday as she worked — Oprah-style — a crowd of 300 supporters, asking them to spread the word of her husband's agenda to friends and neighbors.

"It's not rhetoric with him, it's a record," said Mrs. Dole, who clicked off husband Bob Dole's priority list: a balanced budget, a tax cut, welfare and regulatory reform.

"We are truly on a roll and we're going to roll right on to victory."

Mrs. Dole hit hard her husband's plan for a 15 percent tax cut, a theme both her spouse and running mate Jack Kemp also were emphasizing while stumping across the nation Saturday.

"Something is wrong, isn't it, when we are paying more in taxes than for food, clothing and housing combined," she said. "When the average worker has to work three out of every eight hours just to pay taxes. When the average person works all the way up to May 7 before you can count your income you're own.

"So the 15 percent across-the-board cut, the $500-per-child tax credit will help families to keep more of what they earn," she said from the backdrop of this city's exclusive hotel, The Houstonian.

Former President Bush claimed The Houstonian as his primary residence during his term in office. Critics had charged Bush was avoiding state income tax in Maine, where he owned a Kennebunkport home.

The mostly white-haired, female crowd focused intently on the GOP candidate's wife, who reiterated many of the points made in an impressive speech at the Republican national convention. Mrs. Dole also used the same walk-about technique to the delight of the crowd.

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STATE IN BRIEF

■ University president will retire

SAN ANTONIO — Sister Elizabeth Anne Sueltenfuss, longtime president of Our Lady of the Lake University, has announced plans to retire.

Ms. Sueltenfuss, 75, the school's first woman president, has held the post since 1978. On Friday, she said she would retire next summer.

The private Catholic university, founded in 1895, "needs new eyes and new hands for the next century," she said.

The school reached several milestones during Ms. Sueltenfuss' tenure. The university's first doctoral program, in psychology, began in 1994. The School of Business and Public Administration, offering the only MBA degree in San Antonio, received state accreditation.

■ Police look for arson suspect

FORT WORTH, Texas — Police were looking Saturday for a man they say torched the bedroom of his girlfriend, who has multiple sclerosis and uses a walker.

The man splashed gasoline around the doorway to his girlfriend's apartment bedroom and tossed a lighted match, setting it on fire Friday afternoon, authorities said. Dorothy Foster was trapped inside.

A neighbor was in the bedroom with Ms. Foster at the time, but she ran out to get help.

Arson investigator Ronny Schultz said no arrests had been made and the case was under investigation. The man may be charged with two counts of attempted murder or arson, authorities said.

The complex's assistant manager, Pablo Hernandez, pulled Ms. Foster through an outside window. Hernandez, who was sitting outside with his family, said he saw the suspect run from the apartment shouting about smoke.

The suspect, an unemployed 40-year-old parolee, stayed until fire trucks arrived. He then fled on foot.

■ Resident paints home to make point

ABILENE, Texas — Jody Morales' multihued house has his neighbors seeing red.

Hours after the Abilene City Council rejected his bid Thursday to convert a wood-frame house into an interior decorating business, Jody Morales redecorated the exterior with fluorescent pink, purple, yellow and green paint.

Morales acknowledged he's riled a "lynching mob," but noted he's never had the neighborhood's support. Homeowners have fought his efforts to convert the abandoned home into a "mom-and-pop" shop, fearing the commercial encroachment.

"I think I opened their eyes," Morales said. "People can tell you what you can do with your property but not what color you can paint it. I wanted my neighbors to see the flip side of the coin. I could make it tough on them."

The neighbors got his message.

"It's surprising he'd go to that extent just to show his defiance," one man said. "It's pretty bizarre. Like the house, it's a reflection of his true colors."

■ Morales has big audience next week

AUSTIN (AP) — U.S. Senate nominee Victor Morales is thinking about his moment of glory at the Democratic National Convention in Chicago next week. Three minutes of glory, to be exact.

Morales, the Democratic nominee challenging Republican U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm, is slated to speak to the convention Tuesday.

"I just found out it's going to be three minutes. ... It's very difficult. Three minutes — what do you say?" he said Saturday. "I'll be ready though."

Morales added that he has been asked to appear on national television shows while at the convention.

"Obviously, not having Phil Gramm's money for TV time, I thought this was an excellent opportunity to reach more people who have not seen me yet in the truck," said Morales, who left his teaching job to campaign.

Compiled from Reporter-Telegram wire services.

Reform Party's spirit soars during first convention

AUSTIN (AP) — Neither rain nor the absence of their presidential candidate dampened spirits at the Reform Party's first Texas convention, where Democratic U.S. Senate nominee Victor Morales declared he almost ran as an independent.

"I didn't want anyone to place me in a little cubbyhole — Democrat, which I've been, or Republican," said Morales, who got an enthusiastic reception from Saturday's crowd of about 150. "I'm a very, very independent man."

But Morales, who lacks the financial wherewithal of billionaire Reform Party presidential candidate Ross Perot, is also practical: "The reality of the world is that I needed a podium. I needed a voice."

Morales, who campaigned around the state in his pickup to win the Democratic nomination to challenge Republican U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm, demonstrated his independence in his speech to the convention.

While agreeing with some party proposals, such as banning congressional junkets and holding elections on the weekend, Morales disagreed with it on others. He doesn't favor a balanced budget amendment, for example, nor term limits.

"If you want to talk about balancing the budget, perhaps my opponent can give you some nice, neat little plan. But could he have run a United States Senate campaign on his own teacher's salary for eight months with no money from anyone else? I don't think so," said Morales, a Dallas-area high school teacher who took a leave of absence to campaign.

Campaign finance reports showed Gramm with $3.58 million cash on hand June 30. Morales, who says he'll take no political action committee donations, had $122,248.

"Criticize me for disagreeing with you if you must," Morales told the crowd. "But you can't take away that I am here to help. ... You cannot remove the fact that I dance for no one."

Morales threw in that he's not for a flat tax, an idea not listed on the party's reform list.

"It's inherently unequal. A 15 percent hit on Ross Perot is not the same hit as me, I'm sorry," he said, to chuckles from the group.

Perot, who sent a letter wishing the group a "great convention" and expressing confidence about winning Texas in November, wasn't invited to the gathering because he could best use his energy elsewhere, Reform Party leaders said.

Those attending said that's fine.

"It doesn't matter. He has enough, I'm sure, on his mind," said Lori Evergreen of Austin.

Reform Party leaders earlier this year turned in 160,000 petition signatures to get Perot on the state's ballot as an independent candidate. The law required 61,450 valid signatures.

Perot supporters abandoned efforts to qualify the Reform Party on the ballot, which would have required a separate 43,692 signatures to be filed by May 28.

Russ Verney, national coordinator for the Reform Party, said at the time that the supporters decided to focus on putting the candidate on the ballot. He said it would likely take years to gain a permanent spot on the Texas ballot and run its own candidates for Congress and Senate.

Ms. Evergreen said she had been an independent voter since 1976, but, "I finally feel like I'm starting to wake up and smell the coffee on the third party. We need the third party badly, because I don't think we're getting any help from either one of the other parties."

The convention was held in a downtown hotel room charged to a party member's credit card. Donations were sought to help reimburse the room's cost.

Hasan Seif, 24, of Dallas was selling Perot buttons, pins, shirts and hats for the campaign effort. He said he felt like a part of history.

"I can always think back, when I'm talking to my kids — I was at the first basic meeting of the Reform Party in the state of Texas," he said.

Food poisoning suspected at school

TYLER (AP) — Elementary school students who were sent home from school with severe vomiting may have been victims of cafeteria food poisoning.

Brenda Elrod, environmental health director and chief sanitarian for the Smith County Public Health District, said the 34 children were suffering from some sort of food-borne illness. Possible culprits are salmonella, schigella, E coli or staphylococcus.

Calling the outbreak "very unusual," Ms. Elrod said school is the only common link among all the children. No other school has reported a problem.

Food samples were sent to a lab, but results probably won't be known until Monday.

Judy Richter, Tyler Independent School District food director, notified health officials after the children started throwing up.

Ms. Elrod and three registered sanitarians went to the school to investigate. Ms. Elrod said although some people believe a lack of cleanliness leads to problems with food, the cafeteria was spotless.

"What we are looking for is how the (food) was handled, where it came from, how it was stored and how it was prepared," Ms. Elrod said.

The sanitarians inspected the school kitchen equipment to ensure it was working properly. They also developed a flow chart for the handling of the food, based on reports from the food service manager and cafeteria workers.

Officials were trying to find a possible food handling or temperature violation along the route.

The pupils began eating in the cafeteria Wednesday, the first day of school. Although the children became sick Friday, the cause could be something they ate earlier, Ms. Elrod said.

The school cafeteria emptied the refrigerators as a precaution. The school will start with all new food products on Monday.

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Philanthropist brutally killed

AUSTIN (AP) — Mary Moore Searight was a lover of Texas history who herded cattle in a 1964 Studebaker, shot snakes with a side arm and donated a park to Austin. Last week, the 87-year-old was brutally murdered.

Mrs. Searight, a Paris, Texas, native and longtime Austin resident, was beaten and sexually assaulted in her Paris home last Sunday. She became the city's first murder victim this year when she died Wednesday.

Paris police are pursuing leads but had no suspects in custody as of Saturday.

In 1988, Mrs. Searight donated 294 acres to the Austin parks and recreation department. The former ranch, now Mary Moore Searight Metropolitan Park, attracts birdwatchers and families in droves.

"There was nothing there except for some small neighborhood pocket parks. It was a great thing for the City of Austin to get," said Jim Halbrook, parks spokesman. "With the different amenities, it sure brought in a whole lot of interest inside Austin and outside Austin. It became a popular park real fast."

A founding member of the Heritage Society and the Audubon Society chapter in Austin, Mrs. Searight lived by choice in a small house on the ranch with no indoor plumbing until the late 1980s.

"She was a colorful person, very charming person," said Paris City Manager Mike Malone, who unofficially managed Mrs. Searight's affairs. "She lived very independently and enjoyed being outside with her pets. She enjoyed nature and loved to go out and walk in her yard and look at her trees and bushes — just enjoyed being home."

Mrs. Searight moved with her family to Austin in 1939 when her father, W.R. Moore, a former assistant attorney general, was appointed acting chief justice of the Texas Supreme Court. She graduated from the University of Texas, and in 1940 she married Dan Searight.

In 1944, Mary and Dan Searight bought the ranch on Slaughter Creek and began raising Black Angus cattle. Dan Searight died in 1959, but Mary Searight continued living on the ranch.

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Hispanic Festival

A Hispanic Festival featuring 14-year-old Katrina Garcia of Odessa is planned for post game activity today at Christensen Stadium when the Midland Angels take on the Wichita Wranglers. Pre-game music featuring Dueto Crystal begins at 5 p.m. The game is at 6 p.m. Tickets are priced at — box seats for $6, reserved for $5, general admission adult $4, general admission child $2 and general admission for 5 years old and younger free. Fireworks will follow the Tejano concert.

Funds available

Applications are available for the 1997 Arts Assembly of Midland grants to arts organizations.

The Arts Assembly is the distribution organization for funds from the City of Midland and from celebration of the Arts.

To be eligible for a grant an organization must be a not-for-profit, tax exempt 501(c) (3) organization or under the umbrella of one; providing arts and humanities services to people in the Midland area; requesting project assistance, that is, funding for a particular project, program or performance, NOT for a debt reduction, out-of-state travel, in-school curriculum projects, fund raisers, receptions or social functions; and a member of the Arts Assembly of Midland.

Membership costs $25 to $50 a year.

Representatives of eligible organizations can receive an application packet or find out more about the sub granting process by calling the Arts Assembly, 687-1149.

Contest planned

LUBBOCK — Romance Writers of West Texas is hosting the "Where's the Next Page?" contest.

Entries, consisting of the first three pages of a contemporary or historical romance, must be received by Saturday. This contest is open to the public. There is a $10 entry fee.

Winners will be announced at RWWT's awards luncheon Sept. 21. For complete details, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: RWWT, P.O. Box 98138, Lubbock, Texas 79499.

Performance set

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Exhibit open

BIG SPRING — The Heritage Museum has a photograph exhibit featuring 49 antique photographs and around 100 recordings from the beginning of the century.

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Live music set

ODESSA — Chelsea Street Pub at Permian Mall has offered this summer live entertainment beginning at 9 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

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ARMED FORCES NEWS

Corey Wilson, son of Danny Wilson of Midland and Jerelyn Kendrick of Midlothian, Va., has completed training in fundamental military skills at the Army Reserve Officer's Training Corps (ROTC) Camp Challenge at Fort Knox, Ky.

Camp Challenge is designed to give college juniors and sophomores who have not taken ROTC courses the chance to enter the program. Cadets received training in basic rifle marksmanship, drill and ceremonies, small arms tactics, and communications.

The cadet is a student at Wentworth Military Academy and Junior College, Lexington, Mo.

Wilson is a 1996 graduate of over Hill High School in Midlothian.

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Navy Hospitalman Apprentice Leslie Hurd, son of Harry Hurd of Midland, recently graduated from Field Medical Service Technician Course at Field Medical Service School, Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, N.C.

During the seven-week course, he learned how to operate with Marine Corps combat units as a Navy hospital corpsman or dental technician. He learned the specifics of battlefield survival and personal protective measures. He also learned the basic infantry tactics and how to use weapons for self-defense.

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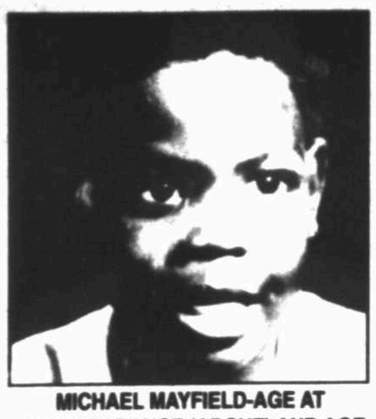
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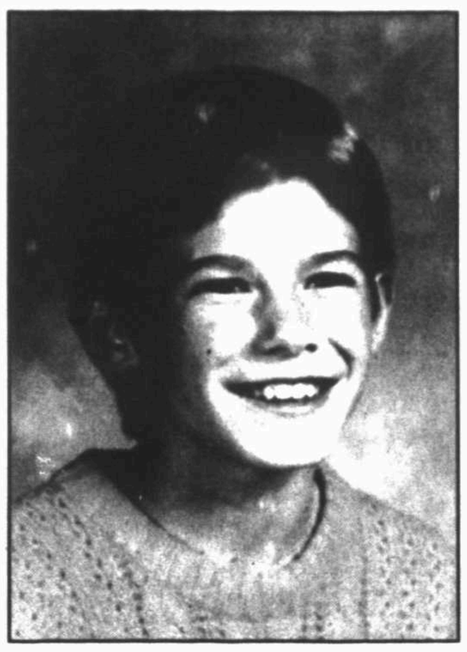


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Pamela is a black female (Date of Birth 07/10/79). At the time of her disappearance she was 2'9" tall and weighed 50 pounds. She has brown eyes and black hair.

(MPCH CASE #A92-01-005)

Michael and Pamela were last seen January 10, 1985 in Houston (Harris County), Texas while walking home from school. Foul play is feared.



JACOB ERWIN WETTERLING-

Jacob is a white male (Date of Birth 02/17/78). At the time of his disappearance he was 5'0" tall and weighed 75 pounds. He has blue eyes and brown hair. Jacob has a mole on his left cheek and right eye, has a healed fractured right wrist, a scar on his left knee and wears blue contacts.



(ALLEGED ABDUCTOR)-

These pictures of the alleged abductor are only the artist's conception and should not be considered an exact likeness.

(MPCH CASE #A89-11-002)

Jacob was abducted on Sunday October 22, 1989 from 91st Avenue South, St. Joseph, Minnesota at approximately 9:15 a.m. He, his brother and a friend were approached by a male subject wearing dark clothing carrying a handgun. The abductor is described as a white male, 40-50 years of age, 5'8" tall, with husky shoulders and a low, raspy voice. Jacob's brother and friend were allowed to leave but Jacob was forced to remain. No vehicle was seen. Jacob was last seen wearing a red hockey jacket with PD emblem, a red T-shirt, blue sweat pants, a blue mesh jersey, white socks and Nike hightop tennis shoes.

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Texan searches for mysteries in Holy Land area

ARLINGTON (AP) — Whether searching for the Ark of the Covenant or dealing with a family crisis, Vendyl Jones can't stay away from the Holy Land.

The Texas Bible scholar and amateur archeologist remains in the West Bank with a sickly son. Jones was denied a permit earlier this year from the Israeli government to continue three decades of work near where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found.

But Jones and associates at his Texas-based Institute of Judaic Christian Research were hopeful that Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu would be more receptive than the previous government.

Jones, 66, believes he's found the Qumran-area site of the Mishkan, the tabernacle housing the ark, where only priests were allowed. He has been aided in his search by son Gershom Bar Yonas, who now awaits an organ transplant at a West Bank settlement.

"His son had renal failure and went into a coma and nearly died. But he pulled out of it and now they are waiting to get a kidney transplant," said Jim Long, a spokesman for Jones' Arlington, Texas institute.

"Vendyl has decided to stay over there. He's working behind the scenes to pursue new permits" for his exploration, Long said.

But he said excavation would likely not resume until late fall or winter.

The ark, the sacred chest containing the Ten Commandments, was carried by the Israelites to Gilgal when they returned from exile in Egypt.

In 1994, Jones' team of volunteers partially uncovered walls 38 feet wide and about two feet high running some 900 by 1,500 feet. He contended these formed the partition surrounding the tabernacle three miles north of the Dead Sea in a barren plain near the Jordan River.

"We found the wall that surrounded it in 1994," said Long. "Using the Copper Scroll as a reference, we believe it is buried at Qumran."

The scroll is considered by some biblical scholars to be the treasure map for lost artifacts of the ancient Jewish temple destroyed by the Romans in A.D. 70. Unearthed on March 20, 1952, it was the only scroll found in the Dead Sea caves that was preserved on copper sheets riveted together.

Jones said he used Landsat photographs from NASA and Thermal Infrared Remote Sensing to pinpoint the buried walls on a topographical map. He was assisted by Arnon Karnielli of Ben Gurion University.

Jones' search for the ark, which was housed in the First Temple built by King Solomon, inspired the Steven Spielberg film "Raiders of the Lost Ark."

Biblical prophecy surrounds the rediscovery of the tabernacle and ark, with some believing such finds would usher in an era of world peace.

Hundreds of scrolls found in area caves since 1947 contain the oldest known texts of the Old Testament, along with messianic prophecies and moral teachings that shed light on Judaism at the time of Jesus and the origins of Christianity.

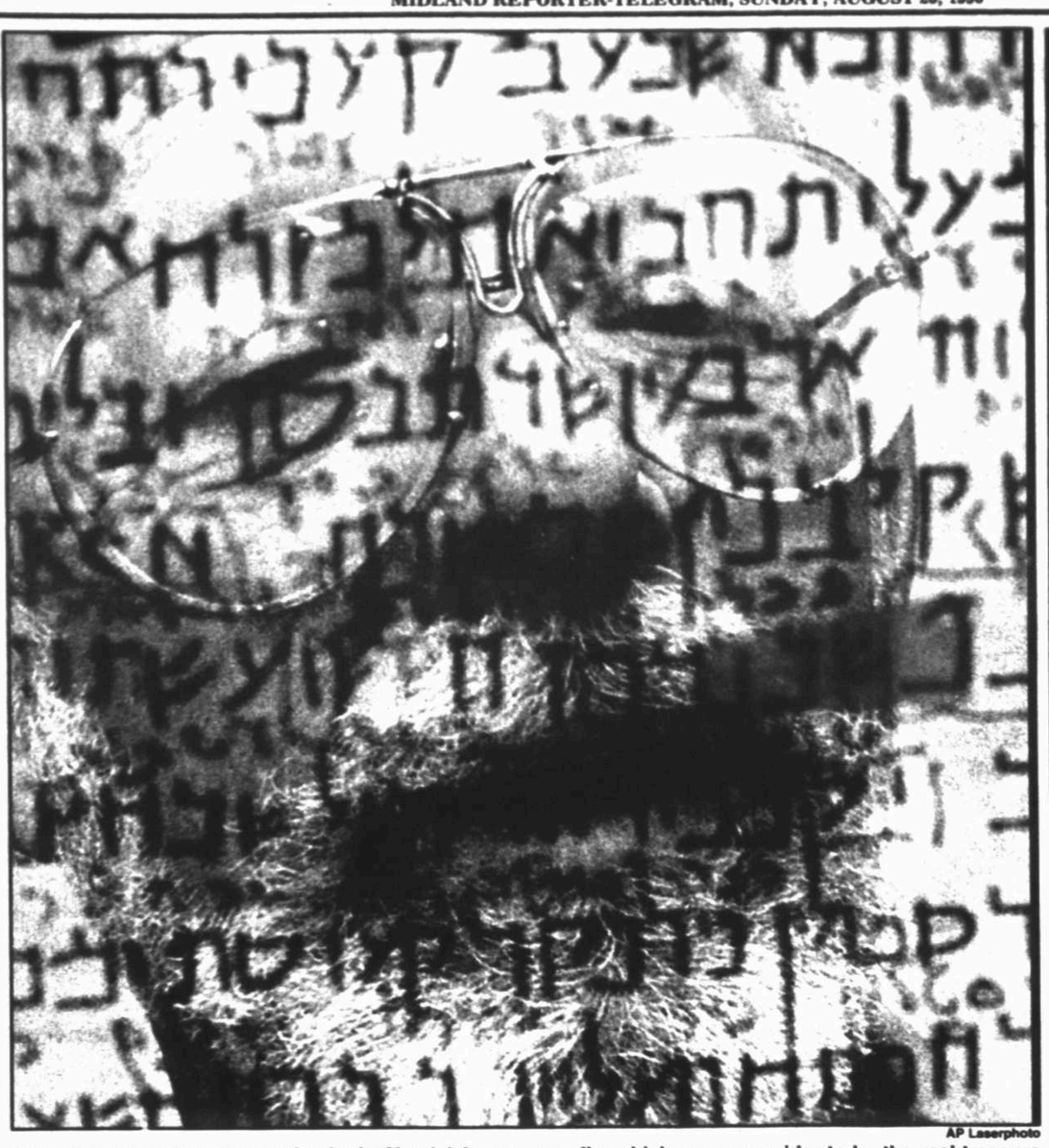
"I think what we are doing will have some bearing, a role in future events," Jones said in an earlier interview. "But we are not over there trying to fulfill the prophecy."

His son had accompanied Ernest Easterly III, a Louisiana State University professor, to the Israel Antiquities Authority to reapply earlier this year for continued excavations at Cave of the Column. The application was denied.

Some Israeli archaeologists have been critical of Jones, a former Baptist minister, and his methods.

And Palestinian claims of autonomy in the West Bank are also obstacles. Before excavations at four other sites began, Palestinian authorities demanded that Israel stop digging in the West Bank.

Jones' team tried unsuccessfully for three months last winter to pick up the trail of the ark and tabernacle.



AP Laserphoto

Bible scholar and amateur archeologist Vendyl Jones holds a transparencey in his Arlington home. The transparencey shows writing from the Dead Sea copper scrolls, which some consider to be the real treasure map for lost artifacts in the Holy Lands. Jones has been active in the area for more than 20 years.

Golfsmith becomes giant one club at a time

AUSTIN (AP) — His neighbor might have taken Carl Paul bowling. Instead, they played a round of golf.

Not quite 30 years after that first game — played with borrowed women's clubs — Paul ranks as one of the most successful people in the golf business.

Like so much else in the fickle game, how that happened is punctuated with what-ifs.

What if Paul hadn't enjoyed golf?

What if he'd been a better player and hadn't started tinkering with his clubs?

What if his wife hadn't surrendered her Green Stamps so he could get his first club repair tool, a power drill?

What if buying and assembling components — clubheads, shafts and grips — hadn't become such a popular way of purchasing golf clubs?

But all that did happen.

And today, Paul's company — Golfsmith International Inc. — employs 675 people, sits on a 41-acre complex complete with practice range and putting greens, receives up to 10,000 phone calls a day, ships club parts to 90 countries and last year recorded sales of $92 million.

Catalog Age magazine puts it among the 100 largest mail-order companies in the nation.

With the company projecting $120 million in sales this year, Golf Digest magazine ranks the Golfsmith president and his wife, Barbara, as No. 15 among the richest people in golf with an estimated net worth of $50 million.

The couple owns two-thirds of the company. Paul's brother, Frank, an accomplished amateur player, owns the remaining third.

"I'm just an average golfer," Paul, 56, says. "But I was smitten with the game. And we always wanted to own our own business."

They not only got a business, they created an industry. Golfsmith pioneered the club component market in 1967, designing and selling club parts and supplies to repair shops, hobbyists and custom clubmakers.

Although they've expanded into everything from retail sales to golf instruction, components remain the backbone of the company. Golfsmith offers more than 100 models of woods and irons.

It also owns retail stores in Austin, Dallas, Houston and Denver, and is opening one in Canada. It publishes catalogs and runs a 24-hour-a-day telephone sales operation. It has a sister company in Europe and distributors in Japan, South Africa, Australia, Malaysia, Korea, Italy, the Philippines and Mexico.

Golfsmith's Austin headquarters is home to a clubmaking school and the Harvey Penick Golf Academy, founded with the late Austin Country Club pro who was author of the best-selling "Little Red Book." Each has taught thousands of students.

And it's all because that neighbor invited Carl Paul to try his hand at golf.

In 1967, Paul was an engineer with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, living in a two-bedroom Edison, N.J. apartment. He'd never played golf and had no clubs. The neighbor offered his wife's set.

"I'm embarrassed at what all those people must have thought on the first tee when this hacker got up there and swung the golf club," he laughs.

"But I loved the game. That night, I went to a discount store and bought a $20 set of clubs. I went to the driving range and started practicing."

Within weeks, he purchased name-brand clubs. But like so many duffers, Paul winced as shot after shot curved off center on that infamous banana-shaped flight path.

"I'm slicing. But I know I'm just this terrific athlete, like we all are. I said, 'It can't be me. It's got to be these clubs.'

"So I start filing on the face of the club. I took the soleplate off the woods and changed the position of the lead weight. I cut down the wood head to make it more aerodynamic. I kept fixing 'em up. I found myself basically repairing golf clubs."

Paul went to Barbara with an idea: move their baby into their room and install a workbench and club display rack in the second bedroom.

"She said, 'What for?' I said, 'I want to start a golf business.'"

They did. Mailing out four-page typewritten catalogs, they then moved to a house that quickly became a factory: Shafts and clubheads stored in the attic, clubs assembled in the basement, phones answered at the breakfast counter.

"We just happened to see a niche in the marketplace. And we couldn't make clubheads fast enough," Paul said.

By 1973, sales hit $375,000. They needed a new location. A native of Bishop, in South Texas, Paul chose Austin for its mild climate and location in the center of the country.

Far removed from the apartment, Golfsmith now occupies buildings totaling 190,000 square feet, with another 30,000 square feet of retail showroom space.

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MONDAY
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Low: 66

TUESDAY
Partly cloudy and becoming hot
High: 91
Low: 68

Texas Yesterday

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Amarillo	73/65/0.03
Dallas/Ft. Worth	91/74/0.00
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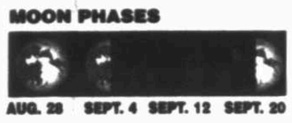
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Total for the year	5.42 in.
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Normal for the year	8.89 in.

YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES

High	77
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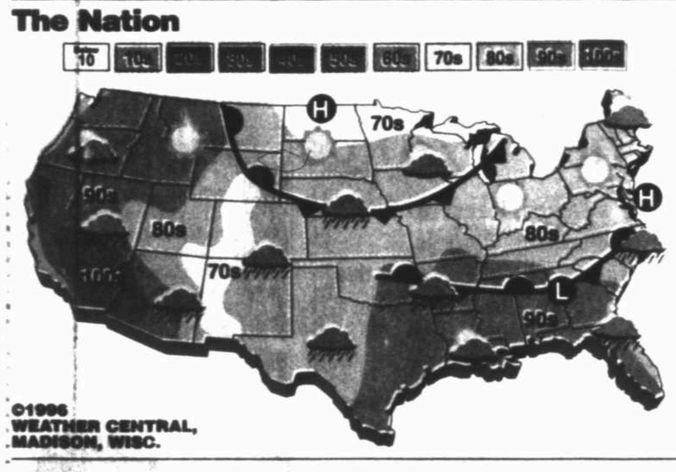
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Boston	83	66	s	Great Falls	92	54	s	Mobile, AL	92	71	pc	Seattle	87	59	pc
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Charlotte	86	69	t	Honolulu	91	72	t	New Orleans	92	71	pc	Spokane	94	60	s
Cheyenne	78	51	t	Houston	90	74	t	New York	84	66	s	Tampa	90	75	pc
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Cabo San Lucas	92	74	t
Chihuahua	86	62	t
Guadalajara	79	60	t
Havana	87	71	t
Kingston	90	76	t
Mazatlan	88	76	t
Merida	92	74	t
Mexico City	70	56	t
Nassau	87	70	pc
St. Thomas	89	76	pc
San Jose	82	72	t
San Juan, PR	87	76	t
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Trinidad	93	72	t
Vera Cruz	86	72	t

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City	H	L	W
Bangkok	91	76	pc
Beijing	72	62	r
Bogota	69	51	pc
Johannesburg	69	43	pc
London	68	56	sh
Montreal	78	52	sh
Moscow	72	58	pc
Nairobi	71	56	s
New Delhi	89	74	s
Paris	69	56	t
Rio de Janeiro	84	69	pc
Riyadh	108	85	s
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Going for the GOLD!



The '96 Summer Games in Atlanta are over — let the Senior Games begin!

Sure, the Senior Games planned for 11:45 a.m.-1 p.m. or so Thursday at Midland Senior Center are not exactly as high-stakes as the 1996 Summer Olympic Games, recently played in Atlanta to a world-wide audience of millions, but they will probably be a lot more just plain fun.

During recent Tuesdays and Thursdays, the senior athletes have been conducting practice meets, polishing up their skills in the four planned events: indoor horseshoe toss (plastic horseshoes, not metal), beanbag toss, washer toss and "Pin the Ribbon on the Texas," a variation of pin-the-tail-on-the-donkey, but using ribbons to mark the spot where Midland is located on a Texas map.

Some of the participants were debating the fine points of their sports, including which of the horseshoes were better for accurate tossing ("Here, try one of these heavier ones." "Are they better?") and what is the best way to hold the wrist when tossing washers ("Look, she's getting them in!") while working on improving their skills for the Big Games.

Noma Wallace is a Senior Games jack-of-all-trades, so to speak. "I'm going to try them all!" she laughed. "I'm going for the gold!"

While trying out the various weights of plastic horseshoes, she discussed some of her other efforts. "I did pretty good with the beanbags ..."

Frances Bobson is becoming an expert at her chosen event, beanbag toss. "I did 12 this time," she said, and "the first time (tossing beanbags) I did six.

"I love this game!" she said. "This is like bowling! If I can bowl, I can do this!"

Meanwhile, Nita Manning was taking a break from practicing washer toss. "I can see it, but I can't hit it!" she laughed, adding that she thought it was "pretty easy to hit (the target) with the beanbags."

Pat Stevens, who turned out to be a whiz at the washer toss, was enjoying a practice meet but is undecided about participating in the Senior Games themselves. She probably won't, she said, "unless I get real good."

But since she managed to sink more washers into the target cans than just

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Nita Manning (top) retrieves her bean bags in order to get in another round of practice for the Senior Olympic Games at the Senior Center Thursday.

Noma Wallace (above) tosses horseshoes to hone her skills for the upcoming games.

Noma Wallace and Helen Grazioli (left center) pitch horseshoes.

Gunvor Schubert (left) lets a bean bag fly as other seniors watch and wait their turn to practice the bean bag toss.

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HAVE YOU HEARD?

Guyana attorney general and wife made honorary citizens by Mayor Burns

By Marilyn McKnight Harrison

Recent houseguests of **Claudette and Dr. Tulsi Singh** were **Bernard De Santos**, attorney general of Guyana, and his wife, **Anita**. The couple reside in Guyana's capital city of Georgetown.



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While here, the couple were honored with a dinner party at the Singh home and presented honorary Midland citizenships by **Mayor Bobby Burns.**

Approximately 100 guests attended the party, including **Arthi and Dr. Suresh Gadasalli, Dr. Murthy Gollapudi, Dr. Sudhir Srivastava, Mary and Barry Beck, Jack Ladd, Rhonda and Lynn Durham, Verna and John Grist, Greg Dove**, and the mayor's wife, **Denise Burns.**

The De Santos enjoyed the city's various attractions, as well as that institution peculiar to Midland, the Summer Mummers, while on their first visit to the Lone Star State.

CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES to **Marisa Erin Gibson** of Midland and **Mark George Burns** of Perth, Australia, who were married in the village of Furore on Italy's Amalfi coast at one minute past midnight on the fifth of August.

The marriage ceremony was conducted by the mayor in the village's town hall and then celebrated on the cliffs of the Amalfi coast with the local villagers.

Later that day, the couple joined the bride's family, including her parents, **Nancy and Richard Gibson;** her grandfather, **George Gibson,** her sister, **Sally,** and her cousin, **Gina Gibson,** in Copenhagen, Denmark, for a week-long cruise of the Baltic Sea aboard the Radisson Diamond.

The wedding arrangements and proposal were a complete surprise to the bride.

At the present time, the couple plan to reside in Midland.

AS A GRAND SEND-OFF for **David Bash,** who left Friday to begin his freshman year at the University of Texas-Austin, a dinner party was held recently at the home of his aunt and uncle, **Linda and Jim Hicks.**

Also hosting were his grandmother, **Monette Hicks,** and his aunt and uncle, **Gloria and LaDoyce Lambert** of Odessa.

Decorations featured balloons, flags and table appointments in the school colors of orange and white.

Among the guests enjoying the lasaaggna dinner were **Blade Van Stavern, Emily Conine, Becca Harper, Jason Traxel** and **Chris Owen.**

The son of Jann and Dr. Vincent Bash and a 1996 graduate of **Midland High School,** David is the 12th member of his family to attend UT-Austin. His sister, **Katherine,** is currently participating in UT's Study Abroad program, while attending the University of Pavia in Pavia, Italy.

FOLLOWING A HONEYMOON in the Bahamas, **Ashley Newman,** daughter of **Ann and Tom Newman,** and **Robert Gotovac Jr.,** son of **Alice and Bob Johnson,** are at home in Midland. They were married Aug. 10 at First United Methodist Church.

The bride's longtime friend, **Shelley Browder,** was soloist at the wedding.

A garden reception was held after the ceremony at the home of **Debbie and Toby Routh** on Churchill Way.

A number of festivities preceded the wedding, including a display shower at the Johnson home and hosted by **Sandy (Mrs. Jim) Alsup, Darleen (Mrs. Al) Boudreaux, Sarah (Mrs. Ron) Holcomb, Shirley (Mrs. Joel) Miller** and **Debbi Gotovac.**

In addition, **Julie and Mike Roye** hosted a honeymoon shower at their home, and **Myra (Mrs. George) Glass** entertained with a family luncheon at the Racquet Club.

An "Around the Clock" fajita party was held at the home of **Frances and Larry Stapp.** Hosting with the Stapps were **Patty Steward, Scott Gunn, Vickie and Ron Pepper, Leah and Shane Steward, Rosalie and Allen Hitchcock, Mattie Belle Bartlett** and **Tom Bates.**

A "Honey-Do" party was hosted by **Korinna and Mike Lillis, Shannon Lillis, Jodie and Dr. Tyler Tindall, Sandra Edge, Mardie Edge** and **Kevin Judge** at the Johnson home.

Wedding week festivities included a bachelorette party hosted by **Caaren (Mrs. Kent) Wooliscroft, Tracey (Mrs. Kevin) Gordon** and **Micki Sinayi;** a bridesmaids luncheon given by **Bettye Dotson** and **Julia (Mrs. Ray) Simpson** at the Racquet Club, a brunch for the out-of-town guests hosted by **Anne and Bert Johnson, Nancy and Vince Johnson, Monta Jo and Ted Johnson,** and **Karen and Doug Scharbauer** at the Racquet Club, and a poolside rehearsal dinner hosted by Alice and **Bob Johnson** at their home for the wedding party, out-of-town guests and family members.

Marilyn McKnight Harrison is social columnist for the Reporter-Telegram.



AP Laserphoto

A couple walks along a street in Branson, Mo., in April. While 5.8 million people visited Branson in 1994, the city's 22,000 hotel rooms could have accommodated many more. As the Missouri town tries to market itself as more of a family destination, tourism officials are promoting the concept of "grandtripping," when older folks bring along the kids and grandchildren.

'Grandtripping' concept touted

By Karen Testa

BRANSON, Mo. (AP) — The screams from carnival rides can be heard at the entrance to a tranquil craft village. Shari Lewis and her puppets are singing with the Andy Williams orchestra. And the cave that once held square dances now is hosting a National Children's Festival.

Branson has found a fountain of youth, of sorts. Its source? Grandparents.

As the southwest Missouri entertainment town tries to market itself as more of a family destination, tourism officials and attractions are pushing the concept of "grandtripping" — when the older folks bring along the kids.

"Branson is known regionally as a family destination, and nationally as a senior destination," said Beth Wanser of the Branson/Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce and Convention and Visitors Bureau. "Grandtripping is an opportunity to bring those two markets together."

Earlier this year, tourism officials noticed a large number of older couples traveling with small children. So the chamber commissioned a study of visitors to determine whether grandtripping had appeal.

Of 579 grandparents surveyed, 60 percent said they had taken a grandchild on an overnight trip without a parent. And of those, 92 percent said they were happy they did.

Those figures led to a marketing drive to encourage the trend. Theaters and theme parks have responded with their own offerings.

Mutton Hollow, which for 27 years has offered trail rides and a craft village, now has several carnival thrill rides, including the Zephyr, Sea Dragon and Paratrooper.

"We're all starting to see that we have to attract and appeal to an entire family," said **Peggy Roberts**, the park's administrative assistant. "(Branson attractions) were so interested in trying to build our spring and our fall and especially Christmas, we somehow forgot what Branson started with, and that was families."

Until the early 1990s, Branson was visited mostly by those in the region for its lakes, a few country music shows and Silver Dollar City, an artisan village built around a cave where locals used to have square dances.

Then big-name theaters started to dot the highway. Within five years, the city of fewer than 4,000 year-round residents blossomed into a destination for hundreds of thousands of tourists annually. Tickets for theater shows now average more than $22 each.

"They've priced themselves out of the family market," said Nona Stephens, of Springfield, who brought her 2-year-old granddaughter, Kelsey, to Mutton Hollow. "Our children make good money, but it's just that food and lodging and the shows ... it's just too expensive."

Yet compared to other family destinations, like Walt Disney World in Orlando, Fla., Branson is a bargain. And many of the older folks who travel with children appreciate the city's patriotic, wholesome image.

"We were here last year ourselves and because of the shows we saw, we told her about it, and she wanted to come," said A.L. Mix, of Atlanta, pointing to his 5-year-old granddaughter, Ashleigh Cawthen. "It's a great town for (families). Even the big shows — they're all very clean."

Lewis, spending six weeks at the Andy Williams Moon River Theatre, said she was struck by the favorable response from the Branson audience.

"I always do a wholesome show," she said. "However, I don't always get thanked for it."

Barbara Webb, who lives in Springfield and has a home on nearby Table Rock Lake, said she and her husband travel with grandchildren at least one week each summer. Branson is a great destination for them, she said.

"This gives us the chance to give the parents a break and get to know the kids, because they live so far away," she said after a visit to Mutton Hollow with Tiffany, 7, and Buddy, 6. "When the parents are around, they're naughty. We're of the era of making them mind."

Tiffany, who was holding a wooden tooth fairy's box from Mutton Hollow's craft village, said she liked vacationing with the grandparents.

"It's just having fun, talking to each other, playing and all that," she said.

The grandparents have fun, too, Mix said.

"Grandparents tolerate more. They try not to get as irritated with (children) as their parents," he said. "The role grandparents play, they're supposed to be kind of tolerant — and spoil them a lot."



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Two-year-old Kelsey Stephens rides the merry-go-round with her grandfather, Michael Stephens of Springfield, Mo., in July. The ride is a new addition to the Mutton Hollow theme park near Branson, Mo., aimed at appealing to younger crowds.

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— Peggy Roberts, Mutton Hollow Park's administrative assistant

Man sells ice cream to third generation customers

CLAIRTON, Pa. (AP) — The prices are a little higher than when he first started out, and the selection is a little better, but one thing remains constant: Chuck Greenberger is still the ice cream man.

At 73, Greenberger has been serving up ice cream for a half-century and now boasts three generations of customers. If everything goes his way, he'll never retire.

Greenberger runs his business out of his home in Baldwin, a suburb of Pittsburgh. But Clairton, about 12 miles south of Pittsburgh, is his "home base. That's my main city. Now I'm selling to the kids' kids' kids," Greenberger said.

In summer, he works 12 hours a day, every day.

GOLD: Fun is goal for Senior Olympic Games

(From 1D)

about anybody else, "I might do it," she considered, "I just might do it."

The Senior Games at Midland Senior Center started out to be a Celebration of Summer, based in part on old-fashioned traditional country fairs, said Center Director Kathy Gilluly, but the Summer Olympics took place a few weeks ago and a lot of people have picked up on that connection too.

Midland senior citizens will be "going for the gold" 11:45 a.m.-1 p.m. Thursday at Midland Senior Center.

The theme itself came out of some brainstorming done by people who are involved with the Center and its activities, she added.

That included Ms. Wallace, who also is one of the Senior Games athletes and who was instrumental in setting up the event in the first place. Midland Senior Center has a theme for each month, and when looking for a theme for August, "I thought of 'Lazy Days of Summer,' and of course the Olympics have been going on, so we decided we would have our own Games down here.

"Getting it all arranged was as much fun as doing the actual thing!" she added.

That appears to be the way everyone involved thinks about the planned Senior Games. During practice sessions, the day-to-day operations of the Center are punctuated with bursts of laughter coming from the Big Room, where the aspiring athletes are practicing their sports.

The Senior Games are designed to be a fun, non-competitive event that everyone can enjoy, Ms. Gilluly said — and maybe make new friends. "Most people, when they come to the Center for lunch, get engaged in other activities or leave" after the meal, she said.

"What we plan on doing (with the Senior Games) is that everyone wins a ribbon ..."

On Aug. 29, the planned day of the Senior Games, people signing in at the Center will receive name tags and ribbons with their names on them, Ms. Gilluly said. That way, "there will be no reason not to call you by your first name!"

The Games themselves are a little different too. "No first, second and third prizes will be awarded," Ms. Gilluly said. "Prizes will be the luck of the draw — a raffle. Anyone who participates in the Games has a chance to win.

'Getting it all arranged was as much fun as doing the actual thing!'

— Noma Wallace, Senior Olympic Games athlete and one of its organizers

"We're talking non-competitive here!" she laughed.

Neither is taking part in the practice meets a requirement for playing in the Senior Games, she added. Any senior who wants to play is welcome to do so. However, for those who would like to work in just one more practice, participants will be honing their skills on Tuesday and anyone interested in playing is welcomed to join in.

At the Senior Games on Thursday, other country fair-type traditions, including an assortment of pies, also will be available.

The goal of the event is to have a good time — and maybe meet some new friends along the way. After all, sporting events — not to mention homemade pies — do have a way of bringing folks together.

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In addition to Queen, the honorary positions of Princess, Sweetheart, Miss Snowcone Teen and Lions Ambassadors will also be filled. Contestants should have an interest in human relations and community affairs, and a willingness to participate in friendly competition. Contestants will be judged on personality, poise and beauty.

For applications and information, contact high school counselors or call 699-1934...

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...NEWCOMERS CLUB will meet for informal coffee 9:30 a.m. Sept. 5 at 5309 Scottsboro Lane in Green Tree North. Persons new to the area are invited to attend. For information call 697-6699 or 699-0832...

...ACT IX, auxiliary of Midland Community Theatre, will have an orientation 7 p.m. Aug. 27 at MCT, 2000 W. Wadley. For more information call 689-2013 or 694-8284...

...AMERICAN LUNG Association's Better Breathing Club will meet noon Sept. 3 at Westwood Hospital. For more information call 522-2273...

...COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS, a support group for parents who have lost a child at any age, will meet 7-9 p.m. Sept. 9 at Hospice of Midland, 911 W. Texas. Dr. Judy Tucker, a local psychiatrist, will be guest speaker. For more information call 682-2855...

...MIDLAND CHRISTIAN Women's Club will have an "Apple Festival" luncheon 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Sept. 5 at Midland Country Club. Bonnie Franklin will demonstrate crafts and treats, and Ravonna Lloyd will present music. Esther Yung of El Paso will be guest speaker.

Cost of the luncheon is $10 per person. Free nursery will be at Northwestern Baptist Church. Mothers are asked to bring sack lunches for their children. For luncheon and nursery reservations call 570-8945 or 682-5851...

...AMERICAN AIRPOWER Heritage Museum (AAHM), located at Confederate Air Force (CAF) Headquarters, will present a series of Family Programming. Each Saturday from Aug. 31 through the end of the year, the museum will sponsor a film series, "Lest We Forget: A Video Journey Through World War II."

The first film, "Seeds of War: A Prelude to the War," will be shown 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Aug. 31 in the museum classroom. A World War II veteran or museum docent will moderate and answer questions.

The film series is free and no reservations are required, although space is limited. Refreshments will be provided during intermission. The museum also will present the series to area schools and retirement home. Reservations are required for these presentations. For more information call 567-3010...

...MIDLAND OPERA Theater will present a free showing of "Opera Goes to the Movies" 7 p.m. Sept. 3 in the Roadrunner Room of Midland College's Scharbauer Student Center. This month's show will be the Royal Opera House Covent Garden's presentation of "Lafanciulla del West, Girl of the Golden West," by Giacomo Puccini. Liberetto is by Guelfo Civinni and Carol Zangarini. The performance is a complete stage opera with orchestra and audience video taped on laser disc and shown on a large screen. Call 520-7515 for reservations. Seating is limited...

...PERMIAN BASIN Bird Club will meet 7 p.m. Aug. 29 at the Coors Building on Highway 80 between Midland and Odessa. The public is invited to attend.

The club's annual Bird Fair is scheduled for 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Sept. 14 at the Girl Scout Program Center, 901 W. Dengar in Midland. For more information call 570-1744...

Mule-drawn wagon tour is big hit with visitors

By Mark England
Associated Press

WACO — The "World-Famous James S. Wood" claims he isn't a bit modest. Standing at the entrance to Waco's Fort Fisher Park, wearing boots, jeans, a red bandana and a Texas-size hat, holding the reins to his draft mules, Berry and Debbie, he's easy to believe.

"I give a pretty good tour, if I must say so," Wood said.

He's not alone in that opinion. Wood's mule-drawn wagon tour of downtown Waco has been around for about five years. Like it, he is a throwback, someone who would have been at home in earlier generations when people pretty much told you what was on their mind. Don't ask if you don't want to know.

Not that you have to bother asking.

"I read where someone won the Lotto jackpot Saturday night," Wood said, as a tour started on a Friday morning. "You can tell it wasn't me. If it was, I wouldn't be here. I like my job but not that much. If you're wondering, these are my mules. I think that's a stupid question, to be honest. You think I could hire someone to sit out in this heat and look at mules' butts all day?"

A swing under Interstate 35, along Lake Brazos, and Becky and Debbie were on their way, galloping along at 3 mph. If the speed's not breathtaking, some of Wood's stories are.



AP Laserphoto

The "World Famous James S. Wood" readies his mule-drawn covered wagon for a tour around Waco Aug. 1. The ride is popular with many tourists who come to Waco to visit the Texas Ranger Museum.

HE TOLD passengers about the Huaco Indians settlement on the river in the 1800s.

"Sometimes if atmospheric conditions are right, you can still hear their echoes," Wood said.

An Indian chant filled the wagon as it plodded along University-Parks Drive, Wood surreptitiously turning on a tape recorder. His riders laughed, as much at the corniness of it as anything else.

Wood will tell you outright that he'll do anything to keep it lively.

His only demand is a good audience. And it is a demand.

"If I tell them my first story and no one responds, they don't get no more stories on my tour," Wood said, snorting. "I'm not wasting my breath on people who don't want to have fun."

Wood was in luck this morning. Tammy Churchman of Robinson was showing off Waco to her friends, Cathy Fuller and John Ghauri of Houston. Churchman has lived here less than a year and is getting ready to move again.

"I thought I ought to tour the city where I live before I leave it," Churchman said, laughing.

Riders for Wood's tour come from far and wide. For some reason that Wood can't fathom, his homespun tour seems to be especially popular with German tourists. Sometimes they come with friends who speak English and try to interpret Wood's travelogue.

"I probably don't translate very well," Wood said. "It's hard to translate things like 'purt' near' and 'over yonder.' "

He also had a carriage ride until last month. A pickup rammed it, injuring Wood, his son-in-law and nephew. They're still recovering. Wood's over his bruises, but, for now, Becky and Debbie are his only business.

WOOD USED to work at Texas Safari in Clifton as a snake handler and an alligator wrestler. Before starting his tour, he boned up on the history of Waco, reading all of the late historian Roger Conger's books. As the tour developed, Wood eventually worked in a few of his own stories.

"I got more information than tour," Wood said.

The stories literally poured out of him as his mules wound through downtown Waco, a canvas top protecting riders from the heat and two small fans circulating the air.

He talked about the trolley that once ran from Waco to Dallas; the building of the Suspension Bridge across the Brazos River and how cowboys hated paying a nickel a head for their cattle to cross it; the early 1900s when Waco had legalized prostitution, the women banished to a "reservation;" the building of the McLennan County Courthouse; and, of course, the tornado that almost demolished Waco in 1953.

"Some people thought City Hall was damaged," Wood said. "But that's the way it's always looked. Ugliest building in Waco."

Wood is frank, but he's also a self-admitted booster of Waco.

"This is my home," Wood said. "It's got everything you could want except for traffic jams."

AS THE WAGON headed down Sixth Street, he pointed at the old Raleigh Hotel, now a state government office building, a couple blocks away, and noted that famous stars such as Marilyn Monroe and Elvis Presley once stayed there.

"As a matter of fact, if atmospheric conditions are right..." Wood said.

"Uh-oh," Churchman said, groaning and laughing at the same time.

Presley's "Hound Dog" blared from the speakers. Ghauri smiled and tapped his toe. But the song quickly ended.

"That's enough," Wood said. "We don't want to overdo it."

In the tour's home stretch, there's a quick stop at the Dr Pepper Museum, 300 S. Fifth St. Riders can pop in for a fountain drink with true carbonation while Wood and his mules take a break.

Back on the road, the steady pleasant ringing of the mules' hoofs made it easy to see how cowboys and plowboys sometimes get an urge to sing.

"Anybody got any questions?" Wood asked. "If nobody has any questions, I'm going to sing."

"Quick, someone come up with a question," Churchman said.

But everyone only came up blank.

"OK, I warned you," Wood said. " 'Old McDonald had a farm, Eyie, Eyie, Oh. And on that farm he had a dog.' You know, when I was a boy, I had a dog. He was a cross between a pit bull and Lassie. He'd bite you and then run for help. 'Eyie, Eyie, Oh.' "

As Becky and Debbie pulled into Fort Fisher, Wood turned the wagon around, making the neatest U-turn you ever saw, and parked it. As his riders unloaded, Wood bid them a fond farewell.

"OK, ride's over, get out, thank you, very much," Wood said. "What'd you expect for five bucks?"

'Duty-free' shopping may be no bargain after all

By Eric A. Taub
N.Y. Times News Service

While the shops are beginning to offer as many items as the local Price Costco warehouse, don't expect the savings to match. European travelers, long used to high pries on many consumer goods, may realize savings by shopping duty-free, but more often than not Americans won't.

The image is a staple of international travel: The crowd of weary, unwashed and unshaven travelers exits customs after a long trans-Atlantic flight, pushing luggage carts filled with baggage. Dangling from the carts are plastic satchels embossed with a foreign airport's logo and holding a carton of duty-free American cigarettes, bottles of Scotch or French perfume.

In recent years duty-free shopping has become a leading source of profit for the world's major airports.

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IN AN INFORMAL survey this month at several major European duty-and tax-free shopping areas, prices of a wide range of products were virtually identical to or even higher than those in ordinary shops in the United States, even after state sales taxes are factored in.

Although currency-conversion rates could always alter the equation one way or the other, in the worst examples duty-free prices were as much as 50 percent higher than those found in American discount retail stores.

For example, that quintessential duty-free product, a carton of Marlboro cigarettes, costs the equivalent of $20.15 at Heathrow Airport near London (at $1.55 to the British pound), $21 at Milan's Linate airport (at 1,525 lire to $1), $19.40 in Amsterdam (at 1.65 guilders to $1) and $18.40 (including sales tax) in Von's supermarket in Los Angeles.

Dixon's duty-free camera shop at Heathrow charges $105.52 for the Windows 95 upgrade program; at J&R Computer World in New York City, it costs about $97, including tax.

Sony's Discman model D-141 goes for $118.71 at Heathrow and $170 in Milan; but Circuit City in Los Angeles charges $69.95 plus 8.25 percent tax. Philips's top-of-the-line electric shaver, the Philishave 990, costs $169 in Amsterdam's duty-free shop and $157 at Heathrow. The similar top model in the United States, the Norelco 985, can be easily purchased in discount stores like Caldor's for $119 plus tax.

EVEN HOME-GROWN items do not always cost less in their country of origin. While Crabtree and Evelyn orange marmalade is a saving at Heathrow ($3.90 compared with $6.50 in the States), whisky, on a unit-price basis, is often not. For example, a one-liter bottle of Johnnie Walker Red is available at Heathrow for $17.45; but a 1.75 liter bottle of the same Scotch would cost $24.35 at Price Costco — 1.7 cents per milliliter compared with 1.4 cents in the States, or about 18 percent less here at home.

In Italy, you'll save on Cinzano: $4.60 for a liter, compared with $9.17 a liter in the United States. But Milan's Linate airport duty-free shop charges $44.60 for a 100-milliliter bottle of Armani aftershave, $4.55 more than the United States department store after-tax price of $40.05.

Although duty-free shops may not offer significant savings to American travelers, there is no question that, in Europe especially, they are offering more merchandise these days.

Despite the lack of savings, the space given to duty-free shopping areas in European airports has increased drastically; within a few years, based on construction plans, the same will happen in many United States airports.

While Americans save little or nothing by shopping this way, airport officials have correctly surmised that a wide range of goods and an attractive store will draw crowds who are waiting to fly home.

UNTIL THE END of the 1980s, many airport duty-free shops languished as commercial afterthoughts, a few hundred square feet where a traveler could buy an inexpensive gift or carton of cigarettes to smoke on the long flight home.

In the United States, duty-free shops in New York and Los Angeles still offer little of the variety of goods sold in the cavernous airport shopping malls that are becoming common throughout Europe, featuring famous retailers selling high-priced goods.

Retailing has become the largest source of revenue for Britain's major airports, according to Elaine Booth, consumer communications manager for BAA, the administrator of Heathrow, Gatwick and five other airports throughout Britain.

Last year, BAA logged over $750 million in retail sales at its various shopping arcades.

"We do a lot of surveys, and good shopping experiences are high on passengers' lists of what they want," Ms. Booth said.

"At the end of the 1980s, there was a perception that airport shopping was expensive and of poor quality and choice. Now, we guarantee that products bought at the airport will cost no more than the same store charged for them in central London."

Heathrow's offerings are designed to appeal to either European business travelers or American travelers, depending on the terminal.

Terminal Three, used for all non-British Airways overseas flights, holds a 15,000-square-foot duty-free version of Harrods department store, a large outlet managed by the wine and spirits merchants Berry Bros. & Rudd, as well as shops maintained by Liberty's, the Nature Company, Bally's and Burberry's.

Terminal One, catering to a large population of European business travelers, offers Whiskys of the World, the Tie Rack, and the Wine Bin.

Amsterdam's Schiphol Airport also sells a wide range of duty-free items, but unlike Heathrow, it offers everything under one name: Amsterdam Airport Tax-Free Shopping Center.

"We want one shopping center, one brand, and one uniform worn by our salespeople," said Ruud Wever, spokesman for Amsterdam Airport Schiphol. "It's not important for the customer to know what kind of shop he's going into." Amsterdam now sells 120,000 different items in its 43,000-square-foot tax-free shopping area.

WHILE LONDON and Amsterdam airports thrive as commercial meccas, Paris has little interest in turning its airports into another excuse to shop.

"An airport is not a department store," said Jacques Reder, press officer for Aeroports de Paris, the governing body of Orly, Charles de Gaulle, and other Parisian airports.

"The faster a passenger can cross the terminal, the better for him."

Unlike Heathrow and Schiphol, duty-free sales account for only 8 percent of the French airports' annual revenues.

Amsterdam's and London's efforts to increase tax-free sales has brought them new business overseas. For the past four years, BAA has run the duty-free operations at Pittsburgh's international airport, where it has raised per-capita sales from $2.50 to $6.60.

Last year, it was awarded a contract to overhaul Indianapolis International Airport, where it has been adding 13,000 square feet of shops. Duty-free sales at Kennedy International Airport's new $1 billion International Arrivals Building will be run by Amsterdam-based Schiphol USA — using the Dutch airport's shopping-mall retailing strategy on a much smaller scale — when the building opens, expected in the year 2000.

It will contain 15,000 square feet of duty-free shopping, a large increase but still just the size of the Harrods outlet at Heathrow.

DUTY-FREE OPERATORS never claim to offer the world's lowest prices, only the lowest prices in their country, which to an American may not mean much.

If you're dissatisfied with your purchase, Heathrow has a no-questions-asked money-back guarantee (including shipping costs).

Schiphol's official policy is that it won't take items back if a customer is dissatisfied with the price, but Liesbeth Mahieu of the airport's Terminal Commercial Services office said that if customers believe they were overcharged, they can get a refund. Also, Schiphol's stores will repair any item that is not covered by customers' warranty in their own country.

Paris offers nothing of the sort. "There's no way we can compete with American prices, and we don't give refunds," said Jacques Reder of the Paris airport authority.

There are other reasons to shop duty-free. The chance to buy goods unavailable at home, the convenience of getting rid of loose foreign currency and the lure of picking up a last-minute gift may override the fact that for Americans, bargains at duty-free shops are few and far between.

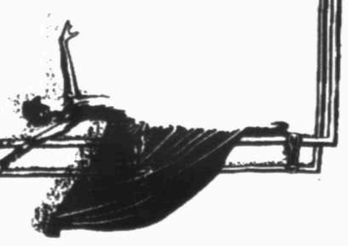
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WEDDINGS

TURNER-GEORGE

CASTELL — St. John Lutheran Church in Castell was the setting for the 7 p.m. Aug. 17 wedding ceremony of Kathy Joann Turner of Midland and William Barrett George. The Rev. Bill Moseley officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Joe Turner and Judy Roberts of Midland. Parents of the bridegroom are the late Mr. and Mrs. Dawson O. George.

Jamie Walton Minardi of Midland was matron of honor. The bride also was attended by Molly Younginger of Brookings, S.D., and Donna Grundy of Buda. Flower girls were Isabelle Phiel George of Austin and Caitlin Ann Minardi of Midland.

William T. Kelley of Austin served as best man. Robert Scott Grundy of Buda was usher. Elizabeth Anne George of Austin was ring bearer.



Mrs. William Barrett George

The couple lives on their ranch in Castell.

JOHNSON-SAWYER

Gerenda Lea Johnson of Tarzan became the bride of Brett McKelvy Sawyer of Norfolk, Va., 6 p.m. Aug. 10 at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church. The Rev. Phil Konz officiated.

Parents of the bride are Doby and Nancy Johnson of Tarzan. The bridegroom is the son of Alice Wood of Midland and Jamey Sawyer of Andrews.

April Golson of Midland was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Ainsley Stelling and Deidra Britton of Midland, and Alison Cooper of Tarzan. Christina Wood of Midland was flower girl.

Stan Williamson of Midland served as best man. Groomsmen were Todd Greene and Jason Culp of Midland, and Tony Stevenson of Stamford. Ushers were Levi Johnson of Tarzan, Aaron Gibson of Lenorah and Brandon Herring of Midland.



Mrs. Brett McKelvy Sawyer

The couple lives in Virginia Beach, Va.

HENSON-KRAUSE

Jill Coleen Henson of Lubbock became the bride of Gregory Bryan Krause, also of Lubbock, 5:30 p.m Aug. 17 at ClayDesta Atrium in Midland. Ty Morris Jr. officiated.

Parents of the bride are Joe F. and Judy Henson of Midland. The bridegroom is the son of Larry and Carol Becker of Big Spring.

Tobi Wheeless of Horseshoe Bay was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Beth Hendricks of Lubbock and Judy Hendricks of Amarillo.

Eric Garcia of Del Rio served as best man. Groomsmen were Rodney Krause of Bettendorf, Iowa, and John Becker of College Station, brothers of the bridegroom. Ushers were Jay Henson of Stephenville, brother of the bride, and Chuck Martin of Big Spring, brother of the bridegroom. Bryan Krause of Abilene, son of the bridegroom, and Cory Lewis of Midland were ring bearers.



Mrs. Gregory Bryan Krause

Following a wedding trip to Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, the couple lives in Lubbock.

MALLOW-SATTERWHITE

EULESS — Monica Lea Mallow of Arlington and Scott Latham Satterwhite of Euless were married 7 p.m. Aug. 24 at First Baptist Church of Euless. The Rev. Charles Thornton officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Mallow of Arlington. Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Wayne Satterwhite of Midland.

Kimberly Crawford of Arlington was matron of honor. Maid of honor was Sharla Guess of Arlington. Bridesmaids were Jenni Ratliff of Arlington and Susan Forney of Fort Worth. Leslie Hankins of Odessa, Vicki Blair of Lewisville and Deborah Wood of San Francisco were bridesmatrons. Martha Moseley of Fort Worth was flower girl.

Greg Chavonec of Guimon, Okla., served as best man. Groomsmen were Brian McManus of Littleton, Colo.; Grayson Hankins of Odessa; Greg Davis of Missouri City; Greg Graf of Lexington, Ky.; Greg Johnson of San Antonio; and Justin Mallow of Arlington. Ushers were David Harris of Arlington; Jared Smith of Richardson; Jason West of College Station; Lance Cpl. George Butcher of Camp Lejuene, N.C.; J.D. Cole of Visalia, Calif.; and Brad Baldwin of Torrington, Conn. Hunter Latham of Midland was ring bearer.



Mrs. Scott Latham Satterwhite

The couple also was attended by Hunter Scheffler of Arlington.

After a cruise to the Caribbean, the couple will live in Arlington.

FLECKINGER-SOMMERS

OKLAHOMA CITY — Renee Gaye Fleckinger of Oklahoma City became the bride of Al M. Sommers IV of Midland, Texas, July 27 at St. Eugene Catholic Church in Oklahoma City. The Rev. William Pruett officiated.

Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. Joseph M. Fleckinger Jr. of Oklahoma City. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Al M. Sommers III of Midland.

Teri Fleckinger Sprouse of Portland, Ore., and Marcelle Fleckinger, sisters of the bride, were matron of honor and maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Virginia Wenger of Austin, Smyth Swanson of Littleton, Colo., and Marcie Nobles of Richmond, Va. Taylor and Haley Freeman of Dallas were flower girls.

Chad Clanton of Austin served as best man. Groomsmen were Leslie Stark, Jason Gooch and Jeff Crowe, all formerly of Midland, and Pat Woodson of Austin. Ushers were Ryan and Jason Winkler of Katy, Texas.

The couple graduated from the



Mrs. Al M. Sommers IV

University of Texas at Austin. The bride is a senior tax accountant with KPMG Peat Marwick. Her husband is an account executive with The Jefferson Group.

After a Caribbean cruise, the couple lives in Denver.

BLAND-COOK

FLORENCE — Patricia Renee Bland of Florence became the bride of Myron Neal Cook of San Angelo 4 p.m. Aug. 17 at First Baptist Church in Florence. The Rev. John D. Stanislaw officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Joe F. and Lois F. Bland of Florence, and the granddaughter of Hershel Bland of Temple and Mr. and Mrs. L.E. Wheeler of Copperas Cove. Parents of the bridegroom are A.L. and Ima Jean Cook of Midland. His grandmother is Ila Cook of San Angelo.

Tonya Mathews of Florence was matron of honor. Celeste Christiansen of Florence was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Deloris Andrews and Tricia Mueler of Florence, Sharon Mathews of Spring and Camille Sandel of Fort Stockton. Flower girls were Nikki Neytek of Burlington and Sydney Brewer of Georgetown.

Bernabe Canlas of the Philippines was best man. Groomsmen were Corey Petit of Crane, Nathan Maines and Jeff Turner of Kerrville, Marlon Cook of Sweetwater



Mrs. Myron Neal Cook

and Monty Cook of San Angelo. Ushers were Joe R. Bland of Austin and Sean Mathews of Florence. Joshua Mathews of Spring was ring bearer.

After a wedding trip to Las Vegas, Nev., the couple lives in San Angelo.

GUERRERO-REDMON

Abundant Life Worship Center was the setting for the 2 p.m. July 20 wedding of Sally Ann Guerrero of Austin and Nathan Quinn Redmon of Midland. The Rev. Kenneth L. Redmon, father of the bridegroom, officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Martin and Francis Guerrero of Big Lake. Parents of the bridegroom are the Rev. and Mrs. Kenneth L. Redmon of Midland.

Rachel Guerrero of Big Lake was maid of honor for her sister. Bridesmaids were Linda Gomez of Fort Worth, Natalie Redmon of Midland, sister of the bridegroom, and Leisha Weidner of New Braunfels. Natalie Guerrero of Big Lake, sister of the bride, was flower girl.

David Hunter Jr. of Houston served as best man. Groomsmen were Marc Sharp of Midland, Seth Gideon of Oklahoma City and Cary Vanley of Midland.



Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Quinn Redmon

Following a wedding trip to Hot Springs, Ark., the couple lives in Houston.

McCLURE-FORAN

Alamo Heights Baptist Church in Midland was the setting for the 4 p.m. July 20 wedding of Kristi Ann McClure and John Wayne Foran Jr., both of Midland. The Rev. Ben Condray officiated.

Parents of the bride are William and Vera McClure of Midland. The bridegroom is the son of Betty Pate of Midland and the late John Wayne Foran.

Carrie Paulson of Midland was matron of honor. Eddie Foran of Odessa was best man for his brother. Ushers were Park McClure of Midland, brother of the bride, and Larry Zyla of Odessa.

After a wedding trip to Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, the couple lives in Midland.



Mr. and Mrs. John Wayne Foran Jr.

ANNIVERSARIES

Parrotts celebrate 50th year today

Emory and Anne Parrott of Midland will be honored today at the Plaza Club at a celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary. Hosts will be their children and grandchildren, Peggy and Gus Auirre and Christine Solis of Victoria; Nan and Jim Sansone and Jason and Matthew Sansone of Arlington; and Wade Parrott of Lubbock.

Parrott and the former Anne Hamlin were married Sept. 15., 1946, in Surry, Va. They lived in Charlottesville, Va., until January 1948, when they moved to Abilene. In August 1958 they moved to Midland.

Parrott is a graduate of the University of Virginia. Mrs. Parrott graduated from Longwood College.

Parrott served in the Army Air Force during World War II, primarily in the Pacific Theater. Since 1948 he has been employed with several companies as a petroleum geologist. He is now a consulting geologist. His wife taught in public schools in Virginia and was a substitute teacher with Midland Independent School District.



Emory and Anne Parrott

The couple are active in Community Bible Study and in volunteer work and other community activities.

Kincaids mark golden anniversary

Weldon and Louise Kincaid of Midland were guests of honor at a family dinner Aug. 17 at the Petroleum Club of Midland in celebration of their golden wedding anniversary. Hosts were Mrs. Charles N. Batts of Santa Fe, N.M., sister of Mrs. Kincaid, and Pam Norman of Dimmitt, the couple's daughter.

Kincaid and the former Louise LeMond were married Aug. 15, 1946, in Snyder. In addition to their daughter, they have two grandchildren.

Kincaid served in the Pacific and European Theaters of Operations during World War II, and had a special assignment during the Korean Conflict. He is a retired field grade Army officer. He also is retired as Midland-Odessa branch manager for the paper division of Pollack Investments Corporation of Dallas. Mrs. Kincaid retired as a teacher from Midland Independent School District, after teaching in Midland for 27



Weldon and Louise Kincaid

years, as well as teaching in Snyder and Lubbock.

Burke attributed with coining 'Fourth Estate' for journalists

Associated Press

"Fourth Estate," a collective name for journalists, is attributed to Edmund Burke, who is reported to have called the reporters' gallery in Parliament a "Fourth Estate." The three estates of early English society were the Lords Spiritual (the clergy), the Lords Temporal (the nobility) and the Commons (the bourgeoisie).

Clinton, Dole wage war for who's cookie queen

By Natalie Haughton
N.Y. Times News Service

LOS ANGELES — Can first lady Hillary Clinton defend her title as Cookie Cook-Off champion? Family Circle magazine is going to find out, and we'd like our readers to get into the act, too.

During the 1992 presidential campaign, the magazine printed chocolate chip cookie recipes used by Hillary Clinton and Barbara Bush (you know, George's wife), and asked readers to bake them and vote for their favorite.

More than 55 percent of the readers chose the Clinton cookie over Bush's. (Incidentally, the recipe turned out not to be Barbara's at all, but one used by a White House chef who worked for Vice President Bush. The recipe had been published in a 1986 issue of McCall's magazine.)

Now Elizabeth Dole, wife of GOP presidential hopeful Bob Dole, is hoping to topple Hillary as the cookie queen. Her Pecan Roll Cookies will go up against the first lady's chocolate chip champions in the Family Circle Second National Bipartisan Cookie Cook-Off.

The magazine has printed Dole's and Clinton's recipes in its Sept. 1 issue and is asking its readers to vote for their favorite. We thought it would be fun to tally our own readers' opinions and include the results in an upcoming Food section. So after baking both cookies (the recipes are below), call us at (818) 713-3007 or send a postcard with your comments to Food Department, Daily News, P.O. Box 4200, Woodland Hills, Calif. 91365-4200. The deadline is Sept. 9.

CLINTON'S CHOCOLATE CHIPS

1½ cups flour
1 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon baking soda
1 cup solid vegetable shortening
1 cup packed light brown sugar
½ cup granulated sugar
1 teaspoon vanilla
2 eggs
2 cups old-fashioned rolled oats
1 package (12 ounces) semisweet chocolate chips

Combine flour, salt and baking soda on wax paper.

Beat together shortening, sugars and vanilla in a large bowl with an electric mixer until creamy. Add eggs, beating until light and fluffy. On low speed, gradually beat in flour mixture and oats. Stir in chocolate chips.

Drop batter by well-rounded measuring teaspoonfuls onto greased cookie sheets.

Bake in preheated 350-degree oven 8 to 10 minutes or until golden. Cool cookies on sheets on a wire rack 2 minutes. Remove cookies to wire rack to cool completely. Makes 7½ dozen cookies.

DOLE'S PECAN ROLL COOKIES

1 cup (2 sticks) margarine, at room temperature
¼ cup powdered sugar plus additional for coating baked cookies
1 tablespoon cold water
1 teaspoon vanilla
2 cups all-purpose flour
2 cups pecan pieces

With a mixer on medium speed, beat together margarine and ¼ cup powdered sugar in a medium bowl until smooth and creamy. Beat in water and vanilla.

On low speed, gradually beat in flour. Mix in pecans with a wooden spoon or by hand.

With floured hands, roll 2 teaspoons dough for each cookie into date-like shapes. Place on a greased cookie sheet. Score top of each cookie lengthwise with a knife.

Bake in preheated 275-degree oven 45 minutes. Roll in powdered sugar while still warm. Makes 3¾ dozen cookies.

LUCKS CELEBRATE 45th ANNIVERSARY



Bill and Hazel Luck of Midland celebrated their 45th Wedding Anniversary Sat. August 24th at the home of their son, Terry Luck & his wife Stella.

The couple were married August 28, 1951 in Badin, N.C.

They have four children: Terry Luck and wife Stella of Midland, Thomas Luck and wife Tami of Midland, and daughter Dawn Luck-Ezell and husband Eric of Flower Mound, Texas.

They also have 7 grandchildren: Jason, Joshua and Audra Luck of Sioux City, Iowa, Bambi and Blade Luck of Flower Mound and Andy and Alye Luck of Midland.

Bill is retired from the U.S. Marshall, the military and the federal government and both are enjoying spending time with their children and grandchildren.



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ENGAGEMENTS

EVANS-MOON

Elizabeth Susan Evans of Midland and Shan Jarret Moon of Fort Worth are planning to be married 7 p.m. Feb. 1, 1997, at First United Methodist Church in Midland. The bride-elect is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Louis Evans of Midland. Parents of the future bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Allen Ray Sissom of Fort Worth and Thomas Watson Moon of Burleson.

Miss Evans is a 1992 graduate of Midland High School and a senior at Texas A&M University, where she is a member of Chi Omega sorority. Her fiance graduated from Southwest High School in Fort Worth in 1991 and from Texas A&M this year with a bachelor of business administration degree in finance. He is a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity and is employed with CIC Agency in College Station.



Elizabeth Susan Evans and Shan Jarret Moon

VAR KONDA-CLAY

Christine Louise Var Konda of Manhattan Beach, Calif., will become the bride of Craig Dane Clay, also of Manhattan Beach, 10 a.m. Nov. 23 at First Lutheran Church in Venice, Calif. Parents of the bride-to-be are John Var Konda of Pittsburgh, Pa., and Carol Dekar of Fairfax, Va. The future bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Terry Clay of Midland.

Miss Var Konda is a 1989 graduate of Lake Braddock High School in Fairfax and a 1993 graduate of Baylor University, where she earned a degree in accounting. She is a senior auditing consultant with Coopers and Lybrand L.L.P. Her fiance graduated from Midland High School in 1988 and from Baylor in 1992, where he earned a degree in finance and international business. He is West Coast pricing administrator with RR Donnelley Financial.

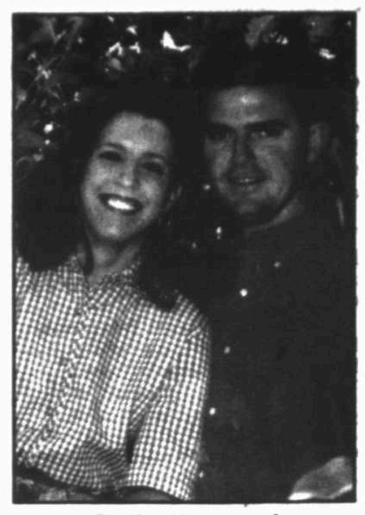


Christine Louise Var Konda and Craig Dane Clay

HARVEY-MERWORTH

Mr. and Mrs. Gaston Lackey of Ruidoso, N.M., and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Harvey of Anton Chico, N.M., announce the engagement of their daughter, Shelley Harvey of Alpine, to former Midlander Larry Merworth, also of Alpine. The wedding is planned for 6 p.m. Sept. 7 at First Baptist Church in Alpine. The future bridegroom is the son of former Midlanders Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Merworth of Brownwood.

Ms. Harvey, granddaughter of Dorothy DePuy of Dexter, N.M., earned a bachelor of business administration degree in business management from Sul Ross State University this month. She is manger of Needleworks Etc. in Alpine. Her fiance, grandson of Othal Warnock of Santa Anna, earned a bachelor of science degree in natural resource management with a range emphasis and a minor in biology from Sul Ross.



Shelley Harveyand Larry Merworth

PARKER-WADE

Laurie Kay Parker of Dallas and Justin Miller Wade of Midlothian are planning a 2 p.m. Oct. 19 wedding at Highland Oaks Church of Christ in Dallas. The bride-elect is the daughter of Patsy Ann Martin and Jimmie R. Parker Jr., both of Midland. Parents of the future bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Wilson L. Wade of Bowie.

Miss Parker is a 1986 graduate of Lee High School and a 1990 graduate of Lubbock Christian University. She is employed with McKinsey and Company. Her fiance graduated from Bowie High School in 1988 and from Texas Aero Tech in 1991. He is employed with Bell Helicopter.



Laurie Kay Parker and Justin Miller Wade

BUSBEE-WINGET

Sunney Michelle Busbee and Kevin Michael Winget, both of Midland, are planning to be married Sept. 12 at the home of Larry and Karen Winget of Midland, parents of the future bridegroom. The bride-elect is the daughter of Rick and Virginia Busbee of Midland.

Miss Busbee is a senior at Midland High School. Her fiance graduated from MHS in 1994 and is serving in the U.S. Army.



Sunney Michelle Busbee and Kevin Michael Winget

ROBBINS-BRALEY

Amy K. Robbins of Midland and Scott C. Braley of Denver are planning to be married at sunset Sept. 20 in Canyon. The bride-elect is the daughter of Victor V. and Linda Scarpelli of Midland. Parents of the future bridegroom are Dr. Edward and Donna Braley of Hot Springs, Ark.

Ms. Robbins graduated from the Occupational Therapy Program at Texas Tech University. She is completing her professional requirements through internship in Hot Springs. Her fiance is a graduate of Colorado State University, where he earned a degree in psychology. He is a student at Texas Tech Medical School.

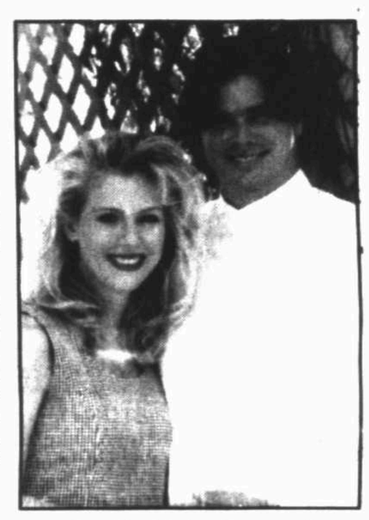


Amy K. Robbins and Scott C. Braley

DORN-ST. PETERS

Jennifer Elaine Dorn of Fort Worth and Terry Lee St. Peters of Kernersville, N.C., are planning a 7 p.m. Sept. 21 wedding at Trinity Lutheran Church in Fort Worth. The bride-elect is the daughter of Robert Dorn and Jill Dorn of Fort Worth. Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Thomas St. Peters of Midland.

Miss Dorn earned a bachelor of science degree in nursing from the University of Texas at Arlington. She is a member of Delta Delta Delta sorority. Her fiance attended UT-Arlington, where he was a member of Phi Delta Theta fraternity. He is national director with K.C. Productions Inc.



Jennifer Elaine Dorn and Terry Lee St. Peters

Free appraisal shocks woman with $150,000 engagement present

By Carmina Danini
Hearst News Service

SAN ANTONIO — Instead of giving Jennifer Conton a traditional engagement ring, her fiance purchased a porcelain oriental flute for her during a business trip to Beijing, China, earlier this year.

On a lark, Conton retrieved the engagement gift from under her bed Saturday and took it to the Chubbs Antiques Roadshow here to find out how much it's worth.

Conton, 28, who just received a teaching certificate and is looking for a job teaching high school English, figured it might be worth about $500.

It is — and then some.

The musical instrument probably was made during the Ming dynasty for Emperor Jiajing and, if genuine, could be worth $150,000, said appraiser Leonard Sipiora of El Paso, Texas.

"That's amazing! $150,000? That's amazing!" said a stunned Conton before she was escorted to her car by two San Antonio police officers. "I guess I won't be keeping it under the bed any more."

She didn't know what he paid for the flute, but guessed that it wasn't more than $400.

Conton and the flute will be featured on a PBS series produced by WGBH-TV of Boston and underwritten by the Chubb Group of Insurance Cos. What WGBH producer Aida Moreno called "high-dollar finds" like Conton's were taped during the six-hour event.

The weekly series, slated to air next year, will consist of 13 one-hour shows shot in each of the 13 cities visited by the road show.

San Antonio was the eighth stop on the tour.

Collectors from throughout South and Central Texas attended, carting their valuables in styrofoam boxes, baby strollers, plastic bags and dollies.

Not all of the 1,258 people who brought items to be examined for free by nearly 40 experts from across the country heard good news like Conton.

'This is amazing! I guess I won't be keeping it under the bed anymore.'
— Jennifer Conton, owner of a porcelain oriental flute that could be worth $150,000

But some, like Rivers Marley, 27, and his father, H.A. "Buster" Marley, 72, walked away smiling after learning the set of dueling pistols they own is worth between $4,000 and $6,000.

There also was an Austin businessman — he declined to give his name or to appear on the show — who brought in a portrait his paternal grandfather purchased in Mexico City in the 1930s.

The painting, of a young Indian girl, was done by Mexican muralist Diego Rivera and was appraised at $90,000.

Ann Berg, 61, a retired teacher and doll collector who lives in Garden Ridge, Texas, learned an antique French doll she bought in the early 1960s for about $600 could fetch $10,000.

A 73-year-old woman who also declined to give her name took from her purse an 18-carat gold man's pocket watch with diamonds embedded on the chain.

The story, she told an appraiser, is that Mexican revolutionary hero Pancho Villa took it off a man he killed in Mexico City. Villa later paid for a Buick he purchased in Texas with the watch.

"My father later bought the watch, but he never told anyone what he paid for it," she said.

The consultant who examined the watch placed its value at between $30,000 and $50,000.

"Would it be worth more if I could prove the Pancho Villa story?" she asked him.

When he nodded yes, she said: "I thought so."

Fort Davis Festival features Civil War era medical exhibit

Staff Reports

An exhibit of Civil War era medical instruments and equipment will be one of several highlights featured at this year's Friends of Fort Davis Festival. The Festival is planned for Saturday.

Jay Carmichael of Rockwall has been a serious student of Civil War era medicine for more than 10 years. During this period, he has amassed the most extensive private collection of late 19th century medical implements and apparatuses in the United States. He and his "associates," dressed in replica clothing of the 1860s, will portray contract surgeons, a mortician, federal medical officers and members of their families. The group is extremely knowledgeable about 19th century medical practices. They enjoy talking to visitors, and demonstrating the proper techniques used in the operation of the different instruments.

This year's "silent" auction promises to be unique and will include a number of special items. One notable offering will be an authentic reproduction of a M1860 Colt Army revolver which comes with a presentation case and letter of authenticity. The auction will take place on the east porch of the restored and refurnished enlisted men's barracks. Bidding will begin at 9:45 a.m. and close at 3 p.m.

A special exhibit of Colt Military handguns of the Indian Wars period also will be featured at the Festival. In addition to the firearms, accouterments and accessories from the early 1870s through the beginning of the 20th century will be displayed.

According the Friends of Fort Davis NHS president Sharon Smith-Savage, this year's Festival will focus on one major event at a time so that visitors will have the opportunity to "take in everything." A highlight will be the opportunity to solve the "Mystery of the Talking Walls." By following a designated route outlined in a special brochure, visitors can learn about the history of the Fort and at the same time test their detective skills. A small prize will be awarded to those who solve the mystery.

Events for Saturday will begin with a special flag-raising ceremony at 9:30 a.m. Activities conclude at 5 p.m. For more information of the Festival call (915) 426-3224.

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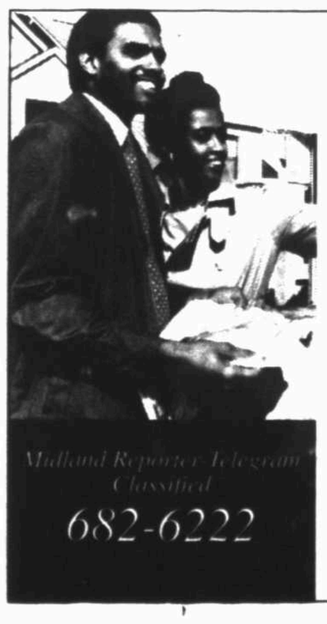
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Knee injuries common in women

By Jane E. Brody
N.Y. Times News Service

When it comes to knees, women are indeed the weaker sex.

The very design of their bodies makes them more vulnerable than men to serious knee injuries and chronic knee problems that cause pain and disability.

Growing numbers of young women now strive for athletic excellence in sports that were once played by only a few women. And millions of ordinary women now engage in health-promoting exercises that can overstress the knees.

As a result, specialists in sports medicine are seeing more and more women with unstable knees and nagging knee pain that impedes even the routine demands of life, like climbing stairs, getting up from a chair or walking.

Ordinary women who participate in activities like running, tennis, skiing, cycling or dancing are more likely than men to develop wear-and-tear knee injuries.

HOWEVER, WHEN it comes to seeking medical help for a problem like chronic knee pain, women are not much better than men about going to a doctor. They often continue to do the activities that caused the problem, hoping it will cure itself. Many assume that surgery is the only solution, and they dread the time away from activity that it would entail.

Either way, they often postpone the inevitable until the discomfort makes it impossible for them to live normally. This delay can result in a more serious knee problem that involves more extensive treatment and disables them for far longer than it would have if they had sought therapy earlier.

I admit to being one of those women. Instead of giving in to my knee pain, I tough it out — taking ibuprofen, wearing knee supports, icing my knees and continuing to play tennis, cycle, walk, dance and garden — rather than see a doctor. My knees always hurt during even routine activities to a greater or lesser degree, prompting me to change the way I walk, the shoes I wear and how much I carry, but, so far at least, I have refused to give in to the discomfort.

That is a big mistake, orthopedic surgeons tell me. In part, I am writing this column to persuade myself not to postpone a medical examination any longer. Perhaps surgery will not be necessary. Maybe all I need to relieve the pain in my knees are special inserts in my shoes and exercises to strengthen the muscles that support those spindly joints. Maybe that is all you will need, too.

WOMEN ARE more susceptible than men to serious injuries to the ligaments that hold the knee together and to chronic problems involving the kneecap and the cartilage that cushions the contact area between the upper and lower leg bones.

The width of the female pelvis results in a sharper angle where the bones meet, which can create alignment problems for the kneecap. Women's ligaments tend to be more lax than men's, and the muscles that support the knee are not as strong in women as they might be.

And women may unknowingly be using the wrong muscles during strenuous activities, a new study has shown. Researchers at Medsport at the University of Michigan found that, unlike men, women athletes rely more on the quadriceps — the muscles in the front of the thigh — to stabilize the knee than on the stronger hamstrings behind the thigh. The result is greater vulnerability to ligament injuries.

The Michigan researchers, Laura Huston, a research engineer, and Dr. Edward M. Wojtys, an orthopedic surgeon, said that in moving from noncontact sports to very physical games like basketball, hockey and soccer, women have experienced an "alarming rise" in serious knee injuries, to an injury rate at least twice that seen in men athletes.

THE MOST COMMON injury has been to the anterior cruciate ligament, the fibrous band of tissue in the center of the joint that is its main supporting link. When that ligament is torn, the joint is unstable, and slippage within the knee when it is stressed can cause crippling pain.

Ms. Huston believes that the problem results from the "mistraining" of women athletes at all levels, from high school to the Olympics. Women are encouraged to strengthen their quadriceps, she said, but they also need to do "activities that increase the quickness of the hamstring response," like hamstring curls and jumping rope.

Ordinary women who participate in activities like running, tennis, skiing, cycling or dancing are more likely than men to develop wear-and-tear knee injuries. Kneecap problems are especially common in women, said Dr. Ronald Grelsamer, chief of hip and knee surgery at Maimonides Medical Center in Brooklyn.

The kneecap is a cartilage-lined structure, in front of the joint, that meets the end of the femur, or thigh bone. In many people, especially women, the kneecap and femur fit together poorly, and the kneecap tracks improperly.

"Like a misaligned tire, a kneecap that is chronically in a bad position will wear out in time, especially if someone is very athletic," Grelsamer said. Sometimes the very exercises prescribed to relieve knee pain aggravate kneecap problems.

ESPECIALLY STRESSFUL, the orthopedist said, are leg curls. These exercises, which can be done against a resistance machine or while sitting in a chair with a weight on the ankle, involve straightening the bent leg against resistance, which Grelsamer says places too much force on a small contact area in the knee. Doing repeated deep knee bends, using a stair-climbing machine and participating in step classes when the steps are too high also risk injury to the kneecap, he said.

A kneecap in trouble is likely to cause pain around the front of the knee, prompting the victim to rub the knee with the palm of the hand, Grelsamer said. Another sign is pain after sitting on the floor cross-legged.

First and foremost, keep your weight down. When walking, every extra pound of body weight adds four pounds of pressure to the kneecap. When climbing stairs, that pound adds 20 pounds of stress; when running or doing high-impact aerobics, that pound places up to 25 extra pounds of stress on the knee.

The American Physical Therapy Association recommends that good muscle balance be maintained in the legs. That means strengthening both the quadriceps and hamstrings so that neither is overdeveloped, relative to the other. The association also urges that the muscles around the knee be warmed up and stretched before beginning your activity. Properly fitting shoes appropriate to your sport are also important, as is replacing worn shoes often; "worn" refers to the condition of the inner and outer sole, not the top of the shoe.

Avoid twisting the knee and squatting, and when using a leg-press machine or lifting something heavy while standing, avoid locking your knees.

PROBABLY THE most important and most universal bit of advice is to listen to your body. Knees that hurt are knees in trouble. See an orthopedic surgeon who specializes in knees, maybe two specialists, since the advice may differ.

Perhaps all you will need to correct the problem are orthotic inserts in your shoes or knee braces and individually prescribed exercises to stretch and strengthen the muscles that support the knee. You may also benefit from advice about less stressful ways to engage in various activities.

Pro-exercise message run by again and again

By Ira Dreyfuss

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Surgeon General's report on exercise was only the opening gun. America can expect a barrage of exhortations to get off the couch.

The report summed up the known value of exercise to keep people healthy. Government agencies, community groups, professional organizations and exercise-oriented businesses now intend to drive the message home.

"What I want to say is, we have to get America moving," said Donna E. Shalala, secretary of Health and Human Services. And if it takes becoming a "national nag," she'll do it, she said.

"I'm happy to be accused of being a national nag on cigarettes, exercise and diet," Shalala said. "Those are the things that are killing people."

The report issued last month said that more than 60 percent of adults do not get enough regular physical activity, and 25 percent get none. At a minimum, people should be moderately active on most days of the week, it said.

Thirty minutes of brisk walking counts as moderate activity, and can reduce the risk of conditions such as depression, diabetes, high blood pressure — even early death, the report said.

One key goal is to make exercise a normal part of daily life, Shalala said. "I will approach 'TV Guide' and television and radio with an exercise a week for couch potatoes," she said.

Shalala said she lifts five-pound handweights during the commercials, and watches the evening news from her treadmill.

The federal government counts on community-level organizations such as those set up by the President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports to do a lot of the legwork.

But the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has been given several million dollars and overall charge of followup campaigns, Shalala said.

One goal is to meet the exercise targets in HHS's Healthy People 2000 blueprint for improving public health. One key goal is to have no more than 15 percent of Americans over 6 years of age sedentary by the year 2000, and "I am not prepared to give up," Shalala said.

Medical groups and physical fitness organizations will be behind the effort, said James R. Whitehead, executive vice president of the American College of Sports Medicine, a professional group. The ACSM, the American Heart Association and some 100 other groups are working together as the National Coalition for Promoting Physical Activity.

The coalition is lining up corporate partners to promote physical activity, Whitehead said. But the coalition's own funds are limited, so it will have to rely on volunteers from member agencies to spread the word about exercise's value, he said.

Working as a team could be more effective than the current situation, in which exercise's supporters don't coordinate their attempts to make people more active, researcher Rod K. Dishman of the University of Georgia said.

But it will still take a lot of work to get Americans off their duffs and keep them there, Dishman said. And this will require money that might have to be diverted from other health campaigns.

As for corporate funding, Dishman is dubious. Fitness professionals such as aerobics instructors typically work by themselves, not as part of a wealthy corporation, he noted. And companies that sell health equipment would be more interested in sales than in having people choose an exercise routine and sticking with it, he said.

"It could well be that things continue on as usual after there's a flurry of attention," said Dishman, an expert in the problems of adhering to an exercise program.

Does sports psychology need therapy?

By Ira Dreyfuss

WASHINGTON (AP) — Don't expect to mind-game your way to a sports victory. Sports psychologists who claim you can may instead make a victory harder to get, according to a noted sports psychologist.

Much of the accepted sports-psych wisdom is based on guesswork and some of the guesses are bad, said William P. Morgan of the University of Wisconsin. Some concepts are proven and do work, but sports psychology is too new and has too little solid research to give coaches and athletes consistent value, he said.

Coaches and athletes are partly to blame for encouraging this, Morgan said. They want quick fixes, and they find psychologists who offer to deliver them, he said.

As a result, sports psychologists who try to offer practical advice often base it on intuition, poorly designed sports studies or research performed for other purposes, he said.

Sports psychologists may look at studies of people doing industrial jobs, and think athletes may do the same in competition, Morgan said. The problem is that clerical work or assembly line production doesn't require the same physical skills or have the same pressure, he said. Nor are clerks and factory workers commonly gifted with the skills of elite athletes, he said.

And the mind-body relationship often doesn't work the way the experts expect, Morgan said.

For instance, some psychologists think a player should use relaxation techniques to prevent anxiety from interfering with performance, Morgan said. But, while this seems to work with some athletes, others need to be keyed up because they perform poorly when they are highly relaxed, and yet others seem to perform best in the middle, he said. Paradoxically, some people who do mental relaxation exercises find their tension increases, he said.

Mental practice — having the athlete vividly imagine performing the event — is another questionable area, Morgan said. The techniques might help beginners and nonelite athletes remember what they need to do, but there's no proof that they help athletes who already know their jobs well.

Even the value of encouraging self-confidence is open to doubt, Morgan said. When confident athletes do better, it may be that they are confident because they have the physical ability to do better, not that their confidence somehow makes them physically better.

Much of the research in sports psychology also is poor, Morgan said. For instance, there might not be a control group, he said, that is used for comparison to the group which gets the technique that the experimenter wants to test. Without this comparison group, it's hard to tell whether the technique created the change, or whether it would have happened anyway.

If there is a control, researchers and subjects both often know who is getting the experimental technique, Morgan said. This may lead experimental subjects to perform better simply to please the researcher, regardless of whether the technique would have caused an improvement independently.

However, some things do seem to work, Morgan said. Nonelite athletes in aerobic sports — runners, for instance — tend to perform better if they can take their minds off their own discomfort, he said. On the other hand, their ability to shift their mental focus may let them ignore pain that is a warning sign of injury.

And elite athletes seem to do better when they focus on what they are feeling, Morgan said. These star athletes know how to judge how hard to push themselves by paying attention to their bodies.

Although Morgan's ideas have value, today's athletes don't have the luxury of waiting for researchers such as Morgan to painstakingly prove what works, said another sports psychologist, Thomas Tutko of San Jose State University in California.

"I would agree with Dr. Morgan that much of the research is tainted or flawed," Tutko said.

Just the same, doctors don't wait until the medical research is perfect — if they see a treatment works, they use it, he said. And psychologists can do the same — working from the evidence of their own eyes about what works.

"Sports psychology is two fields — one is research, doing studies, and the other is down-in-the-trenches observation stuff," Tutko said.

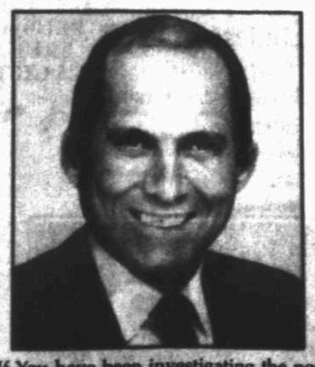
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Light shed on weight-control mystery

By Cecelia Goodnow
Hearst News Service

While they may debate the specifics of biochemistry, experts agree that science is getting closer to unraveling the mysteries of weight control. These discoveries, they say, promise to revolutionize treatment of obesity like Prozac indelibly changed treatment of depression.

Say stress sends you running for a bag of Ding Dongs. Blame it on chemistry, because you may not be feeding your face, you may be feeding your brain.

So says Judith Wurtman, the biochemist who helped develop Redux, the first weight-loss drug approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration in more than 20 years. It became available nationwide on June 13.

> **'People are finally recognizing weight problems are not due to a lack of willpower. There may be a chemical imbalance. Let's get the eating under control, then let's talk about why you feel it's necessary to clean your plate, why you need to stuff your face with food.'**
>
> — Judith Wurtman, biochemist who helped develop Redux

Redux and starchy snacks have something in common, says Wurtman, who was in Seattle recently to talk about "The Serotonin Solution," a diet book based on her 15 years of research at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. She heads the Nutrition and Behavior Studies Group at MIT's Clinical Research Center.

Wurtman says both Redux and carbohydrates create chemical changes in the brain that help combat emotional bingeing, which many weight-loss experts call the single biggest culprit in the nation's creeping weight gain.

DESPITE THE fitness and health craze of the past 15 years, the rate of obesity has climbed from one in four Americans to one in three — increasing the risk of heart disease, hypertension, diabetes and other serious conditions.

It's not exactly bootleg Prozac, but Wurtman says the carbohydrate in cookies, crackers, bagels and other starchy snacks helps the body manufacture serotonin, a neurotransmitter that regulates emotion.

"It's nature's edible tranquilizer," says Wurtman, who believes many overweight people turn to the carbohydrates in starches and sweets in an attempt to "self-medicate."

Inspired by mood-food research, she and others are trying to design food products that will further enhance brain chemistry.

One example is PMS Escape, a drink with special fast-acting carbohydrates that provide quick relief of mood and appetite changes triggered by premenstrual syndrome. Wurtman expects other "nutraceuticals" or "thera-foods" to follow.

Ordinary carbohydrates trigger a serotonin surge 30 minutes after eating, Wurtman says, reining in the emotions that can lead to bingeing. She says the effect lasts about three hours.

The prescription drug Redux works in a slightly different way, by enhancing the effectiveness of serotonin that's already in the body.

Redux is designed for people at least 30 percent overweight — or 20 percent if other health problems such as high blood pressure are present. Wyeth-Ayerst Laboratories sells it in 15-milligram capsules to be taken twice daily, at a cost under $2.50 a day.

Known generically as dexfenfluramine, Redux is similar to dl-fenfluramine, which already was being prescribed for weight loss in concert with the stimulant phentermine. Together, those older drugs are popularly dubbed the "fen-phen" combination.

THE SAFETY and effectiveness of Redux has not been proven beyond one year, and many weight-loss experts see it and fen-phen as last-ditch remedies when diet and exercise have failed.

"I don't really use these drugs," says Dr. Michael Schwartz, a University of Washington endocrinologist who works with obese patients.

Schwartz says he worries that the modest weight loss triggered by Redux and fen-phen doesn't justify the risk of side effects, which range from dry mouth to a rare but potentially life-threatening cardiovascular problem.

"For the average person, the very best you can really expect with these drugs would be to maintain a 10 percent weight loss," he says. "So you're not making obese people become lean. What you're doing is getting them to be a little less obese."

Wurtman agrees that no drug, by itself, can change eating habits if you don't want to change them. She says it's just one tool. Redux works best when combined with a weight-loss diet — especially a high-carbohydrate diet, Wurtman says.

"If you take Redux on a high-protein diet, it's not going to work," she says, explaining that protein blocks the brain's access to tryptophan, an amino acid used in serotonin production.

Other scientists, however, are still debating serotonin's role in controlling weight.

"Serotonin is not, frankly, the hot area right now," Schwartz says. He is more interested in the effects of leptin, a hormone made by fat cells.

Some researchers believe leptin, which is found in higher levels among overweight people, is part of a feedback loop that nudges the body to regain lost weight. Serotonin-based drugs may help with initial weight loss, he says, but lowered leptin levels may encourage the pounds to roll back on.

"So you have a sort of tug of war," Schwartz says, adding that obesity ultimately may be treated with a combination of drugs, just as high cholesterol is.

It's well established that most dieters regain their lost weight within five years. But Wurtman strongly disagrees that leptin is the key to keeping it off. She says it defies reason that a substance found in abundance in overweight people would trigger weight loss. If so, they wouldn't be fat.

"In five years," she says, "leptin (theory) will be as dead as the Edsel."

Wurtman contends the main reason dieters regain weight is that their food plans don't address how people eat when they're emotionally out of control.

As an example, she cites a friend who lost 125 pounds on Weight Watchers and successfully completed the maintenance program. The woman's new, sensible eating habits flew out the window when her husband lost his job and her son started getting into trouble. She eventually regained all the weight.

Wurtman discloses in the fine print that she has a financial interest in Redux as an adviser and shareholder in Interneron Inc., a company that holds patent rights to the drug.

In a revealing series of studies that spanned five years and involved 500 volunteers, Wurtman explored serotonin's role in human eating patterns. She and her colleagues found that participants ate sensibly at meals but racked up 700 to 1,000 calories a day in sweet and starchy snacks from a vending machine that monitored their food choices.

Most of the snacking occurred two or three hours after lunch or dinner — times that coincided with psychological fatigue and dips in mood.

MIT RESEARCHERS followed up with a double-blind study of Redux, in which neither the nurses nor the participants knew who was getting the active drug. Wurtman says the volunteers on Redux cut their snacking almost in half, while those taking the placebo kept eating.

Carbohydrate cravings are common in dieters, agrees Eileen Paul, a clinical dietician at Group Health.

"I have to agree, it's a serotonin release," Paul says. "For a lot of people, that's why they go with it. They get into a pattern of stress eating. They get a sense of well-being from the carbohydrate."

On the other hand, when people aren't eating well, it's harder to deal with emotions, says Cynthia Gale, a registered dietician at Northwest Clinical Nutrition Center who believes the best weight-loss plan is just "good, healthy eating."

Dr. Robert Kanter, an endocrinologist at Seattle's Northwest Hospital, says researchers still don't know exactly how serotonin affects eating patterns.

Emotional overeating is a "huge factor" among Kanter's overweight patients, one-quarter of whom have problems with depression. Treating them with an antidepressant such as Prozac, which enhances the function of serotonin, can help them regain control, he says.

But Kanter doubts any single factor is pivotal in eating patterns, given the critical role food plays in survival.

"It's very rare that there's only one control mechanism" in crucial biological systems, he says. "It's usually a whole series of factors. What the studies with leptin show is, it's one signal, just as serotonin is one signal. Each thing is one piece of the puzzle."

IDEALLY, DIET drugs would not supplant nutrition counseling and exercise. But by stabilizing patients' biochemistry, they could help ensure that lifestyle changes and counseling had a chance to succeed.

"People are finally recognizing weight problems are not due to a lack of willpower," Wurtman says. "There may be a chemical imbalance. Let's get the eating under control, then let's talk about why you feel it's necessary to clean your plate, why you need to stuff your face with food."

Her assertion that we're on the threshold of a new era in weight control gets no argument from local experts.

"There's going to be a lot of progress," Kanter says, "and it's going to be a lot more complicated than we think."

"I think we really are breaking open our understanding of how weight is controlled," added Schwartz. "And pharmaceutical approaches will follow that."

Even home can be hazardous to health

Hearst News Service

Your house could be hazardous to your health. Doctors who treat people suffering from allergies, Frederica Templeton wrote in an article in a recent issue of Country Living, have known for many years that the dust, dust mites, mold and mildew, animal dander and other allergens present in most houses can cause chronic respiratory illness and asthma.

Moisture in the walls and carpeting as well as in humidifiers and air conditioners provide an ideal breeding ground for fungi.

In addition to these natural biological contaminants, scientists have identified numerous man-made materials that can be a source of health problems. The impact can be as mild as eye or throat irritation or as serious as cancer.

A 1987 report sponsored by the Environmental Protection Agency listed more than 300 volatile organic chemicals that may be present in a single dwelling. One of the most common — and potentially most harmful — is formaldehyde, which is widely used in building materials, upholstered furniture, permanent press fabrics, adhesives and paints.

Volatile chemicals are also present in carpeting, vinyl flooring, countertops, sealers and finishes, and pesticides — even some cleaning products. Synthetic carpeting not only emits formaldehyde but other hazardous chemicals, including pesticides and neurotoxic solvents like toluene, xylene and benzene. There have been hundreds of complaints in recent years to the Consumer Product Safety Commission from people who have suffered serious reactions to synthetic carpeting. These odorless, tasteless pollutants result in a buildup of toxins in houses which are potentially harmful to health even in low doses.

Other sources of health problems in the home that have been identified in the past 20 years are lead, asbestos, radon and electromagnetic energy.

Creating a healthier home environment depends on a three-part strategy — identifying potential sources of pollutants, removing as many as possible and improving ventilation.

There are many inexpensive ways to improve air quality and minimize the effects of toxins. Many environmentally sensitive materials — nontoxic paints and bedding, for example — cost only slightly more or the same as those made from chemicals. Here are a few things homeowners can do to promote healthy indoor air:

- Test your house for radon. Inexpensive kits are available for both long-term and short-term tests.
- Clean dehumidifiers and humidifiers every week and refrigerator drip pans every four to six weeks to prevent both the growth of mold and its resultant mildew spores from becoming airborne.
- Vacuum duct outlets twice a year. Ductwork in older homes should be professionally cleaned every three three to five years.
- Use natural fibers for clothing, bedding and draperies as often as possible.
- Remove all synthetic carpeting, especially wall-to-wall, and replace it with hardwood, tile or linoleum flooring and area rugs of wool or cotton.
- Reduce the amount of electromagnetic energy you are exposed to by staying at least 3 feet away from such appliances as the microwave oven when it is on.

By demanding nontoxic building materials and household products, consumers can improve not only their immediate environment but eventually the environment of the entire planet.

Babies born in White House

WASHINGTON (AP) — The first child born in the White House was James Madison Randolph on Jan. 17, 1806. He was the son of Thomas Randolph and Martha (Jefferson) Randolph, President Jefferson's daughter.

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In fashion, everything old is new again

By Barbara De Witt
N.Y. Times News Service

LOS ANGELES — Long or short hemlines? Flares or cigarette legs?

Can't figure out what's in and what's out? If you're feeling fashion-impaired, don't fret. Just dial a decade — any decade — on your fashion hot line and you'll be stylin'.

As we inch closer to the next century, designers here and abroad have scoured thrift shops, studied movie classics and sitcom reruns, and even looked into their own closets for inspiration. And what they've come up with is a time line of looks we loved (and hated) from the '20s through the '80s.

Talk about playing it again, Sam.

With drop-waist dresses, miniskirts, mod pantsuits and peacoats last seen in the 1970 film "Love Story," fashion mavens are beginning to wonder if designers are stuck in a sentimental rut, or are feeling so insecure that they're only designing what they know will sell.

LEE HOGAN CASS, regional director of the Fashion Group International trade organization in Los Angeles, isn't complaining, but she's concerned about the trend.

"It's odd that as we approach the next millennium, nobody is reaching forward in fashion. Like, where's the Rudi Gernreich of the '90s?" she asked, referring to the Los Angeles designer famous for his '60s space-age look.

We're moving into an "age of self-navigation," said Chip Walker, director of the Global Consulting & Trends firm in New York. He describes it as "a new era in which the public no longer relies on tradition, convention and institutions to frame the course of their lives."

Rosemary Brantley, who heads the fashion department of Otis College of Art and Design in Los Angeles, also has noticed that people no longer want to be dictated to when it comes to what they wear.

"There's a new freedom to pick and choose what you want to wear. It's not just about bias cuts or fabrics, but comfort. And many of the fashions of the past were designed for comfort," she said.

IT'S SIMPLY a great year to play dress-up, said James Watterson, spokesman for Robinsons-May stores.

About those new-again styles. No, they aren't going total flapper with Cupid's bow lips and flattened breasts, but the silhouette is definitely long and lean, with fluid fabrics and shoes like T-straps, said Beverly Morgan, fashion spokeswoman for Neiman Marcus stores.

"A long look is key, regardless of the decade you dial," Morgan said. "To get it, designers have made smaller shoulders and arm holes, with fitted clothes that gently flare out at the bottom, whether it's a skirt or pant hemline," said Morgan, who thinks many of the new looks are reminiscent of the late Halston and rekindled by Tom Ford for Gucci.

"We're still seeing the '70s, but there's a lot of '20s influence, as well," Morgan said. "You'll see matte jersey shirts worn unbuttoned, ankle-length slim skirts, below-the-hip cardigans (an alternative to blazers) and minimal jewelry."

But she adds that the military looks of peacoats and pantsuits with plenty of brass buckles and buttons also are making a comeback.

THE MUST-HAVES of the season?

According to these experts, it's any trend from your favorite era, but there are a few items that place you high on the fashion barometer. Cass said a slim pantsuit in pin stripes will give you instant clout, especially if you dress it up with clunky square-toed shoes and a shirt and tie for that menswear influence, but she doesn't expect exaggerated shoulders to hurry back. Cass also recommends a short, crisp skirt, a long fluid skirt that grazes the ankles, and leather goods with a glossy (not patent) finish.

Morgan said her list of must-haves would include a jumpsuit, a military-inspired jacket with epaulets, a turtleneck sweater with cigarette-silhouette pants, and a jacket with faux fur trim.

WATTERSON ADVISED trendies to shop for a peacoat, a chenille vest, and clothes in brown (trying to be the new black), purple (this year it's called eggplant or aubergine) and lime green (it's not as bright but still glowing).

For evening? Brantley thinks a body-skimming dress with Halston touches is the dress for evening. Not sure what it looks like? Think back to those slit-from-here-to-there clingy gowns worn by Liza Minnelli.

Fashion guide explains 'looks' of each decade

By Barbara De Witt
N.Y. Times News Service

Dial-a-decade details: Wondering how to tell one decade from another so you won't look like a geek (unless that's your fashion strategy)? Here's a quick guide through the years:

■ The '20s: Think of "The Great Gatsby" and recall all of those fluid, unfitted, dropped waist dresses with ropes of pearls. Suits were equally unfitted but a far cry from oversize grunge, and were accented with little knit caps pulled low in front, as well as fedoras.

■ The '30s: The spectator look is born, with long cardigan sweaters, fluid skirts that showed off the ankles, and long muffler-style scarves.

■ The '40s: Women were working during the war years, and started to wear pants in public. Dresses and suits (often with rounded Peter Pan collars) were popular, and there was an emphasis on hourglass figures, so you saw plenty of peplumed jackets over straight skirts. Rhinestones were the jewels of the decade, and everybody wanted to look like a glamorous movie star.

■ The '50s: A mixed bag of Hollywood makeup and style, including mink stoles. Dresses were often fitted at the bodice with a full, circle skirt. Capri pants were hot, especially under a skirt that opened in the front. Mules and flats were the shoes of the decade, but young women favored thick socks and saddle oxfords or penny loafers to go with poodle skirts and ponytails.

■ The '60s: This decade started with boxy little suits and sleeveless sheaths made famous by first lady Jackie Kennedy. Ladylike pearls, pillbox hats and, of course, gloves were *the* look until the late '60s, when miniskirts, maxi coats, bell bottoms and straight hair came into focus. No fashion-forward woman left home without her fake eyelashes.

■ The '70s: The first part of the decade was more of the mod look, but polyester doubleknit soon influenced everything we wore. Dresses looked like they were made from a cookie cutter — they were crisp and A-line, followed by fluid jersey dresses that skimmed over the body. It was the "Brady Bunch" years, with Afro hairstyles, platform shoes, peacoats, hip-huggers, white shoes and leisure suits.

■ The '80s: The decade of preppy Izod fashions and power suits with mega-wide shoulder pads. Status labels were of major importance, and you looked for purses with labels on the outside. Hair was sleeked into a bob or low ponytail with a big expensive taffeta bow, and shoes were sleek pumps that showed you were all business and made big bucks. In the '80s, briefcases became fashion accessories.

■ The '90s: Tired of all that dress-for-success style, we embraced oversize, no-style clothes. Colors were dull, black reigned supreme, and hair was purposely dirty and stringy ... until 1995, when the '50s and '60s styles came back into focus, followed by a last look at everything we wore throughout the century.

Personal histories are treasured memories

By Dr. Hap LeCrone
N.Y. Times News Service

While one may think that writing one's autobiography is reserved for the famous, many individuals in the later years of their lives seek to record and preserve personal accounts for future generations.

An elderly friend once told me, "I just want to share some of the experiences I have had that I think my grandchildren and great-grandchildren may want to know about."

He went on to say that because he was so busy during the years that his children were in the household, he never found the time to tell them what he remembered about his parents, his childhood friends, his experiences. He, like many parents, was too involved providing for the economic necessities of rearing a family.

Now with more leisure time available, he wanted to leave something about himself for them to remember.

An autobiography can be a list of events that the writer remembers with clarity, an event that has left its mark on the thinking and direction of the person.

Or it can be a vague puzzling event that continues to thwart, irritate or cause reflection and introspection.

Autobiographies or personal histories can be the record of a short period of one's life, perhaps the courtship and marriage of the person, a period of military duty, survival in the event of a natural catastrophe or simply the feelings the parents had during the birth of a child.

Begin by letting your thoughts flow, writing without regard for spelling, grammar, organization or accuracy.

Today's word processors relieve the drudgery and tediousness of handwritten pages. But if you do not wish to use one, try a tape recorder and simply talk about your life or part of it.

In writing or recording, don't be too concerned about literary style. The intent is not to impress the world or sell a product, rather it is to inform and preserve a portion of your individuality.

A prisoner of war who had never been able to express all the emotions he felt during that perilous time began by writing an hour each day, not in chronological order, not by any outline. He just put his thoughts on paper.

When he had written all he could remember about the period of confinement and mistreatment, he began organizing. Then he asked a sibling to read it and help him correct and clarify it.

A woman who had lost her spouse at an early age and had to support and educate her offspring wrote of her fears, loneliness and hardships that culminated with the pride she felt in the children who never forgot the dreams and hopes their father had instilled in them.

Writing an autobiography helps analyze feelings and actions as well as interpreting a period of time for future readers.

Most autobiographies are treasured memories.

When my friend finished writing his autobiography and made copies for his family members, he said he felt a kind of peace, that he had left a better explanation of himself for his heirs, a commentary of his actions in his own words.

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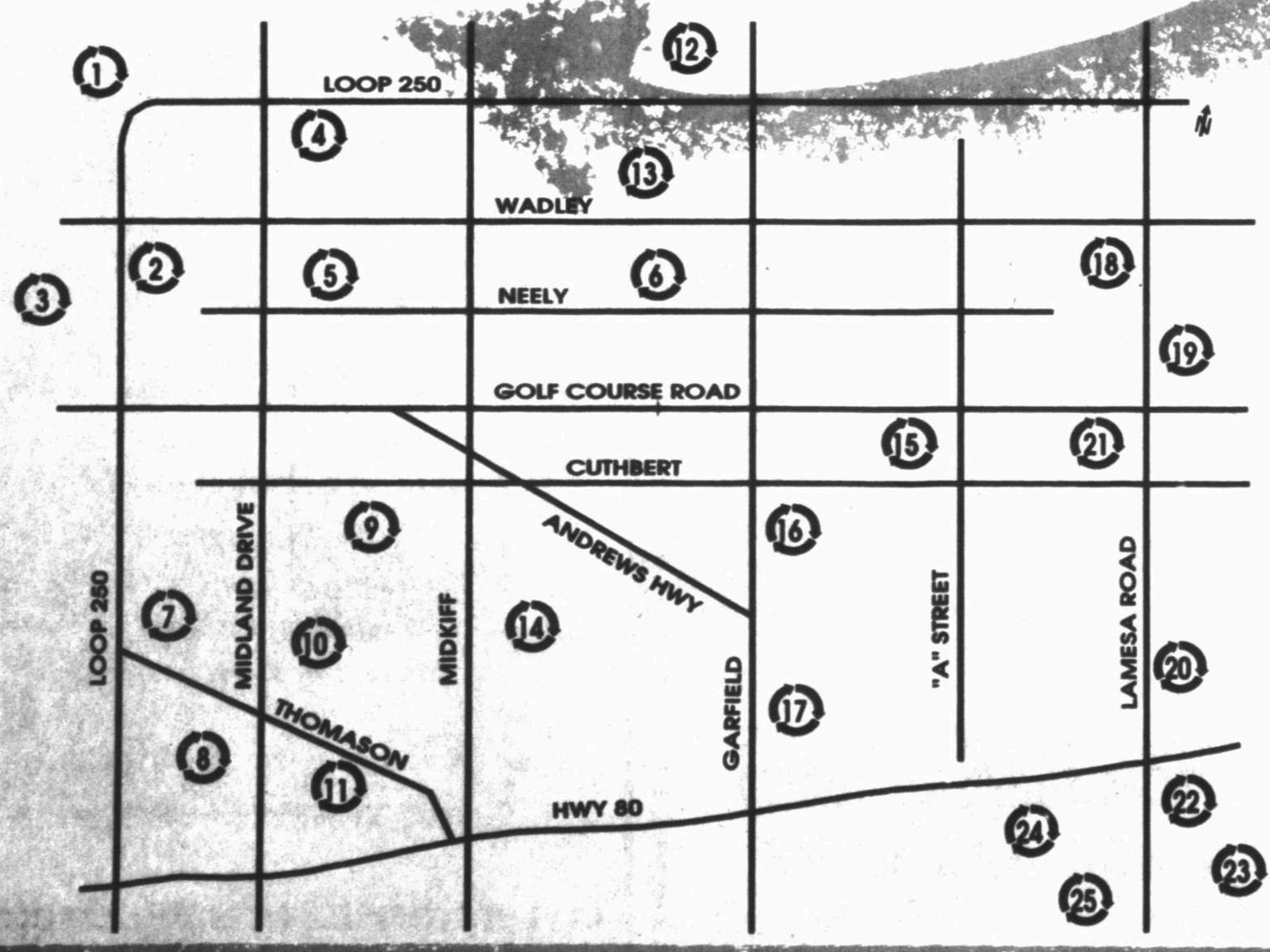
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By Deborah A.

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N.Y. Times News

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Galls on plants look worse than they are

By Deborah A. Benge Frost

Occasionally you may see the craziest looking growths on trees and shrubs in your landscape. Big, green, golf ball-looking growths in a red oak; fuzzy tan balls on the back side of a live oak tree; and large marble-sized woody lumps on oaks are all various types of galls.



Benge Frost

Abnormal swellings, referred to as galls, can form on trees and shrubs, causing concern to home gardeners.

Galls can be caused by several pests, including insects, mites, fungi or nematodes.

Most often galls are caused by insects, usually moth caterpillars, beetles, flies, aphids and small wasps.

Galls are caused by the abnormal growth of plant cell, and provide insects with food and shelter during certain stages of their developmental cycles, usually the immature larval stage. Different species of insects cause galls to take on characteristic sizes, shapes and colors specific to that insect.

Gall tissue actually comes from the plant itself, and is formed as a response to a specific stimulus received from the insect. The stimulus is thought to occur when the adult insect lays eggs on the plant tissue or when eggs hatch and larvae begin to feed on the plant.

In either case, chemicals are thought to be secreted by special glands in the insect's body and, in turn, interact with certain plant chemicals to produce the characteristic abnormal plant growth.

After a brief time of cell growth, gall development stops. The insect becomes confined to its house and feeds only on gall tissue and, eventually, emerges as an adult.

Once the gall tissue is formed, neither the insect nor the gall continues to use plant nutrients.

Galls can occur on many host plants. Some plants will even play host to many different types of galls, including live oak, which can have as many as five different galls at the same time.

And for some unknown reason, galls can form on one tree and not on another tree of the same species next to it. Or a tree may have completely different types of galls.

Galls are most often found on stems, leaves and petioles (leaf stems), but can also occur on flowers, fruits and trunk.

The galls usually drop off when the plant part drops off, but some galls, such as the mealy oak gall that forms on stems, trunks and roots, may persist for years (just the gall, not the immature insect).

There are number of different types of galls, such as blister galls, bud galls, bullet galls, flower galls, fruit galls, leaf galls, oak apple galls and pouch galls. Some need an entomology specialist to even identify, and others are easily recognized.

The appearance of galls can cause panic among homeowners for fear a tree will succumb to a dreadful gall-causing disease or other pest.

In reality, most insect-induced galls do not result in noticeable or measurable plant injury. Occasionally the gall population will be so heavy on the leaves that it will cause early defoliation, but generally the tree recovers, seemingly without consequence.

(Another gall-producing insect called a phylloxera can damage pecans, but this is not a pest we have in our area.)

Controlling galls with chemicals is almost impossible because we don't know when to apply foliar sprays. Pesticide sprays must be applied while adult insects are actively laying eggs, or it is wasted effort. Adult gall-making insects are so small that most people wouldn't notice or recognize them.

Once the galls form there's no way to control the pests, even with a systemic insecticide. Since very little is known about the individual life cycles of these various gall makers, chemical control is not recommended.

Several gall-causing insects are suppressed by parasitic wasps. Limiting pesticide sprays can protect these beneficials so that they can be more effective in controlling these gall-making insects.

This may be the reason why isolated trees growing in a harsh, inhospitable site, such as in the middle of as asphalt sea, may be covered with many galls. In this situation, beneficial parasitic wasps are not very high in numbers, so these trees are often heavily populated with galls.

Trees infested with galls will often have lots of paper wasps, cicada killers, green metallic June beetles and even honeybees swarming around them. These wasps and other insects are attracted to a high sugar honeydew that some galls excrete.

The important thing to remember about these insects is that they are not damaging the plant.

In very few cases will any of these galls cause significant, measurable damage to your trees. Unless you are sure about when the adult gall producers are laying their eggs, chemical sprays are not recommended.

Limiting the use of pesticide will encourage larger populations of beneficial parasitic insects that can reduce gall numbers.

If you've got a tree with galls and need information on identifying them, contact your local county Extension office for a copy of "Insect-Inducing Galls on Ornamental Plants," publication number L-1299.

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Permian Basin Fair and Expo is planned for Sept. 10-15 at the Ector County Coliseum in Odessa.

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Watches put face on fashion

By Barbara De Witt

N.Y. Times News Service

LOS ANGELES — For fall '96, you've got to check your wristwatch, often. We're talking about the dial-a-decade year in fashion: One day you're wearing a drop-waist dress inspired by the '20s, and the next you're in a disco-style polyester pantsuit. With each decade, you need different accessories, including wristwatches.

To face up to each retro fashion, think about the silhouette of the clothes and the mood of the times, said Susie Watson, spokeswoman for the Timex company. According to Watson, here's how you can tell what time — or decade — it is:

■ The '20s: Watches were really small, feminine and fussy. Marcasite was very popular. Look for the "poor man's diamonds" sparkling on the faces of dainty watches with black cord bands or the more contemporary look of a silver bracelet.

■ The '30s: Art deco styles reign, and are noted for oval and rectangular faces with geometric "stepped" details on the sides of the case. Like the '20s, the watch is still small and silver. P.S.: This was also the decade that gave birth to Mickey Mouse pocket watches.

■ The '40s: Watches are getting a little more sporty, with square and rectangular faces and a curved or arched silhouette. Art deco is still a strong inspiration, but dainty tank styles with gold metal-toned cases and leather bands are emerging.

■ The '50s: The economy is back on its feet and luxury watches are becoming popular, with jeweled faces and gold and silver metals. But it's also the era of one watch for all purposes, as well as the birth of expansion bands and other Disney character watches.

■ The '60s: This is the decade that began with dainty ladylike watches, often featuring expansion-style bands, and feminine pendant watches, and ended with jumbo-size pop art-inspired watches. The London-inspired styles had huge round faces on wide interchangeable bands in bright colors and patent leathers.

■ The '70s: Big-faced dials, especially on bangle bracelets, are still popular, but everything is gold in this decade. As the decade began, watches were still hand-wound, but by the end of the '70s, everybody was talking digital.

■ The '80s: This is the all-time status watch decade, but it wasn't so much about jeweled faces as pricey sport styles like the Rolex and Cartier tank. During this decade, we saw digital sport watches, with bells and whistles, and novelty watches like Swatch.

■ The '90s: Retro watches, novelty watches and the classics are all back. New ideas of this decade include the Indiglo night-light watch from Timex, which soon became available in numerous brands. Also timely are happy faces on pocket watches and this year's ring watch by Joe Boxer.

With all the hoopla over the '60s, expect to see large faces and silver cases again.

CLUB NEWS

XI EPSILON EPSILON CHAPTER, BSP

Xi Epsilon Epsilon chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met in the home of Heather Pregger. Jean Crawford was co-hostess. Powers Duvall gave a program on "The Stock Market."

Socials included celebrating July birthdays at On The Border, Movie Night, antique shopping in Big Spring and two nights of Summer in the City.

EN AMIE REVIEW CLUB

En Amie Review Club met for luncheon and program at Ranchland Hills Country Club. Beverly Bowhay of Odessa gave a program on "A River Runs Through It" by Norman Maclean.

Margaret Williams was introduced as a new member. Guests were Mary Louise Logan, Lucy Box, Loara Heinze, Jenna Welch and Marjorie Post.

UNITED OSTOMY ASSOCIATION

Midland/Odessa chapter of the United Ostomy Association met at Memorial Hospital and Medical Center's auditorium. Weldon Dawson presided. Al Mason led the invocation. Donna Parsons gave the treasurer's report and the minutes were read.

Permian Basin Health Fair was discussed. Weldon and Alice Dawson gave a program on the annual meeting.

BRIDGE WINNERS

The following are bridge winners for Aug. 6-12.

TUESDAY

1. Vangie Lindsey, Ricki Perry
2. Mary Hammond, Dixie Gifford
3. Sue Conner, Guida Dunn
4. Linda Jerman, Jerry Crooker

WEDNESDAY

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2. Laura Williams, Ann Servatius
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1. Eleanor Kimberlin, Dorothy Lloyd
2. Betty Marlow, Carolyn Hancock
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5. Helen Owen, Snookie Howard

FRIDAY

1. Betty Sheeler, Flo Curry
2. Jerry Williamson, Joe Salman
3. Mary Hammond, Beulah Prichard
4. Jean Banks, Laura Williams

SATURDAY

1. K.C. Evans, Bob Baker
2. Billie Ruppe, Joe Salman
3. Sue Gardiner, Betty Reeves
4. Ann Servatius, Jimmy Cox

SUNDAY

1. Jane Myers, Dixie Gifford
2. Lib French, Betty Sheeler
3. Sandra Landua, Clarence Marley
4. Leonora Slusher, Mary Hammond

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Visiting Nice is nice — and easy

By Jennifer Merin

NICE, France (AP) — There is something irresistibly pleasing about this capital of the French Riviera.

Perhaps what's best is that the bustle of a thriving city doesn't detract from the easygoing, small-town ambiance that captivates all who visit.

Nice (pronounced niece) is a commercial center with lots of shops and businesses, but commerce seems to segue nicely into lengthy strolls along Promenade des Anglais.

That seaside boulevard, rich in palm trees and flowers, separates age-old townhouses and palatial hotels from the Mediterranean's pebbled shores.

At the eastern end of the promenade is Lido Plage, one of Nice's 15 public beaches and a favorite of sun-worshipers who want to show off their tans.

Outdoor bistros shaded by umbrellas punctuate the promenade and line the narrow winding streets of Nice's historic Old Town.

The Nicois, as residents are called, nurse a cup of coffee or a beer so it will last until late in the afternoon, when passionate conversations on culture and world affairs wind down.

Visit Le Chateau, a lovely public garden and park set atop the rocky promontory where the ruling dukes of Savoy's castle once stood.

Take in the flower market at Cours Selaya in Old Town, then browse through nearby vendor stalls for bric-a-brac and gadgets that sell for a song.

The city's museums cater to the Nicois' interest in art and history. Musee National Marc Chagall heralds the artist who lived at nearby Saint-Paul-de-Vence.

Musee Cheret features an eclectic collection of art, ranging from Renaissance to Impressionist, from primitive to contemporary.

And along with the art at Musee Massena are memorabilia of two of Nice's most famous sons — Marshal Massena, Napoleon's marshal, and Garibaldi, the Italian patriot who was born in Nice, then in France but later a part of the Kingdom of Sardinia.

In the nearby town of Cimiez, Musee Matisse pays homage to Henri Matisse with his art and personal belongings from his homes in Nice and Cimiez.

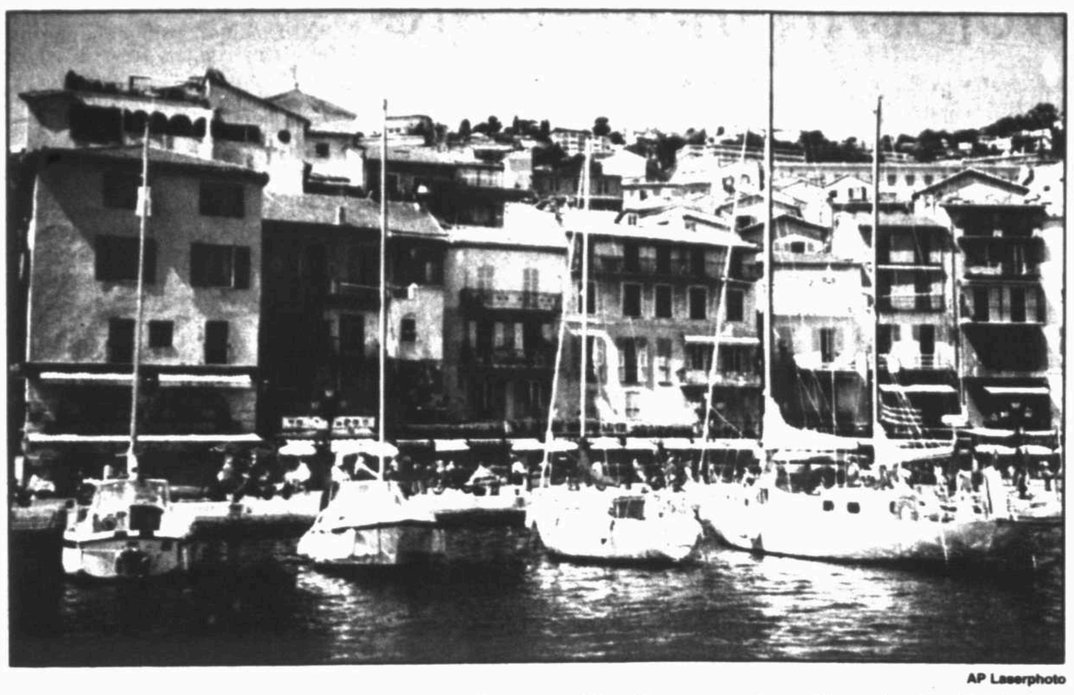
A mini-train, a string of awning-covered six-seater carriages pulled by a small truck — is popular with tourists. The 45-minute trip, about $15 per person, starts and ends at a kiosk on Promenade des Anglais.

As the train rolls through Old Town, a guide describes landmark buildings, monuments and plazas in Italian, English, French, German and other languages specific to tour groups.

After a climb to the top of Le Chateau, the train stops for 10 minutes so passengers may drink in the views of Cote d'Azur and hit the refreshment and souvenir kiosk.

If views along the Cote d'Azur are irresistible, use Nice as a gateway for exploring the resorts and towns nestled along the shore and in the rocky coastal mountains.

Nice is a hub for accessing the glitter of Monaco with its casino and night life, the chic of celebrity-clad Cannes and its world-famous film festival, the relaxed ambience of Saint-Paul-de-Vence and its artists' colony, the charms of ancient Villefranche's harbor front and dozens of little fishing villages, each with little eateries serving up steaming bouillabaisse and other local cuisine.



AP Laserphoto

Window shutters in Villefrance are painted a Meditteranean blue, the same color as the water. The fishing village and free port is about 20 minutes from Nice, a scenic drive along the French Riviera.

If you go:

The runway of Nice International Airport is parallel to the shore of the Bay of Angels, so landings offer spectacular views of the Mediterranean coast. Delta Airlines flies direct from New York's JFK Airport to Nice. American Airlines connects from Los Angeles or JFK to Nice via London, with a carrier change to British Midlands in London. Air France flies to Nice via Paris.

Bus service from the airport to Nice takes about 20 minutes and costs about $2. But if you intend to explore the area, a rental car is more convenient.

Mini-train tours leave every 30 minutes from "Albert the First" Esplanade opposite the Centenary Monument. For reservations, the telephone number in Nice is 93 18 81 58 or fax 93 18 17 29.

For further information on Nice, contact your travel agent or write to the French Government Tourist Office, 444 Madison Ave., New York, N.Y. 10022-6903.

Questions on literary tours, hotels answered

By Janet Piorko
N.Y. Times News Service

Q. I recently saw a segment on CBS's "Sunday Morning" show about a literary trip to a small town on the English-Welsh border, Hay-on-Wye. Any information you may have on how to take such a trip will be appreciated. — Jerome Kay, do we need to say he's a doctor?

A. The town of Hay-on-Wye, in the Welsh Borders region, has a population of 1,400 and some three dozen bookshops, virtually all of them selling secondhand and antiquarian books.

The phenomenon began around 40 years ago with Richard Booth, who opened a shop in town, "and gradually it grew from there," according to Pat Gamon, a tourist information officer at the Hay-on-Wye Tourist Information Bureau. The town gets about a million visitors a year, she said.

The tourist office is situated on Oxford Road, within the Crafts Center, at the top of the main parking lot; telephone (0497) 820144.

The town has had an annual literary festival in recent years, with readings and recitals; the 1997 dates are May 23 to June 1.

Several companies schedule stops in the town as part of tours focusing on literary Britain.

A company called British Heritage Tours is planning to run a seven-night trip next year, May 28 to June 4, that will spend two days in Hay to attend the literary festival.

The tour will spend three nights in nearby Ross-on-Wye, as well as one night in Stratford-Upon-Avon and three nights in London. Other features will include literary walks of London and Bath, a visit to Shakespeare's birthplace and a performance at the Royal Shakespeare Theater.

The price of $1,075 to $1,288 a person, based on double occupancy, depends on how many participants sign up; a minimum of 10 will be required. It includes Continental breakfast in London and dinner and English breakfast outside London. Air fare is extra.

British Heritage Tours, Richmond Place, 125 Boughton, Chester CH3 5BJ, England; telephone from the United States (800) 964-2819, or in Britain (01244) 342222, fax (01244) 320072.

A company called Back-Roads Touring in London includes Hay-on-Wye on its Literary England itinerary (which, obviously, also includes Wales). The tour ran last July; next year's dates are not set.

In addition to spending a day in the town, it also visits Jane Austen's home at Chawton, Hampshire; towns and villages in Dorset associated with Thomas Hardy, and the city of Bath.

The price is $1,499 including transportation, accommodations and full breakfast and dinner daily. Arrangements can be made through the company's United States representative, British Network, The Mews, 594 Valley Road, Upper Montclair, N.J. 07043; telephone (201) 744-8814 or (800) 274-8583, fax (201) 744-0531.

Q. I would like to find furnished accommodations with kitchen facilities in Santa Monica, Calif., on a weekly or monthly basis. And is winter a high or low season?

A. Winter, especially January and February, is low season in Santa Monica, according to a spokeswoman for the Santa Monica Convention and Visitors Bureau, when hotels may drop their rates by as much as 25 percent. (However, neither of the two hotels subsequently contacted would quote seasonal discounts for that period this far in advance.) Average temperatures range from lows in the mid-40s to highs in the mid-60s in January and February.

Here are two suite-style hotels that might fill the bill.

The Hotel Oceana, which just reopened after a $4.5 million renovation, has 65 suites ranging in size from studio to two bedrooms, on a cliff overlooking the ocean.

Each suite has a separate dining area and fully equipped kitchen. There is a heated outdoor pool, a fitness center and a laundry. Guests cross the street and take the stairs down to the beach.

Continental breakfast delivered to the room is included in the rates, which currently start at $170 daily for a studio; $190 for a one-bedroom, and $275 for a two-bedroom.

Though winter rates have not yet been set, a staff member at the hotel said you should be able to get a discount of 10 to 20 percent for an extended stay of more than a month.

Hotel Oceana, 849 Ocean Avenue, Santa Monica, Calif. 90403; telephone (310) 393-0486 or (800) 777-0758, fax (310) 458-1182.

Doubletree Guest Suites Hotel, with 253 suites, offers lower rates but not a full kitchen.

The suites, which all have separate living room and bedroom with a wall between them, also have a wet bar with coffee maker and fully-stocked mini-bar; small refrigerators and microwave ovens are available on request, as are eating utensils.

The hotel, recently renovated, has an outdoor heated pool and whirlpool, a health club and sauna. The hotel is four blocks from the ocean. Nearby is the Third Street Promenade, a lively dining and nightlife area.

A standard suite with a king-size bed and a sleep sofa is $119 a night for a stay of at least seven days; $109 for a 14-day stay, and $99 a night for 30 days or longer.

Doubletree Guest Suites Hotel, 1707 Fourth Street, Santa Monica 90401; (310) 395-3332, (800) 222-8733, fax (310) 452-7399.

Telephone calls to a half-dozen real-estate agencies that are members of the local chamber of commerce found only one that might be able to help. Bob Katz, assistant manager of the Prudential Jon Douglas Co., said that with luck, his agency might be able to find a two-bedroom townhouse in a good location for $2,000 a month.

"That's a bare minimum — it goes up from there," he said. The Prudential Jon Douglas Co., 1531 Montana Avenue, Santa Monica 90403, telephone (310) 458-0091, fax (310) 458-6125.

Q. We are collectors of rock, fossil, mineral and gem material. We are interested in spending a few months in Australia collecting material. Do you have any information?

A. The Australian Tourist Commission has produced a 19-page information sheet, Fossicking in Australia, to help travelers with this interest; it can be obtained by calling the Aussie Help Line at (847) 296-4900.

Since Australia produces most of the world's opals, according to the Tourist Commission, and is a major source of gold and diamonds, as well as semiprecious stones and other minerals, this is a very big subject, with various state regulations governing where amateurs can try their luck and what permits are required.

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MIDLAND (AP) — Named for its location about 300 miles equidistant from Dallas and El Paso, Midland began when the railroad arrived in 1881. It grew as a cattle-shipping center, then boomed when oil was discovered in 1923. Today, Midland lies at the center of a region producing nearly one-fourth of the nation's crude oil, gas liquids and natural gas.

It is known locally as the "Tall City" for its numerous office towers that rise above the flat surrounding landscape.

DEAR ABBY

Female pallbearers carry just as well as males do

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR READERS: I'll be on vacation between Aug. 18 and Aug. 31. Don't panic — I've selected some of my favorite letters from past years to fill the gap. I hope you enjoy them.



Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: We have an uncle who made a strange request some time ago. He asked us (his nieces) to be his pallbearers when he dies.

He is very sick now and has repeated that request. My father disapproves because he never heard of female pallbearers.

I for one would like to be a pallbearer at my uncle's funeral because he is my favorite uncle. My cousins also would like to serve as pallbearers.

Have you ever heard of such a thing? And even if you haven't, do you see anything wrong with it? — LOUISVILLE, KY.

DEAR LOUISVILLE: I have indeed heard of it, and there's no reason why your uncle's wishes should not be carried out when he is.

DEAR ABBY: My son, Allen, who is 18, has been going with Anna Marie for three years. She's also 18. They have been engaged since last Christmas, but no wedding date has been set.

Allen lives at home and just started working at a bank. Anna Marie works there too.

This bank has a great benefit package, which includes a $50,000 life insurance policy. Allen told me he made Anna Marie his beneficiary.

I was very hurt. I told him that after they are married, she should be the beneficiary, but until then, if, God forbid, something should happen to him, I should be the beneficiary of his policy.

He said no; if something should happen to him tomorrow, he'd want his girlfriend to collect on his policy. What is your opinion? — ALLEN'S MOTHER

DEAR MOTHER: I'm with you. Until Allen and Anna Marie are married (unless she's pregnant), Allen's beneficiary should be his mother.

DEAR ABBY: I have been told by friends that it is possible to get pregnant through your jeans. I can't believe this!

I am a virgin, just turned 15, and know I am going to be more involved with guys now that I'm dating. If this is possible, I am scared to death to get very close to any guy. I need to know as soon as possible.

I hope you won't think this is a dumb question. — WORRIED IN EL PASO

DEAR WORRIED: It is not a dumb question. It's a very intelligent one.

A lot of kids get aroused just by lying close to each other while kissing. Then they just naturally proceed to the next step, which is petting.

It's not possible to get pregnant through one's jeans, but sometimes kids remove some of their clothing because it's "in the way," or they burrow underneath it to explore each other's bodies with their hands. This is known as heavy petting, or "doing everything else but."

The technical (and legal) definition of sexual intercourse is "penetration." (The male's sex organ must penetrate the female's.)

However, as impossible as it may sound, in the medical literature can be found cases where there has been no penetration — the girl remained a virgin, but after engaging in heavy petting, she found herself pregnant.

I have included this information in my booklet for teens.

What teens need to know about sex, drugs, AIDS, and getting along with peers and parents is in "What Every Teen Should Know." To order, send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $3.95 ($4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Teen Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

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Benifitting MCT, Pickwick Players

The West Texas premiere of Jane Austen's "Emma" is set for Sept. 10 at Cole Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley Ave.

"Emma," written for the screen and directed by former Midlander Douglas McGrath, stars Gwyneth Paltrow in the title role.

The West Texas event is a benefit for Midland Community Theatre and the Pickwick Players, MCT's youth performing troupe. McGrath, who is the son of Midlanders R. Searle and Bea McGrath, was a member of the Pickwicks when he was growing up in Midland.

Champagne, wine and cheese will be served beginning 7 p.m. The screening will be at 7:30 p.m. Sponsorships are $250 for two reserved, preferred seats. General admission is $25.

For reservations call 682-4111.







Emma

"The film is all you work on for about a year, and it's all you think about for the year so that when you're done, you have to get something else to work on, and by that point you've become very fond of it."
—Doug McGrath, director

Film director Doug McGrath has had a mixed reaction to the successful completion of "Emma." "Intellectually it all feels great because it's so nice to work hard on something — something you love and feel passionate about," McGrath said of the recently released motion picture.

"And it's very gratifying to have other people respond positively to it. You're glad they share some of the feelings you have for that material.

"But, emotionally, there's something kind of sad about it at the same time," said the former Midlander.

"When it's released, and it must be like parenting in some ways because you have to stop working on it, you can't keep trying to fiddle with it, and improve it, and get it better. So, you have to look at it, and accept it for the flaws that it still has. That's very sad."

Months of McGrath's creative energy were focused on the film adaptation of Jane Austen's novel.

"It's all you work on for about a year, and it's all you think about for the year so that when you're done, you have to get something else to work on, and by that point you've become very fond of it," said McGrath, who also wrote the screenplay. "You're used to spending time with it."

That something else for McGrath will keep him from making the West Texas premiere of the Miramax Film's release, set for 7:30 p.m. Sept. 10 at Cole Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley Ave.

"I'm actually going to perform a one-man show that I have written called 'Political Animal,'" McGrath said. "It's an off-Broadway theater, Second Stage, 76th Street and Broadway."

"And I'm going to perform it for eight weeks if I can trick enough people for eight weeks. If not, less."

McGrath, a "Saturday Night Live" alumnus, is known for his humor. He has written for the stage and screen and still contributes to such magazines as Vanity Fair and The New Yorker. His satiric account of a Secret Service agent's life, "The Flapjack File," has appeared in The New Republic, where McGrath is a contributing editor.

He also collaborated with Woody Allen on the acclaimed screenplay for "Bullets Over Broadway" in 1994 and scripted the 1993 remake of the romantic farce "Born Yesterday."

Please see FILM/3E







In top two photos is Gwyneth Paltrow as Emma and Jeremy Northam as Mr. Knightley in Douglas McGrath's "Emma." Above, from left to right, Alan Cumming as Mr. Elton, Juliet Stevenson as Mrs. Elton, Polly Walker as Miss Jane Fairfax and Ewan McGregor as Frank Churchill. Also seen in the film is Toni Collette as Harriet Smith, shown below with Paltrow. At far left is former Mildander Douglas McGrath, who directed the film and wrote the screenplay.

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CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Sunday Crossword Puzzle

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"WAITER ...!"
By FRAN AND LOU SABIN

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SUNDAY, AUGUST 25, 1996

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! IN THE NEXT YEAR OF YOUR LIFE: Although an older person offers to open doors, there are some things you must do for yourself. Greater financial success is linked to your learning to wheel and deal. A dream will come true if you work hard and handle your money more carefully. Splurging on luxuries this fall could leave you short on cash as Thanksgiving approaches. A close relationship is going through a period of change. Certain fears prove groundless when family members pull together.

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: box office favorite Sean Connery, actress Anne Archer, supermodel Claudia Schiffer, composer Leonard Bernstein.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): A new romance will add spice to your life. Look before you leap into a relationship. Someone's interest in a project grows. Seek the answer to a financial mystery.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Your past attracts new attention now. Stay calm. Once you decide on a specific course of action, tension lessens. Avoid acting on impulse.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Independent and persistent, you make steady progress towards a goal. Develop your language skills by purchasing tapes or videos. Say "no" to a critical relative.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Family members need encouragement, not lectures. Prepare tasty but healthy snacks for young children. Your instincts are excellent where a loved one's motives are concerned.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Emotions run high today. Certain plans may have to be changed. Sharing confidences invites the caring words you have longed to hear. A new ally emerges from the crowd.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): A friend going through a difficult time needs your loving support. Be a good listener, but resist giving advice. Once the true meaning of a dream comes to you, you can let it go.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): A romantic partner who has disappointed you wants to make amends. Take some time to analyze this relationship. Constructive changes are favored where your domestic arrangements are concerned.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You are on a roll. If a strategy worked yesterday, repeat it! Creative and cultural pursuits are favored. Question what an envious friend is telling you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): An enlightened individual who is a good conversationalist lifts your spirits. Seek this person's company more often. Once you are ready to make a commitment, a promising love relationship will shift into high gear.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): An unexpected but welcome visitor appears. Wait to see what others want to do before offering suggestions. A newspaper article gives you a terrific business idea: follow through and you could make a bundle!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): News from someone at a distance delights you. If planning a trip, go over your wardrobe. Visit a friend who is always supportive. A new program will exceed your fondest expectations.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Be more sensitive to other people's needs. Showing your concern in a meaningful way will win you a friend for life. If you decide to make an official complaint, choose your timing with care.

GOREN BRIDGE

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AN UNUSUAL CLUE

Both vulnerable. South deals.

NORTH
♠K Q 7 2
♡A 10 8 5 4
◇4
♣K 10 5

WEST
♠9 6 4
♡6
◇Q 9 7 3 2
♣Q J 7 3

EAST
♠8 5 3
♡Q J 9
◇K J 10 6 5
♣6 2

SOUTH
♠A J 10
♡K 7 3 2
◇A 8
♣A 9 8 4

The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1NT	Pass	2◇	Pass
3♡	Pass	4NT	Pass
5♣	Pass	6♡	Pass
Pass	Pass		

Opening lead: Three of ◇

The Rule of 11 simply states: Deduct the spot of a fourth-best card led from 11, and the remainder equals the number of higher cards in that suit held by the other three hands. How does that help in the play? This deal presents a rare application of the Rule.

North's two-diamond response was a transfer to hearts. With an almost pure prime holding and using a 15-17 point range for an opening of one no trump, South judged the holding as worth a jump to three hearts to show a maximum with good trump support, and North immediately launched into Blackwood before committing to slam.

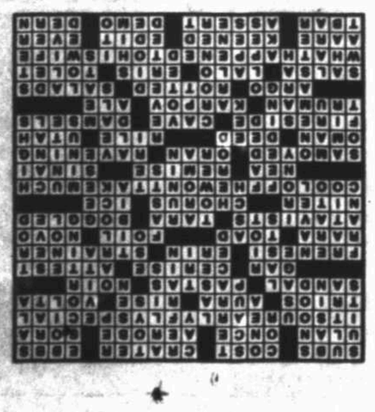
Declarer won the opening lead in hand and cashed the ace and king of trumps to learn the bad news. An endplay was now necessary, and the club intermediates were such that declarer could get home if the missing club honors were divided.

After ruffing a diamond, declarer played off four rounds of spades, both defenders discarding a diamond on the last as declarer parted with a club. East was now thrown in with the master trump.

On the forced club return, declarer played low and captured West's jack with the king. The ten of clubs was returned for a finesse — down one.

Declarer's plan was good, but the hand should have been made. West's opening lead of the three of diamonds meant there were eight cards higher in the other three hands. Declarer and dummy accounted for only three, so East held the other five. Once East had shown up with three cards in each major, East could hold no more than two clubs. Declarer should, therefore, have abandoned spades after three rounds in favor of cashing the ace and king of clubs before throwing East in with the trump. The forced diamond return would have presented declarer with a ruff-sluff and the slam.

PUZZLE ANSWER





SUNDAY, AUGUST 25

American Airpower Heritage Museum: EXHIBITION: The American Airpower Heritage Museum is internationally recognized for its collection of authentic World War II artifacts and memorabilia. The museum has five permanent exhibits, highlighting five different phases of World War II, in the main gallery and two permanent exhibits in the hanger as well as many traveling exhibits on display. Those enjoying an adventure may take a ride in the simulator, located in the museum gift shop, and experience a ride in a World War I airplane; take an online tour of the museum at HTTP://WWW.AVDigest.COM/AAHM/AAHM.HTML, 9600 Wright Dr., Midland International Airport, Hours: Mon.-Sat. 9am-5pm, Sun. 12-5pm, call 563-1000, Admission charged.

Fredda Turner Durham Children's Museum: 1705 W. Missouri, Tues.-Sat. 10am-5pm, Sun. 2-5pm, call 683-2882.

Gallery 1114: 1114 N. Big Spring, Thurs.-Sun. 1-5pm, 682-9303, Free.

McCormick Gallery, Midland College: 3600 N. Garfield, LRC Room 228, Mon.-Thurs. 8am-10pm, Fri. 8am-5pm, Sat. 9am-5pm, Sun. 1-5pm, call 685-4556, Free.

Midland Arts Association: EXHIBITION: Executone Building, 112 S. Loraine, Suite 119, Tues. 8am-4pm, Thurs. - Sat. 11-3pm., call 699-6812, Free.

Museum of the Southwest: EXHIBITION: "Under Starry Skies," permanent collection; EXHIBITION: "The Search or Ancient Plainsmen", the Tarry Collection of Casas Grandes Vessels, ongoing; EXHIBITION: "Through Our Eyes", a collaboration between the Museum and the Arts Assembly, photos by children at High Sky Children's Ranch, through Sept. 22, 1705 W. Missouri, Tues.-Sat. 10am-5pm, Sun. 2-5pm, call 683-2882, Free.

Odessa College: LRC, 201 W. University, Mon.-Thurs. 7:30am-10pm, Fri. 7:30am-5pm, Sat.& Sun. 2-5pm, call 335-6646, Free.

Odessa Art Association: 4909 E. University, San Miquel Square, Odessa, call 362-7988, Free.

Permian Basin Petroleum Museum: 1500 W. I-20 West, Mon.-Sat. 9am-5pm, Sun. 2-5., call 683-4403, Admission Charged.

The Ellen Noel Art Museum of the Permian Basin: EXHIBITION: Needlework Extraordinaire: "Antique Samplers from the Witte Museum", "Works by the Permian Basin Chapter, Embroiderers' Guild of America", 4909 E. University, Odessa, Tues-Sat., 10am-5pm, Sun. 2-5pm, call 550-3811, Free.

University of Texas of the Permian Basin: EXHIBITION: Handmade Paper, through Sept. 3, Mon.-Thurs. 8am-10pm, Fri. 8am-5pm, Sat. 1-5pm, Sun. 1-5pm, 3rd Floor Gallery, 4901 E. University, Odessa, call 552-2806, Free.

White Pool House: 112 E Murphy St., Tues. 12pm-3pm, Wed.-Fri. 10am-3pm, Sun. 2pm-5pm, call 1-333-4072, Free.

MONDAY, AUGUST 26

Nita Stewart Haley Memorial Library: EXHIBITION: Mon.-Fri.,9am-5pm, 1805 W. Indiana, call 682-5785, Free.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 27

Presidential Museum: EXHIBITION: "Presidential Kitsch 'N Art", through January 4, Tues.-Sat. 10am-5pm, 622 N. Lee, Odessa, call 1-332-7123.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 29

Summer Mummers: MELODRAMA: "Pettifoggery in the Pines", Yucca Theatre, 208 N. Colorado, 8pm, call 682-4111, Admission Charged.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 30

Center Stage Theatre: MUSICAL: "Into the Woods", Adult version of your favorite childhood tales, 8pm, 1617 E. 8th Street, Odessa, call 335-8881, Admission charged.

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The Arts Assembly of Midland maintains a calendar of all arts-related activities. To avoid conflicts with other organizations, please call 687-1149, P.O. Box 3494.

CHECKING OUT THE LIBRARIES

Sandra Wegner

Winning readers and listeners of the library's summer Reading Club and Read-To-Me Club were honored Aug. 17, and presented with posters and pizza certificates.

Of the 15 children honored, six were named from the Read-To-Me group. No doubt, they will be sharing Little Caesar's pizza with the parent or persons who read to them.

There was stiff competition among the 1532 children registered to be one of the top achievers in the race to have read or to have been read the most books between May 28 and Aug. 10. Winners recorded between 144 and 293 books on their lists.

Mari Ervin came in first with 293 books, followed by Mollie Ervin with 267. Laura McDaniel read 265 books and Julie Fortuna listed 202. Other winners, who all had more than 140 books on their lists, were Kathryn McDaniel, Justin Rhoades, Ashley Molina, Kristopher Millstead, Jami McGowan, Donnie Bentley, Carolyn Bentley, Kristin Millstead, Amy Scott, Narissa Mahaklan and Sarah Mills.

To encourage childhood reading and the reading of books to young non-readers, the library and the Texas State Library co-sponsor the reading clubs. Our library is honored to have the head of the Children's Department, Denise Agosto, currently serving on the state committee that plans the summer clubs.

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The libraries, both main and Centennial Branch, will be closed Saturday and Sept. 2, for the Labor Day Holiday weekend.

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The newest addition to the permanent art collection of the Main Library is now on view near the front entrance. Local artist and winner of many awards, Mary Lou King has donated "Fall Finery" to the library. Funds to frame the water color were provided by an Arts Assembly of Midland grant and the Friends of the Library.

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Without fanfare, the drawers were closed and the last public card catalog was removed from use at the Main Library earlier this month.

About half of the old library catalog, minus cards, of course, will be sold at the city-county auction set for Sept. 21. There is very little market for old catalog furniture since so many libraries are automated or planning automation. It is said that Barbie Doll collectors find the drawers a perfect fit for dolls and clothes.

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Checked out any good topos lately? You can at the library. Volunteer Betty Miller has spent many hours working on this collection of more than 7,000 Texas and New Mexico maps to get them bar coded and ready to be entered into the library's database.

The Petroleum Department is no longer a deposit library for U.S. Geological Survey topographic maps. Angelo State University has allowed our library to have their depository topographic maps for Texas and New Mexico. Topographic maps are revised as needed and new USGS maps arrive monthly.

Sandra Wegner is director of Midland County Library.



Mayor Burns' Mailbox

Midlanders can get in touch with Mayor Bobby Burns with the simple help and easy access provided by **CITYLINE.**

If you have a concern, a complaint, or a suggestion, call **560-2400.** You can leave a message for the mayor by entering **Category 2019.**

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'Emma's" Gwyneth Paltrom embarks on her own career express

By Jay Carr
N.Y. Times News Service

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. — Sometimes you have to remind yourself that Gwyneth Paltrow is only 23. She looks older, wiser. Here she sits, loaded with swanlike poise, wrist bent back as if to support the politically incorrect weight of the cigarette in her hand — looking like a movie star from the '30s, when everything was elegant, it seemed, except the world; when the mission of the illuminati consisted largely of trying to meet life with a sense of style. Paltrow is a star of the '90s and beyond, however. She's about to open in "Emma," an American coolly attempting to extend Jane Austen's latter-day winning streak beyond "Sense and Sensibility" and "Persuasion," unfazed by the fact that she's got a couple of tough homegrown acts to follow (Emma Thompson and Amanda Root) in a film that will rise or fall on its grasp of stylistic rightness.

Playing Austen's heroine, Emma Woodhouse, involves a delicate balancing act. Beneath her upwardly tilted nose and tinkling teacup manner, Emma is a busybody, an English provincial Miss Fixit who does not suffer from a deficit of self-esteem. Her only chance of ensuring that audiences don't turn against her is to project at all times an air of quality. This Paltrow does — almost genetically. As solidly pedigreed as any young actor, she's the daughter of Blythe Danner, whose acting career of three decades has combined beauty and taste and emotional solidity, and TV producer Bruce Paltrow, best known for "St. Elsewhere." Possibly because they discouraged an acting career, Paltrow says she never considered doing anything else.

SHE GREW up mostly in Manhattan, acquired a grasp of the tribal mores of the Upper East Side at the Tony Spence School, briefly majored in art history at the University of California at Santa Barbara, then appeared alongside her mother in "Picnic" at the Williamstown Theatre Festival, where Danner has been a regular. So much for art history: Paltrow plunged into acting full time.

In 1993 she broke through, stealing "Flesh and Bone" from Dennis Quaid, Meg Ryan and James Caan by playing a sexy drifter whose lidded eyes conveyed volumes of experience, most illegal, some lethal. Since then, her stock has risen with indelible performances in "Jefferson in Paris," "The Pallbearer" and "Seven." While shooting the latter film, she met Brad Pitt. They have been together ever since.

This has led to a second career she has tried to avoid — being recognized off screen as the woman Pitt loves. She recognizes with an ironic smile the fact that gossip is the lifeblood of "Emma" at the same time as it's the only blemish on her life and Pitt's. "Thank goodness there is not this rigorous, coded system of manners and classes that was in existence then," she says, leaning forward as if to avoid settling into the plush recesses of a hotel armchair. "But the dynamics within relationships and the seductiveness of romance translate easily. And gossip is very much in place today. Gossip is a whole new industry, isn't it? Who knew it could become such a lucrative profession? It's very disturbing, especially when you're sitting where I am."

"I WISH I could convey the alien nature with which it strikes him and I — and us together. We're very quiet people. I mean, we're predisposed to stay at home and be together and be with our families and our animals" (the couple has four dogs). "We travel because of our jobs, but we're together more than we're apart. Distance is something we just have to deal with. As for the other, you let it go on around you because you just can't control it. You can't let it affect you. You try not to. But it's strange, the sort of mania that people feel when they see him. My cousin called me — I'm very close to all my cousins — and we went up to a little restaurant in Connecticut. I was talking to her the other day and she went back to this place last week and she said, 'I know they're gonna recognize me because I was here with Gwynnie and Brad.'

"Sure enough, the waiter came up and said, 'I just have to ask you — how do you know them?' And she's, like, 'Gwynnie is my cousin and I'm very close to her and Brad's her boyfriend.' And the guy said, 'For two weeks after they were here, people were calling and saying, "Is Brad coming back? Can you tell us? Can you call us? We just want to stand outside and see him."' I mean, that's psychosis from where I'm sitting. Seriously! To see a man outside a window? Hel-lo! I mean, I certainly never want to get to that level, 'cause it's scary. People who like me in movies have been paying attention and they're all very nice — but, you know, I just don't get mobbed. It's just a very nice level, a very low-key level. If I ever thought in terms of whether a film I appeared in had a huge opening weekend, I would quit.

"IT'S REALLY a shame, because what we do is an art, and it's become a business. It's a shame when people let money and status get in the way of artistic decisions. I hope I never allow that to happen. A way to avoid that is to do the kind of films that I've done — films that are interesting, films that are character-driven, films that will only appeal to a small number of people. Then people see you as an actor, somebody who works very hard to try and elevate a film, not somebody who first and foremost tries to bring a person into the theater. That's a very limiting thing to have happen. Brad is very fortunate because he is one of the few people who will do anything and people will still go. It's quite extraordinary that he can play a role like '12 Monkeys' and it's still a huge opening weekend and it's not 'Legends of the Fall.' He has a wonderful career — but it's also a bit scary."

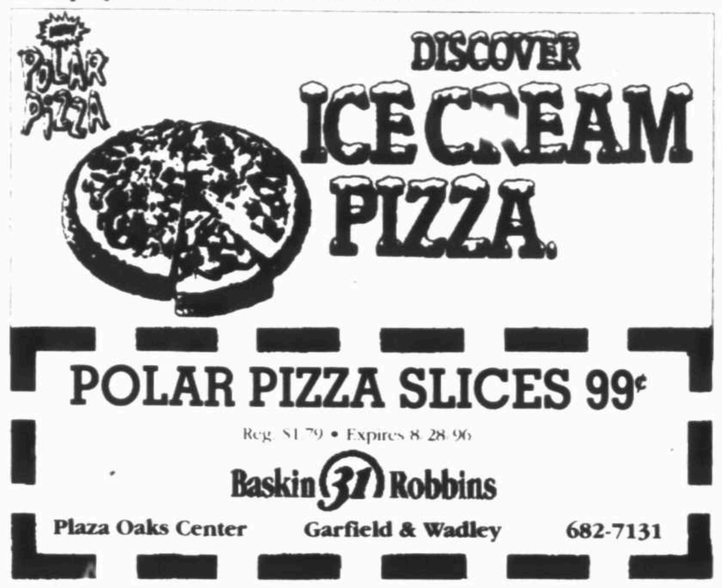
Paltrow grimaces when it's suggested that she has embarked on her own career express. We'll soon see her in "Hard Eight," a film she describes as a dark character-driven piece about four people who collide in Reno. She just finished thriller opposite Jessica Lange, playing daughter-in-law to Lange's controlling mother-in-law. And this week the lens covers came off the cameras for a modern version of Dickens' "Great Expectations," in which she's costarring with Ethan Hawke, Robert De Niro and Anne Bancroft. "I just try and take it all in stride," Paltrow says about the career-momentum thing, "and always remember what's most important to me — which is family and the value of having relationships with other people."

"RIGHT NOW, it's an exciting time for me, incredibly flattering and validating. But at the same time ... I can't always control my own destiny, 'cause other people make movies and it could all stop, so you can't place too much stock in it. I feel like I've gotten to a very nice place. It would be nice if it could all level off right here. But the truth is, I'm just as happy doing a play in summer stock. I know I can always do that.

"I was influenced tremendously by my mother. First of all, because she managed to have such a wonderful balance between mothering and acting. As a child, when you grow up watching your mommy pretend and play dress-up, it's very enchanting and seductive. She always loved it and seemed to be having such a wonderful time. Because she was such a wonderful mother, I probably would have done whatever she was doing."

Not that her parents encouraged her, Paltrow recalls: They certainly knew the pitfalls of the business. "As a child, I mean, when I was 7 and I was asking them if I could audition for things, they said, 'No, you're a child and you have to have an education and we'll support you completely if that's your decision when you're 18, but for now you have to be a child.' Which I think was so smart. Thank goodness they did that. I mean, I feel so fortunate to have been raised by and chosen the same career as these incredibly wise, loving and supportive people. I would be a fool not to take their advice on every subject. Going to Williamstown each summer was the most wonderful way to grow up. We would go to day camp and swim in the quarries in Vermont, and run around the rehearsal halls and watch them rehearse and go to the opening night and go to the parties and sing in the cabaret.

"WHEN I was a tiny girl, they would let me be in a play occasionally and let me be an extra. That was really fun. I believe the first play I was in was 'The Greeks.' I played a dead child. Then I played a young prince. I was 8, maybe, or 7. A lot of things make me happy — a really good day at work, a vacation at the beach, my puppies, my family, my relationship, my friend Mary — my best friend since kindergarten. She lives in New York now. We just went up to Williamstown together. We went on the Alpine slide at Jiminy Peak, which we hadn't been on since we were 8 years old. I wanna work and grow up myself a little bit more, but any time one is raised to see firsthand that family is everything and children are everything, y absolutely look forward to having children, so of course I look forward to that. I can't wait!"



FILM: 'Emma' is director's biggest attempt

(From 1E)

"Emma" was almost, but not quite, McGrath's first exposure to directing.

"I've only directed two short films with Liz Welch (who also grew up in Midland). A short film for 'Saturday Night Live' that was 116 minutes shorter than 'Emma' — a little four-minute film. Then I directed a 20-minute film for Disney. This is, by far, the biggest thing I've directed."

The hardest job McGrath had to learn as a director was "the technical side — learning how to use the camera to tell the story and not just words to tell the story.

"As a writer, I'm used to telling the story in words. And in the movie, you can and should tell it with a combination of words and images. So that was the greatest challenge for me — learning how to use and understand the camera and all it could do.

"You can have the camera in the exact same place, and you go from looking at the wart on somebody's nose to, all of a sudden, you can see the wart, nose, person, and 12 people on either side of him.'

The easiest part of directing was working with the actors.

"I was confident I would be able to speak easily with the actors and convey to them what I wanted," McGrath said, adding that when he writes he constantly asks himself such questions as "Why is she (the character) saying this here?" And, "Why is she doing this here?"

He found Gwyneth Paltrow, who plays the title role, "really a dream to work with because she's so quick and adept as an actress, that she makes it very easy for the director. You don't have to give her many notes. You mostly just get to sit back and enjoy a thoroughly delightful performance. And that's quite remarkable for someone that young. She turned 23 when we did the movie."

The Midland showing of "Emma" is a benefit for Midland Community Theatre and the Pickwick Players, MCT's youth performing troupe. Both bring back fond memories for McGrath, who was a Pickwick.

"It couldn't be going to a better cause or a more appropriate cause, or a more deserving cause, because, in a way, if I hadn't had the experiences and the education that I got at the community theater and the Pickwicks, they'd be showing somebody else's movie," said McGrath, who attended Trinity School through the ninth grade.

He remembers, as a youth, the fun he and the other Pickwicks had.

"And I always dreamed of going to New York and working in the movies. So, first of all, it's a miracle that even happened. But to have it happen and to be able to have the film help the theater that helped me so much is something that makes me very, very happy."

When the film rolls Sept. 10, two Midlanders can be seen amid the extras in the ballroom scene. R. Searle and Bea McGrath, Doug McGrath's parents, traveled to England in October of 1995 to visit their son.

"It was funny because everyone was so excited to meet them, and everyone just completely fell in love with them," said McGrath, who has lived in New York City since 1980. "And so it made the work day a little hard because all the time in between takes when we would be relighting, all the actors would come up to them and stand around talking to them. So everybody would be out of their place.

"I'd say, 'Where's Gwyneth?' and she'd be over there talking with Mom. They were by far the most popular people we had on the movie the whole time."

He chuckled as he recalled how it felt to walk into the makeup trailer and see his parents sitting next to the other extras being prepared for the ball scene.

"The biggest scene in the movie, maybe 100 extras in it, so all those English extras are in the makeup tent being made up. And it was so funny to walk in and look down the row of people, and all the English people look like English people — round and red-cheeked and long sideburns. They all look like characters out of Dickens or Jane Austen. And there in the middle were a different kind of royalty — Midland royalty — my parents, with a Langston Realtors' book and a copy of USA Today, cheerfully getting made up."

Georgia Temple is the Arts & Entertainment, Religion writer for the Reporter-Telegram.



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AUG 25 1996

Former Midlander makes state finals in karaoke contest

From Staff Reports

PHOENIX — Former Midlander Daniel Ramon Salcedo is a state finalist in the Triple AAA National Talent Search Karaoke singing contest. As a regional winner, he is representing the Chandler, Ariz.-based Sticks and Steaks Club, located near Phoenix.

Salcedo was one of 20 semi-finalists selected from thousands of entrants auditioning in the singing competition at 20 restaurants and clubs in the Phoenix area. A semi-finalist was chosen each night of the competition over 10 consecutive Saturday nights. Salcedo won first place in the semi-finals in early August, singing "I Swear," originally done by the harmonizing group All 4 One.

A contest coordinator said that "it was unusual that we had so many men from a metropolitan area singing country and western songs in the competition, and Daniel — the one entrant who is a native Texan — sang the kind of songs you would expect to hear in Detroit or L.A. He came in on the last night and stole the show."

After winning a spot as a regional finalist, Salcedo then competed Aug. 17 against 10 other semi-finalists from the Phoenix area. He won first place singing the Boyz II Men song "I'll Make Love to You."

His prize is a trip for two to Las Vegas. As a regional finalist he qualifies to compete in the state finals Wednesday night in his bid to represent Arizona in the national Triple AAA championship in Las Vegas.

The national competition will be judged by a panel of celebrity judges from the music industry. First prize is a recording contract that includes producing an album in a record studio. Contest sponsor is the Phoenix-based "Fast Lane" magazine.



Former Midlander Daniel Ramon Salcedo is a state finalist in the Triple AAA National Talent Search Karaoke singing contest.

Salcedo is a 1993 graduate of Lee High School. At LHS, he performed with the singing group "Origin," and in the LHS musicals "Oklahoma," and "Guys and Dolls." He received a Division I rating as Tenor I in the All-Region Choir and was a member of the LHS men's choir awarded "Most Outstanding Group" in the 1993 Texas Bluebonnet Classic Festival in San Antonio.

He performed in Midland Community Theatre productions of "Annie," "Pippin," and "Learned Ladies." He also performed in the 1994 summer production of "Texas" at Palo Duro Canyon.

He attended Midland College on the Abell-Hanger Scholarship. He studied under LHS choir director Paula Edwards and was assisted for state choir competitions by Bert Bostic.

Salcedo is the son of Andre and Myra Salcedo.

'Emma' offers unexpected contemporary touch

By Janet Maslin
N.Y. Times News Service

■ **Review**

The posthumous queen of genteel cinema is still on a roll. Jane Austen remains a hot ticket with the arrival of "Emma," another decorative comedy of 19th-century manners honed to a sharply 20th-century edge.

With anachronistic snap bordering on irreverence, Douglas McGrath's agile first feature manages to be nearly as savvy as "Clueless," the deliriously pop version of this story. Just as that film did, "Emma" turns the role of Austen's best-loved busybody into a showcase for a show-stopping young star.

Gwyneth Paltrow makes a resplendent Emma, gliding through the film with an elegance and patrician wit that bring the young Katharine Hepburn to mind. And as with Hepburn, that very refinement turns sly, bestowing a serenely polite veneer upon her character's sneaky, meddlesome tricks.

This Emma is the centerpiece of a broadly amusing film in which characters expound earnestly about the merits of celery root or the horrors of having a sore throat. In the midst of such stupefying refinement, a demure schemer like Emma can affect a pose of pampered idleness while vigorously working her wiles.

Though "Emma," like the film version of "Sense and Sensibility," is milder and more narrowly marriage-minded than Austen's fiction (and has less weight than "Persuasion," still the most moving and acute feature-length Austen adaptation), it has enough satirical edge to amuse audiences weary of big-screen explosions and computer wizardry.

The whole film, like its central character, thrives on subverting well-bred fatuousness and pondering the tiniest mysteries of love. Surrounded by an outstanding supporting cast, Ms. Paltrow's Emma presides daintily over these goings-on while managing to remain blissfully oblivious to much of what surrounds her.

The planet spins (quite literally, in a clever opening credit sequence), but Emma is content to occupy herself with the most minuscule matters. The film is able both to satirize and enjoy such myopia, just as it savors the absurd frippery of its characters' costumes and indulgences.

It's one of McGrath's little jokes to seldom depict servants here, even though an absurd set of props appears on the manor lawn every time a new form of dabbling — archery or stitching or writing or sketching — is under way.

Emma is adept at these ladylike pursuits, but she fancies that her real talent is for matchmaking. In a film that stays deliberately clueless about the intricacies of living happily ever after, Emma regards a wedding as a triumph.

Bookended by two nuptial celebrations (one of which is decried for "a shocking lack of satin"), "Emma" brings together an assortment of chatty, interrelated characters and allows its heroine to steer their movements with impunity. Emma's snobbery and perfect lack of self-awareness make her ideas of romance that much more entertaining.

Though "Emma" thus narrows the gap between finely wrought social satire and daytime soap opera, it sustains a lively intelligence and a buoyant comic tone.

McGrath, who wrote "Bullets Over Broadway" with Woody Allen and has moved from "Saturday Night Live" to Jane Austen with unlikely ease, is comfortable letting the comic aspects of his material overshadow its literary pedigree. Grasping the screwball possibilities of "Emma" and the humorous aspects of an exaggeratedly stately pace, McGrath (who both adapted and directed "Emma") displays dependably good humor.

If this "Emma" is finally less poignant than the similarly ornate "Sense and Sensibility," it is more apt to deliver an unexpected sight gag or brashly contemporary touch.

When the camera leaves off lingering on Ms. Paltrow's fine-boned beauty, it discovers the expert, mostly British supporting players with whom the film's American star seems quite at home. "Vanity working on a weak mind produces every kind of mischief," declares Knightly, Emma's sardonic confidant, who is played debonairly by Jeremy Northam.

Among those vibrantly illustrating that proposition are Juliet Stevenson as a loudly opinionated new member of Emma's circle, Toni Collette as the malleable creature whom Emma would most like to see married and Ewan McGregor as Austen's obligatory dashing, probably treacherous young bachelor.

McGregor, currently creating a sensation as the skeletal star of "Trainspotting," is as versatile as humanly possible playing a country gentleman in a top hat. He may not know what to do with the tails of his morning coat, but he gives this performance all the requisite flirtatious spark.

McGregor joins Ms. Paltrow and Matthew McConaughey (of "Lone Star" and "A Time to Kill") as big, big winners of the star-is-born trifecta this movie season.

Also notable in "Emma" is Alan Cumming, making himself wonderfully foolish as Elton, the clergyman who Emma insists is destined for Harriet Smith, Ms. Collette's impressionable character. Harriet tries to be agreeable about this although she is in love with Martin (Edward Woodall), a farmer so humble that Emma's face freezes in disdain at the sight of him.

ENTERTAINMENT IN BRIEF

Gun show set

The second annual Midland Gun & Knife Show for 1996 will be held at Midland Center Saturday and Sept. 1.

Hours are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sept. 1.

There will also be a great selection of wildlife art, historical artifacts, "Texana" items and Native American and military memorabilia, as well as displays of gold and silver jewelry.

Performances set

Prodigious Productions presents the sounds of "The Temptin Temptations" 9 p.m. Sept. 6 at Midland College's Chaparral Center.

The show will open with a performance by local entertainers "Bad Daze." Tickets may be purchased at Midland Sound, Al's Grocery, Sam's Barbecue, New Image Salon, Endless Horizons in Odessa and Sound Decisions in Big Spring. the also may be charged by telephone by calling 1-800-462-7979.

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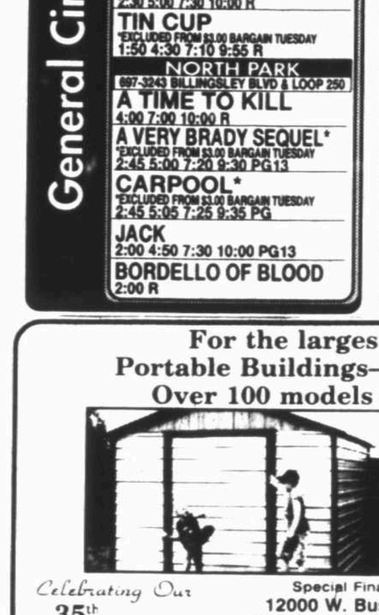
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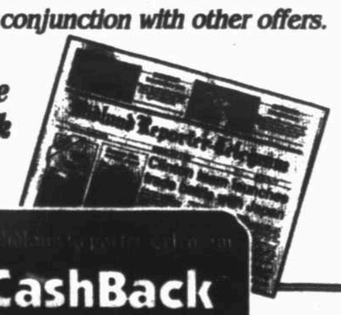
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ENTERTAINMENT IN BRIEF

(From 4E)

"The Temptin Temptations" have kept the sound of the Temptations alive due to the vocalizing ability of Richard Street, a 29-year veteran of the group and lead singer on such hits as "Firefly," "Heavenly" and "Hey Girl."

Chris Arnold, who replaced the late Eddie Kendricks, is the lead singer with his high tenor voice on such tunes as "The Girl's Alright With Me," "Just My Imagination" and "The Way You Do the Things You Do."

After the illness of Dennis Edwards, former Star Search winner Charles Blackmon was called in to help keep alive the sound of one of the world's most famous stand up singing groups.

Other members are David Sea and Nate Evans, a 10-year veteran of the group and former lead singer of the Rock 'N' Roll Hall of fame group, The Impressions.

Works presented

ODESSA — "Odin's Odysseys: Retrospective Exhibition" by Barry Phillips, the Elder, will be presented in the Odessa College Learning Resources Center Options Gallery Friday through Sept. 26 in observance of OC's 50th anniversary.

"Odin's Odyssey" is a series of prize winning multimedia fantasy flying machine works created by Phillips over the past 10 years. Phillips has taught art at OC for 26 years. He was art department chair from 1970-1987 and is a former president of the Texas Association of Schools of Art.

Album to debut

The new Pearl Jam album, "No Code," will debut Monday at a 10 p.m. Listening Party at Hastings SuperCenter, 3111 W. Cuthbert Ave.

The Listening Party is free. The CD's and cassettes go on sale at midnight.

For more information call the store, 694-1151.

Auditions set

The Midland-Odessa Symphony Chorale will be auditioning singers from 7 to 10 p.m. Tuesday at the symphony's rehearsal hall at Midland International Airport.

Interested singers are asked to call the symphony office, 563-0921, to make an appointment and to arrange to obtain a copy of the audition music. The audition will consist of performing a short selection in a quartet, followed by a solo performance of a piece of the singer's choice. An accompanist is available if needed.

The chorale, under the direction of Rob Hunt, will perform four concerts in the 1996-97 season, two of which will be with the orchestra. The Chorale's season runs from October to April, with a month off in December and January. Rehearsals are from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Tuesdays.

Show to close

ODESSA — Closing today at the Ellen Noel Art Museum of the Permian Basin are the exhibitions of the American Plains Artists Show and the Watercolor Horizon's Juried Show, sponsored in part by the Odessa Cultural Council and the Connoisseurs.

The 12th annual American Plains Artists Show is presenting works by Midlander William Hagerman; Vicky Clark, Jammey Huggins and Nancy Hasalson, all of Seminole; Odessans Fritzi Heron, Clyde Heron and Marvin Stevenson; Ken Rowland, Gardendale; Doris Fausett, Monahans; Paul Friske, Abilene; and Lovella Todd, Brownfield.

Sunday hours are 2 to 5 p.m.

Artifacts displayed

ODESSA — The Presidential Museum, 622 N. Lee St., is displaying through Jan. 4 some of the artifacts from the museum's abundant accumulations in an exhibition called "Presidential Kitsch 'N Art."

Original lithographs, pencil drawings, pastels and oils will be out of storage for the duration of the exhibition, which includes artwork, such as a 1797 engraving of George Washington by John Charly Haston, signed by Washington. A variety of sculptures of the presidents may be seen. Models of the birthplaces and boyhood homes of presidents also are on display.

Other items being shown include decanters, plates, containers, a variety of glassware, campaign posters, stickers, pines and other forms of memorabilia.

There is no admission charged.

Works featured

This month Love of Art Gallery, 3312 W. Illinois Ave., is featuring the work of Midlander Ginger Witte.

Ms. Witte does watercolors and mixed media.

For more information call the owner, Betty Sue Rose, 697-7000.

Contest announced

The Permian Basin Poetry Society has announced its 1996 World Day of Poetry contest.

The contest for original unpublished poems is open to all residents of the West Texas area. There is no entry fee. Poems must be received by Sept. 20.

Rules are available at local bookstores, libraries and colleges or by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to World Poetry Day contest Rules, 4022 Candy Lane, Odessa, Texas 79762, or 4609 Tanforan, Midland, Texas 79707. Entries not complying with all rules will be disqualified.

Winners will be announced and cash prizes awarded at the World Day of Poetry Festival planned by the Poetry Society Oct. 19 at the Center for Energy and Economic Diversification. The festival is jointly sponsored by the University of Texas of the Permian Basin and supported in part by assistance from the Odessa Cultural Council.

For more information call 520-4679.

Watercolors shown

The watercolors of Paul Wecker are on exhibit at Mid-American Bank this month.

Wecker has been painting since the mid-'80s and has participated in a number of juried shows in the West Texas area. He has won honors on several occasions and had other one-man shows.

Results shown

ODESSA — Art students at The University of Texas of the Permian Basin are showing the results of their summer work in the Third Floor Gallery at the university through Sept. 3.

The show includes three-dimensional pieces such as sculptures, bowls and books. In the papermaking process the students used a variety of materials ranging from cotton linters to recycled items and indigenous plants. Some of the items incorporate lithography printing on the handmade paper.

Third Floor Gallery hours during the summer are 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. Midland through Thursday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday. For more information call 552-2806.

Photos displayed

ODESSA — "Hard Twist: Photographs of Ranch Women," a collection of the photography of Barbara Van Cleve is on display in the new Parker House Museum of Ranching Heritage and the Presidential Museum.

The Parker House Museum of Ranching Heritage is located at 1118 Maple Ave. The museum is open on a regular basis from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursdays through Saturdays.

Presentations set

Because of the success of the Midland Opera Theatre's July "Opera Goes to the Movies" other presentation are planned this fall in the Road Runner Room, Midland College's Scharbauer Student Center.

Midland opera lovers can look forward to the following "Opera Goes to the Movies" free performances Sept. 3, Puccini's "Girl of the Golden West": Oct. 1, Saint Saens's "Sampson and Delilah"; Nov. 5, Verdi's "Macbeth"; and Dec. 3, Humperdinck's "Hansel and Gretal." Reservations for the limited seating performance may be made by calling 520-7515.

The Sept. 3 film will feature the Royal Opera House Covent Garden's presentation of the three-act opera. The performance is a complete stage opera with orchestra and audience video taped on laser disks shown on a large screen.

MOT also will present live the Santa Fe Opera Quartet in costume Sept. 17 at MC's Allison Fine Arts Auditorium.

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Bet on reading?

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The 1907 United States gold $20 "Double Eagle" coin was designed by request of former president Theodore Roosevelt, an admirer of ancient Greek coins. The coin is on display in the Smithsonian Institute's 150th Commemorative Coins display.

Exhibit pricey

WASHINGTON, D.C. — A place filled with 116,000 spiders, a few hundred clay pots, several dozen family photographs, a slightly used astronaut suit, and a room that's clearly for the birds, is also displaying coins made by the United States Mint.

The Smithsonian Institute will celebrate its 150th anniversary of commemorative coins authorized by Congress. The collection includes gold and silver bullion coins, and national and historic medals, ranging from the John Wayne Medal to the recent Ben Franklin Firefighters Silver Medal, and the Yosemite National Park Centennial Medal.

The Smithsonian will offer a touring exhibit as part of the 150th anniversary.

The United States Mint, located at 10003 Derekwood Lane in Lanham, Md., offers public tours of U.S. mints in Denver and Philadelphia. For more information call 1-800-MINT-USA.

Cola a concern?

HOUSTON — Do parents have "grounds" for concern if their children consume drinks that contain caffeine? According to Dr. Corinne Montandon, a nutritionist at the United States Department of Agriculture's Children's Nutrition Research Center and pediatrics professor, little is really known about the effects of caffeine on children.

"There are no established guidelines on caffeine consumption for children," Ms. Montandon said. "But keep in mind that drinks high in caffeine are not included in any of the five major food groups.

Caffeine, known to dull the appetite, is primarily found in coffee, tea, soft drinks, colas and peppers. "If children routinely reach for these beverages, they often exclude nutritious foods from their diet," Ms. Montandon said. "And, a 40-pound child who drinks just one can of cola a day is consuming about as much caffeine as a 150-pound adult who consumes about two cups of coffee daily. Caffeine also can cause nervousness, irritability, anxiety, insomnia and disturbances of heart rate and rhythm."

UTPB starts up

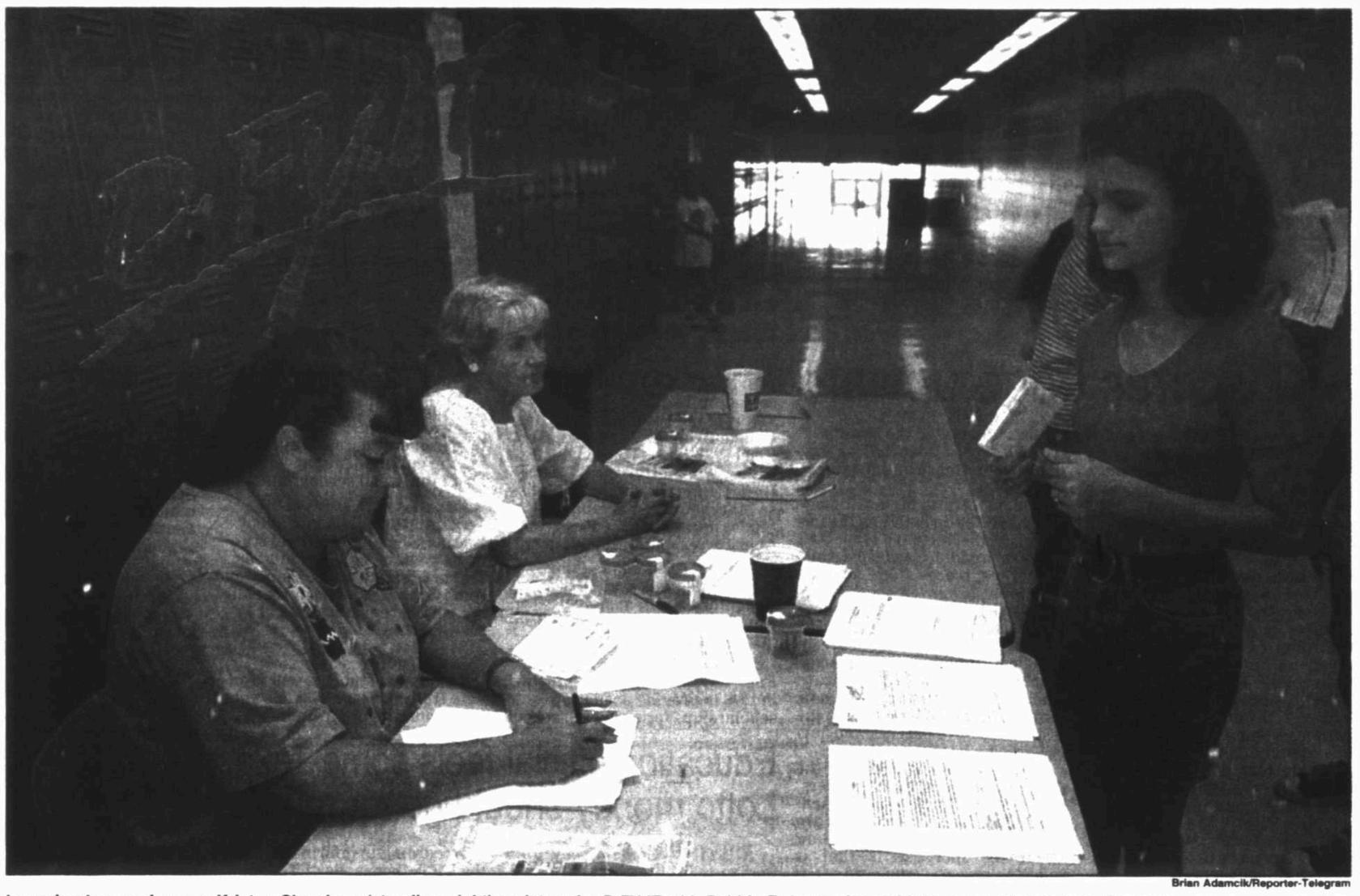
ODESSA — Classes for the University of Texas of the Permian Basin are to begin Wednesday.

Registration is set for 3-7 p.m. Monday and on Tuesday from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. and 3-7 p.m. in the university gymnasium. Returning students who were absent for more than a year need to notify the office of admissions before registering.

Late registration will be conducted Wednesday through Sept. 6.

The fall semester ends Dec. 13 with commencement for fall graduates Dec. 14. For more information call 552-2020.

EDUCATION PAGE EDITOR
MYRA LEE SALCEDO



Brian Adamcik/Reporter-Telegram

Incoming Lee sophomore Kristen Chambers (standing, right) registers for D-FY-IT with Debbie Erdwurm (seated left) at Lee High School. Students undergo drug testing and are issued cards good for discounts at local restaurants and businesses.

Pledging to be drug free

By Myra Lee Salcedo
Staff Writer

For some students, having a D-FY-IT picture identification card is a money-saver, a chance to get discounts off of pizzas, hamburgers and soft drinks. For others it is more of a badge of courage to carry a card that proves they are drug-free. And, for others still, it's a crusade to keep themselves — and their friends — free from drug and alcohol abuse.

Whatever the reason, teachers and police officers laud the Drug Free Youth in Texas program as one that works.

"D-FY-IT focuses on the positive. 'Just Say No' isn't enough as kids progress and become teenagers. Then they are more involved in peer pressure and need to be shown the rewards of being drug free," said Joan Johnson, executive director of Midland's D-FY-IT program.

The program issues identification cards to high school students who voluntarily undergo drug testing. Cardholders realize they can be asked to take another drug test during the school year as participants are randomly tested. Students who fail the drug test are terminated from the program and lose their identification card.

D-FY-IT began in 1987 in 10 high schools in Smith County. It began in Midland in 1991. Students are tested through urinalysis which detects amphetamines, cocaine and marijuana, and specimens are analyzed in testing facilities.

"The program is important because it teaches these kids a type of responsibility in making choices between right and wrong, and it offers them a support system among their peers," said Midland Police crime prevention officer Phyllis Spinuzzi. Officer Spinuzzi serves on the D-FY-IT board and was formerly a Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) officer. "There's more to the D-FY-IT program than just perks and discounts from merchandisers. We are trying to get kids more involved," she said.

SOME STUDENTS attend D-FY-IT board meetings and others are organizing youth activities. "There are not a lot of positive things for young people to do in Midland. So, D-FY-IT has been organizing swimming, volleyball parties, and training programs," Ms. Spinuzzi said.

Ms. Johnson said the drug prevention program is being expanded this year to the junior high schools (seventh and eighth grades).

"We know we need to start education when students are younger," Ms. Spinuzzi said.

Debbie Erdwurm, a D-FY-IT parent volunteer at Lee High School, assisted students signing up for the program during registration. "We had a really good turnout. D-FY-IT is a great program," she said, noting that the discounts offered have great appeal to the students.

"I think a lot of the appeal is that we focus on the positive," Ms. Johnson said. "The program works on encouraging students to be drug free through education, support and reward."

D-FY-IT Midland Facts

D-FY-IT of Midland has recently moved into the administration offices of Midland Independent School District, 615 W. Missouri Ave. The offices are being provided at no charge to the organization.

Midland Memorial Hospital and Medical Center is providing all testing for the 1996-97 school year.

New policies:

- Every member will re-test at the beginning of the school year. A colored sticker will be affixed to D-FY-IT cards to show a member is current.
- Because student officers and board members are held to a higher standard, they will be subject to random weekend testing.
- D-FY-IT will expand programs to the junior high schools.
- ISLAND (Innovative Students Looking at New Directions) will offer activities on two campuses this year. ISLAND is a cooperative effort between D-FY-IT, Palmer Drug Abuse Program, Teen Challenge, MISD, and Camp Fire Boys & Girls.

For more information call D-FY-IT at 689-1594.



Homeroom hip

Secondary school students are warming up to traffic-stopping cherry-red jackets this fall. The new "techno-toppers sport slim silhouettes, zippers and a touch of faux fur trim. Fashion experts say the "mod squad" look is back with jackets in micro-fiber and nylon fabrics. Jackets that keep students warm aren't enough when they can also serve as fashion statements worn in retro brights, black or white.

Hazelnut spread livens up lunch

Local students give chocolaty flavor a thumbs up

By Myra Lee Salcedo
Staff Writer

A hot dog bun with hazlenut spread and a banana? Who would eat this? While it might fly in the United Kingdom and European countries where it is popular, would Midland students consider taking a Nutella sandwich in their school lunch?

Not only would some youngsters take if for lunch, they might have to fight their parents for it, according to some families willing to try the unusual spread in an unscientific sampling.

The hazlenut spread, made with skim milk and a touch of cocoa, is described as having 44 percent less fat than a single serving (two tablespoons) of peanut butter. It's often served on crusty breads, crepes and croissants for breakfast in European countries, according to Ferrero U.S.A. Inc. One serving contains 160 calories, 9 grams of fat, and 1 gram of saturated fat.

Echoing the sentiments of several testers, Brad Bixler, 12, a seventh-grade student at San Jacinto Junior High School and the son of Julie Bixler, said he would take Nutella over peanut butter any day. His sister, Alli Bixler, 7, in second grade, described the spread as "delicious."

One enterprising Midland College student used the spread as an icing for sugar cookies and as a dip for fresh strawberries.

A 13-ounce jar of Nutella cost $3.49 at a local grocery store. One mother, who said she thought the cost was high, allowed that the spread takes the place of buying peanut butter and jelly, however.

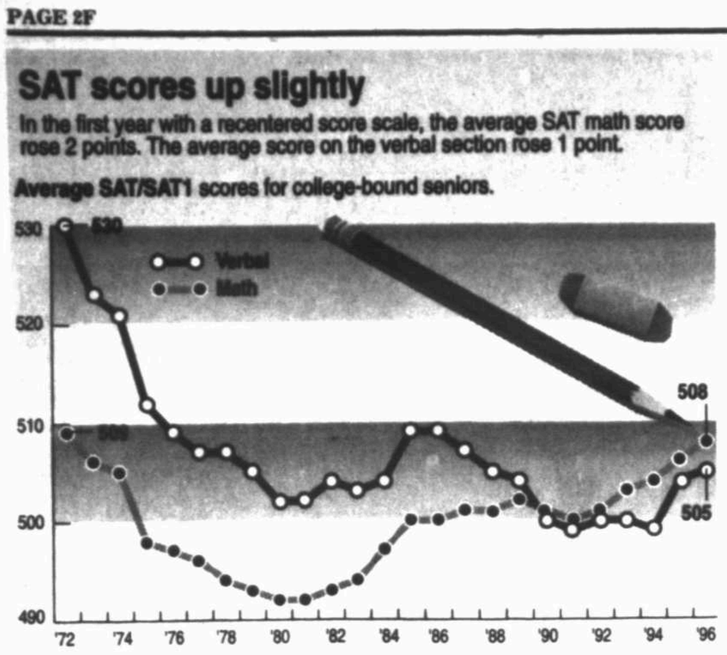
The only problem with the spread, is some parents proclaimed it "addictive," and more than one dad — operating on the concept of acting first and reading directions later — kept refrigerating the jar which says "Do Not Refrigerate."

Parent Nikki Simmons, said, "At first, we were reluctant to put the Nutella on bread. It looked like chocolate frosting but is much more subtle in taste and not too sweet. My kids begged me to buy more. It's one thing in their lunch they won't be trading."



The Nutella Cool Dog, above, combines a hot dog bun and banana with the unusual hazelnut/cocoa spread. The "Nutella Mini-Pizza" features strawberries, Nutella, and kiwis on a toasted English muffin. Marshmallow cream on a graham cracker makes a S'more Nutella. The spread is popular served on bread and croissants in in European countries.

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SAT scores edge upward

WASHINGTON (AP) — Today's college-bound seniors have nearly achieved the average math score rung up by students in the early 1970s, but verbal scores on the Scholastic Assessment Test still remain well below those of 25 years ago.

Overall, the slightly higher scores reflect more students taking honors courses and classes in calculus, chemistry and physics, according to the College Board, which administers the nation's main college-entrance exam.

Test results released Thursday continue to show men outperforming women. While the women's average verbal score of 503 was only four points behind the men, their average math score of 492 trailed the male average by 35 points.

"The gap is narrowing slightly. While women are taking more science and more math courses, they haven't closed the gap yet," says Gretchen Rigol, the board's director of admission and guidance services.

More than 1 million students took the SAT this year. The average math score was 508, up from 506 in 1995 and just one point behind the 1972 average math score of 509.

The average verbal score was 505, up from 504 last year but still 25 points below the 1972 average of 530.

Christopher Cross, president of the Council for Basic Education, a Washington-based organization that advocates rigorous liberal arts education, said students are not asked to write enough — not only in English class, but in other classes too.

"Even though the (verbal) score has come back a point, I suspect we will never regain the level we achieved at the high point in 1972," Cross said.

College Board President Donald Stewart said he was puzzled about why verbal scores remained below 1970s levels. He speculated that students are watching more television, reading less and spending less time studying English.

This year's test-takers who had taken four years of English had an average verbal score of 512, while those with three years of English scored 40 points lower.

Education Secretary Richard Riley still was encouraged by the upward trend of the test results.

"SAT scores have come to be seen as a measure of the nation's educational health," Riley said. "This year's annual checkup: Pulse is strong, but sustained vigorous exertion required."

However, Robert Cohen, president of the New York-based Princeton Review, which coaches test-takers and sells test preparation materials for the SAT and other tests, dismissed the results.

"SAT scores don't tell us anything about American education," Cohen said.

Students from higher-income families often do better on the test because "the language of the SAT is upper-middle class," he said. Higher test scores might actually mean that fewer low-income students are taking the test because they cannot afford to go to college, he said.

College Board officials denied that the test was geared toward white students from upper-income families. They said nearly half the test-takers have parents who never earned a bachelor's degree.

Albert Shanker, president of the American Federation of Teachers, the nation's second-largest teachers' union, said: "SAT scores are up, but what's most important about the increase is that it reflects a renewed emphasis on the academic core curriculum. When students do rigorous work, they learn more."

"Over the past 10 years, more students have been taking academic courses, across all ethnic groups," Shanker said.

Sixty-nine percent of college-bound students who took the 1996 SAT were white; 11 percent were black; 9 percent were Asian, Asian-American or Pacific Islander; 8 percent were Hispanic or Latino; and 1 percent were American Indian or Alaskan native.

Since 1987:

- Black students raised their average verbal score by six points to 434 and their math score by 11 points to 422.
- Asian-Americans increased both their average verbal and math scores by 17 points, to 496 and 558, respectively.
- Puerto Rican students increased their average verbal score by 16 points to 452 and their math score by 13 points to 445.

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MAKING THE GRADE

Elecia Osadchuk, daughter of Walter Osadchuk of Midland has been named to The University of Mississippi Chancelor's Honor Roll for the 1996 Summer semesters.

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Reagan Boice of Midland has been named to the Dean's Honor List at Texas Tech University for the Spring semester 1996 at the College of Arts and Sciences.

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Permian Honor Scholarship Foundation, Inc., a private foundation, has awarded twenty-one Midland residents with scholarships totaling $32,800.

Richard Gladish and Carolyn Harris will attend Midland College and then transfer to The University of Texas of the Permian Basin.

Bachelor degree candidates attending The University of Texas of the Permian Basin are: **Claude Beetem, Ray Duke, Burt Fisher, Susan Germany, Leslie Gibbs, Wanda Harrison, Laurie Huff, Catherine Lambert, Melissa Marchbanks, Marianne McCoy-Brown, Shary Peterson, Abel Torres and Casey Wolters.**

Midland residents seeking masters degrees are: **Debra Keel Mary Kniffen, Judy Knowles, Lynn Lynch, Sally Ribera and Anthony Smith.**

Permian Honor Scholarship Foundation, Inc. was established in 1976 to provide academic scholarships for area high school and college students in order for them to remain in the Permian Basin to continue their education.

Sponsors include the Robert Louis Dunagan Memorial Scholarship of Ft. Stockton; Abell-Hanger Foundation, Mrs. Ada Hicks Dunagan and Mr. W.F. Roden of Midland; Dunagan Foundation, Inc. and Dunagan Living Trust of Monahans; and Mr. Louis Rochester of Odessa.

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Wayne and Sharel Sims of Midland, will welcome a new "daughter" in August 1996 - **Naoko Deguchi,** a Youth For Understanding (YFU) International Exchange student from Japan. Naoko, who will be a student at Lee High School in Midland, will live with the Sims family for an Academic Year.

As a member of the Sims Family, Naoko will participate in all family activities, from vacations to household chores. While sharing the culture of Japan with her host family and schoolmates, she will learn about U.S. culture.

For more information about hosting YFU international students contact YFU's volunteer for the Midland area, Jimmy and Ann Hicks at 694-3533 or by calling YFU's regional office at 1-800-USA-0200.

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Twenty-six students will graduate from Odessa College's vocational nursing program in Andrews at 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 8, at First Baptist Church in Andrews.

This is the ninth year OC has offered the vocational nursing program in Andrews. The nursing school in Andrews was started 40 years ago by Permian General Hospital, according to Patricia Bayless, department chair and associate professor of vocational nursing in Andrews.

The graduates from Midland are: **Coral Baeza, Pamela Shelton, and Richard Slade.**

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James Ortiz, son of Mr. Joe Ortiz, received the bachelor of arts degree in mathematics from Harding University in Arkansas.

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Debbie Kuntz, daughter of Bob and Nancy Beamer of Midland and a student at Azusa Pacific University in South California, has made the academic Dean's List for the Spring semester of 1996.

The 1992 graduate of Lee High School is majoring in communication and also received a President's Scholarship. She plans to graduate in December.

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Mary Burns and Jennifer Lane of Midland are among the spring and summer semester 1996 graduates at Wichita State University.

Miss Burns received a master of music education degree and Miss Lane received a bachelor of arts degree Magna Cum Laude.

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The Midland High School Varsity and JV cheerleaders and mascot came home with top honors from the cheerleading camp held at Southwest Texas State University.

The Varsity and JV squads both won superior trophies in the cheer competition and the sidelines competition. They also earned seven superior ribbons (the highest award given) and gold ribbons in stunts and dance.

Both squads also received four spirit sticks (one for each day).

Laura Brinker was selected to the UCA All-Star Team and mascot, **Chris Herrera,** was selected as an All-Star mascot.

The members of the MHS varsity squad are **Melissa Brinker, Courtney Clayton, Sarah Duran, La Crecha Gilbert, Becca Kirk, Kelli Martin, Diane McBride, Sarah Ray, Mandy Sherrod, Corbette Sosa, Jessica Stephan, Alissa Sutton, Casey Turner, Casey Webb, and Bethany Whiles.** Members of the JV squad are **Emily Boyd, Laura Brinker, Megan Connel, Catherine Faught, Donna Green, Lindsay Martin, Kaitlyn McCarthy, Jenny Turner, Sonia Valdez, and Lauren VanStavern.** The mascot is **Chris Herrera.**

Education official feels some Texas Lotto money should go for reading

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Cole said Lieutenant Gov. Bob Bullock "has found a bonanza in state lottery monies. It seems the state will have $527 million more than expected in lottery money next year, and Bullock has invited folks to give him ideas on how to spend that money. We are taking him up on the invitation."

According to information from the TFT, thousands of Texas students show up in middle school and high school who can barely read.

When third graders took the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills Test in 1995, over 21 percent of them (43,410 students) failed to pass the reading portion of the test. "Virtually all of these students moved on to the fourth grade as though everything was just fine, and they continue to move up the school ladder until they reach the tenth grade and fail to pass the exit-level TAAS. We ought to do something special to help these kids to read before it is too late," Cole said. "School administrators often tell me: 'Surely you do not want an 18-year-old sitting in third grade.' No, but we don't want them to get a diploma if they can't read either."

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Majority-to-Minority Transfer



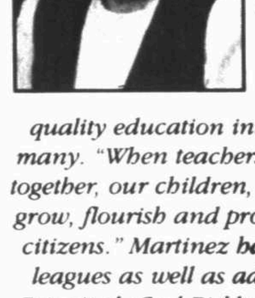
Midland ISD encourages parents to exercise the opportunity for their elementary students to transfer from the campus where they are assigned to a campus where their ethnicity is in the minority.

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

Transportation will be provided by Midland ISD for elementary students with an approved majority-to-minority transfer.

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

1995-96 Teacher of the Year Rusk Elementary



Corrine Martinez

Corrine Martinez always knew what she wanted to be when she grew up. "My prime objective was to go to college and become a teacher," she writes. As a second-grade teacher at Rusk Elementary, she is fulfilling her dream. Martinez believes that quality education involves the cooperative efforts of many. "When teachers, parents and community work together, our children, who are our greatest assets, can grow, flourish and prosper as effective and productive citizens." Martinez has earned the respect of her colleagues as well as administrators. Rusk Elementary Principal, Carl Pirkle writes, "She is a most dedicated classroom teacher who initiates a love for learning in her second-grade students." Martinez is a member of numerous professional organizations and has served on the CEIC as well as various other committees. She has participated in Impact Training, New Jersey Writing Institute for Mathematics Teachers, Cooperative Learning and a host of other workshops. Martinez is a graduate of Texas Women's University and has taught for 22 years.

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The Midland Chamber's Education Combination committee each year solicits Teacher of the Year nominations. Individual school campuses select their teacher of the year, as well as runners-up.

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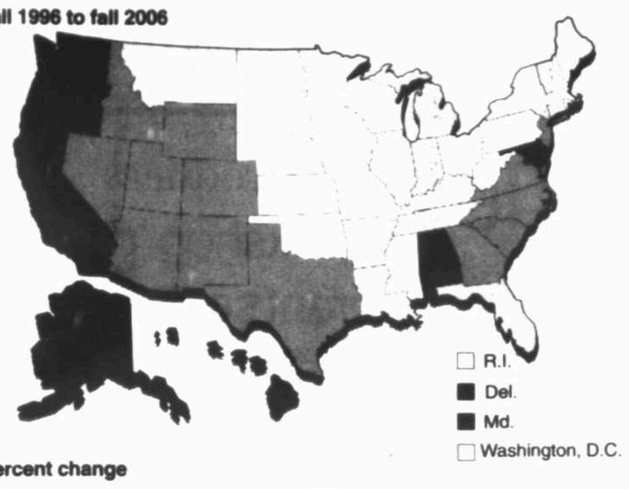
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Surging enrollment

Elementary and secondary school enrollments are expected to swell in most states over the next decade. Western states should see the most growth.

Fall 1996 to fall 2006



Percent change

- Increase of more than 10 percent
- Increase of 5 to 10 percent
- Increase of less than 5 percent
- Decrease

Schools hit by enrollment boom

WASHINGTON (AP) — Surging enrollment during the next decade, particularly in the West and Southeast, will require about 6,000 new schools and 190,000 more teachers nationwide, the Education Department says.

About 51.7 million students will enter public and private schools this fall, surpassing the 51.3 million postwar baby boomers who were in school in 1971.

"We are only at the midpoint of a long, slow, rising wave," Education Secretary Richard Riley said Wednesday in releasing state-by-state enrollment estimates for the next decade. "By the year 2006, America's schools will have to educate 54.6 million children — almost 3 million more than today."

Enrollment is expected to rise during the next 10 years in 33 states. The enrollment boom, however, will not be seen in all areas of the country. Seventeen states and the District of Columbia are forecast to have enrollment declines by 2006.

California is expected to see the largest growth in the number of students in public elementary and secondary schools — 1 million more within the next 10 years, the report says.

"I think the important thing is that in September we're not going to turn children away. But ... you need to look at the numbers and believe them," said Mamie Starr, chairman of the Coalition for Adequate School Housing of California. "The kids are out there. I can attest to it and more are coming."

Other states forecast to have the largest increases in the number of students within the next decade include: Texas (298,000), Washington (133,000), Georgia (113,000), Virginia (110,000), North Carolina (110,000), New Jersey (109,000), Florida (98,000), and Maryland (92,000).

Elementary school enrollment began to rise in the mid-1980s as the children of about 76 million baby boomers — born between the end of World War II and 1964 — headed to school.

Elementary schools continue to feel enrollment pressure because the number of births in America, bolstered by immigration, has remained steady during the past four or five years.

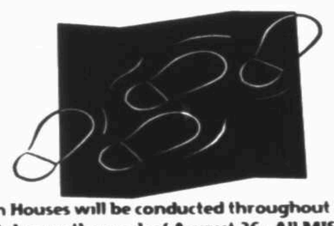
The babies of baby boomers soon will pack high schools in record numbers. Enrollment in public high schools is expected to rise 15 percent in the next 10 years, according to the department's report titled "The Baby Boom Echo."

Enrollment in grades nine through 12 is expected to rise during the next decade by more than 20 percent in nine states — California, Virginia, North Carolina, New Jersey, Maryland, Nevada, Washington, Alaska and Massachusetts.

Timothy Dyer, director of the National Association of Secondary School Principals, says schools are responding to the overcrowding by dividing students into units of no more than 600 students, using personal progress plans to track individual student achievement and assigning each student an adult counselor.

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Open Houses will be conducted throughout the district during the week of August 26. All MISD parents are encouraged to attend this important event, meet their child's teachers and learn new information about the school district.

4th grade .....August 26
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6th grade.....August 29
Junior High.....September 5
Freshman High.....September 3
Senior High.....September 9

For further information, call the Community Relations Department at 689-1008, or your child's school.

EDUCATION IN BRIEF

With election year politics and promises over federal student grant approvals, direct government student loans, tax credits and changes in college financial aid guidelines, many students are finding it difficult to identify and understand their financial aid options. Unfortunately, many students are missing out on receiving financial assistance that is available to them.

Students taking the traditional path of relying on federal, state and institutional financial aid and loans are becoming frustrated as they discover they can't afford to pay the increasing dollars they are asked to contribute each year. These extra payments are straining family budgets and assets as many families try to find schooling through burdensome debt.

Yet, unknown to many people, there are over 375,000 non-government scholarship and grant sources available which do not have to be paid back. More than 80 percent of these scholarships do not depend on family need or exceptional grades but are awarded based on factors such as the student's interest, hobbies, academic focus, age, heritage or parent's work or military service.

For information on how to receive academic funding and scholarships send a No. 10 self addressed, double stamped business envelope plus $2 to cover handling to NAFA, 815 Middle Street, Dept. A7, Portsmouth, NH 03801.

EDUCATION POLICY

The Midland Reporter-Telegram publishes information on upcoming school-related events in the Education in Brief section and announces high and college academic achievements in the Making the Grade section.

All articles are edited to Associated Press style. Deadline for any articles is Monday at noon for publication in the following Sunday education edition. Items will be published on a first-come-first-serve basis as space permits.

The Making the Grade section honors local students, and former area students attending universities. Head-and-shoulder photographs may be submitted with articles for Making the Grade honorees. Photos are not used for dean's list announcements.

Band and cheerleader competition results are published as they are received. Photos are published of All-State students and cheerleaders winning sweepstakes trophies, or state or national awards.

Academic district and regional awards, and state-qualifiers are published. Photos and stories are published for state and national award winners only, as space and time permits.

High school end-of-the-year award night honorees, junior high school honor roll lists, and high school National Honor Society inductees and Duke Talent Identification honorees are published as they are provided by local schools. Who's Who Among American High School students are published twice a year as a group, and are not published individually. The Reporter-Telegram does not publish United States Achievement Academy recipients.

SCHOOL MENUS

MIDLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Monday - Breakfast: Waffles and syrup or assorted cereal, buttered toast, fruit juice, milk. **Lunch**: Pizza supreme or baked potato and toppings, mixed vegetables, fresh fruit, wheat roll, milk.

Tuesday - Breakfast: Coffee cake, oatmeal or assorted cereals, cinnamon toast, fruit juice, milk. Lunch: Burrito combo or chicken spaghetti, whole kernel corn, vegetable dippers, French rolls, milk.

Wednesday - Breakfast: Hot biscuit, sausage pattie and gravy or assorted cereals, buttered toast, fruit juice, milk. **Lunch**: Steak fingers or sliced turkey and gravy, mashed potatoes, spinach salad, chilled peaches, wheat roll, milk.

Thursday - Breakfast: Scrambled egg, little smokies or assorted cereals, buttered toast, fruit juice, milk. Lunch: Beef enchiladas or beef tacos, seasoned pinto beans, Spanish rice, lettuce and tomato, cornmeal roll, milk.

Friday - Breakfast: Breakfast burrito or assorted cereal, buttered toast, fruit juice, milk. Lunch: Toasted cheese sandwich or grilled chicken on wheat bun, French fries, vegetable soup, milk.

Schools make uniforms more appealing

By Barbara DeWitt
N.Y. Times News Service

LOS ANGELES — School uniforms used to be linked exclusively to private prep schools, but now public school students are uniformly stylin'.

Ivy League fashions — khakis and sweater sets — have made such a big comeback that teens may not even mind wearing school uniforms. At least that's what everyone hopes will be the case at Parkman Middle School in suburban Los Angeles.

The Woodland Hills school for grades 6 through 8 isn't the first school to take advantage of a 1995 state law permitting uniforms in public schools, but it is the first middle school in the area, said Virginia Huntman, president of the school's PTSA association.

"Several elementary schools are trying it, but we'll be the test case for middle schools, and we know plenty are watching," Huntman said.

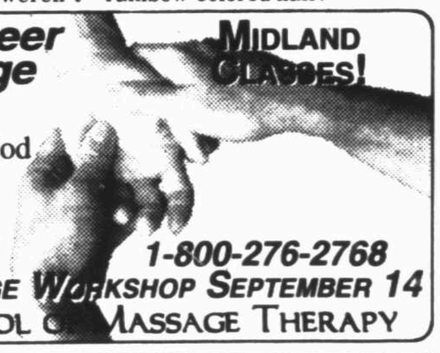
She added that more than half of the students, including her 12-year-old daughter Sarah, told an informal survey they weren't thrilled about dressing alike, but parents voted overwhelmingly in favor of uniforms at an open forum this year.

Parkman Principal Michael Bennett said he's confident that the uniform — navy blue or khaki pants or skirts with a navy or white polo shirt or blouse — will enhance the learning environment and create a more businesslike atmosphere. He also anticipates they will heighten school safety — no more ganglike clothing — and heighten student achievement.

"We are exploring the issue because we want to make a difference in learning, in attitude and in respect," he said. "This is a crucial age for our young people. There is a strong sense that standards, values and ethics have hit an all-time low with our kids ... and we are daring to care."

Since the law allows parents to apply for waivers from the uniform rule, the school also has initiated a general dress code: no gang and grunge styles, including oversized clothing, exposed shirt tails, undershirts as outer shirts or rainbow-colored hair.

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Nurse Aide Training

A course designed to give students the necessary knowledge and skills to provide basic patient care in a health care facility will be offered at Midland College this fall as part of Weekend College.

Nurse Aide Training, a 90-hour course, will give students training to work in nursing homes, home health agencies, hospices, and for individuals. The course, which prepares students for the Texas Registry Certification, is offered Sept. 14-Dec. 7. For more information, contact the Midland College Department of Continuing Education, 685-4518.

MC offers GED preparation

Midland College can help you study and increase your earning power by preparing you for the General Education Development program (GED) test designed for people who have not completed high school. Students are given instruction in writing, social studies, science, reading and math.

Midland College offers all-level GED classes at three locations at the following times:

—Midland College, 3600 N. Garfield, Room 132 OT; 9 a.m.-3 p.m, Monday-Thursday and 6-9 p.m., Tuesday & Thursday.

—Cogdell South Facility, 201 W. Florida; 8:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Monday-Thursday and 6:30-8:30 p.m., Tuesday & Thursday.

—Casa de Amigos, 1101 E. Garden Lane; 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Tuesday & Thursday and 6-8:30 p.m., Monday and Wednesday.

Come anytime. Midland College provides individualized instruction based on students' individual abilities, background, work history and goals.

English as a Second Language

English as a Second Language classes, an educational program for adults needing reading, writing speaking and listening English skills, will be offered at Midland College and the Cogdell South Facility beginning Sept. 3.

Five levels (I, II, III, IV and V) of instruction are provided through groupings in three classes.

Classes are offered in room 105, AFA at Midland College at the following times:

—Midland College, 105 AFA; all levels; 7-9 p.m. Tuesday & Thursday.

—Casa de Amigos, 1101 E. Garden Lane; Levels I and II; 8:30-10:30 a.m. Monday-Thursday and 7-9 p.m. Tuesday & Thursday.

–Cogdell South Facility, 201 W. Florida; All levels; 9-11 a.m. Monday-Thursday and 7-9 p.m. Monday & Wednesday.

The classes are open-entry, so come anytime. Call 685-4657 for more information.

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Late registration for fall continues

New Weekend College begins with 20 courses

Late registration for Midland College's fall term that begins Aug. 26 continues in the Scharbauer Student Center. Students may late register through Sept. 5.

Class instruction and late registration begins Monday, Aug. 26. Call 685-4501 for more information.

Also, registration for MC's first Weekend College is ongoing. Weekend College gives area residents the opportunity to take classes Friday night, all day Saturday and Sunday afternoons.

In general, courses will be offered in six-week and 12-week blocks so that students can earn as much as 12 hours credit in a semester just taking classes on the weekend, according to MC Vice President of Instruction Richard Jolly.

"Right now, the emphasis will be on offering classes in six certificate programs with the support classes students will need to complete those programs," Jolly said.

Weekend College will offer courses for students interested in training in the following areas: Environmental Technology, ASE Certified Technician, Electronic/COSC Technician, Volunteer Firefighter, and Alcohol and Drug Abuse Counselor.

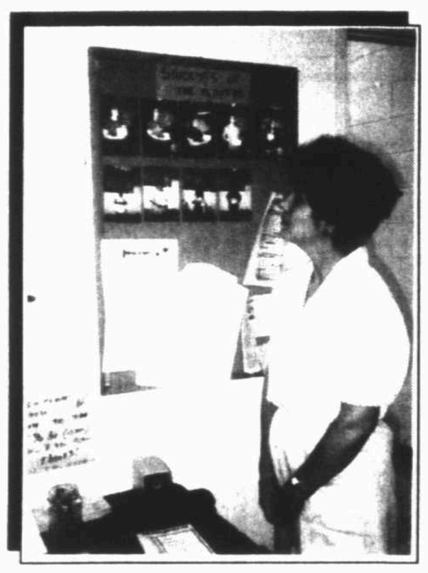
Additionally, classes will be offered in anatomy and physiology, technical writing, masterpieces of the western world, psychology, physical education and math.

Weekend College classes will begin Sept. 7 and Oct. 26. The semester will end Dec. 7. For information call 685-4501.

Going South . . .

Open House at the Cogdell South Facility highlights opportunities

Since the Midland College Cogdell South Facility, 201 W. Florida, opened a little more than two years ago, it has grown to include the college's Business and Economic Development Center, is now a vital part of the Adult Basic Education Program and provides classroom space for many the Continuing Education program. The facility also is the headquarters for the Midland College Truck Driving Academy. For more information about South Facility programs, call 684-4100.



English as a Second Language Instructor Chris Shaw checks out a bulletin board listing her students' accomplishments. New ESL classes begin at the South Facility Sept. 3.



Bill Cogdell made the dream of a Midland College presence in south Midland a reality. In 1992 he donated the buildings that are now the Midland College Cogdell South Facility. He continues to be an active supporter of the facility.



Continuing Education Program Coordinator Alice Freidline shows Robert Reed one of the dozens of new computers recently installed at the Cogdell South Facility.

Continuing Ed offers Small Business Seminars

Registration is underway for Continuing Education fall semester courses. The hundreds of course offerings include computers, professional and career skills, health and recreation, health science continuing education and the arts.

The fall course schedule was included in last Sunday's Midland Reporter-Telegram. The schedule also is available from the Midland College Continuing Education Office or by calling 685-4518.

One of the department's mainstays since 1989 has been the Small Business Seminar Series offered each fall and spring and coordinated through the Midland College Business and Economic Development Center (BEDC).

This fall, 14 seminars designed to help small business owners are scheduled to run Sept. 10-Oct. 24.

The seminars begin with **Small Business from an Owner's Perspective** 7 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 10. The second course, **Legal Issues,** will be 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 12.

"These sessions are short, concise overviews to inform the small business owner." Mary Glenn, CPA and series coordinator, said.

"Since the professionals who lead the discussions are there for two hours, business owners can ask questions and get the answers they need in one session," she said

The series consists of sessions that meet from 7-9 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays at Midland College.

This fall's topics include bookkeeping, financial statements, budgeting and break-even analysis, retirement planning, financing your business, worker's compensation issues, zoning regulations and economic development, sales taxes and Texas franchise taxes, labor issues and income taxes.

Cost is $5 per session. Chamber members may register for all 14 session for $60.

To register or for more information, call Glenn at 687-0777.

Or, call the Midland College BEDC at 684-4100, or the Midland College Continuing Education department at 685-4518.

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Workshop 'profits' grant seekers; opera goes to the movies at MC

A comprehensive full-day workshop to help nonprofit staff and volunteers understand what goes into finding appropriate resources and writing a winning proposal will be at Midland College.

Linda Loftus, a consultant for the Funding Information Center of Texas, Inc., will present **"Proposal Writing for Grant Seekers" 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Tuesday, August 27.**

The program will focus on the successful identification, development, and cultivation of funding opportunities for organizations.

Loftus, whose expertise includes strategic planning, grantwriting and start-up procedures, provides management consulting and training services to nonprofits, government entities and private business.

Workshop attendees will learn where private donations come from and where they are distributed, in addition to learning the different organizations and entities who accept funding proposals.

Attendees also will receive information on how to research the organizations and on how to effectively describe funding needs.

The fee for the workshop is $129 with lunch and materials provided. Enrollment is limited. Contact Laura Walker at 685-6479 for more information.

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The Midland Opera Theatre will present ***Lafanciulla del West, Girl of the Golden West*, 7 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 3** in the Roadrunner Room of Midland College's Scharbauer Student Center.

The three-act opera by Giacomo Puccini is a complete stage opera with orchestra and audience videotaped on lazer disks and presented on a large screen by the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden

The program, a continuation of The Midland Opera Theatre's "Opera Goes to the Movies" series, is free to the public. Seating is limited.

For additional information or reservations contact Lucy Lee at 520-7515.

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Responding to an increased need for medical information technicians, the Midland College Health Sciences division will offer the **Health Information Technology** (HITS) program this fall.

The graduate will maintain, organize, analyze and generate health information for patient treatment, reimbursement, planning, quality assessment and research.

Courses offered this fall are Medical Language, 8-9:20 a.m., Tuesday and Thursday; Introduction to Health Care Delivery, 9:20-11 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday, and Directed Practice, a flexible entry course. For more information, call 685-4600.

Elise Coombes is public relations director for Midland College.

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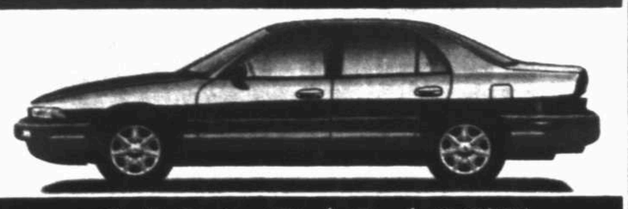
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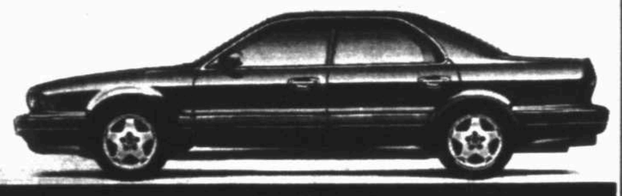
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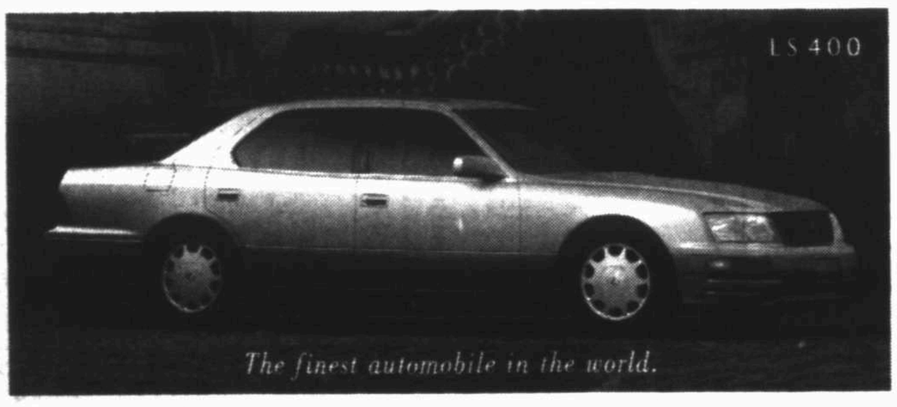
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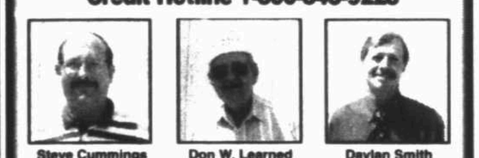
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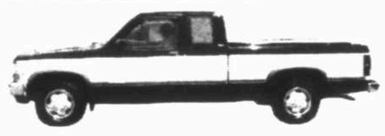
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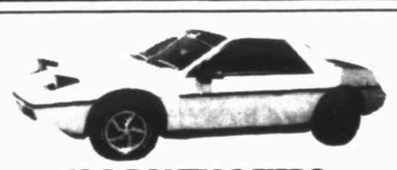
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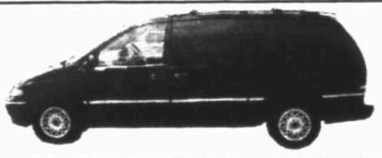
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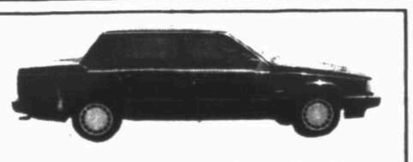
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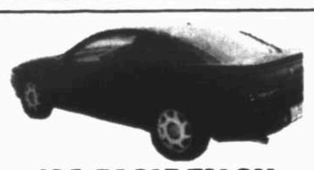
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We offer medical, dental and life insurance to our full-time Team Members. We have paid vacations, a sick pay plan, college tuition reimbursement ($300/Semester), and a profit sharing plan. There are also incentive programs available that allow you to earn extra money on a quarterly basis! In addition, after you've worked for us 30 days, and while you continue to be employed, we'll give you 10 dollars of gas---FREE* every week for the rest of 1996!

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Most of our Managers started at the entry-level and received the training necessary to become successful at running a small business. Our assistant managers can make up to $7/hour, and are always promoted from within our company. We also offer continual classroom education in customer service and personal leadership skills. You can tell the difference high-quality training makes when you come into one of our Kent Kwiks! In addition, after you've worked for us 30 days, and while you continue to be employed, we'll give you 10 dollars of gas---FREE* every week for the rest of 1996!

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NEW EXCITING OPPORTUNITY

Long John Silver's needs delivery drivers. Starting at $7.00/hour. Benefits available. Must have minimum of two years experience and insurance.

APPLY IN PERSON 900 ANDREWS HWY.

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AD TAKER position. 2 years experience with computer required. Heavy phones and counter sales, some telemarketing. Must be able to work well with others and handle pressure. Good pay and excellent benefits. Call Jo Dale or Brenda at 333-4186 for more information.

APARTMENT- Ideal for retired couple or others. Manager/ Maintenance team needed for 70 unit apartment complex in quiet west Texas town. Previous experience in apartment management preferred. Maintenance experience necessary. Salary plus apartment. Send resume to: 2541 74th Street, Lubbock, TX 79423.

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The Midland Reporter-Telegram currently has a part-time position in single copy. Duties consist of, but are not limited to, store and news rack collections. Dependable vehicle a must. If interested, come in and apply at 201 E. Illinois or call the Circulation department at (915) 688-2700. Ask for Barry Bledsoe or Gilbert Silva.

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310 General Help Wanted

ASSEMBLY- Fast growing local manufacturing company looking for energetic career minded individuals for assembly type work. Prior experience with plastic laminate helpful but not necessary. Great opportunity for the right person. Job entails working with light equipment (table saws, routers, etc.). Ladies- don't rule yourselves out! We are an equal opportunity employer that advocates womens rights in the workplace. Send a simple resume describing past work experience to: Box E-34, C/O The Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, Texas 79702.

BUS PERSON. Lunches only. Apply in person, Mr. Reuben's Restaurant, 3205 W. Cuthbert.

CAB DRIVER. Must be Courteous, Dependable, Good Driving Record. Retirees & others welcome. Call 685–7070.

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Part time. 3 pm - 7 pm Monday through Friday, some Saturday mornings. Dependable transportation, previous cable and/or telephone background required. Mileage reimbursed. Call 699–0846 9 am- 5 pm Monday through Friday.

CDL DRIVER

Wanted to move equipment to Dallas. $135 Per trip plus return fare. Call (210) 607–3782 or Apply Carnival Office, Ector County Coliseum parking lot, Odessa.

310 General Help Wanted

COMPUTERIZED Embroidery Sewing Room Assistant wanted. Fast paced business needs someone with people skills and knowledge of fabrics and windows computer program. Must be clean, neat and willing to work 40 hours a week. Send resumes to: Box F-07, c/o The Midland Reporter- Telegram, P. O. Box 1650, Midland, Texas 79702.

CONCRETE- POSITION available in Midland for mechanical minded person. Must be able to lift up to 100 lbs. $6.50 an hour, pay raise opportunity. Fax resumes to: 915-682-5620.

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Excellent 1st job! No experience necessary! We provide transportation and job training! Must be over 18. START NOW! Call 7am to 6 pm. 800-505-8185.

RESTAURANT- DINO'S PIZZERIA & RESTAURANT is now hiring. Apply in person, 4322 Andrews Hwy., Midland.

DRIVERS

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Now hiring Delivery Drivers. Hire on bonus. Full or part-time hours. Earn $10-$12 per hour, cash that's paid daily. Must be at least 18 with current insurance and good driving record. Apply in person 3303 N. Midkiff, San Miguel Square.

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DRIVERS- $50 HIRING Bonus. Domino's Pizza, now hiring both part and full time drivers. Earn $7 to $12 per hour while working in a fun, exciting environment. (Drivers start at $4.40 per hour plus 70¢ per run, plus tips) Must be at least 18 with insurance and a good driving record. Apply today at 712 W. Scharbauer. EOE

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Earn up to $4,000 a month setting appointments for fast growing, full service home improvement company. Call AM...
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FOR RESUMES that get results. Call 699-1919. Fast service. Reasonable rates. Professional quality.

TECHNICAL TRAINING

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310 General Help Wanted

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WORK TODAY, GET PAID FRIDAY. Positions opening daily for dependable people to perform assembly and packing assignments. Must have own phone and reliable transportation. Call today, 683–5677, Olsten Staffing Services.

HAIR DRESSER stations for lease. Fun atmosphere, established. $50 per week. 683-6315, ask for Amy.

HAIRSTYLIST and Nail Tech needed for full or part- time. Very good location. Call Rose 267–9993.

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★ HOT OIL OPERATOR

Needed - CDL and physical required. Offer insurance, 401(k) plan and vacation. Call 683–0831.

HOUSEKEEPERS needed with experience. Part time temporary positions. Call 683–5966.

RESTAURANT- BENNIGAN'S Now Hiring: Servers, Dishwashers, Cooks, Prep. Excellent opportunity for advancement. Great benefits. Apply anytime, 4517 N. Midkiff.

310 General Help Wanted

HOUSEKEEPING SUPERVISOR

Fast paced motel has immediate opening for hands-on individual possessing good skills & verifiable experience. Good benefit package & pay. Apply in person: Best Western Mid Continent Inn, Hwy. 87 & I27, Big Spring, TX.

LICENSED PLUMBER needed immediately for Midland and surrounding areas, current license required. Call Monday-Friday, 8 am- 5 pm. 1-800-807-4725.

LICENSED PLUMBER needed. Salary plus commission. Good driving record a must. Apply in person at Roto Rooter, 1410 Carter.

MAID- permanent position. At least 5 years professional experience, dependable, local references, U.S. Citizen, good salary. Write to E-31, C/O The Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

MAINTENANCE position available at The Junction Apartments, 1902 N. Midland Drive. MUST be experienced and HVAC certified. Apply in person ONLY. Salary DOE. Applications accepted through 8/30/96.

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Turn your early morning hours into extra income.

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Newspaper distributorship provide great supplemental income for anyone willing to work early morning hours. These routes require a small deposit.

Apply in person or contact the Circulation Department:

Midland Reporter-Telegram
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Midland, Texas 79701
or Call 687-8810, 687-8807

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MACHINE OPERATORS

Manufacturing Company is now hiring individuals willing to work as Machine Operators (Entry Level position). Requirements: High School Diploma or GED, Fluent English. Experience in operating machinery a plus, but not necessary. Excellent opportunities, competitive wages and benefits provided. Apply in person between 8- 5, Monday- Friday.

Lear Corporation
South Industrial Loop
Midland, Texas 79703

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COME JOIN OUR TEAM!!!

Circulation District Manager

The Midland Reporter- Telegram has a position available open, beginning immediately, for a motivated, service- oriented person to begin a career in the newspaper business. This position is responsible for recruiting, training and managing adult newspaper carriers.

Qualified applicants must have a good driving record and be willing to work a flexible schedule which includes many night hours. Previous circulation experience or college is a plus, but not required. We will train the right individual. You need dependable transportation as this job requires use of personal car with company reimbursement for mileage.

Apply in person or send resume to:

J. R. Ruiz
c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram
201 E. Illinois Ave.
Midland, TX 79701

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Elsa, Tami, Pam, & Brandi are available to help you with all of your advertising needs.

310 General Help Wanted

MEAT WRAPPERS MEAT CUTTERS

Furr's Supermarkets has immediate openings for experienced Meat Wrappers and Meat Cutters. We offer a good starting salary and benefits. Interested and qualified candidates should apply in person at any of our Furr's Supermarket locations in Midland, Monday - Friday from 8 a.m. til 5:00 p.m.
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MID- LEVEL Supervisor. Responsible for day to day operations of small clerical and field tech staff. Previous supervisory experience and PC skills preferred. Monday- Friday, 8 am-5 pm. Send resume and salary history to: Box A-3, c/o Midland Reporter Telegram, PO Box 1650, Midland, Texas 79702.

NURSERY ATTENDANT needed at Alamo Y.M.C.A..- Part Time. Good with children. Apply in person 901 N. Midland Dr.

310 General Help Wanted

SHOP HAND needed to work in packer shop to repair tubing anchors and packers. Experience helpful but not necessary. Send replies to Box E-33, C/O The Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, Texas 79702.

NAIL TECHS. Great location. 2 stations available. Call Tracy at 689–3339.

NATIONAL RECORDS MANAGEMENT FIRM

Seeks individual to fill immediate opening for driver/records inventory. Good driving record, some computer knowledge necessary, heavy lifting required. Good salary and benefits. Apply in person Monday thru Wednesday, 8am-4pm, 600 N. Marienfeld.

ORGANIST, Bell Choir Director wanted. For information call 686-1809 or 694-1373.

Trucking

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CONWAY-SOUTHERN EXPRESS is a growing major regional LTL carrier with an office in the Midland/Odessa area. WE are currently seeking Driver/Sales Reps who will thrive in our environment.

- CDL with HM and combination vehicle endorsements.
- Excellent driving record.
- Prior driving experience or truck driving school certificate.
- Passing of DOT physical examination.
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- City and over-the-road driving along with dock work.
- Up-to-date equipment.
- Home every day.

We offer excellent starting wages, progression opportunities, and consideration for world class benefits for the right candidates. Qualified individuals should send resume to:

Con-Way Southern Express
2000 Ave. C
Lubbock, TX 79404
or call (800) 763-6818

For more information
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CON-WAY SOUTHERN EXPRESS

310 General Help Wanted

GENERAL- PART- TIME help wanted- any position. Monday thru Sunday, 11 am- 2 pm. Apply at Wendy's, 4412 Loop 250.

PART- TIME. Earn up to $500/ week, 3 hours/ nite. Set appointments for free security system. 570-8890.

PEPPER'S SALON- Progressive salon has 2 chairs for lease, clientele preferred. Call 687–4247 daytime, 684-5238 evenings & weekends.

PHONE TECH, must have experience in installing, troubleshooting, repairs. Bring resume to 15 Smith Rd., Ste. 1100, Interim Personnel, 570–7002. No fee!

SECRETARY- First Presbyterian Child Development Center seeks part time secretary. Computer skills required- Windows 95 a plus. 683-0851.

PORTER/ GROUNDS Keeper-needed at The Lakes Apartments. Knowledge of sprinkler systems and swimming pool maintenance helpful. Pick up application at 516 N. Loop 250 W., Midland. EOE

PREP COOK needed. Must be experienced. Monday through Friday. Call 683-5677.

PROFESSIONAL Pet Groomer for successful grooming business, excellent salary. Phone 367–5156 for interview.

PROGRAM SPECIALIST needed part time to work in child care nutrition program. Must be available at mealtimes, travel involved, high school diploma required, experienced in nutrition and child care preferred. Approximately 10 hours per month. Send resume to: CEI, 1901 University, Suite 603 B, Lubbock, TX 79410 or call 1-800-456-4862 for an application.

REPRESENTATIVES Needed-sell Avon part time- full time. Great earnings. Call Verla 520–0119, Independent Rep.

RESTAURANT- Now hiring Dishwasher and part time Wait Staff. Prefer experienced. Kuo's Chinese Restaurant, 697–8888, Pamela, after 1:30 pm.

RESTAURANT- Murray's Delicatessen now hiring: waitstaff, cooks, kitchen help. Apply in person, 3211 W. Wadley #24.

RESTAURANT- The Olive Garden is currently hiring servers, bussers, cooks. Apply between 2- 5, Monday thru Friday. E. O. E.

RESTAURANT- The Plaza Club is now looking for experienced dishwashers, line cooks and wait persons. Must apply in person only between 9- 11 am and 2- 5 pm at 6 Desta Drive, Suite 6600 in the ClayDesta Building.

RESTAURANT. Friendly, outgoing staff needed full and part time, all shifts. Drug screen required. Apply in person, between 2 -5, Texas Burger, 2501 N. Big Spring.

RETAIL. The Racquet Club Pro Shop is looking for tennis pro shop worker. Must enjoy working with people and have flexible hours. Great for college students and others. Apply in person at the Racquet Club Pro Shop.

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311 Medical Help Wanted

MEDICAL RECORDS MANAGER
Full-time position; RRA required, must have 2-3 years of supervisory experience in a hospital based medical records department.

PHLEBOTOMIST
PRN positions; Texas Phlebotomist Certification required; hospital experience preferred.

DIRECTOR OF BIRTHPLACE
BSN strongly preferred; experience in all phases of maternal child.

MEDICAL RECORDS/IP-OP CODER
Full-time position; ICD-9 diagnosis and procedure coding and CPT coding required; DRG optimization required; ART certification or coding certified preferred.

LICENSED PHYSICAL THERAPY ASSISTANT
Full-time position; Texas Certifications and License required; Hospital experience preferred.

LABOR AND DELIVERY REGISTERED NURSES
Full-time and Part-time positions available; Texas RN license required; Labor and Delivery experience required.

PHYSICAL THERAPIST
Full-time position; Degree with Texas License required; Area travel required.

OR REGISTERED NURSE
Full-time position; Texas RN license required; Operating room experience preferred.

PROMPT CARE FACILITY/REGISTERED NURSES
Part & Full-time positions; Texas RN license required; ER experience helpful.

ULTRA SOUND TECHNOLOGIST
Full-time and PRN position; Texas Certification and license required; two years of Ultrasound experience required.

REGISTERED NURSES
Full-time positions; 3-11 shift; Med/Surg. experience preferred. Texas RN License required.

WESTWOOD MEDICAL CENTER

P.O. BOX 51070
Midland, Texas 79710
(915) 522-3030
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Westwood Medical Center offers its staff competitive salaries, medical/dental/vision insurance, tuition reimbursement, 24 days paid time off per year, shift / specialty / weekend differential, credit union membership and 401K. For details on our exciting opportunities, interested persons should contact:

J. Rick Brown
Director of Human Resources

Westwood Medical Center is a substance free workplace. Drug screens will be performed on all applicants considered to be final candidates for a position with Westwood Medical Center.
Westwood Medical Center does not discriminate with regard to race, color, religion, creed, gender, national origin, age, disability, marital or veteran status, sexual orientation or any other legally protected status.

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SEMINOLE HOSPITAL DISTRICT OF GAINES COUNTY

ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS:

FAMILY NURSE PRACTITIONER/PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT RURAL HEALTH CARE CLINIC
Great opportunity for FNP or PA. Two physician clinic concentrating on family practice (including Obstetrics).

LVN and RN MEMORIAL HOSPITAL
LVN and RN position available in our hospital. Must have current Texas license. OB experienced preferred. Evening shift.

CERTIFIED NURSE AIDES MEMORIAL HEALTH CARE CENTER
Must hold a current certification from the state of Texas or in the process of obtaining certification. Long term care experience preferred, but not necessary.

Seminole Hospital District offers competitive salaries and generous benefit package. Interested individuals should contact Shirley McCoy, Personnel Director, Seminole Memorial Hospital, 209 N.W. 8th St., Seminole, Texas, 79360, (915) 758-4986. Applications will be accepted until positions are filled.
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311 Medical Help Wanted

Memorial Hospital and Medical Center, Midland, has immediate openings for RN's in the following areas:

* Med/Surg (Medical/Surgical, Orthopedics, Oncology)
* Pediatrics
* Intensive Care Services (12 hours shifts available)
* Labor & Delivery (FT 11p-7a)
* All shifts available - FT, PT, PRN/Flex

Previous experience required.

We are prepared to offer RN's an excellent compensation package that includes health, life and dental insurance; sick child care; tuition reimbursement; and interview and relocation reimbursement.

Please contact the Nurse Recruiter at (800) 833-2916 ext. 1568 or send resume to Memorial Hospital and Medical Center, Human Resources Department, 2200 W. Illinois, Midland, Texas 79701 or fax resume to (915) 685-6934. EOE

312 Professional Help Wanted

GEOPHYSICIST

Texaco Exploration and Producing Inc. is seeking an experienced geophysicist to develop growth opportunities in the Permian Basin.

We are seeking an individual who desires a challenging career and works well in a team environment. The candidate should meet the following requirements:

- Permian Basin geophysical interpretation experience
- 5 year's experience in seismic interpretation and mapping
- Knowledge of Permian Basin geology
- BS or MS in Geoscience or related field

We also desire:

- Geoquest experience
- Unix proficiency

Compensation commensurate with education and experience.

Interested and qualified candidates should forward a resume to:

Texaco Exploration and Production Inc.
P.O. Box 3109
Midland, Texas 79702
Attn.: Levelland Asset Team
Mary Donelson
Fax No. (915) 688-4473
E-Mail: DONELMF@TEXACO.COM

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312 Professional Help Wanted

Promotion Producer for UPN Affiliate

Opportunity is knocking! On-air promotion producer is wanted to join a 5 person team at Ramar Communications. Candidate should possess the following abilities: create, write, edit, and produce hip, cool, and creative station image promotions and campaigns. MUST be able to meet deadlines, work effectively under pressure, and be a team player.

Duties include;

- produce station image promotions and campaigns
- tag and produce all UPN network promos
- coordinate and catch satellite promo feeds
- assist and oversee tagging and producing of syndicated promos
- coordinate with promotion manager the tagging, dubbing, and delivery of radio sweeps spots

No phone calls please. Submit tape and resume to:

Ramar Communications
Attn: April Ferrino
9800 University
Lubbock, Texas
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310 General Help Wanted

RESTAURANT
★Sonic Drive-In★
Now hiring Car Hops (waiters / waitresses). Great working conditions, flexible hours, in need of daytime and evening workers at new Midland Drive location Please apply in person at Midkiff Road Sonic.

DEMONSTRATORS needed for major grocery chain opening in Midland. Dependable, friendly and enthusiastic. Part- time, $7 per hour. Inquiries 1- 4 PM, Monday thru Friday, 800-580-3367.

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RETAIL
Get Organized!
Seeking dependable self starter for sales associate position. Retail experience or equivalent skills desired. Must have flexible schedule, friendly & helpful attitude with desire to work. Sales incentive pay + hourly wage. Apply at store (Midland Plaza- Loop 250 & Midkiff).

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OPERATORS- SEEKING English Speaking Operators with ability to read, write and speak Spanish fluently. Typing skills and flexible schedule a must. Please apply at 2002 South County Road 1276, directly behind Big 2 News. Apply Monday-Wednesday, 10- 2.

TELLER- full time. Cashing checks and paying utility bills. $4.45 an hour. Appl / in person, The Money Place, 2217 B N. Big Spring, Midland.

RESTAURANT. Positions available at Luby's- full time and part time counter attendants needed. Apply in person 8 to 10 am only.

TEACHING Position for Mother's Day Out- Tuesdays & Thursdays 9 -3. Contact Diane Edwards at 694-2544 or 694-4791, St. Paul's United Methodist Church.

TELEMARKETERS- needed for local radio promo. Pleasant phone work. Earn up to $50-$60/ day. No experience, we train. 810 N. Dixie, #109, Odessa. Back entrance. Cash Paid Daily. 580–7800.

TELEMARKETING Representative wanted for 30 year old local company. Full or part time, salary DOE. 570-8239.

GENERAL- TERRY'S Trailers needs welder and painter. Honest and dependable. Apply in person only 1403 Garden City Hwy.

WAL-MART SUPERCENTER, Midland now taking applications. Cashiers, overnight sales, stockers. Flexible hours. Good pay. Apply at Service desk.

WAREHOUSE POSITION
Partech seeks honest and hard working individual for warehouse position. Knowledge of shipping and receiving operations and forklift experience. Class "A" Commercial Drivers License required. Apply at Partech, 4501 S. County Road 1310, Odessa, TX 79765.

311 Medical Help Wanted

EMT's, EMT-I's and EMT-P's needed to work West Texas area. Call Texas West Ambulance, 570-4892.

MEDICAL RECEPTIONIST needed for physician's office. Computer experience and Medical Manager desirable. Duties include: collections, insurance filing and general secretary- receptionist duties. Please respond with resume and salary history to Box E-29, C/O The Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

CONTRACT RNs and LVNs needed for homehealth agency. Call 570-6877 to set up interview, Fax resume to: 915-682-1913.

Our Reputation Has Been Growing For Over Half A Century.



West Texas Behavioral Health Systems currently has the following opportunity:

Hospital Controller
The successful individual will have at least 6 years accounting experience and 3-5 years background as an Assistant Controller or Controller in a health care setting. Must possess a proven track record in general accounting and business office functions, contracting, financial planning, Medicare, and Medicaid. MBA/CPA preferred. This position reports to the Hospital Chief Executive Officer and is an important member of the company's management team.

Please send resume in confidence to:
West Texas Behavioral Health Systems, Human Resource Department, P.O. Box 60608, Midland, TX 79711. EOE/M-F.

"ATTENTION RN!"
Due to rapid growth,

Symphony Home Care Services
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TWO RN Pediatric Nurse Positions
for visits and for staffing.
Experienced Required & Salary negotiable.

Call: Florence Hair, RN
699-7474

or mail resume to:

1031 Andrews Hwy.
Suite 304
Midland, TX. 79701

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311 Medical Help Wanted

REHABILITATION
PT & SLPs
NovaCare, Inc., a leading provider of rehabilitation services, is seeking PTs & SLPs to provide clinical services at the following locations:

Midland: PTs & SLPs

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311 Medical Help Wanted

DIRECTOR OF NURSING
Terrace West Nursing Center, a long term care facility, has a current opening for a Registered Nurse to direct our nursing department. Our nurses play an integral role in the care of our Resident and in the environment of our center. If you are a person who likes to utilize your skills to the fullest, we want to talk with you. We offer a very competitive salary/benefit package. If interested, please send a current resume or contact:

Chuck Bumpass, Administrator
Terrace West Nursing Center
2800 N. Midland Drive
Midland, Texas 79707
Phone (915) 697-3108
Fax (915) 689-0486

BILLING/ COLLECTION Clerk wanted by Physician's Office. Medical Manager software experience preferred. Competitive salary and benefits. Please send resume with salary history to: Box E-28, c/o Midland Reporter Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

LVN- EXPANDING Cardiology practice needing LVN, full- time, some travel required. New graduate or experienced. Send resume to: Box F-05, c/o The Midland Reporter- Telegram, P. O. Box 1650, Midland, Texas 79702.

LVN- needed for doctor's office. Send resume: Box E-30, C/O Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

RN NEEDED for Odessa area. Home health Quality Assurance experience preferred. Call 915-523-2133 or send resume to: Generations Home Care, 805 N. Main, Andrews, Texas 79714

311 Medical Help Wanted

MEDICAL MAINTENANCE Technician needed in Midland/ Odessa area. Seeking highly motivated individual able to work independently in the field of dental equipment servicing. Duties include installing, servicing, and calibrating dental and x-ray equipment. Should be knowledgeable in areas of pneumatics, hydraulics, x-ray, AC and DC circuits. Must be able to read and interpret schematics. Demonstration of strong mechanical skills a must. Formal training in medical maintenance a plus. Vehicle provided. Send resume and salary history to: Box E-32, C/O The Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, Texas 79702.

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Submit resume in confidence at 6 p.m. Monday, August 26 to:

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FINANCIAL SERVICES CONSULTANT
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GENERAL- NEED CERTIFIED Interpreter for hearing impaired student. Please call UTPB, Pass Office 552-2630 for more information.

ACCOUNTANT- LARGE Lubbock, Texas CPA firm seeking staff accountant for audit department with 0 to 3 years experience. Requires B B A degree in accounting. Send resume to: P. O. Box 1102, Lubbock, Texas 79408.

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Develops and delivers education and training programs to staff in all technical areas of business office management. Able to identify areas of needed improvement and ability to develop programs to address those areas.

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Reply to: Dorothy Coffey, Human Resource Director
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Between the hours of 8:00am and 5:00pm Weekdays

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Eligibility Specialist I-Trainee
The Texas Department of Human Services is accepting applications for Eligibility Specialist I-Trainee in Andrews, Seminole, Pecos, Lamesa, Odessa and Midland. Some positions require Bi-lingual. Salary is $1,612.00 per month. Minimum qualifications require 60 semester hours from an accredited college or university. Some additional professional experience is acceptable.

We do not accept resumes, please pick up application and a copy of the job announcement at the Texas Dept. of Human Services located in your area. To ensure consideration, applications must be in the Abilene Human Resource Services office no later than Friday, August 30, 1996. 5:00 p.m. Mail your applications to: P.O. Box 6635, Abilene, Texas 79608. Questions regarding this position can be directed to our Human Resource Services office at 915-690-2216. We are EOE.

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PART-TIME INSTRUCTOR
Applications are invited for a part-time instructor to teach day and/or night classes in speech, math and computer science at Odessa College. Requires masters' degree in speech or related field with at least 18 graduate hours in teching field. Applications available from Human Resources, Odessa College, 201 W. University, Odessa, Texas 79764. 915-335-6606. EO/AA/ADA

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Needed for the Family Crisis Center of the Big Bend, Inc. Responsible for administration of program of services to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. BA/BS degree or equivalent experience in human relations, business administration, or other relevant course of study. Must have good organizational & communication skills. Spanish/ English preferred. Salary range, $18,000 to $24,000.

Send resume by September 16, 1996 to:
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P.O. Box 179,
Terlingua, TX 79852.

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Promotion Producer for UPN Affiliate

Opportunity is knocking! On-air promotion producer is wanted to join a 5 person team at Ramar Communications. Candidate should possess the following abilities: create, write, edit, and produce hip, cool, and creative station image promotions and campaigns. MUST be able to meet deadlines, work effectively under pressure, and be a team player.

Duties include;

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- coordinate and catch satellite promo feeds
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Supervises computer operators and oversees the day to day operations and needs of the computer operations center. Requires knowledge of IBM Rise 6000 and AIX-UNIX; Must have good problem solving ability and working knowledge of WordPerfect, Windows, and PC environment. Associates degree in Computer related field or equivalent experience plus two years supervisory experience required. Valid Texas driver's license required. Closing date: 9-6-96. Wages & Hours: $2,389.00/ mo., Mon. - Fri. 8:00 to 5:00 p.m. Apply at: City of Midland, Personnel Dept., 300 N. Loraine, or, mail resume to P.O. Box 1152, Midland, TX 79702.

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Applicant to work closely with the CFO and be responsible for all phases of the Human Resources/Personnel Department. Duties include payroll, employee benefits (group insurance, 401(k), Cafeteria Plan); the compliance/audit of Personnel Policies and Procedures; and other responsibilities. Applicant should have extensive knowledge and experience in these areas as well as in the area of employment law. Accounting degree helpful, but not required. Send resume and salary requirements to:

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c/o The Midland Reporter-Telegram
P.O. Box 1650
Midland, Texas 79702

Seeking dynamic, self-motivated, reliable SLP (CCC/CFY) for adult MR/DD consumers. Immediate full or part-time vacancy. Position provides for communication needs of adults with developmental disabilities living in a state residential facility with functional levels ranging from mild to profound. Duties include assessments, program design and implementation, progress review and program coordination with participation in Interdisciplinary Team Process. Salary commensurate with experience and includes benefits package. Texas licensure or eligible required. Functional sign language, augmentative communication and dysphagia experience preferred. Contact:

San Angelo State School
P.O. Box 38, Carlsbad, TX. 76934
(915) 465-2221

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INTERACTIVE AUDIO AND VIDEO TECHNICIAN

Qualifications:
Experience with communications technology requiring the ability to use videoconferencing equipment, diagnostic software, hub equipment, Windows, Novell, and Windows NT, on-line system diagnostics. Inquiries and resumes addressed to: Nancy Dunnam, Director of Data Management, Region 18 Education Service Center, P.O. Box 60580, (2811 La Force Blvd.-Air Terminal) Midland, TX 79711-0580.

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CONSTRUCTION- Whitehead Construction Inc. has opening for Construction Superintendent. must have extensive home building construction experience. Must be very organized for a very fast paced company. Salary D. O. E. Call 332-0697 for appointment.

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WORKING SHOP FOREMAN for local manufacturing company. Engine lathe, mill and C & C experience, as well as experience programming the equipment required. Good benefits package, 401K. Must be a producer and a person who can thing on their feet. Call 367-8413 for appointment.

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ACCOUNTANT- Oil and Gas company. Experience in Revenue, JIB, G/ L's and Lotus are a must. Self starter to relocate to Aspen area. Excellent salary. Fax resume to (970) 927-0266.

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Skinny's, Inc. seeks degreed accountant with minimum 3 years public accounting or retail accounting experience. Job requires detail and timeline oriented person who has strong organization, management and delegation skills. Job requires spreadsheet and Windows experience. Successful applicant will be able to complete Federal Corporate tax returns and Texas tax returns. Benefits: 401k, ESOP, Health and Life.

Apply to:
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Attn: Vice President
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Abilene, TX 79606

COUNSELOR. Taking application for the following positions: LMSW or LPC. Please send resumes to 731 W. Wadley, Building L, Suite 108, Midland, TX 79705.

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ENGINEERING TECH- Must have 3 + years experience. Good computer and organizational skills required. Send resume and salary history to: Box E-35, C/O The Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, Texas 79702.

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FINANCIAL CONSULTANT
MERRILL LYNCH
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Geophysical assistant to perform Geotech work, maintain workstation data base and assist in seismic interpretation. MS 95 and NT proficient. GeoGraphix proficiency is a plus. Send resume with salary requirements in confidence to: Box F-06, c/o The Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, Texas 79702.

INFORMATION SYSTEMS COORDINATOR
Needed. Candidate must have college degree, preferably in MIS or CS and be familiar with RISC 6000 hardware and UNIX operating system. Salary negotiable. Permian Basin Community Centers is a MHMR Authority healthcare provider in Midland TX. PBCC uses Focus and Facts II software to manage third party billing, grant compliance and financial reporting. For details call our job line 915-5703424 or submit application/ resume and salary requirements at: Permian Basin Community Centers, 401 E. Illinois, Suite 301, Midland TX 79701. E.O.E.

LEGAL SECRETARY. Law firm seeks secretary who has experience with WordPerfect 6.1 for Windows, along with a typing speed of 90 + words per minute, for a non smoking environment. This position requires someone who has had experience working in a legal environment and is familiar with corporate, oil and gas law. Please submit resume and salary history to: Box D-12, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, Texas 79702.

MEDICAL- EMERGENCY Medical Services Director: Martin County EMS. Full- time position: Paramedic, ACLS, TDH examiner and instructor certification required. Salary: DOE. Resume: Kevin Barnes, Martin County Hospital District, PO Box 640, Stanton, TX 79782.

INSURANCE. Loss Control Dept. for Austin based Insurance Company\ had an immediate opening for a Field Safety Representative to lice and work in West Texas /Panhandle area. Field Safety Representative designation is desired, but the company will train the right educated, highly motivated person with person with a background in safety. Send resume and salary requirements to: W. Gray, Loss Control Dept., P.O. Box 9728, Austin, TX 78766

UTILITY SUPERVISOR
The City of Plains is accepting applications for a Utility Supervisor. This position will be responsible for operation and maintenance of water, sewer, gas, and electric utility systems. Applicants should have current Class "C" water and wastewater license. Supervisory skills, effective oral and written communication ability, and public service skill required. Computer knowledge and bilingual beneficial. Application form and job description can be obtained by calling 806-456-2288. Salary range $22,000 to $26,000 plus health insurance and retirement benefits. Send application, resume and references to: City of Plains,
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Plains, TX 79355.
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BECOME A PART OF THE HEALING
Volunteers needed to advocate for children and adults who have been victims of sexual abuse. 40 hour professional training, criminal background check required. Training begins October 8th. Call The Midland Rape Crisis Center, 682-7273 for more information.

OIL & GAS SECRETARY
Growing independent oil and gas company seeks professional individual with accounting and bookkeeping skills, Microsoft word and Excel, must possess positive attitude and appearance. Call Olsten Staffing Services, 683-5677.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR; Nonprofit Agency. Center for victims of family violence is looking for applicants with the following qualifications: Five years of supervisory or managerial experience in social services or a related field. Graduation from an accredited college or university; Masters degree preferred. Excellent written and oral communication skills are required. Must have proven leadership skills; successful fund raising experience desired. Salary commensurate with experience. Interested persons apply by September 15, 1996 to: Executive Director, P.O. Box 50503, Midland, Texas 79710-0503.

PART- TIME Choir Director, adult- youth choir, growing music program, music directing skills, send resume to: St. Luke's United Methodist Church, 1601 E. 42nd, Odessa, Texas 79762, Attention: Burt Ferguson.

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Service company seeking engineer with 3-7 year as operations or drilling engineer. Planning, field supervisor and coordinating. Excellent communications and computer skills. To $65K. Send resume to:
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DIRECTOR- POSITION OPENING- Partners In Learning (mentor and literacy programs for Odessa adults) seeks Executive Director. Responsibilities: recruiting and training volunteers to mentor and tutor; expanding programs; coordinating with agencies; supervising staff, volunteers and mentors/tutors; fund raising; grant writing; representing PIL to community. Requirements: Bachelor's Degree in Education or related field or experience; 3 years administrative experience; high regard for people. $18K+. Resume to Partners In Learning, P.O. Box 861, Odessa, Texas 79760. An EEO Employer. Applications close 9/6/96.

PRODUCTION SECRETARY
Immediate opening prestigious oil and gas company seeks individual with Texas RRC report and production report background. Must be a team player. Call Olsten Staffing Services, 683-5677.

PRODUCTION TECHNICIAN: Independent producer looking for an experienced person to work in both the field and office. Should be experienced in the acquisition and negotiation of prices of all types of equipment and supplies, and the installation of production facilities. Will also oversee the maintenance of equipment and other inventories such as trucks, pulling units, pipe, etc. Should have some downhole experience, be able to supervise field personnel, RRC experience, and auction knowledge. Please send your resume to: Permian Resources, Inc., at PO Drawer 590, Midland, Texas 79702.

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Long and short term assignments available for experienced wordprocessors. Must have MicroSoft Word, MicroSoft Excel, Word Perfect for Windows or Lotus. Call 697-6710 for appointment.
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION

A number of abandoned motor vehicles now being held in custody by the Chief of police, City of Midland, Texas, will be offered for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for each piece of property separately, and all sales shall be for cash.

The right is reserved to accept or reject all or part of any offer and to accept the offer most advantageous to the City of Midland, Texas. All offers to buy must be "as is, where is". Ten days will be allowed for removal of these vehicles. Any vehicle not removed during this time will be subject to storage at the rate of $7.00 per day from the date of the sale.

All buyers will remain at the auction site at the end of the sale to pay for any vehicle purchased. Buyers will be issued a cash receipt at the time of purchase. Auction sales receipts will be mailed to the buyer within two weeks of the sale. Buyers may obtain "Certificate of Title" from the State of Texas with the auction sales receipt.

This public auction will be conducted on September 7, 1996
Place: Motor Vehicle Impounding Area, 1109 S. Midland Dr, Midland, Texas. The impounding area will be open for inspection at 8:00 am.

For further details covering this sale contact the Traffic Section, Midland Police Department, City of Midland, Texas, 601 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas 79701, telephone (915) 685-7122.

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1990	Nissan 4 dr	1N4GB21B3LC734127	
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1979	Oldsmobile 4 dr		3N69Y9X159708
1980	Chevrolet 4 dr		1B680AA274042
1977	Oldmobile 2 dr		3Z57K7M710325
1985	Nissan 4 dr	JN1PB11SXFU642583	
1980	Buick 4 dr	4B697AW281198	
1988	Nissan 4 dr	JN1PB21S0JU542717	
1991	Geo 2 dr	J81RF2367M7557658	
1979	Buick 4 dr	4X69X9H444349	
1981	Plymouth 2 dr	JP3BD4371BY410467	
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1981	Pontiac 2 dr	2G2AN37Y6B1768502	
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1978	Buick 2 dr	4B27U8W102508	
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1988	Oldsmobile 2 dr	1G3EV11C2JU304088	
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1974	Dodge Van	B24AE4X096025	
1978	Buick 2 dr	4U37K8H433239	
1984	Chevrolet 2 dr	1G1AW27X5E6902853	
1978	Lincoln 4 dr		8Y82A956770
1985	Chevrolet 4 dr	1Y1SK194FZ126183	
1982	Buick 4 dr	1G4AN69Y4CX101857	
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1966	Pontiac 2 dr		252376P363993
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1965	Ford PU	F10DD612495	
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1978	Toyota 2 dr	TE51323402	
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1980	Honda 2 dr	SNF2010544	
1986	Dodge 2 dr	JB3BA24K9GU065737	
1982	Oldsmobile 2dr	1G3AY37Y6CM243965	
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1985	Buick 4 dr	1G4AL19EXF6473549	
1980	Ford 2 dr	0T11A102088	
1981	Datsun 2 dr	JN1PN06S1BM115293	
1982	Chrysler 2 dr	2C3BS62K1CR163467	
1979	Dodge 4 dr	ZL44A9D195276	
1974	Ford PU	F10HKT69051	
1980	Suzuki M/CGS	450709575	
1995	Kawasaki M/C	JKAKETB17SC040024	
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1987	Pontiac 4 dr	1G2NE51U6HC776931	
1985	Chevrolet PU	1GCGK24M1FJ169271	
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING 1996/97 CITY OF MIDLAND BUDGET

Notice is hereby given that the Mayor and City Council will conduct a public hearing at 11:10 A.M. on Tuesday, August 27, 1996, in the City Hall Council Chamber Located at 300 North Loraine. The public hearing is for the purpose of allowing the public and other interested groups to make comments regarding the 12996/97 City of Midland Budget.

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AMENDED PUBLIC NOTICE FOR BIDS

Midland County Hospital District is accepting bids for CENTRAL FETAL MONITORING SYSTEM. Specifications may be secured at the Purchasing Office of Memorial Hospital and Medical Center on or after Monday, August 19, 1996.

ALL BIDS MUST BE SEALED AND LABELED "BID #250-072496 ENCLOSED".

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL FAXED BIDS FROM BIDDERS BE ACCEPTED.

All bids must be received in the Office of the Materials Manager by 12:00 P.M., TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 1996.

Bid opening will be at 2:30 P.M. in the Department of Materials Management, Memorial Hospital and Medical Center, 2200 West Illinois, Midland, Texas, 79701, on Tuesday, September 10, 1996.

ALL BIDS MUST BE PRICE PROTECTED UNTIL JANUARY 10, 1997.

All bids will remain confidential until after the Board of Directors has met and voted an award. Vendors will then be allowed to review the bids in the Purchasing Office according to Policy/ Procedure of Memorial Hospital and Medical Center. Midland County Hospital District reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive formalities.

Director of
Materials Management
Midland County Hospital District
Memorial Hospital
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2200 W. Illinois
Midland, TX 79701

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR BIDS

Midland County Hospital District is accepting bids for CREATION OF CAD BASED DRAWINGS OF THE FACILITIES OF MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.

Specifications may be secured at the Purchasing Office of Memorial Hospital and Medical Center on or after Monday, August 26, 1996.

A pre-bid conference will be held on Wednesday, August 28, 1996, at 1:00 P.M. in the Engineering Office of Memorial Hospital and Medical Center. Representatives of all interested bidding firms are requested to attend to present any questions, or obtain additional information on the project.

ALL BIDS MUST BE SEALED AND LABELED "BID #260-082196 ENCLOSED".

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL FAXED BIDS FROM BIDDERS BE ACCEPTED.

All bids must be received in the Office of the Materials Manager by 11:00 A.M., WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 1996.

Bid opening will be at 11:30 A.M. in the Department of Materials Management, Memorial Hospital and Medical Center, 2200 West Illinois, Midland, Texas, 79701, on Wednesday, September 11, 1996.

ALL BIDS MUST BE PRICE PROTECTED UNTIL JANUARY 11, 1997.

All bids will remain confidential until after the Board of Directors has met and voted an award. Vendors will then be allowed to review the bids in the Purchasing Office according to Policy/ Procedure of Memorial Hospital and Medical Center. Midland County Hospital District reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive formalities.

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LEGAL NOTICE

Sealed bids will be received until 3:00 pm, Sept. 25, 1996, to be opened at 3:00 pm, in the office of the Purchasing Agent, City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas for the following Bid(s):

Bid #110-96 for:
1 Each- Remittance Processor for the Customer Service Department.

Information for bidders, Proposal forms, specifications and General conditions for bidding may be obtained from the office of the Purchasing Agent, City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas Purchasing Division, City of Midland, Texas.

Purchasing Division
City of Midland, Texas

REQUEST FOR BIDS ON TEXAS HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Sealed proposals for 0.000 km of placement of raised pavement markers on various roadways districtwide, 1996 seal coat program covered by C 906-00-45 in Ector County, will be received at the Texas Department of Transportation, Austin, Texas, until 1:00 pm, September 5, 1996, and then publicly opened and read.

Plans and specifications, including minimum wage rates as provided by Law, are available for inspection at the office of Dan Dalager, Area Engineer, Odessa, Texas, and at the Texas Department of Transportation, Austin, Texas. Bidding proposals are to be requested from the Construction and Maintenance Division, 200 East Riverside Drive, Austin, Texas 78704-1205. Plans are available through commercial printers in Austin, Texas, at the expense of the bidder.

The Texas Department of Transportation hereby notifies all bidders that it will insure that bidders will not be discriminated against on the ground of race, color, sex, or national origin, in having full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation, and in consideration for an award.

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COUNTRY GIRL
White female, honest, loving, enjoys dancing, country music, rodeos, seeking white male, 30-50, for relationship or friendship. ☎22027(exp11/6)

FLYING SOLO
Need partner to share time with. Single parent, white female, 36, seeks single white male, 32-42. ☎23143(exp11/6)

BLUE-EYED AND SINGLE, 20
Outgoing, energetic, loves to have fun, white female, seeks single black male, for dinners, working out, movies, and late night walks. ☎23205(exp11/6)

EDUCATED
Single white female, 39, 5'2", petite, enjoys movies, dancing, soft ball. Seeking educated white male, 40-50, outgoing, thoughtful, serious-minded, with similar interests. ☎23223(exp11/6)

BLACK, FINE, BEAUTIFUL,
female, 21, 5'1", light-skinned, long hair, hazel eyes, enjoys having fun. Seeking fine, single black male, who enjoys music, having a good time. ☎20192(exp11/6)

IN SEARCH OF HIM..
Fun, romantic, single professional female, 36, enjoys walks in the parks, romantic dinners, having a good time. Seeking male with similar interests. ☎21543(exp11/6)

MATCH IN MIDLAND?
Impetuous, fun-loving, slim, attractive, professional. Seeks male of the same, who loves life, and having fun. ☎89277 (exp9/6)

LADY NEW TO MIDLAND
Lady seeks friendship with white male, 50 who loves country and western, dancing, fishing, outdoors, John Wayne. ☎89307(exp9/6)

MUSICIAN/MODEL
Attractive, open-minded, full-figured model/musician, tall, auburn/green. Seeking tall, single male, 27+, for attractive female for companionship and more. ☎89424(exp9/6)

MR. WONDERFUL
Black female, 46, wants to meet educated man, 46 and up, race open, sincere, honest, secure, likes having fun, enjoys dancing, movies. Want to spice up your life? ☎69850(exp 9/6)

SINGLE WHITE FEMALE
49, 5'5", 130 lbs., compassionate, degreed, pretty. Seeks kind, honest, assertive, slim single white male, 48-57. ☎ 89906(exp9/6)

BLUE JEANS TO PEARLS
Divorced, white, professional female, 39, attractive, blonde/blue, enjoys laughing, dancing, movies, outdoors. Seeking white professional male, who enjoys same with positive outlook. Non-smoker preferred. ☎88912(exp9/6)

SEEKING HOMEBODY
Hispanic female, 50, non-smoker, seeks Hispanic/white male, 45-50, enjoys dancing, good humor, quiet evenings, loves reading, children, for possible relationship. ☎88935 (exp9/6)

SUCCESSFUL PROFESSIONAL
Seeking single white male counterpart, 35-45. Me: weight challenged by 30 pounds, working on it. Many interests. Seeking true romantic. ☎89115(exp 9/6)

SHY, QUIET LADY
seeks gentleman, 46-50, who knows how to have fun and to share quality time. Race unimportant. ☎89122(exp9/6)

LONELY TONIGHT?
Tall, white female, 24, seeks white male, 25-35, 5'10"+, to enjoy romantic evenings, country dancing, camping and kids, for friendship, maybe more. ☎ 84123(exp9/6)

CHRISTIAN LADY
Non-smoker, non-drinker, 50s, black/brown, light-complected, enjoys reading, church activities. Seeking same in Christian male, 48-56. Prefer Catholic. ☎85048(exp9/6)

SENSITIVE MAN WANTED
Caring, single Hispanic female, 18, 5'5", 135lbs, gold/brown, enjoys music, clubs, basketball, volleyball. Seeking kind, caring male, 18-21, similar interests, for friendship/relationship. ☎85312(exp9/6)

SEEKING COMPATIBLE MALE
Divorced white female, 59, seeks tall, attractive, active male, secure, who enjoys flea markets, boating, cooking out, beaches, quiet times home. ☎ 88125(exp9/6)

DIVORCED FEMALE
White, slender, brunette. Seeking trim, white gentleman, 5'10+, 50-62, red hair, blue eyes, smoker, 2 small children. ☎88413(exp9/6)

CIRCLE THIS AD!
Good figure, pretty smile, intelligent, divorced female, blonde/green, mother of two, enjoys movies, dining, romantic evenings. Seeking educated, tall, good-looking single/divorced, white male, 30-40. ☎88714 (exp9/6)

HELLO
Lady, 62, seeks gentleman who loves Las Vegas, quiet evenings, arts and crafts, flea markets and camping. Answer quickly! ☎25088(exp9/6)

FOXY BROWN
Ex-military, single, black female, 25, seeks professional, black male, 30-38, preferably tall, for friendship and relationship. ☎44512(exp9/6)

EBONY QUEEN
Financially secure, black female, 46, seeks financially stable, black male, 40-48, for friendship and relationship. ☎45026 (exp9/6)

DARK AND LOVELY
Professional, black female, 34, mother of two, enjoys jazz, seeks professional, black male for relationship. ☎45469(exp 9/6)

BIG BEAUTIFUL
Single white female, tired of being big. Seeks single white male, big/small, to help me reduce, sincere, motivating. ☎ 83819(exp9/12)

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GOOD CATCH
Hispanic female, 44, seeks gentleman for companionship, 45-50. Enjoy Christian way of life. ☎66343(exp9/6)

WHITE FEMALE,
50s, likes country dancing, horseback riding, bowling. Seeks tall, respectable, reliable, redneck type man, 40 and up. ☎23860 (exp9/6)

FULL-FIGURED
Single white female, 24, mother of one, seeks single white or black male, 23-33, for friendship and fun. ☎83961(exp9/6)

TIME FOR A CHANGE
Petite female, blonde, blue eyes, likes country western dancing, dinner, movies, seeks gentleman for friendship. ☎64628 (exp8/30)

COCKER SPANIEL
With puppy, seeks great dane, 210 years canine and up, to share bones and maybe chase cars. ☎23660 (exp9/6)

DIVORCED WHITE
female, 40s, seeking single white male, 35-45. I'm seeking a match in Midland, it's getting lonely here. ☎63231(exp9/6)

SEEKING BEST FRIEND
To share greatest moments. Fun, active white female, variety of interests, seeks gentleman, 50s, similar goals. ☎63625 (exp9/6)

SINGLE WHITE FEMALE
49, 5'5", 130lbs, compassionate, degreed, pretty. Seeks kind, honest, assertive, slim single white male, 48-57. ☎62823(exp 9/6)

WHITE FEMALE
Young 40, slim, outgoing. Seeking a professional white male, fun-loving, family oriented, spiritual, successful, enjoys tennis, outdoors. ☎63248(exp9/6)

HISPANIC FEMALE
27, seeking a true compassionate single black male, 27-37 for friendship or romance. Serious call only. ☎42987(exp 9/6)

TIME FOR A CHANGE
Petite female, blonde, blue eyes, likes country western dancing, dinner, movies, seeks gentleman for friendship. ☎64628(exp8/30)

WIDOWED HISPANIC
Seeks honest, caring, Hispanic/white 45-55, gentleman with multiple interests, for possible relationship. Smoker, social drinker, kids okay. ☎63015(exp 9/6)



Seniors Seeking Seniors

OLDIE BUT GOODIE
Single female, 60, smoker, social drinker, seeks tall, active male, must be secure, likes travel and dancing, smoker ok. ☎69645(exp9/6)

Men's Personals

EXCITEMENT WANTED
Seeking fun-loving, caring, affectionate single or divorced female, 25-45, who enjoys music, movies, dining, having fun. ☎23035(exp11/6)

SOMEONE SPECIAL
Very romantic white male, non-smoker, non-drinker, no drugs, 70, looks much younger, 6'2", 185lbs, enjoys walking, reading, family times, seeks single white female, 60+, for long-term relationship. ☎ 21999(exp11/6)

TALL, DARK, HANDSOME
Divorced white male, 20, 6'1", 185lbs, social drinker, smoker, enjoys romantic dinners/walks, exercising, dancing, seeks slender white/Hispanic female, 18-28, friendship/long-term relationship. ☎22215(exp 11/6)

PROFESSIONAL APPEARING
cowboy. Tall, slender, blue-eyed, blond single white male, 50, seeks trim, beautiful single/divorced white female, for friendship, fun, dining, dancing, romantic evenings. ☎23154 (exp11/6)

STILL LOOKING
Single white male, 43, 5'4", brown/blue, non-smoker, enjoys movies, '60s music, sports, seeks single white female, 38-45, similar interests. Friendship, maybe more. ☎23249(exp11/6)

ALL AROUND GOOD GUY
Athletic single white professional, mid-40s, enjoys dancing, various social events, sports, and loves to travel, seeks attractive, intelligent single white female, 35-45, for friendship, possibly more. ☎23301(exp 11/6)

NEW TO MIDLAND
Adventurous, outgoing, fun-loving, caring, divorced white male, 40, smoker, social drinker, enjoys outdoors. Seeking single/divorced female, 30-42, height/weight proportionate, for relationship. ☎20143(exp 11/6)

SLEEPLESS IN
Midland. White professional male, 37, handsome. Seeks white female, outgoing, fun-loving. Could this be you? Friendship/relationship. ☎20408(exp 11/6)

MODERN MARLBORO MAN
Strong/shy, white male, 27, 5'11", likes camping, fishing, jetskiing. Seeking attractive, single, white female, 22-30, for country/western music/dancing. Find my romantic side. ☎20442(exp11/6)

TIRED OF GAMES
Single, white male, 27, seeks single female, 21-30, who enjoys romance, walks in park, having fun, for friendship possible relationship. Children welcome. ☎89271(exp9/6)



Men's Personals

SEEKING SOMEONE SPECIAL
Single Hispanic male, 21, loves basketball, football, dancing, volleyball, seeks single female, 18-21, with similar interests, for friendship, possible relationship. ☎21026(exp 11/6)

FIREMAN
Single white male, 24, seeks white female, 18-26, who enjoys social events, romantic evenings, for possible relationship. ☎89290(exp9/6)

ATTRACTIVE
Single, white, professional male, 31, athletic, seeks attractive, single/divorced female, 20-36, slender, who likes adventures and travel. ☎89298 (exp9/6)

NEW TO AREA
Single male, 18, non-smoker, non-drinker, no drugs, seeks same in single female, 18-25, kids ok, no games. Looking for someone to have fun. ☎ 89321(exp9/6)

MARRIAGE-MINDED MALE
Single male 22, 5'8", 160lbs, seeks sincere, honest, white female, 22-26, children a must, I love children!!! ☎89507(exp 9/6)

SEARCHING
Single black male, 31, seeks white/Hispanic, 24-35, who enjoys movies, dancing, late evening walks, dining out, having fun, spending time together. ☎89666(exp9/6)

PROFESSIONAL MALE, 55
Who likes outdoors, quiet evenings at home, rock-n-roll, motorcycle riding, seeks slender, single Anglo/Hispanic female, 35-45, for lasting relationship. ☎87800(exp9/6)

TALL NATIVE MALE
6'3", social drinker, light smoker, seeks woman 20-25, who likes dancing and movies, for fun, possibly more. ☎88866 (exp9/6)

DIVORCED WHITE
Male, early disability retirement, financially secure, seeks a lady to date and possibly more. ☎88780(exp9/6)

GOOD-LOOKING
Single white male, mid-30s, romantic, educated, enjoys walks, movies, fun, seeks single woman for friendship, dating. ☎89099(exp9/6)

FROM CALIFORNIA
Single male, 37, good-looking, professional, financially secure, spontaneous, fun-loving. Seeks same in single female, friendship, possible relationship. ☎ 61083(exp9/20)

QUIET! I'M LISTENING
Hispanic male, non-smoker, good listener, enjoys quiet evenings, seeks Hispanic female, 40-50, for friendship and possible relationship. ☎87438 (exp9/6)

FUN-LOVING PARTIER
Young, 20 year-old male, seeks exciting, older woman, 20-30, to have a good time and an exciting life with. ☎88304(exp 9/6)

X PLAYER
its time to grow up, fitness-orientated, black male, 20ish, seeking single female. Wants one chance to make you happy, all calls answered. ☎88101(exp 9/6)

DIFFERENT
White male, non-smoker, seeks attractive, petite, single white/asian/Hispanic female, for friendship, relationship. Sense of humor is a must. ☎88162 (exp 9/6)

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PUBLIC NOTICE FOR BIDS

Midland County Hospital District is accepting bids for ELEVATOR MODERNIZATION.

Specifications may be secured at the Purchasing Office of Memorial Hospital and Medical Center on or after Monday, August 26, 1996.

A pre-bid conference will be held on Thursday, August 29, 1996, at 1:00 P.M. in the Engineering Office of Memorial Hospital and Medical Center. Representatives of all interested bidding firms are requested to attend to present any questions, or obtain additional information on the project.

ALL BIDS MUST BE SEALED AND LABELED "BID #261-082196 ENCLOSED".

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL FAXED BIDS FROM BIDDERS BE ACCEPTED.

All bids must be received in the Office of the Materials Manager by 12:00 P.M., THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 1996.

Bid opening will be at 1:00 P.M. in the Department of Materials Management, Memorial Hospital and Medical Center, 2200 West Illinois, Midland, Texas, 79701, on Thursday, September 12, 1996.

ALL BIDS MUST BE PRICE PROTECTED UNTIL JANUARY 12, 1997.

All bids will remain confidential until after the Board of Directors has met and voted an award. Vendors will then be allowed to review the bids in the Purchasing Office according to Policy/Procedure of Memorial Hospital and Medical Center. Midland County Hospital District reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive formalities.

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PUBLIC NOTICE FOR BIDS

Midland County Hospital District is accepting bids for HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE VAN. Specifications may be secured at the Purchasing Office of Memorial Hospital and Medical Center on or after Monday, August 19, 1996.

ALL BIDS MUST BE SEALED AND LABELED "BID #253-081496 ENCLOSED".

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL FAXED BIDS FROM BIDDERS BE ACCEPTED.

All bids must be received in the Office of the Materials Manager by 12:00 P.M., TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 1996.

Bid opening will be at 2:00 P.M. in the Department of Materials Management, Memorial Hospital and Medical Center, 2200 West Illinois, Midland, Texas, 79701, on Tuesday, September 10, 1996.

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PUBLIC NOTICE FOR BIDS

Midland County Hospital District is accepting bids for OPHTHALMIC SURGICAL STRETCHERS. Specifications may be secured at the Purchasing Office of Memorial Hospital and Medical Center on or after Monday, August 19, 1996.

ALL BIDS MUST BE SEALED AND LABELED "BID #254-081696 ENCLOSED".

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL FAXED BIDS FROM BIDDERS BE ACCEPTED.

All bids must be received in the Office of the Materials Manager by 12:00 P.M., WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 1996.

Bid opening will be at 2:00 P.M. in the Department of Materials Management, Memorial Hospital and Medical Center, 2200 West Illinois, Midland, Texas, 79701, on Wednesday, September 11, 1996.

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PUBLIC NOTICE FOR BIDS

Midland County Hospital District is accepting bids for CRITICAL CARE BEDS. Specifications may be secured at the Purchasing Office of Memorial Hospital and Medical Center on or after Monday, August 19, 1996.

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PUBLIC NOTICE FOR BIDS

Midland County Hospital District is accepting bids for an OB ULTRASOUND SYSTEM. Specifications may be secured at the Purchasing Office of Memorial Hospital and Medical Center on or after Monday, August 19, 1996.

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NOTICE BY PUBLICATION
STATE OF TEXAS

To BEN SOSA and to all whom it may concern, Respondent:

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 the Monday next following the expiration of 20 days after you were served this citation and petition, a default judgment may be taken against you. The petition of JO AN SUBIA, Petitioner, was filed in the Court of Midland County, Texas, on May 10, 1996, against BEN SOSA, Respondent, numbered 31005 and entitled "In the Interest of JO ANTHONY SAIS, A CHILD." The suit requests to terminate the parent child relationship. The date and place of birth of the child who is the subject of the suit:

BIRTHPLACE: ODESSA, TEXAS
BIRTHDATE: 4-9-91

The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree in the child's interest which will be binding upon you, including the termination of the parent- child relationship, the determination of paternity, and the appointment of a conservator with authority to consent to the child's adoption.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said Court at Midland, Texas, this 19th day of August, 1996.

Vivian Wood, Clerk of the District Court of Midland County, Texas.

By: Mary Smelser, Deputy.

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION
STATE OF TEXAS

To: SHAWN ROSS WISHERT and to all whom it may concern, Respondent:

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 the 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 MELANIE LOUANN BAILEY WISHERT, Petitioner, was filed in the Court of Midland County, Texas, on June 24, 1996, against SHAWN ROSS WISHERT, Respondent, numbered 31,156 and entitled "In the Interest of PATRICK SHAWN BAILEY, A CHILD." The suit requests a divorce from respondent. The date and place of birth of the child who is the subject of the suit:

BIRTHPLACE: ODESSA, TEXAS
BIRTH DATE: 12 /6/93

The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree in the child's interest which will be binding on you.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said Court at Midland, Texas, on the 20th day of August, 1996.

Vivian Wood
Clerk of the District Court
of Midland County, Texas

By: Mickey McBee, Deputy

ADVERTISEMENT AND INVITATION FOR BIDS

The C[illegible]ickett (hereinafter [illegible]the OWNER) will receive [illegible]s for WATER FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS, TCDP contract No. 71591, until 7:00 PM Thursday, September 12, 1996, in person at the City Council Meeting at City Hall (101 W. Third) City of Wickett or by mail to Lanita Balko, City Secretary, City of Wickett, P.O. Box 185m Wickett, TX 79788-0185. All Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at: 7:00 PM, Thursday, September 12, 1996.

Consideration for award of the Bid will be made at 7:00 PM, Thursday, September 12, 1996, at the City Council Meeting, City Hall, City of Wickett.

Bids are invited upon the several items and quantities of work as follows:

Base Bid:
Furnish materials and construct a 350, 000 gallon welded steel ground storage tank including protective coating, chlorination facility, flow meter, miscellaneous valves and fittings, chain link fencing, electrical controls, and remove existing tank.

Contract Documents, including Drawings and Technical Specifications, are on file at the office of Gutierrez, Smouse, Wilmut & Associates, Inc., 1030 Andrews Hwy, Suite 211, Midland, Texas 79701.

Copies of the Contract Documents may be purchased for $80.00 from Gutierrez, Smouse, Wilmut & Associates for each set of documents obtained. No refunds will be made.

A certified check or bank draft, payable to the order of the OWNER, negotiable U.S. Government bond (at par value) or a satisfactory Bid Bond executed by the Bidder and an acceptable Surety in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total Bid shall be submitted with each Bid.

Attention is called to the fact that not less than the federally determined prevailing (Davis-Bacon(wage rate, as issued by the Texas Department of Housing and community Affairs, and as set forth in the Contract Documents, must be paid on the project, and the Contractor must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against

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because of their race, color, religion, sex, or national origin on the entire project.

Attention is also called to General Condition 148 "Restrictions on Public Buildings and Public Works Projects." The Bidder certifies by the submission of its bid that the Contractor, Subcontractors, and materials used on this project are not of a foreign country included on the USTR list.

The Prime Contractor will review the equal employment opportunity section under the General Contract Conditions - Part 1 and will take affirmative action to meet minority and female participation goals in each task. The OWNER reserves the right to reject any or all Bids or to waive any informalities in the Bidding.

If the Bid is not awarded at the previously mentioned meeting of the Wickett City Council on September 12, 1996 then the Bids may be held by the OWNER for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days from the date of the opening for the purpose of reviewing the Bids and investigating the qualifications of Bidders.

Date August 2, 1996
By: Harold Ferguson, Mayor
City of Wickett

595 Public Notices

NOTICE is hereby given for a Public Meeting, conducted by the Texas State Technical Committee (TSTC) as defined in the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996, on Thursday, September 5, 1996, at 10:00 a.m., Room 304 W. R. Poage Federal Building, 101 South Main Street, Temple, TX 76501. Purpose of the meeting is to consider issues relating to natural resources conservation. TSTC is organized and chaired by USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) State Conservationist. /s/ Harry W. Oneth, State Conservationist.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations will conduct an accreditation survey of this organization on SEPT. 24, 25, 26, 1996. The purpose of the survey will be to evaluate the organization's compliance with nationally established Joint Commission Standards. The survey results will be used to determine whether; and the conditions under which accreditation should be awarded the organization.

Joint Commission standards deal with organizational quality of care issues and the safety of the environment in which care is provided. Anyone believing that he or she has pertinent and valid information about such matters may request a public information interview with the Joint commission's field representatives at the time of the survey. Information presented at the interview will be carefully evaluated for relevance to the accreditation process. Requests for a public information interview must be made in writing and should be sent to the Joint Commission no later than five working days before the survey begins. The request must also indicate the nature of the information to be provided at the interview. Such requests should be addressed to:

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Midland Reporter-Telegram
Sunday, August 25, 1996



Space and location. These are the two main attractions of this quiet four bedroom house at 1413 Ainslee. Although set right in the heart of Midland this is a home of impressive proportions with a front facade that belies the amount of space behind it.

Flanked by a matching pair of trees the front entrance provides an elegant approach to the home, a theme that is continued throughout the house.

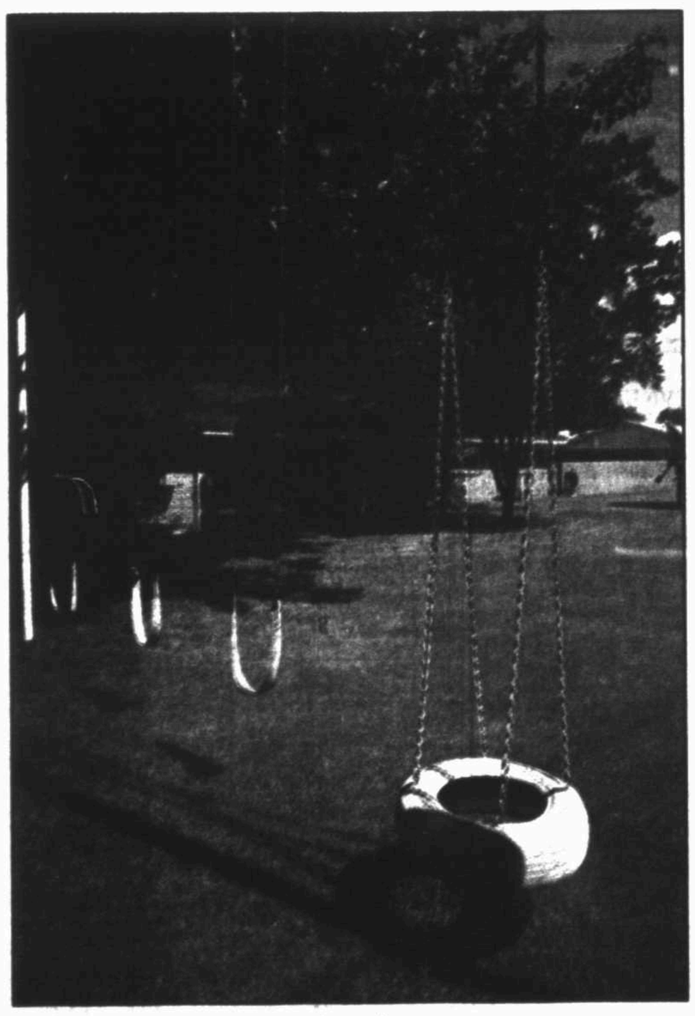
The kitchen is particularly interesting and dramatic. Recently remodeled it boasts a new tile floor and freshly tiled counters. A unique design aspect is the way that the breakfast counter juts out into the dining room, making serving easier at parties. Full of all the amenities that one would expect of a home listed at $109,900 this kitchen is a fine place in which to cook for formal and informal meals.

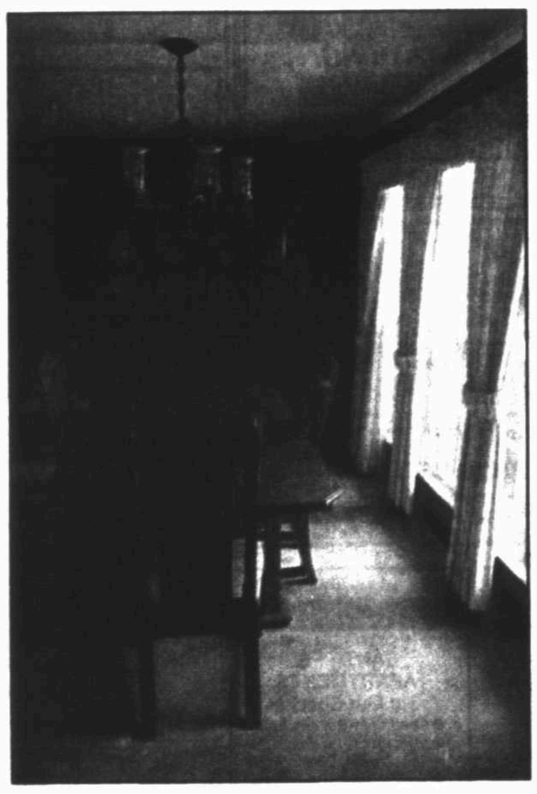
The dining area is an extension of the den and is perfectly placed next to the kitchen. Lit by three large picture windows it offers attractive views over the front garden. As a contrast to the combination of den and dining room there is a separate, sunken, sitting room that has views over the expansive yard at the rear.

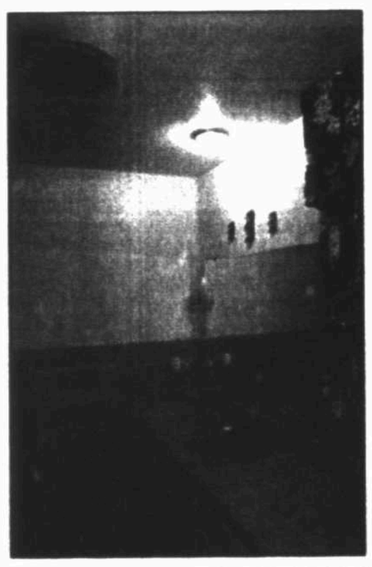
This yard is huge. Even with the enormous swing set, large workshop and satellite dish the is more than enough room for children, pets and parties. Attractive touches are supplied by brick-edged flower beds and the large, mature trees.

Jody Smith, the listing agent, will be holding an open house this afternoon between two and four o'clock. For more information about the house, or to arrange a private appointment to view it, contact her at the Chaparral Realtors

Rooms with views







Highlights of this large four bedroom family home are: The enormous back yard, complete with oversized swing set (far left); The nicely proportioned dining area that offers great views over the front lawn via the three picture windows (left center); The master bathroom with its tiled vanities and bath area (left) and the neat kitchen with its tiled counters and breakfast bar (below).



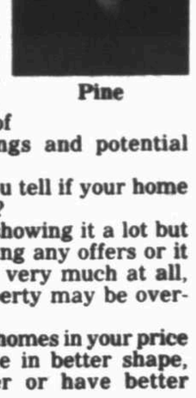
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AUG 25 1996

Should You Reduce Your Sale Price?

Pricing a property is a difficult and critical aspect of selling your home. If your home is overpriced, it may not be in your buyer's range - and may not be appealing to a buyer looking for better properties in the higher price range. If the price is too high then you run the risk of losing showings and potential offers.



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How can you tell if your home is overpriced?

If you are showing it a lot but aren't receiving any offers or it isn't showing very much at all, then the property may be overpriced.

Competing homes in your price range may be in better shape, larger, newer or have better amenities.

Although you can make improvements to the property - costing more money - the improvements may not add to the property's value, compared to the costs. This will also take up valuable marketing time. Some aspects of the home, such as age, an outdated floor plan or the area itself cannot be remedied by spending money. A price reduction is the quickest way to get attention from Realtors and prospective buyers.

Before you determine how much of a price reduction to make, it is wise to take a close look at what other, similar homes have sold for and what similar properties are being listed at. Just reducing the price a little so that you can say that the home is at a better price doesn't do much good. A reevaluation of the market is the best thing, as many aspects can affect a sale - such as rising and falling interest rates, expansion or reduction of local businesses and so on.

Prices in the entire market can change drastically within a very short time. Plus, your own situation may have changed since you listed your property. If this is the case, your need to sell may have increased and offering your home slightly below market value is the way to go.

Your local real estate professional is your best source for the facts and figures on your local market.

Story submitted by Norma Pine, broker/owner of Chaparral Realtors.

Finding a Sales Price

Putting a saleable price on your home can become frustrating. If you can't decide what your home is worth, how can you tell the real estate agent what to list it for?

Neither you nor your agent has to be the one to set the price. This is something you can work out together. To begin with you may want to take the following steps to arrive at the value you have currently invested in your home:



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- Review the mortgage contract.
- Add up your equity.
- Know your unpaid balance.
- Put a value on any home improvements you have made since owning your home.

Your real estate agent may do a market analysis and comparison approach to help determine value. It takes a professional with access to the details of recent sales in your area to make an accurate comparison.

A house further down the block may look similar, but the value could be very different based on an extra bathroom, separate laundry/sewing room or perhaps a special "shop". Even the location within the same subdivision can make a difference. For example, one home may be on a corner lot or backing the golf course, and another may not.

In addition to the structure and location, accurate comparisons will also include financial terms. that "similar" home just down the street may have sold, but valuable personal property could have been included in the sale. The sale could have been cash, or may have involved secondary financing by the seller. Other peculiarities such as a deferred closing or occupancy would alter the selling price.

Finally, you will need to have a fair idea of how much money you need for your next home. Your local Realtor will be able to help you with this information. Together, you can set a realistic price, backed by the facts.

Story submitted by Kay Sutton, owner of Kay Sutton Realtors

CURB APPEAL

This is the impression prospective buyers get when they first drive up to your house - and that first look is very important. If prospective buyers don't find your house appealing, they won't be interested in what's inside.



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How can you turn that first impression into love at first sight? Trimmed shrubbery and mower lawns are as important as windows so clean they positively sparkle. If your house could use a paint job and you don't have the money or time to do it right away, sometimes just repainting the trim will enhance the entire facade. Or, try repainting the front door so that is attractive and will stand out.

You don't want to lead your buyers up the garden path, but you do want to get them to the front door - so, the walkway should be as attractive as possible. Seasonal plantings can do a lot to zip up the look of the approach and, even if you are not an enthusiastic gardener, it's not difficult to add a row of annuals on each side of the path.

The way you present your home to prospective buyers can make all the difference between success and failure. If little things mean a lot in matters of the heart, they mean even more when you are trying to sell your home.

This story was submitted by Darrell McDonald of Century 21 MidTex Realtors.

JO ANN STEVENS ADDRESSES WOMEN'S COUNCIL OF REALTORS



Stevens

The Midland & Odessa Chapters of the Women's Council of Realtors were honored to have the Texas WCR President, Jo Ann Stevens, as the speaker for their joint August meeting, held at Green Tree Country Club.

Stevens is a third generation Texan and a Houstonian for over 35 years. A graduate of the University of Houston with a BBA in Marketing, Stevens obtained her Real Estate License in 1978 and soon after moved to Fort Bend County to pursue her real estate career in one of the fastest growing counties in the nation.

Stevens entered the title industry in 1982 and joined Stewart Title in 1988 as Vice President & Escrow Officer. She was promoted to President of the Fort Bend Division of Stewart Title in June of 1989. In April 1996, Jo Ann was named Senior Vice President/Director of National Title Services for Stewart Title Guaranty.

Her speech was based on her personal story of what WCR has done for her, or "Why Join WCR"? She credits MOST of her success in the corporate world to having been in WCR. According to Stevens, the leadership training gained through earning the LTG designation (Leadership Training Graduate) propelled her from being too shy to speak before a small group to the positions she now holds. The LTG Designation is available only through the Women's Council of Realtors. She explained that WCR can also provide referrals and networking on many levels, regardless of what area of the business you are in.

Stevens noted that several years ago, people thought that changing times, the computer, the internet, and other advanced technology would change the working world substantially. The perception was that the four day work week would become the norm and millions of people moved to the suburbs.

What has happened instead is that people's expectations have changed. We want more, we want it faster, and we want it cheaper.

Stevens says that WCR can offer the tools to cope with these changing expectations. Leadership training, networking with the right people, social contacts, and opportunities for personal growth are just a few of the benefits.

The meeting was attended by 70 members and was presided over jointly by Pat Howard, Midland Chapter President and Sherry Miller, Odessa Chapter President.

The Women's Council of Realtors, a professional organization with nearly 14,000 members nationwide, is an affiliate of the National Association of Realtors. Officers of the local chapter include: Pat Howard, President; Roberta Alldredge, President-Elect; Shannon Roberts, Secretary; and Deborah Posson, Treasurer.

For more information about Women's Council of Realtors, call Pat Howard, Midland Chapter President at 563-9036.



State WCR President Jo Ann Stevens is flanked by Odessa WCR President Sherry Miller (left) and Midland President Pat Howard.

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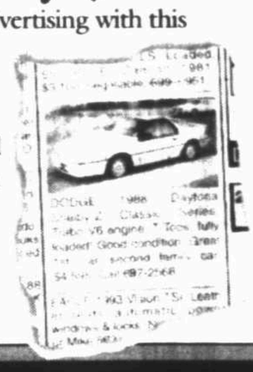
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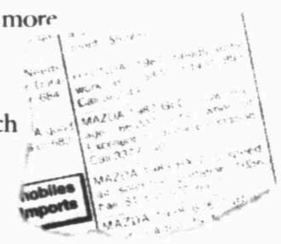


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KEY To Abbreviations

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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SALE: Office Building, 8,499 sq. ft., 105 N. "G" St., near 1400 Block W. Wall, Midland. Telephone (915) 683-0990; Fax (915) 683-0992; Box 1781; Midland, TX 79702.

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AUTO REPAIR Shop, partly equipped, 108 N. Weatherford, near downtown post office. also suitable as warehouse, etc. Sale/ lease. (915) 683-0990.

WAREHOUSE FOR Sale. 5,000 sq ft Quonset Hut design. 20' ceilings, 12' overhead door. Inside office and restroom. Water well, cyclone fence, 3 gates. 220 voltage, 25 HP compressor, .78 acres. $80,000. 1005 Industrial. C.W. Chancellor, 683-2040. Available September 1st, 1996.

790 Investment Property

MOBILE HOME PARKS. 70, 58, 44, or 43 spaces. Owner financing. 20%- 30% return. G. Thomas & Associates, (505) 527-4833.

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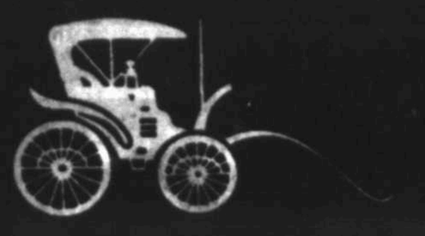
APARTMENTS

80 Units, new roof, paint and parking lot. San Angelo. 98% occupied. 13% cap. $1,050,000. F.X. Shushok, The Experts Realtors, 1-800- 204-5941.

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OPEN HOUSE

1:30-3:00 4611 St. Andrews $87,900
Beautiful 3 br, 2 ba w/seq. master, formal dining, all electric kitchen, super sun room, skylights. Updated, fresh paint, carpet, dishwasher, fans, garage door, roof, etc. Shown by Les Carnes

2-4 5201 Leisure $49,900
Cozy 3 br, kitchen upgraded , skylight, 13X32 cinder block workshop w/garage door. Shown by Renata Leonard

2-4 5508 S CR 01200 $200,000
4 br, 3 ba, 2 living areas- Beautiful country home on 5.7 fenced acres, 3 water wells. Shown by Betty Hicks 697-8585

2-4 4604 Crockett $54,000
Lovely 3 br, 2 ba, 2 car garage with everything new & fresh. Owner anxious to sell. Come by & see, you will love it!!!! Shown by Lucille Hayter

2-4 #5 Metz Ct. $119,000
4 br, 3 ba, 2 living areas. New listing - this is a real jewel- nice neat & clean!!New on the market. Shown by Lyle Conyers 689-4844

2-4 4505 Cloudcroft $75,500
Very nice home on quiet cul-de-sac. 3 br, 2 ba, 1 ba w/fireplace. This is a MUST SEE!!! Shown by Beverly Klempnauer

3-4 1106 Lanham $90,000
3 br, 2 ba, 2 ba - Lots of tile, new carpet, fresh paint, 24X24 workshop w/ elec MUST SEE!!!!! Shown by Vicki Waldrep

2:30-4 3534 Imperial $79,900
Updated with new carpet, painted inside & out. Cute 3 br 2 ba. Sun room,2 garages, double carport in back. Great location. Shown by Wanda Gressett

3:30-5:30 2524 Keswick $130,000
Buyers treasure in this immaculate 3 br, 3.5 ba home, 3 car garage. Seq. master w/his & her baths & walk-in closets, energy efficient, free yard care. Shown by Les Carnes

OPEN HOUSE

SPECTACULAR HOMES OVER $100,000

PECAN CREEK FARMS- BALMORHEA, TX - 125 ac., flood irrigations, 1100 Pecan trees, large home & storage + equipment ... $590,000
CUTHBERT - Heart of Old Midland-updated & beautifully decorated, pool, 5 bd /2 ba ... $495,000
SADDLE CLUB - Wonderful family home in exclusive area of Midland. 3 fireplaces, cozy study, sitting room ... $329,000
FM 307 - Nothing like it in Midland County. 30.39 Acres. Residence w/ pool! ... $295,000
RICHMOND - Lovely home on quiet cul-de-sac- 4 br/3.5 ba/2 la/ 3 car gar.-light & bright with plantation shutters. Wonderful kit. $219,000
S CR 1200 - 5.7 acres-large country home-Old charmer brought back to life as gorgeous country home. 4 br/3.5 ba ... $200,000
FOX HOLLOW - Distinctive & elegant 4 br/3 ba/3 car garage, cul-de-sac near schools ... $179,900
SEQUOIA - House beautiful 3 br/4.5 ba/ 2 la/lush landscape-sparkling pool/Mexican tile-high ceilings/his & her ba ... $179,500
TEAKWOOD - Tri-level on cul-de-sac, 4 bdrm, Pella Windows, sec. sys. Xtra large mstr & utility. HOME WARRANTY ... $168,000
COLEMAN -Reduc d and ready to move! Don't wait on this gorgeous 4/3, in Polo club area, gourmet kitchen. Corp. transfer! ... UC
MEADOWLARK-Country living in town on 2.5 acres, 4 br/3 ba, workshop, orchard, lots of trees. HOME WARRANTY ... $163,000
TEAKWOOD - 4 br/3.5 ba, new carpet & paint, hot tub, qualtiy! HOME WARRANTY ... $159,800
ISLAND CIRCLE - Beautiful new listing! 4 br/3 ba, all the extras for on the golf course entertaining. Hurry won't last long!!! ... $141,900
GOLF COURSE - Super 5 br-like new inside-beautiful kitchen ... $137,500
KESWICK -Immaculate 3 br/3 ½ ba/2 la/3 car garage, garden room, free yard care, HOME WARRANTY ... $130,000
6301 FM 307 - Greenwood beauty, 3 br/2 ba, gourmet kitchen - large living area-luxurious master br for most lavish furnishing. ... $124,900
TERRACE - Tree shaded oasis, 4 br/3 ba, HOT TUB, Fannin area. Reduced! ... $122,500
S CD 1130 -Wonderful country property in great location. 4 br/2 ba/ garage, fireplace-Greenwood area ... $120,000
BERMUDA CT. - Quiet cul-de-sac, beautiful lush landscape, excellent quality, large 3 br/2.5 ba. HOME WARRANTY *REDUCED* ... $119,500
METZ CT - NEW LISTING!! 4 br/3 ba/2 la-wonderful home in a wonderful neighborhood- MUST SEE!!! ... $119,000
MEADOWLARK -4 br/2 ba on 1.5 acres. Barns, stalls, pipe fencing. HOME WARRANTY! *Reduced AGAIN!* ... $114,500
CORD - 2-storey family home with 4 br/2 ba, fireplace, bonus room upstairs-freshly painted. ... $111,750
ARROYO - Unique & clean 3 br/2 ba, w/ 2 large eating areas. Huge great room w/fireplace. Den area great. LHS dist. ... $103,900

EXCELLENT VALUES UNDER $100,000

GLENEAGLES - New Listing! 1yr. HOME WARRANTY. 3 br/2 ba on quiet cul-de-sac. $2000 repair or closing cost allowance ... $99,900
CALDERA - 3 br/2 ba open plan, 4 skylights, great kitchen, lovely patio & yard. Close to mall ... $99,500
DENGAR - Price reduction of $6500 form $105,000 to $98,500. 2 story duplex all freshly redone- Ready to sell!!! ... $98,500
MARIE-Horseman's heaven!3 br/2 ba home in Kniffen Estates with barn and corral ... UC
E CR 139 - Beautifully maintained 3 br/2 ba with 2 acres. NEW LISTING! ... $97,000
CRESTMONT - Immaculate home, 3 br/2 ba. Fantastic floor plan. Lots of amenities. ... UC
STANTON - 4 br/3 ba/2 la, formal dining on 2 acres. Good well, storage bldg. Really nice! REDUCED ... $94,000
LANHAM - NEW LISTING!!! 3 br/2 ba/2 la , lots of tile, new carpet, fresh paint, workshop. HOME WARRANTY. ... $90,000
EDGEMONT - 3 br/2 ba home in prestigious Fairmont Park. Formal living plus a den with double sided fireplace. ... $89,900
CINDY - Two story dream home , 3 br/ 2 ba, clean and light. Large closets - quiet cul-de-sac in Wydewood. ... $88,000
ST. ANDREWS- Charming 3 br/2 ba, formal dining, seq. mst, sun room. JUST LISTED! ... $87,900
REBEL - Spacious 3 br/2.5 ba/3 la on large lot just 2 blks from school, carpet allowance. Just *REDUCED* ... $87,900
W. ILLINOIS - DUPLEX- Cove ceiling & fireplace in living area, courtyard ... $86,000
PRESTON - 3 br/2 ba with X-tra large living area. ... $82,900
CAMARIE -Lovely 3 br/2 ba/2 spacious living areas, beautifully updated & ready to move-in ... UC
CR 1185- Attractive 3 br/2 ba home w/2 la on 8 acres. Barn & stables, great workshop. ... UC
CAMARIE -*REDUCED!* From 84,500 HOME WARRANTY ... $81,500
LOUISIANA - Beautiful 3 br/2 ba + ½ /3 car gar. for office/shop + 1 car carport + HOME WARRANTY! ... $80,000
PROVIDENCE Cathedral beamed den, fireplace, 3 br/2 ba great house. NEW LISTING! ... $79,950
IMPERIAL - UPDATED, new carpet & paint inside & out. Garage door fixed. 1800 sq.ft.,3 br/2 ba/2 la/ sun room. ONLY $79,900
COMMUNITY LN- Coveted area, 3 br/2 ba beauty. Too many amenities to list. ... $78,900
CLOUDCROFT- Quiet cul-de-sac - 3 br/2 ba/ 1 la w/fireplace - small back yard - Very nice!! VA assumption.REDUCED $2500 to ... $75,500
DENTCREST -Sparkling 3 br/2 ba, built around atrium, newish carpet & paint, roof, a/c Prided to sell ... $74,500
DENTCREST -Darling 3 br/2 ba-cul-de-sac locale. Spacious kitchen & bedrooms-new carpet & paint. *Hurry* it won't last long!!!! ... $68,500
WHITTLEWAY - 2 story Townhome w/3 br/3 ba/ 2 car gar, cozy fireplace ... $67,500
McDONALD - Attractive 3 br/2 ½ ba, cove ceiling, near Bonham & Alamo. New paint & carpet ... $63,500
MONTERREY - NEW LISTING! 3 br/2 ba - great patio on great cul-de-sac- great neighborhood! ... $59,900

SUNNYSIDE - NEW LISTING! Young & sassy 3 br/2 ba-fireplace-high ceiling-large mst br-great kitchen ... $59,900
W CR 138 -2.2 acres-new roof-some updating in this 3 br - fruit trees-fish pond-water well. Possible owner finance. ... $59,900
TENNESSEE -NEW LISTING! Cute & cozy "Old Midland"-lots of potential & sq. ft. -hw floors, 2 liv. areas. HOME WARRANTY! ... $59,000
COUNTRY CLUB - NEW LISTING- great starter -will be painted & new carpet-3 br/2 ba-2 car garage. ... $58,250
CRENSHAW - Lovely well kept 3 br/2 ba & 2 half ba, fireplace ... $56,500
STANTON - 10 Acres with 2 dbl-wide mobl. homes, 3 br/2 ba, horse stalls, corral & tack rm. HOME WARRANTY ... $55,000
AMIGO DR- 4 br/4ba, very nice quality inside & out. Be a proud owner ... ONLY $55,000
COUNTRY CLUB -New FHA Appraisal! Major price reduction!!! Over 1800 sq. ft. - Serious seller ... $55,000
PRINCETON - Call this home! Clean as a whistle. 3 br/2 ba. HOME WARRANTY! ... UC
CROCKETT - NEW LISTING!!! 3 br/2 ba-2 car garage-newer home. Beautiful throughout - Lee High dist. ... $54,000
ILLINOIS- 4 br-Hollywood bath-beautifully cared for-lots of extras! Must see! Close to Loop ... $53,900
SWEETBRIAR - *JUST REDUCED from $56,950* Cute 3 br/2 ba-new lifetime warranty metal roof-Great first home & Great buy ... $53,750
PRINCETON - Great starter for couple or single. Perfect in every way. Nice neighborhood. 3 br/2 ba. HOME WARRANTY! ... $52,000
ANDREWS HWY -Townhouse has 3 br/2 ba, rear entry garage. ... $52,000
ANDREWS HWY - Townhouse, new carpet, paint, 3 br/2 ba, high ceilings ... $52,000
LEISURE- 3 br/2 ba, skylight, double ovens, wonderful big workshop. Must see! ... $49,900
BOYD - Remodeled kitchen-large workshop-remodeled living room -fresh paint in hall & master bedroom ... $49,500
TRAVIS- 3 br/2 ba/2 living areas- oversized garage. MUST SEE!!! ... $48,000
LOUISIANA - Very nice 3 br/2 ba-garage-close to downtown & shopping. HOME WARRANTY! REDUCED $2000 ... $47,000
SHELL - Low maintenance 2 br/ 1 ba home near school & shopping - Mature trees - large lot. ... $45,000
STANTON - 3 br/2 ba central a/c, heat, pretty yard -Jacuzzi tub - extra large lot, large closets. Water Well! REDUCED ... $44,000
DELANO - Stay cool with this swimming pool, 5 br/ 3 ba -double lots-large carport. HOME WARRANTY! ... ONLY $43,900
MICHIGAN - Special 3 br/2 liv.areas. All painted & ready for new owner. Commercial use also HIP area ... HIP AREA $43,900
PLEASANT- Cute 4 br/2 ba home with great kitchen. ... $41,500
BRUNSON -Lovely 3 br 1 1/2 ba/2 la auto sprinkler, franklin stove w/brick hearth-new roof-3 br/1 1/2 ba/2 la ... $39,900
SYCAMORE - Spacious 3 or 4 br/1 ba, clean & light. Will pay closing cost up to $1500. ... $34,900
MARIANA - Nice 3 br home with appliances (washer/dryer/refr/range)-storage bldg-lots of new in last few yrs. ... $32,500
S CR 1206 - Very cozy 2 br/2 ba/2 car garage. Nice deck front & back *PERFECT CONDITION!!!!* ... $31,900
STANTON - Investment or starter home. 3 br/1 ba. Fresh paint inside out. ... $24,000
ODESSA- Wonderful investment opportunity. 2 houses for only ... $22,800

COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES AND VACANT LOTS

S- 1788 -63+ acres Commercial or Industrial, great opportunity for investor to sub-divide. ... Acre/$4,500
VERSATILE BLDG - Almost 2 acres with buildings, Loop 250 & Midkiff - owner carry (Outdoor Connection) ... $275,000
N BIG SPRING-5 Acres, zoning comm. ... $155,000
S CR 1210 - Has office-lots of trees- zoned for commercial-on 10 acres ... $150,000
COMMERCIAL - Lot on Big Spring - excellent location. ... $150,000
W. LOUISIANA - FORMER PROFESSIONAL OFFICE - ZONE 0-1 ... $82,500
S. RANKIN - approx. 8 acres ... $60,000
MICHIGAN- 1/2 block off Garfield - zoned 01-possibly 2 offices for occupancy. Now Ready ... $43,900
SINCLAIR- 3.41 acres zoned 1F1 ... $40,500
W. LOUISIANA- Very good location with a super nice building ... $40,000
5311 E I20 - 27.9 acres, next to service road, 3.3 miles to Fairgrounds Rd. all kinds of possibilities. ... $38,000
2 LOTS at WOLFCAMP CIRCLE - Fairgrounds Industrial Park app. 1 acre ... FOR BOTH $20,000
S CR 1065 - Fend, water well, paved roads ... $18,000
N CR 1135 - Fully developed, water, septic, 50 fruit trees, etc. ... $14,900
E. HIGHWAY 80 - (3.5 acres) - ... $13,000
Lot on CR 1806 ... $12,500
E. HIGHWAY 80 - (3.0 acres) - ... $12,000
TEJAS- 1 Lot on 2 ½ acres, Ranch Estates Reduced- owner anxious ... $9,500
STONEWALL- Great INVESTMENT property ... $6,000
W. SHANDON - One lot. ... $3,250
W. SHANDON -Three lots ea. ... $2,950
LOTS - Several lots near Big Spring St. from $995-$2,950 call for info.
FOR LEASE Downtown office space.1800 sq.ft. containing 6 office. $6/ft, 1 yr minimum lease.Tenant pays electric and janitorial. Good parking.
RETAIL SPACES - Illinois & Midkiff 400-1838 sq. ft. $400 to $830.mo

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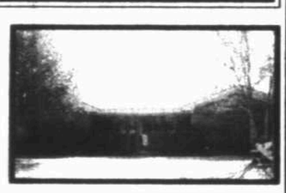
OPEN HOUSE: SUNDAY AUGUST 25
2:00pm - 4:00pm **3311 W. Louisiana**

4 BEDROOMS

Douglas	Truly Unique!	5/4/4
Humble	Exceptional	4/3/2
Boeing	Recent Carpet	4/2/2

3 BEDROOMS

Northrup	2 Story. Lots of Goodies!	3/2/2
Apperson	Wonderful!	3/2/2
Canadian	Great Location	3/2/2
Hermitage	Hot Tub	3/2/2
Willingham	Nice! Neat! Nifty!	3/2/2
Spruce	Cozy!	3/2/2
Louisiana	Close to School	3/2/CP
Cuthbert	Location! Location!	3/2/2
Avondale	Lovely!	3/2/1
Louisiana	Big Backyard	3/2/1
Shandon	Ready to Sell!	3/2/PP
Stoneybrook	Cute! Cute!	3/2/2
Glenwood	Check This	3/2/1
Howard	Well Maintained	3/1/1
Roosevelt	Investor Special	3/1/1
College	Duplex (7 Units)	
College	Duplex (4 Units)	



HERMITAGE



HUMBLE



DOUGLAS

2 BEDROOMS

CR 137	Country Property	2/1/CP
Belmont	Beautiful Yard	2/1/1CP
Carver	Handyman's Delight!	2/1

COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES: Office, Industrial, Warehouses $20,000 - $217,000

Big Spring	Close to Downtown	Garfield	Great Visibility/Great Location
Wall Street	HighTrafficArea	Illinois	2 Story Office Building
Garden City Hwy	Shop/Warehouse	Lamesa	Land

CONDO'S & DUPLEX'S & OFFICE SPACE: For sale or lease

Gary Teinert	683-9395	May Barber..Broker Assc.	687-5203
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702 ANDREWS HWY.

COMMUNITY LN.	4 bd-4 ba-3 liv-Ing. Pool-Exquisite !	$	385,000		
FAIRWOOD CT.	Mockingbird Hgts.: 5+ bd-4 ba-2 liv-3 gar	$	369,500		
CHOATE PL.	REDUCED: 4 bd-4 ba-3 liv-Ing. Pool	$	359,500		
VERDE GLEN CT.	2-ST-3 bd. Down/2 bd. Up-2 liv-Gamerm$	$	335,000		
HIALEAH	3 bd-3 ba-Pool, Spa & Cabana-Gazebo	$	324,500		
BENT TREE TRAIL	Green Tree No.: bd-3 ba-2 liv	$	258,000		
ALMEY	UNDER CONTRACT				
RADCLIFF	UNDER CONTRACT				
RUSTIC TR.	NEW LISTING	$	219,900		
Green Tree North: "On the Course": 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-3 fireplace					
HATHAWAY	NEW LISTING	$	210,000		
Custom Home/Like New in Grassland: 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-3 gar					
ALMEY	NEW: Study & Hobby Rm.: 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-3 gar	$	195,500		
SUNRISE	REDUCED: Green Tree: 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-study	$	194,900		
COURTNEY CT.	UNDER CONTRACT				
RIDGEFIELD CT.	UNDER CONTRACT				
SHADY OAK	UNDER CONTRACT				
HATHAWAY	Grassland: 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Sun Room-Corner	$	179,900		
CENTERVIEW	Open & Airy-4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Grassland	$	174,500		
HEREFORD	NEW LISTING	$	167,900		
New-Robert Graham: 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-3 gar-Can pick colors now					
LOS ALAMITOS	4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Impeccable	$	153,500		
DRIFTWOOD	11th Fairway/Green Tree: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv	$	149,900		
COVENTRY LN.	REDUCED: 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Hobby/Utility	$	148,950		
CROWLEY	Grassland: 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-3 gar	$	147,900		
LOS ALAMITOS	Gorgeous Ingr. Pool: 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv	$	144,900		
CUTHBERT	4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-2 Fireplace-Workshop	$	139,900		
DARTMOUTH	UNDER CONTRACT				
SPARKS	UNDER CONTRACT				
HUMBLE	4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-2 Fireplace-2 gar-Spa	$	130,900		
GOLF COURSE RD.	2-Story :4+ bd-3 ba-2 liv	$	128,500		
HIGHLAND	UNDER CONTRACT				
ROSEWOOD	UNDER CONTRACT				
GRASSLAND	New/ Henson: 3 bd-2 ba-Formals-Gamerm	$	125,000		
WESTMONT	EXTRAS GALORE! 4 bd-2 ba-1 liv	$	119,900		
MAXWELL	REDUCED 2-Story: 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv	$	107,500		
LANHAM	UNDER CONTRACT				
NOEL	3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Updated A/C, roof	$	99,900		
ANDOVER	REDUCED: 4 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Garden Rm	$	97,500		
EDGEMONT	3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Recent Update	$	97,500		
HAYNES	DUPLEX: Each side 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv	$	97,000		
FAIRHAVEN	3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-2 gar-LowMaintenance	$	93,900		
CASADY CT.	UNDER CONTRACT				
WYDEWOOD	3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-2 gar-Formal Dining	$	88,900		
BROOKDALE	Space & Storage: 4 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Shop	$	79,900		
WADLEY	NEW LISTING	$	79,900		
Completely Updated Townhome: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-2 gar-CLEAN					
NELSON	NEW LISTING	$	78,750		
Non-qualify-"as is": 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-2 gar-Great Opportunity					
SAN ANTONIO	New/ Northgate: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-2 gar	$	77,000		
DENTCREST	REDUCED 2 ST - 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-2 gar	$	74,900		
HAYNES DR.	Recent Updating: 3 bd-2 ba-2 gar	$	74,500		
HUGHES	3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-2 gar-Excellent Cond.	$	73,500		
STOREY	REDUCED: Totally Updated ! 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv	$	69,900		
IMPERIAL	3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-2 gar-Recent Paint	$	69,500		
MANOR ST	UNDER CONTRACT				
DAWN	ODESSA: 3 bd-2.5 ba-2 liv -Lots of Extras	$	68,000		
NORWOOD	Town hse-3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-2 gar-Recent carpet	$	67,900		
ELMA	NEW LISTING	$	66,900		
Great 2-Story Townhouse: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-2 gar: Mstr. down					
ANETTA	NEW LISTING	$	64,900		
Lease or Buy: Cleanest Ever !! 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-2 gar-Updated					
W. OHIO	Low Maint. & Clean: 2 bd-2 ba-2 liv-2 gar	$	64,900		
APRIL	ODESSA: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Low Equity	$	53,900		
SYCAMORE	NEW LISTING	$	52,000		
Big House, Nice Condition: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Sprinkler System					
MARIANA	UNDER CONTRACT				
TANNER	UNDER CONTRACT				
HOLLY DR.	3 bd 1 ba-1 liv-Workshop	$	45,000		
ST. ANNA	STANTON: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Shop-Fenced	$	44,000		
PASADENA DR.	Lots of Pluses: 3 bd-1.5 ba-1 liv	$	42,000		
EISENHOWER	UNDER CONTRACT				
THOMAS	4 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Central H & AC	$	39,900		
MELODY LN.	NEW LISTING	$	38,500		
In ODESSA: Hardwood Floors : 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv					
ROOSEVELT	Nice Home: 3 bd; 1 ba; 1 liv	$	37,500		
RAYMOND	3 bd-1 ba-1 liv-1 gar-Storage Shed	$	32,500		
CHEROKEE	Lots of updating-3 bd-1 ba-1 liv-1 gar	$	31,000		
ROOSEVELT	Assummable: 3 bd-1 ba-1 liv-Updating	$	30,900		
WASHINGTON	"AS IS": 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-2 gar	$	29,900		
CHECOTAH	3 bd-Stor. Shed-Dogrun & more !	$	27,500		
CALDERA	Condo: 1 bd-1 ba-1 liv unit w/parking	$	22,000		
W. PECAN	3 bd-Central Heat/AC-"As Is"	$	19,900		
AVONDALE	"AS IS": 2 bd-1 ba-1 liv	$	18,500		
THOMASON	Sell "as is": 3 bd-1 ba-1 liv-Evap. Cooler	$	18,450		
BOULDER		$	18,000		
BOULDER	2-St.Condo: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Pool & Tennis	$	18,000		

OPEN HOUSES TODAY

2:00 - 4:00 P.M



6915 SUNRISE
$ 194,900.

In Green Tree Addition, with a recent price reduction. 4 bedrooms, 3 bath, 2 living areas, Formal Dining and a Study.
OPEN TODAY 2-4 PM.

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COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES

GOODE	REDUCED: Metal Bldg.; Sec. Syst.; Fence	$	95,500

SUBURBAN PROPERTIES

S. CO. RD. 1218	20 ACRES: 4 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Workshop	$	198,500
W. CR 68.	UNDER CONTRACT		
S. CR 1114	REDUCED	$	128,900
2- acres w/Pond: Greenwood-3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Workshop			
N. HWY 137	UNDER CONTRACT		
S. CO RD 1182	1 .6 acres-4 bd-3 ba-3 liv-Shed	$	105,000
E. CO. RD. 101	3 acres-4 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Pool	$	99,900
E. CO.RD. 132	Nice - 4 acres: 3 bd-3 ba-1 liv-2 gar-Pond	$	98,000
S. CR 1138		$	79,900
Well maintained: Greenwood-3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Cul-de-sac			
S. CR 1314	3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Water Well-HotTub	$	74,500
E. CO. RD. 107	Greenwood: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv	$	69,000
E. CR 104	1/2 acre in Greenwd: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv	$	66,900
S. CR 1220	2 acres-Open & Roomy: 3 bd-1 ba-1 liv	$	54,000
E. CR 307	NEW LISTING	$	39,800
21.46 ACRES : Call Office for specifics about property			
E. CO. RD. 101	3 acres-4 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Pool	$	99,900
E. CR 96	Greenwood: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Water Well	$	22,500

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RESTHAVEN	REDUCED	$	800. ea
Six Lots in "Garden of Devotion"			
RESTHAVEN	One Lot has 2 burial spaces	$	975.ea
HAMBY	12 Lots	$	1,500 ea
WALNUT LN.	2 Blocks	$	3,500 ea
MIDWAY COUNTRY ESTATES:		$	4,000 /ac
(4) 1/2 ac . lots; (5) 1 ac. lots; Horses OK			
ALAMO DR.	2 Lots	$	4,500 ea
GARDEN LN.	2 Blocks	$	4,500 ea
BOWIE DR.	1 Lot	$	4,500
NEELY	Residential Lots (3) May be sold separately .	$	5,000 ea
DOUGLAS	Great Location !!	$	10,000
E. CR 110	5 acre tract	$	15,500
SCHARBAUER & "I":		$	21,000
MISSION COUNTRY CLUB:		$	25,000
N. BIG SPRING		$	45,000
Great Potential for Office or Retail; Zoned LR2			
N. LAMESA ROAD.		$	125,000
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Pools. Pools. Pools...
9 Hialeah...Saddle Club Estates...
Custom built, 5 BR, 2 liv, 2 din, 2 fireplaces, pool/cabana, so many extras!.....$349,000
2700 Garfield...Two uhome-...
Wonderful 5BR, 5.5BA townhome, high ceilings, cabana, Motivated Seller.....$149,900
2004 W. Missouri....
4 bedrooms, 4 baths, 4 living areas plus a pool, lots of space, museum area.....$94,900

4802 Timber Lane...New Construction...
Patio home by Kahler 3BR, 2.5BA, 2 patios, high ceilings, landscaped.....$102,500
2818 Purple Sage...New Listing...
3BR/2BA, 2 living, 2 dining, Vista West, corner lot recent paint/carpet.....$95,900
2005 Caldera...Reduced...
Terrific 3BR/2BA in Vista West, seq master, jacuzzi tub, vaulted ceilings.....$85,000
3902 Willingham...Reduced...
Wonderful 3BR, 2BA w/extra large living, FP, skylight, sprinklers, So Cute!.....$72,900
3905 Plaria Ct...Reduced...
3BR, 2BA, cul-de-sac, breakfast area w/bay window, vaulted ceilings, tile.....$69,900
307 Thornridge
3BR, 2BA, 2 living, very nice!.....$68,000
3811 Suncrest...Just Listed
3BR, 2BA, 2 living, 2 car gar. Just painted, good floor plan, nice location.....$59,500
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4302 Dawn Circle.....$144,900
4005 Lehigh.....$104,900
4904 Sunshine Parkway...$85,900
2402 Flare Court.....$76,900
3206 Preston.....$63,500

OPEN HOUSE 2-5PM
5513 Ridgemont.....$187,500

OPEN HOUSE 3-5PM
5604 Ridgemont.....$187,500
5608 Ridgemont.....$187,500

NEW LISTINGS
4606 Bishop's Castle.....$129,900
3608 Pinemont.....$108,000
3809 Fairhaven.....$102,500
2801 Princeton.....$94,500
3210 Fannin.....$80,500
307 Thornridge.....$68,000
3206 Preston.....$63,500
3116 S. E. 1600.....$59,500
3811 Suncrest.....$59,500
6902 E. Co. Rd. 96.....$54,000
4412 Harlowe.....$25,250

PRICE REDUCTIONS
4906 Oakwood.....$239,900
3915 Northfield.....$149,900
4301 Lehigh.....$127,000
4408 Westminister.....$123,000
4717 Boulder.....$72,500
3902 Willingham.....$71,900
IH 20, Stanton.....$42,500

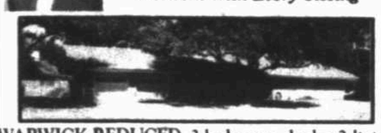
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SO VERY INVITING Make plans to see this lovely 4 BD patio home. Surrounds a great patio area. Nice kitchen, 3 garages with a workshop. Call to see today.

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COME TAKE A PEEK Relax in lush, gorgeous backyard with an oversized built in spa. Quality custom home with 4 BD, 2 LA. hardwood floors, cul-de-sac location. Call to view.



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10900 E. CO. RD. 109 (JUDY LANE)-New construction, 4 bdrm, 2 bath, large master bedroom, new split level floor plan.....$129,900
2505 HAYNES-GREAT INVESTMENT-Duplex with 3 bdrm, 2 bath on each side, fireplace, carport, has been well maintained.....$110,000
1316 ESTES-Cute 2 bdrm, 1 bath home w/breakfast bar, tile floor in kitchen, nice brick home.....$23,500
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Denise's tip for the Week!
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★★★ Best Buy of the Week ★★★
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No Obligation, Of Course!
This home located - beautiful "Old" Midland inlcudes inground pool.....$162,500

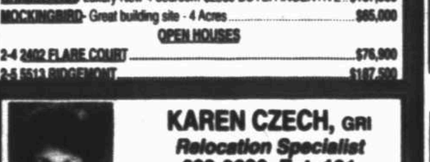
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GREENTREE-Gorgeous-culdesac-4 bedroom-country kitchen.....$187,500
WARWICK-Exquisite home-wood floors-wonderful yard & trees!.....$297,900
ANGELINA-Spacious 2 story, immaculate-tile floors-Lee High.....$94,500
C.R. 53-3 bedrooms-barn, great value for the handyman.....$65,000
LEE HIGH AREA-Great 4 bedroom culdesac-walk to Goddard.....$76,900
GRASSLANDS-Luxury-New-4 bedroom-$2500 BUYER INCENTIVE..$187,500
MOCKINGBIRD- Great building site - 4 Acres.....$65,000
OPEN HOUSES
2-4 2402 FLARE COURT.....$76,900
2-5 5513 RIDGEMONT.....$187,500



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✔ VERY PRIVATE ESTATE-on the market 7 days.....SOLD!!
✔ OAKWOOD CT-Greentree C.C. Estates.....SOLD!!
✔ 3404 CLAREMONT DR-New A/C new roof, 3/2/2.....UNDER CONTRACT
✔ 2503 COUNTRY CLUB-ALREADY GONE.....UNDER CONTRACT
✔ 1400 TERRELL...ALSO GONE!!!.....UNDER CONTRACT

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$239,900
THE OAKS OF GREEN TREE...Fabulous 4 bedroom, 3 bath Greg Frazier custom on golf course with pool and spa. Like new inside and out with view of pool from almost every room! Custom wall and ceiling treatments, intercom, golf cart storage, security system, extra yard for parking, indoor grill, etc, etc, etc!

$204,000
GREENTREE NORTH...McPherson new construction in beautiful golf course neighborhood has 4 bedrooms, 3.5 baths plus study. Gourmet kitchen, 4 car garage and FREE club membership! Call Anita for more!

$117,500
POLO PARK...Cute 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath has 2 living areas, formal dining, easy maintenance backyard and is located on the corner lot of a small cul-de-sac. Sequestered master with decorator tub and his and hers closets. Call for more!

$80,500
NEW LISTING!!!...Don't mess this terrific 3 bedroom, 2 bath on tree-lined street in coveted Fannin schoolI area. Sequestered master, large den with cathedral ceiling, 3 accesses to beautiful backyard with deck!

$56,500
RANCH ESTATES...City living or country living? Why not both? Enjoy space galore in this 3 bedroom, 2 bath home on extra large lot. Paneled den, sequestered master.

$54,900
WESTCLIFF...Cute 3 bedroom, 2 bath home on nice lot has alarm system, sprinklers in front, fireplace, wet bar, indoor utility, & 2 car garage. Call Anita for more!

$52,500
DELLWOOD...Spacious 4 bedroom, 2 bath home with 3 living areas. Just a little TLC will give you a home you can love and live in. Bank owned-will look at all offers!

$52,500
NORTHWEST ACRES...Cozy 3 bedroom, 2 bath total brick "Old Midland" home with big trees front and back. Large sitting room w/dining kitchen. Don't miss!

$42,500
STANTON...Country property on approximately 5 acres has 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, outbuildings for extra storage. Just Reduced!

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2306 HERMITAGE Shown by Amy Johnson 689-3969
Great 1 living area home in Plantation. 3 bedroom, 2 bath with on large living area. Good condition with some new paint.....83,000

2503 STUTZ Shown by Jane Wolf 684-6040
Spacious and inviting, 4 bedrooms, 2 living plus enclosed patio, great pool and pretty yard.....125,000

2003 N D Shown by Steve Johnson 570-1877
New to market, 3 bedroom, 2 bath home in very quiet neighborhood. Home and landscaping have been kept very well! come by, you'll be surprised! (Contents for sale also).....58,600

2001 COMMUNITY LANE Shown by Roberta Aldridge 683-3424
Do come inside! This is a nicely updated home with loads of light, extra large yard and custom designed plan.....112,900

3836 NASSAU Shown by Sharon Harris 684-3931
If you're looking for a townhome, don't miss seeing this one! 2 bedrooms, 2 full baths, formal dinging + breakfast nook. Beautifully landscaped yard with decking and garden lights in back and very little yard maintenance.....61,500

OPEN 1-3 (CONT.)

4605 DENGAR Shown by Karen Mason 687-6806
Come see on the really wonderful houses in Wydewood! Vaulted ceiling in the living room, sequestered master, and separate study or office. So much to appreciate and enjoy.....85,000

4215 DOWNING Shown by Pat Paxton 683-0888
Make offers. Located close to school and park. All new interior paint.....78,000

OPEN 1-5

2308 SHANDON Shown by Amy Johnson 689-3969
Great home in older area. 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths with workshop in detached garage. Low maintenance yard.....83,900

OPEN 2-4

3913 NORTHFIELD Shown by Wayne Gideon 682-1021
4/3 in Trinity,. 2 fireplaces, hot tub, water well on sprinkler. Covered parking for boat, alarm system.....134,500

1003 W. GOLF COURSE Shown by Danny Norwood 682-5544
New to the ,market! This house has fresh paint inside and outside. A large kitchen and a park-like backyard! Stop by to see this beauty!.....69,900

OPEN 3-5

1615 SHELL Shown by Roberta Aldridge 683-3424
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OPEN 3:30-5

705 SHELL Shown by Martha Mims Manulik 682-8198
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OPEN 3:30-5:30

2108 NORTH "I" STREET Shown by Pat Paxton 683-0888
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WHAT'S NEW? WHAT'S REDUCED?

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APPERSON-Pride of ownership is evident everywhere. Park-like backyard w/hot tub & gazebo.....99,500
PRINCETON-Fabulous Old Midland home. Spacious rooms, lovely landscaping, 3BR/2BA/2LA.....98,500
LAWSON-Old Midland charmer. Large baths, two master bedrooms, updated, cinder block fence.....96,500
WESTERN-Enjoy townhome living in this centrally located property! Great back yard patio.....95,500
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CASTLEFORD-Beautiful patio townhouse, shiny clean, superb condition.....79,900
FREDNA-Updated 3 bedrooms, plus office, 2 bath, 1 living area in Wydewood. Roof new '95.....75,000
LANHAM-3BR/2BA with office area. Lush yard with large trees.....72,000
SHELL-Beautiful in Old Midland. Hardwood floors, qualifying assumption w/great interest rate./ Perfect.....69,900
CONROE-Great qualifying assumption. Low down, low interest rate. Owner anxious.....69,900
BELLE GROVE-Nice townhome on quiet cul-de-sac in Plantation Hills.....68,000
RUIDOSO-Great drive-up, 3 BR/2BA, brick fireplace.....65,000
GARFIELD-Large home w/huge seq. MBR, combined formal living & dining w/FP.....65,000
NEELY-3BR/2BA, fresh paint outside and some inside, pretty yard.....62,900
SIESTA LANE-Great investor property. Well-maintained duplex near Midland College.....59,000
"D"-Cozy, 3BR/2BA in quiet neighborhood, backyd, very nice landscaping and includes gas grill.....58,600
CARRIZO-4 room covered office bldg. 1718 sq ft (approx).....45,000
E. HWY. 158-Extremely nice 3BR/2BA home on .77 acres w/detached 24x24 garage. Storage galore.....41,500
RIC-Great 3BR/1 1/2 BA home w/central air, 1-car garage.....36,500
CHECOTAH-Double-wide home w/seq MBR, high ceilingss, FP and cul-de-sac.....27,500
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CHOATE-Custom home, wonderfully maintained, great plan, fabulous kitchen, gorgeous landscaping, cul-de-sac in Trinity Estates.....375,000
HIGHWAY 349 NORTH-5 Bdr Country Estate with beautiful wood and tile floors.....349,000
LAKES DR-Fabulous custom home, beautifully decorated, carefully designed.....309,600
SADDLE CLUB-Super reduction on this stunning 2-story. High ceilings, great master with 2 baths, study, super sunroom, pool and tennis court, now.....294,000
CRESCENT PL-Custom, quality townhome, 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths. Unbelievable closets and storage.....288,000
WINFIELD-Spacious Warwick beauty. Family sized home with lovely pool, fabulous great room, wonderful kitchen, open and light.....275,000
LOCKHEED-Exquisite patio home in immaculate condition! Fabulous landscaping, unbelievable master suite.....269,500
RUSTIC TRAIL-New paint, fresh, spacious, grand plan! Formals+study+den+wonderful kitchen. Elegant entry, beautiful high ceilings.....269,000
GULF-Beautiful tree-shaded lot. Many updates, sunroom, french doors, sumptuous master w/large bath.....255,000
TEAKWOOD-Smashing contemporary, incredible style and appointments! Workshop and kid's playroom.....249,900
DOUGLAS-JJ Black contemporary - enormous master w/fireplace & sitting area, 5BR/4BA, 3LA, formal dining, guest house, pretty courtyard w/putting green.....249,900
SHELL-Lovely 4 bedroom on quiet cul-de-sac in MaMar.....215,000
MEADOWRIDGE-Beautiful 4BR/3 1/2 BA home built by Bates construction. Like new!.....210,000

$100,000 TO $200,000-A WONDERFUL GROUP OF BEAUTIFUL HOMES, YOU'LL WANT TO SEE!

SCOTTSBORO LANE-Custom 5BR w/plantation shutters throughout, fabulous closets, tile walk ways, big patio.....198,500
HATHAWAY-New home by Fred Nobles in beautiful Grassland Estates. Call for details.....189,900
TEAKWOOD-Fabulous four bedroom home in Greentree with enormous rooms! Outstanding kitchen.....189,000
HUMBLE-Lots of space for large family. 4BR + office, wood floors under upstairs carpet.....169,900
POLO PARKWAY-Exception quality throughout! Beautiful decor, lush landscaping, too many amenities to list.....169,900
KNIGHTS PL-Good floor plan, 3 separate bedroom areas. Country kitchen, 1 large LA, 2 patios.....168,000
COLEMAN-Traditional charm, hardwood floors, pretty decor.....165,000
I-Exceptionally large 4BR w/formal LA, den and huge sunroom. Seq MBR w/FP & beautiful bath.....159,900
SADDLE CLUB NORTH TOWNHOME-An incredible buy in this serene, secure, guarded community. 3/2 1/2 formals plus den. Owner desires sale now.....159,000
ASHDOWN-Lovely 2-story TH in Saddle Club South. 3BR/3 1/2 BA, could be 2 living areas. Style & space!.....155,000
BRADFORD-This 4BR has it all! Loaded with extras! Great location!.....154,500
GRASSLAND-Perfect plan! New Kahler construction in Grassland. 4BR/2 1/2 BA w/1LA.....152,000
WOODHAVEN-Lovely home, super size rooms. Unbelievable utility room.....151,500
NORTHFIELD-Great price! Gorgeous hardwoods, spacious 4BRs, 3BAs, formals + den, lovely large yards, Now only.....149,900
KINGSBORO CT-What a pretty house! Huge kitchen, tile floors & walkways, lg. mstr w/own patio.....149,900
McCLINTIC-Beautifully maintained townhouse w/private 4BR w/outside entrance. All rooms spacious.....149,500
TEAKWOOD-Wonderful home in Greentree. Each bedroom has bath, lots of options.....147,900
KINGSBORO-Beautiful Kahler built 4BR home in Meadowpark.....139,900
POLO PARKWAY-Custom built, gorgeous pool & spa & yard. Formal DR, Seq. MBR, sunroom.....136,900
SPRING MEADOW LN 5-Super new construction, nice open plan, low upkeep, nice patio.....136,800
NORTHFIELD-Covered parking for boat/RV. Water well on sprinkler.....134,500
RICHMOND-Exceptional 4BR/3BA by Kelly Young...A Must See.....130,000
HAYNES-Sophisticated patio home. Huge kitchen, skylights, saltillo tile, enormous MBR, and sauna.....129,900
LEXINGTON-Hickey patio home, excellent condition, decorated soft, neutral colors.....129,900
RIDGMAR-Nicely maintained 4 bedroom with lots of new, gorgeous landscaping, bonus room, great plan.129,500
TENNESSEE-Lovely Old Midland. Unique home with guest quarters.....127,500
PRINCETON-4BR/3BA, rear house has sauna; hot tub and half bath.....125,000
STUTZ-Especially spacious and inviting 4BR/3 living, wet bar, great pool, quiet cul-de-sac.....125,000
HACKBERRY-Beautiful home in Greentree with and absolutely gorgeous view of the golf course.....125,000
MIDKIFF-4.78 acres of prime Midland property with approx 1700 sq. ft. house.....120,000
SEABOARD-Spacious home totally updated; near elementary school.....119,900
HAYNES-Very spacious townhome. Enclosed patio w/lots of skylights, great master & bath.....115,000
CAROL LANE-Wonderful home in quiet neighborhood, incredible workshop w/dog runs & lovely pool.....115,000
DRIFTWOOD-Possibly the smartest buy in Greentree, beautiful decorating, lush landscaping.....114,500
COMMUNITY LN-Really nice updated home in "Old Midland". Great plan, lots of extras.....112,900
HUMBLE-Precious home in superb location! Tons of room and storage.....111,000
FAIRHAVEN-Beautiful home; lots of storage and walk-ins. Don't miss seeing!.....110,000
APPERSON-Updated to the max! New carpet throughout and low maintenance yard.....110,000
CUTHBERT-Beautiful, well-maintained 3 or 4 BR in Old Midland. Circular drive and minimal yard work.....105,000
C-Gorgeous new kitchen w/french doors, sparkling pool, parquet floors and sprinkler system.....104,500
SHELL-Immaculate 3BR, well maintained, lush landscaping, spacious room, excellent storage.....103,000

UNDER $100,000-SMART BUYS, LOVELY PROPERTIES, PERFECT FOR YOU!

TIMBER LANE-New listing, new construction. Fabulous kitchen, too many extras to mention. Ready for quick move in.....99,900
LONOKE-Great low maintenance townhome w/security system. High ceilings and close to Loop.....99,750
ANDREWS HWY-Unique property. Large multi-purpose room and living quarters behind.....99,500
NORTHRUP-Lovely contemporary, much new, surprising space and sprinkler system.....99,500
WESTERN-Space abounds in this 4BR home located in mature area. Workshop & swimming pool are added bonus.....99,500
APPERSON-Pride of ownership is evident everywhere. Park-like backyard w/hot tub & gazebo.....99,500
LAWSON-Old Midland charmer. Large baths, 2 master bedrooms, updated, cinder block fence.....96,500
WESTERN-Enjoy townhome living in this centrally located property! Great backyard patio.....95,500
CUTHBERT-Well maintained home w/lots of square footage, closets and storage space.....94,900
SHANDON-3BR/2BA w/cabana, large dog run, pool, extra park.....94,500
HARWARD-Great 3BR/2BA, hardwood floors and lots of windows.....92,500
WADLEY #94-Large, lovely condo, single story, 3BR/3BA, living room and dining +breakfast. Very nice.....90,000
GREENTREE BLVD-Great townhouse in Greentree! 3 or 4 bedroom.....89,900
BEDFORD-Location, location, location. Darling Old Midland home w/loads of charm!.....89,900
PINON-Great floor plan being built by McMorries Builders. Seq. master, open dining and great storage.....89,500
DENGAR-Absolutely perfect custom one-owner home most spacious and lovely 2BR/2BA.....84,900
WADLEY-Gorgeous, completely updated townhome w/beautiful carpet, vinyl, paint and wallpapers.....83,900
SHANDON-3BR/ 2 1/2 BA w/lots of storage. Detached 2-car garage w/shop.....83,900
HERMITAGE-Reduced! 3BR/2BA with one large living area. Clean and fresh inside.....83,000
MOGFORD-Extra, extra special. Very well kept, nice living areas and beautiful yard.....79,900
EDGEMONT-Affordable in Fairmont, sequestered master w/large closet, two full baths, beautiful lot.....79,900
BELTON PL-Spacious rooms, seq MBR, cul-de-sac location. Sprinklers front & back.....78,700
DOWNING-Stylish 3BR, great area, affordable!.....78,000
BOYD-3BR/2BA, 3 living, "bonus" office/workshop, new carpet, paint, wonderful setting!.....78,000
MABERRY-Super home in Old Midland, large mature yard. Lots of new. Owner wants offers, Lease Purchase.....74,900
CULVER-Owners are offering $2,000 decorating allowance on this centrally located house near schools, shopping and parks.....73,900
CIMMARON-3/2, priced to sell so you can move-in before school starts.....72,900
CONROE CT-Super one-owner home in Northgate addition. $1,000 buyer incentive.....72,500
SPARKS-Beautiful home in Old Midland. Lots of storage and great landscaping.....72,000
CUTHBERT-Teddy Roosevelt's sister built this home in 1941.....71,900
CONROE-Great qualifying assumption. Low down, low interest rate. Owner anxious.....69,900
ANETTA-Immaculate, updated, gorgeous landscaping & patios; 32 w/2 living.....69,900
GREENBRIAR-Perfectly lovely townhome! Circle drive, great storage bldg. Meticulously maintained.....69,900
SEABOARD-Close to elementary and high school, darling 3BR w/great yard.....69,900
GOLF COURSE-Quaint home that has lots of charm - park-like backyard is a definite plus.....69,900
DENTCREST-Terrific 3BR/2BA home with atrium patio in the center of the house - light & bright.....69,500
CIMMARON-Cute 3BR/2BA home with workshop and breakfast nook with bay window.....68,900
COUNTRY CLUB-Great Austin stone 3/2 w/2-car garage, hardwood floors under carpet, large shaded backyard.....67,500
LANHAM-Non-qualifying assumption. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, large covered patio, established area.....67,500
WADLEY L14-Situated by the pool, enjoy peaceful, low maintenance living.....65,000
OHIO-If you need lots of room, you need to see this 3BR/2BA home. Built-ins in 2BR. 2 walk-ins in MBR, Water well, sprinkler in front, roof in '94.....65,000
WADLEY #61-Wonderful townhome, new carpet, paint & tile. Looks like new! May consider owner finance Lease purchase.....65,000
RUIDOSO-Great drive-up, 3BR/2BA, brick fireplace.....65,000
GARFIELD-Large home w/huge seq. MBR, combined formal living & dining w/FP.....65,000
SPARKS-Old Midland home, 3BRs, 2 LAs and 2BAs. Large lot.....64,900
SINCLAIR-3/2. Huge rooms, corner lot, water well for yard, front courtyd and side patios.....64,900
BEDFORD-Gorgeous in Old Midland. Hardwood floors, all updated-really nice. Hurry.....63,500
NASSAU-Just the townhome you've been looking for! 2BR/2BA, formal dining + breakfast nook.....61,500
WADLEY-Wonderful townhome in quality condition. Lovely, light & bright.....61,000
GOLF COURSE-Wonderful location! Zoned residential house is to be sold with property as is.....60,000
STOREY-Cute, clean Austin stone home. Large kitchen, updated baths, fresh paint. Lease Purchase.....59,900
OHIO-3/2 w/some reworked & replaced.....59,500
HARWARD-The charm of Old Midland. 3BR/2BA, formal dining and hardwood floors.....58,900
PRESTON-Great 2-story townhome that's in a ready-to-move-in condition.....58,750
SPRUCE-3BR/2BA, big trees, big windows, picturesque street.....58,400
EISENHOWER-Really, really neat and clean. Tasteful and updated. Large storage room on back could be office.....55,000
"D" STREET-Two great houses for the price of one! Tree shaded lot.....53,000
CROCKETT-Outstanding 3BR home, fresh paint throughout, bay window and FP.....51,900
EISENHOWER-Here is a buy! RV pad, 2 CP in rear, workshop.....49,900
MONTY-Cozy home, close to school, recently repainted inside, 3BR/2BA, 2-car garage.....49,900
PARKDALE-Available for HIP program lots of updating, new carpet & paint, huge MBR.....49,500
PASADENA-Just listed and neat as a pin! Spacious bedrooms, great family room, large covered patio.....49,500
OHIO-Nice home in good condition. Large yard, water well, livable plan.....48,000
MOGFORD-Hardwood floors, sprinklers, good location.....47,900
DEWBERRY-Loads of extras!! Low maintenance yard, extra parking in front.....47,500
SHANDON-Value in the land, adjacent to land on Wadley, across from Clay Desta.....45,000
NOBLES-Extra large 2BR/2BA/2 living with hard floors in Ridglea Addition.....45,000
WILSHIRE-Nice 3BR/2BA home with large backyard. Close to elementary school.....44,900
STOREY-Great buy for area - walk to schools. 4BR/2BA, sprinkler system.....44,000
WAVERLY-3BR/2BA/2LAs and 24 x 34 garage/workshop.....40,000
ILLINOIS-Close to schools and shopping. Large backyard, some new int. paint, lots of closet space.....39,500
COLLEGE-Duplex + efficiency.....39,500
KIOWA-2BR/1BA, corner lot w/nice landscaping, workshop + storage room. Several unique lighting fixtures.....39,000
THOMAS-Perfectly adorable! Gorgeous landscaping and sprinkler system.....38,500
OHIO-Immaculate home with inviting front porch and lots of charm.....37,500
RIC-Great 3BR/1 1/2 BA home w/central air, 1-car garage.....36,500
COWDEN-Charming cottage. New paint in & out, hardwoods under carpet.....35,000
AVONDALE-Darling home in Permian Estates. New sewer line installed 3 yrs. ago. Newer carpet in BRs.....31,500
AVONDALE-Cute 3BR/2BA, $1,000 carpet allowance.....31,500
KENTUCKY-Well maintained 3BR w/lots of closet space. Cute, cute.....31,000
CANYON-Lots of new. Thermal windows and ceilings fans in every room.....29,900
FRANKLIN-Cute, cute 2BR w/super workshop & more.....28,000
LINCOLN-Nice house 3BR/2BA.....25,000
KANSAS-Updated duplex with both sides rented; conveniently located to shopping.....24,750
LINCOLN-3BR/2BA.....20,000
CUTHBERT-Owner anxious to sell this Old Midland home that is priced to sell.....17,000

SUBURBAN PROPERTIES

EDINBURGH-2 story, country kitchen, tile floors throughout, pipe fence, sprinkler system, 1800 ft. barn.....295,000
5 MINUTES NORTH OF THE LOOP-Enjoy sunsets and the city skyline from this wonderful "country" gentleman's retreat or fabulous building site. Charming 2/2 home, bunkhouse, barns, pool, gar. w/shop area. 5 acres.....225,000
S. CO. RD. 1213-Large home, pool, 2 barns, workshop and 10 acres.....185,000
S. CO. RD. 1213-Huge tri-level on 8 acres. 5BR/4BA.....174,900
W. CO. RD. 56-Very open floor plan, large patio, metal & pipe fencing, 19 trees, shop.....159,900
E. CO. RD. 169-WOW! 2 story, newer construction, 3/2, Greenwood.....134,900
E. CO. RD. 120-Gorgeous! 3/2/2, huge shop, fenced 1 1/2 acres, restricted area, wonderful drive-up.....133,900
S. CO. RD. 1083-Totally remodeled inside, new paint and carpet. Approx 1 acre in Greenwood.....117,500
S. CO. RD. 1130-4/3-Greenwood - 2+ acres, RV shed and barn.....109,900
S. CO. RD. 1185-Country home on 1.5 acres with workshop, storage bldg, barn, circle drive, brick fence.....104,900
MILLER ROAD-10+ acres w/2 bedroom, 3 bath house, 3 good wells.....95,000
S. CO. RD. 108-Greenwood Schools. One of the larger 3/2, with 2-car garage.....59,900
S. CO. RD. 1140-Some updating in this 3/1. All acreage fenced.....55,000
HWY 80-Good solid house, also commercial with highway frontage.....37,000

LOTS & LAND

RESIDENTIAL LOTS

BLUEBIRD-12.212 acres available across from the ball park.....146,520
BLUEBIRD-7.18 acres.....86,200
SKYRANCH ESTATES-2.25 to 20+ acre lots available. Conveniently located on Co. Rd. 60 West, good water guaranteed, paved cul-de-sac, great new subdivision.....11,733-74,888
CARDINAL LANE-Four 3.597 acre lots available for new construction home sites, great country living in the city, city water available.....64,000
LOOP 250 EAST-You'll feel hundreds of miles away, but only 8-10 minutes from downtown & mall.....60,500
WYWOOD CT-Executive lot inside Loop.....59,900
**O-Lovely landscaped lot in Old Midland.....59,000
GREENTREE-Select from 6 spacious lots to custom build your home.....35,000-47,500
BLUEBIRD-Lovely 2 acre home sites in the green belt.....45,000 ea.
SADDLE CLUB-Great location on the lake! A beautiful sight!.....37,500
RUSTIC TRAIL-4 deep lots suited to a large w/pool etc. East estate lots on Rustic.....35,000
OAK-300 ft on Oak 127 ft on Main-financing available.....30,000
MAIN-New houses under construction across the street to the east. Excellent opportunity for builder.....28,500
GREENTREE BLVD-Great Green Tree location.....25,000
LAMESA & E.CR-Could be possible commercial location.....20,000
RIDGE HEIGHTS-1 acre tract-Ridge Heights with water well.....15,000
ONE PLUS ACRE LOTS-Well and septic, owner financing, moderate restrictions starting at.....12,800
KNIFFEN DR-Improved lot, partially fenced, planted in grass, 1 1/4 acres.....12,500
NEELY-BLVD-NEELY-Build in the heart of the city! Super lots.....7,500-10,000
CROCKETT-5 lots.....7,000 each
MAIN LANE-Excellent location for home or patio home. Close to schools, shopping & easy access to Odessa.....6,900
VARIOUS OTHER HOME SITES-Call for more details.....2,850-35,000

LAND

40 ACRES JUST MINUTES NORTH OF MALL-Super Improvements including home, barns, water.....345,000
FM 307-Prime acreage in Greenwood.....176,000
CO. RD. 1084-New home development directly West & East.....110,000
S. CO. RD. 160-77.369 acres.....99,000
FARMGROUND-3 lots East of city, owner may carry the financing.....39,500
CO. RD. 1250-3.02 prime acreage, possible owner finance.....22,000
FM 1788-Two 1.89 acre residential tracts to be sold together.....20,000
S. CO. RD. 1165-Peace and quiet on 3.5 acres w/lots of trees! Great location to build your dream home.....15,000
CO. RD. 1140-4.5 acre sites, call for details.....10,000-13,000
S. CO. RD. 1204-1.58 acres w/septic tank, mobile home hook-up, field fence.....9,900
S. CO. RD. 1163-Owner will consider financing.....6,900
CO. RD. 11275-1.530 acres in Greenwood Acres Addition.....7,000

INVESTMENT & COMMERCIAL

2.5 acres undeveloped tract near MMH.....CALL
MAIN-14,000 sq. ft., tile building, retail/warehouse, etc. Near downtown.....CALL
INDUSTRIAL PARK-44,000 SF shop + office - Loop 250 & IH 20.....395,000
COTTON FLAT RD-20 acres, 14 mobile homes leased. Good income, 5WW, utilities & septic each.....169,500
INDUSTRIAL-20,000 warehouse office, financing available.....155,000
RANKIN HWY-Established business for sale.....125,000
DAKOTA-Office warehouse - retail off Big Spring.....100,000
ILLINOIS-2250' tile bldg - club or restaurant.....90,000
BIG SPRING-8 nice offices on 1/3 block. Good child care or law office.....79,500
MICHIGAN-Lovely updated property near hospital, great for Dr. or atty.....78,500
COPUS-Trailer park w/26 spaces. Owner will consider financing.....75,000
TERRELL-Great potential for restaurant, dance place, etc.....68,300
CUTHBERT-Doctor's office, reception room, lab, four examination rooms and two baths.....65,000
COLORADO-5 rental units, great return.....60,000
W. INDUSTRIAL AVE-1.29 acres, yard and small bldg, water well, owner finance.....49,500
MISSOURI-Good close to downtown location for small business or office.....40,000
HWY 80-Good solid house, also commercial with highway frontage.....37,000
FOUR LOTS NEAR DOWNTOWN-Bargain - 30,000 sq. ft.....30,000
DOCTOR'S OFFICES (2)-1 block from MMH, one 2900 sf, other 1000 sf.....30,000/85,000
BEHIND RED LOBSTER-17,500 sq. ft.....25,000
CONDOS-Great living in several fine condo developments, call today for those nice properties on Boulder, Caldera, Neely, Eastridge Road.....10,500-21,000
DR's OFFICE-6 room suite in prestigious medical condo close to hospital.....750/mo
OFFICE BUILDING FOR LEASE-1650' bldg. Lots of parking.....700/mo
CALL FOR OTHER COMMERCIAL OFFERINGS

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New York gets ready for change

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NEW YORK — A rebellion quelled and an uneasy peace made with the players, the U.S. Open kicks off the last stand at its creaky, not-so-old stadium with change evident everywhere but on court.

A reprise of last year's Pete Sampras-Andre Agassi championship match looms almost as likely as one more Steffi Graf-Monica Seles women's final, though neither is quite as certain as a year ago.

This may be the year Michael Chang finally breaks through to win, thanks in part to the kindness of tournament officials who bumped him up from No. 3 in the rankings to No. 2 in the seedings, ahead of a rather irate Thomas Muster.

And perhaps this will be the tournament where Lindsay Davenport leaps to a Grand Slam title, building on the gold she captured in Atlanta.

Change is in the air as play begins Monday, and it's not just from the dust of construction around the imposing brick facade of the new 23,500-seat stadium that will open next year as part of a $234 million expansion and remodeling job. The current stadium, only 18 years old but filled with faults from the start, will be renovated and downsized to a 10,000-seat grandstand court.

Breaking away from the Super Saturday schedule this year, the Open will feature the women's final right before the men's on Sunday, Sept. 8. That change pleases the women, who objected to an uncertain starting time because their final had been wedged between the men's semis.

The men, meanwhile, are still ticked off about the seeding flap that led some of them to call for a boycott. Open officials, who selected the order of the seeds and bucked the ATP Tour rankings after setting up the rest of the draw, backed down quickly Thursday in the face of the protest. They dumped the original draw to avoid the appearance of impropriety, and came up with a new one, though they stuck with seedings that didn't quite jive with the computer rankings. That remains a sore issue with the players.

Originally, Sampras and Agassi were seeded to meet in the semis. In the second draw, they wound up on opposite sides, the defending champion Sampras still No. 1, Agassi in the No. 6 spot, and another confrontation in the final became possible.

A year ago, one magnificent point came to be the defining moment of their championship match and their rivalry. Sampras won that 22-stroke, corner-to-corner duel, with Agassi serving at 4-5, ad out in the first set, and pretty much settled the outcome right there for his third Open title.

Agassi, who had clobbered everyone nearly all summer until that point, didn't recover until the Olympics a few weeks ago, when he finally showed some interest in playing again. Agassi followed that up with a victory in Cincinnati, though he showed the erratic and volatile side of his personality by getting defaulted the following week in Indianapolis.

"Andre played unbelievable last year, and losing the final of the Open pretty much took the wind out of his sails," said USTA coach Tom Gullikson, who headed the American Davis Cup and Olympic squads. "I think he was burned out after that. He came to Davis Cup in Las Vegas, and he was tired. He hurt himself a little bit, but mentally I think he was fried."

Agassi looked listless at the Australian Open and much worse at the French and Wimbledon. In a stretch of four tournaments before the Olympics, he won only three matches.

But all along, Agassi said one of his big goals for the year was the Olympics, and he rekindled his eagerness to play there and take the gold with a brilliant final against Sergi Bruguera. Some might have doubted Agassi was all the way back at that point, since Bruguera is not nearly as good on hardcourts as clay and only three of the top 10 men showed up in the Olympics. But Agassi went on to beat five good players in Cincinnati, including French champion Yevgeny Kafelnikov, Muster and Chang.

"Andre's a confidence player," Gullikson said. "When he gets on a roll, he's tough to beat. At Wimbledon, it didn't look like he was that interested in being there. But he was committed to winning the Olympics. Winning the gold, and winning Cincinnati with such a strong field, I think he'll come into the Open really fresh and eager. He's probably not the favorite, so that takes a little pressure off him and kind of suits him."

When Agassi won the U.S. Open two years ago, he did it as a longshot — the first unseeded winner since Fred Stolle in 1966.

Sampras, coming into the Open after winning in Indianapolis, has a sense of urgency about him. Though he's won five tournaments this year, he's come up empty in the only ones that really matter to him — the Grand Slam events.

A slam title is not all that's missing for Sampras. He lost his coach and close friend, Tim Gullikson, to cancer last spring.

"When you look at Pete's year, obviously the personal trauma with Tim's death had a big effect on him," Tom Gullikson said of the passing of his twin brother. "You don't really ever get over grieving. It's always there. It just maybe lessens with time. I don't think it's a part of his life he can replace."

Sampras didn't seriously prepare for any of the three majors so far this year. He was sick before the Australian, didn't play a tuneup, and exited in the third round. After Tim Gullikson's death in early May, Sampras dropped out of sight and played only one match on clay before the French. Still, he got to the semis before losing to Kafelnikov.

"Pete played on emotion, and he played his best French Open ever," Gullikson said. "He played great clay court tennis, and the tank was a little empty at the end against Kafelnikov."

Exhausted from the French, Sampras pulled out of the tuneup for Wimbledon and went for his fourth straight title there without having played a match on grass in a year. The result: a quarterfinal loss to Richard Krajicek.

In 1995, when Tim Gullikson was undergoing treatment for brain cancer and there was hope for a recovery, Tom sat at courtside in Wimbledon urging on Sampras just the way Tim used to — "C'mon, Pistol. Nice shot, Pistol" — in virtually the same voice. This time, Gullikson watched in silence, afraid his voice might make a still-fragile Sampras break down emotionally.

"It was too close," Gullikson said.

The grieving goes on for both brother and friend, but Sampras seems finally to be emerging from the darkness that enshrouded him for much of the past year.

Of all surfaces, hardcourt probably is Sampras' best. He's well-rested and recovered from the Achilles tendon problem that kept him out of the Olympics. And the win in Indianapolis restored his confidence.

"Pete's really raring to go at the Open this year," Gullikson said. "If Pete lost in the Open, and won four more tournaments this year, I'm sure he'd consider it a disappointing year, even though he won nine tournaments. He knows that the Grand Slam singles titles are what puts you in the history books as one of the great players of all time."



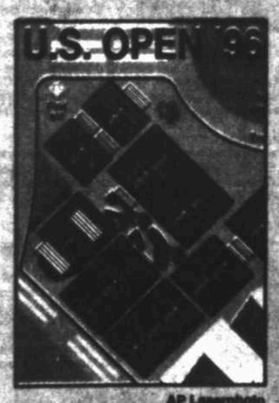
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Steffi Graf and Monica Seles are the favorites to meet in the women's final, but change could come from Olympic champion Lindsay Davenport, above.

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AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Dir
x-Buffalo	10	6	0	.625	350	335	6-2-0	4-4-0	7-5-0	3-1-0	6-2-0
y-Indnpls	9	7	0	.563	331	316	5-3-0	4-4-0	7-5-0	2-2-0	6-2-0
y-Miami	9	7	0	.563	398	332	6-3-0	3-4-0	7-4-0	2-3-0	3-5-0
New Englnd	6	10	0	.375	294	377	3-5-0	3-5-0	6-6-0	0-4-0	5-3-0
NY Jets	3	13	0	.188	233	384	2-6-0	1-7-0	3-8-0	0-4-0	1-7-0
Central											
x-Pittsbrgh	11	5	0	.688	407	327	6-2-0	5-3-0	8-3-0	3-2-0	6-2-0
Cincinnati	7	9	0	.438	349	374	3-5-0	4-4-0	5-7-0	2-2-0	4-4-0
Houston	7	9	0	.438	348	324	3-5-0	4-4-0	6-6-0	1-3-0	3-5-0
Cleveland	5	11	0	.313	288	358	3-5-0	2-6-0	4-8-0	1-3-0	3-5-0
Jacksonvle	4	12	0	.250	275	404	2-6-0	2-6-0	4-8-0	0-4-0	4-4-0
West											
x-Kan. City	13	3	0	.813	359	241	8-0-0	5-3-0	10-2-0	3-1-0	8-0-0
y-San Diego	9	7	0	.563	321	323	5-3-0	4-4-0	6-6-0	3-1-0	4-4-0
Seattle	8	8	0	.500	363	388	5-3-0	3-5-0	5-7-0	3-1-0	3-5-0
Denver	8	8	0	.500	368	345	6-2-0	2-6-0	6-6-0	2-2-0	3-5-0
Oakland	8	8	0	.500	348	332	4-4-0	4-4-0	5-7-0	3-1-0	2-6-0

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Dir
x-Dallas	12	4	0	.750	435	291	6-2-0	6-2-0	8-4-0	4-0-0	5-3-0
y-Phila	10	6	0	.625	319	339	6-2-0	4-4-0	7-5-0	3-1-0	7-1-0
Washington	6	10	0	.375	328	359	4-4-0	2-6-0	6-6-0	0-4-0	3-5-0
NY Giants	5	11	0	.313	293	340	3-5-0	2-6-0	5-7-0	0-4-0	4-4-0
Arizona	4	12	0	.250	275	422	3-5-0	1-7-0	1-9-0	3-1-0	1-7-0
Central											
x-Green Bay	11	5	0	.688	404	314	7-1-0	4-4-0	4-8-0	7-1-0	5-3-0
y-Detroit	10	6	0	.625	430	339	7-1-0	3-5-0	3-1-0	7-1-0	6-2-0
Chicago	9	7	0	.563	392	359	5-3-0	4-4-0	2-2-0	7-1-0	4-4-0
Minnesota	8	8	0	.500	412	385	6-2-0	2-6-0	3-1-0	5-3-0	3-5-0
Tampa Bay	7	9	0	.438	238	335	5-3-0	2-6-0	2-2-0	5-3-0	2-6-0
West											
x-San Fran	11	5	0	.688	457	353	6-2-0	5-3-0	3-1-0	8-4-0	5-3-0
y-Atlanta	9	7	0	.563	362	349	7-1-0	2-6-0	2-2-0	7-5-0	5-3-0
St. Louis	7	9	0	.438	309	418	4-4-0	3-5-0	1-3-0	6-6-0	4-4-0
Carolina	7	9	0	.438	289	325	5-3-0	2-6-0	3-1-0	4-4-0	3-5-0
New Orleans	7	9	0	.438	319	348	4-4-0	3-5-0	4-0-0	3-4-0	3-5-0

x-clinched division title
y-clinched playoff berth

Team Statistics

TOTAL YARDAGE
AMERICAN FOOTBALL CONFERENCE

OFFENSE

	Yards	Rush	Pass
Denver	6048	1985	4063
Pittsburgh	5709	1652	3917
Miami	5716	1506	4210
Oakland	5895	1932	3573
New England	5457	1866	3591
Seattle	5270	2176	3092
Kansas City	5242	2222	3020
San Diego	5213	1747	3466
Cincinnati	5192	1439	3753
Buffalo	5117	1993	3124
Cleveland	5094	1482	3594
Indianapolis	4969	1785	3184
Houston	4892	1694	3291
Jacksonville	4465	1705	2759
New York Jets	4057	1279	2778

DEFENSE

	Yards	Rush	Pass
Kansas City	4588	1697	2892
Pittsburgh	4687	1321	3249
Houston	4851	1526	3125
New York Jets	4758	2016	2740
Indianapolis	5027	1457	3570
San Diego	5098	1694	3383
Oakland	5104	1794	3310
Buffalo	5228	1828	3392
Denver	5286	1985	3289
Miami	5356	1673	3683
Jacksonville	5515	2003	3512
Cleveland	5648	1828	3822
Seattle	5969	2139	3830
New England	5764	1976	3788
Cincinnati	6349	2104	4245

NATIONAL FOOTBALL CONFERENCE

OFFENSE

	Yards	Rush	Pass
Detroit	6113	1753	4360
San Francisco	6087	1479	4608
Minnesota	5939	1733	4205
Dallas	5924	2201	3823
Green Bay	5793	1428	4322
Chicago	5673	1930	3743
Atlanta	5579	1393	4186
St. Louis	5236	1431	3805
Washington	5184	1956	3228
New Orleans	5178	1390	3788
Arizona	4986	1383	3603
Philadelphia	4907	2121	2786
Carolina	4619	1573	3046
Tampa Bay	4542	1587	2955
New York Giants	4483	1593	2890

DEFENSE

	Yards	Rush	Pass
San Francisco	4338	1001	3337
Philadelphia	4699	1822	2816
Carolina	5127	1576	3451
Dallas	5044	1772	3272
St. Louis	5118	1677	3441
Green Bay	5155	1515	3640
New York Giants	5293	2109	3184
Washington	5400	2132	3268
Chicago	5442	1441	4001
Minnesota	5451	1329	4122
New Orleans	5591	1838	3723
Detroit	5599	1795	3804
Arizona	5704	2249	3455
Tampa Bay	6712	1754	4958
Atlanta	6088	1547	4541

AVERAGE PER GAME
AMERICAN FOOTBALL CONFERENCE

OFFENSE

	Yards	Rush	Pass
Denver	377.5	124.7	282.8
Pittsburgh	380.6	115.8	244.8
Miami	357.3	94.1	263.1
Oakland	344.1	120.8	223.3
New England	341.1	116.6	224.4
Seattle	329.4	136.1	193.3
Kansas City	327.6	138.9	188.8
San Diego	325.8	109.2	216.6
Cincinnati	324.5	89.9	234.6
Buffalo	319.8	124.6	195.3
Cleveland	317.3	92.6	224.6
Indianapolis	307.4	115.9	191.5
Houston	306.6	104.0	202.6
Jacksonville	280.9	106.6	174.4
New York Jets	254.8	79.9	174.3

DEFENSE

	Yards	Rush	Pass
Kansas City	294.3	82.9	201.4
Pittsburgh	286.1	82.6	202.5
Houston	290.7	95.4	195.3
New York Jets	297.3	126.0	171.3
Indianapolis	314.2	91.1	223.1
San Diego	317.1	105.7	211.4
Oakland	319.0	112.1	206.9
Buffalo	320.5	101.6	218.9
Denver	324.9	118.4	206.1
Miami	327.8	104.7	223.1
Jacksonville	344.7	125.2	219.5
Cleveland	353.0	114.1	238.9
Seattle	354.3	133.1	221.2
New England	360.3	117.4	242.9
Cincinnati	396.8	131.5	265.3

NATIONAL FOOTBALL CONFERENCE

OFFENSE

	Yards	Rush	Pass
Detroit	382.1	109.6	272.5
San Francisco	380.4	82.4	298.0
Minnesota	371.1	108.3	262.8
Dallas	364.0	137.6	226.4
Green Bay	359.4	89.3	270.1
Chicago	354.6	120.6	233.9
Atlanta	348.7	87.1	261.6
St. Louis	327.3	89.4	237.8
Washington	324.0	122.3	201.8
New Orleans	323.6	86.9	236.8
Arizona	304.1	85.2	218.9
Philadelphia	300.4	132.6	167.9
Carolina	288.7	98.3	190.4
Tampa Bay	283.9	99.2	184.7
New York Giants	280.2	114.6	165.6

DEFENSE

	Yards	Rush	Pass
San Francisco	274.9	68.3	206.6
Philadelphia	289.9	113.9	176.0
Carolina	314.2	98.5	215.7
Dallas	315.3	110.8	204.5
St. Louis	318.9	104.8	215.1
Green Bay	322.2	94.7	227.5
New York Giants	330.8	131.8	199.0
Washington	337.5	133.3	204.3
Chicago	340.1	90.1	250.1
Minnesota	340.7	83.1	257.6
New Orleans	347.6	114.9	232.7
Detroit	349.9	112.2	237.8
Arizona	358.5	140.6	215.9
Tampa Bay	357.0	109.6	247.4
Atlanta	380.5	86.7	293.8

Individual Leaders

AMERICAN FOOTBALL CONFERENCE

Quarterbacks

	Att	Comp	Yds	TD	Int
Harbaugh, Ind.	314	200	2575	17	5
Marino, Mia.	482	309	3668	24	15
Testaverde, Cle.	392	241	2883	17	10
Chandler, Hou.	369	225	2480	17	10
O'Donnell, Pit.	419	248	2970	17	7
Elway, Den.	542	316	3870	28	14
Brunell, Jac.	346	201	2168	15	7
Hostetler, Oak.	288	172	1988	12	9
Blake, Cin.	567	328	3822	28	17
Kelly, Buf.	458	265	3130	22	13

Rushing

	Att	Yards	Avg	Long	TD
Martin, N.E.	368	1487	4.0	49	14
Warren, Sea.	310	1346	4.3	52	15
Davis, Den.	237	1117	4.7	60t	7
Williams, Oak.	255	1114	4.4	80	9
Faulk, Ind.	289	1078	3.7	40	11
T. Thomas, Buf.	267	1005	3.8	49	6
R. Thomas, Mia.	251	947	3.8	74t	5
Allen, K.C.	207	869	4.2	38	5
Pernell, Mia.	236	878	3.7	40	9
Pegram, Pit.	213	813	3.8	38	5

Receiving

	No	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
Pickens, Cin.	99	1234	12.5	68t	17
Martin, S.D.	80	1224	13.6	51t	6
Brown, Oak.	89	1342	15.1	80t	10
Thigpen, Pit.	85	1307	15.4	43	5
Coates, N.E.	84	915	10.9	35	6
Blades, Sea.	77	1001	13.0	49	4
Murrell, NY-J	71	485	6.8	43	2
Galloway, Sea.	67	1039	15.5	60t	7
Bobby, N.E.	66	974	14.8	72	3
Chrebet, NY-J	66	726	11.0	32	4
Kirby, Mia.	66	618	9.4	46	3

Punting

	No	Yds	Lg	Avg
Tuten, Sea.	83	3735	73	45.0
Bennett, S.D.	72	3221	66	44.7
Aguiar, K.C.	91	3980	65	43.8
Barker, Jac.	82	3591	63	43.8
Tupa, Cle.	68	2931	64	43.1
Kidd, Mia.	57	2433	58	42.7
Gardocki, Ind.	63	2691	69	42.6
Rouen, Den.	52	2192	61	42.2
Johnson, Cin.	66	2891	61	42.1
Hansen, NY-J	69	4089	67	41.3

Punt Return Leaders

	No	Yards	Avg	Long	TD
Coleman, S.D.	29	339	11.8	68t	1
Burris, Buf.	20	229	11.5	40	0
Milburn, Den.	31	354	11.4	44	0
Vanover, K.C.	51	540	10.6	66t	1
Howard, Jac.	24	248	10.3	40	0
Brown, Oak.	38	384	10.1	38	0
Gray, Hou.	30	303	10.1	29	0
Galloway, Sea.	36	360	10.0	66t	1
Hastings, Pit.	46	474	9.9	72t	1
Meggett, N.E.	46	385	8.5	23	0

Kickoff Return Leaders

	No	Yards	Avg	Long	TD
Milburn, Den.	47	1288	27.4	58	0
Carpenter, NY-J	21	583	25.3	59	0
Kaufman, Oak.	32	878	29.0	64t	1
Vanover, K.C.	49	1099	25.6	66t	2
Meggett, N.E.	38	984	25.4	62t	0
Broussard, Sea.	43	1064	24.7	70	0
McDuffie, Mia.	23	534	24.5	47	0
Mills, Pit.	54	1308	24.2	57	0
Bailey, Ind.	21	488	23.6	66t	1
Coleman, S.D.	62	1411	22.8	92t	2

Scoring

Touchdowns

	TD	Rus	Rec	Ret	Pts
Pickens, Cin.	17	0	17	0	102
Warren, Sea.	16	15	1	0	96
Martin, N.E.	16	15	1	0	96
Faulk, Ind.	14	11	3	0	84
Miller, Den.	14	14	0	0	84
Brooks, Buf.	11	0	11	0	66
Brown, Oak.	10	0	10	0	60
Pernell, Mia.	10	9	1	0	60
Galloway, Sea.	9	1	7	1	54
Jackson, Cin.	9	0	9	0	54
Mathis, Pit.	9	0	9	0	54
Sanders, Hou.	9	0	9	0	54
Williams, Oak.	9	9	0	0	54

Kickers

	PAT	FG	Lg	Pts
N. Johnson, Pit.	39/39	29/41	55	141
Elam, Den.	37/37	27/34	51	118
Christie, Buf.	34/34	27/33	47	115
Pelfrey, Cin.	34/34	27/32	51	115
Stoyanovich, Mia.	37/37	27/34	51	118
Del Greco, Hou.	32/33	27/31	53	113
Stover, Cle.	28/28	28/33	47	112
Peterson, Sea.	40/40	23/28	49	109
Elliott, K.C.	34/37	24/30	49	106
Behr, N.E.	27/27	23/33	55	96

NATIONAL FOOTBALL CONFERENCE

Quarterbacks

	Att	Comp	Yds	TD	Int
Favre, G.B.	570	359	4413	38	13
Aikman, Dal.	432	280	3304	16	7
Kramer, Chi.	522	315	3838	29	10
S. Young, S.F.	447	299	3200	20	11
Mitchell, Det.	583	346	4338	32	12
Moon, Min.	606	377	4228	33	14
J. George, Atl.	557	336	4143	24	11
Everett, N.O.	567	345	3970	26	14
Miller, St.L.	405	232	2823	18	15
Brown, NY-G	459	254	2814	11	10

Rushing

	Att	Yards	Avg	Long	TD
E. Smith, Dal.	377	1773	4.7	60t	25
Sanders, Det.	314	1500	4.8	75t	11
Allen, Was.	338	1309	3.9	28	10
Watters, Phi.	337	1273	3.8	57	11
Rhett, T.B.	332	1207	3.6	21	11
Hampton, NY-G	304	1182	3.9	32	10
Heyward, Atl.	295	1083	4.8	31	6
Salaam, Chi.	296	1074	3.6	42	10
Hearst, Ariz	284	1070	3.8	38	1
Bennett, G.B.	316	1067	3.4	23	9

Receiving

	No	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
Moore, Det.	123	1686	13.7	69t	14
Rice, S.F.	122	1848	15.1	81t	15
Carter, Min.	122	1371	11.2	60t	17
Bruce, St.L.	119	1781	15.0	72	13
Irvin, Dal.	111	1603	14.4	50	10
Pennman, Det.	108	1486	13.8	91t	9
Metcalf, Atl.	104	1189	11.4	62t	8
R. Brooks, G.B.	102	1497	14.7	99t	13
Centers, Ariz	101	962	9.5	32	2
Loville, S.F.	87	662	7.6	31	7

Punting

	No	Yds	Lg	Avg
Landeta, St.L	83	3679	63	44.3
Feagles, Ariz	72	3180	60	43.8
Hutton, Phi.	85	3682	63	43.3
Riley, T.B.	77	3298	61	42.8
Horan, NY-G	72	3063	60	42.5
Turk, Was.	74	3140	60	42.4
Hentrich, G.B.	65	2740	61	42.2
Royals, Det.	57	2393	69	42.0
Stryzinski, Atl.	67	2759	64	41.2
Barnhardt, Car.	95	3906	54	41.1

Punt Return Leaders

	No	Yards	Avg	Long	TD
Palmer, Min.	28	342	13.2	74t	1
Mitchell, Was.	25	315	12.6	66t	1
Guilford, Car.	43	476	11.0	62t	1
Carter, NY-J-S.F.	30	309	10.3	78t	1
Jordan, G.B.	21	213	10.1	18	0
Edmonds, T.B.	29	289	10.1	45	0
Metcalf, Atl.	39	383	9.8	66t	1
Hughes, N.O.	28	262	9.4	74	0
Graham, Chi.	23	183	8.0	39	0
Freeman, G.B.	37	292	7.9	26	0

Kickoff Return Leaders

	No	Yards	Avg	Long	TD
Mitchell, Was.	55	1408	25.6	58	0
Ismail, Min.	42	1037	24.7	71	0
Hughes, N.O.	68	1617	24.5	83	0
Thomas, St.L.	32	752	23.5	48	0
Freeman, G.B.	24	556	23.2	45	0
K. Williams, Det.	49	1109	22.6	43	0
Roberson, Atl.	24	541	22.5	35	0
Carter, NY-J-S.F.	56	1227	21.9	57	0
Terry, Ariz	37	808	21.8	53	0
N. Lewis, Chi.	42	904	21.5	52	0

Scoring

Touchdowns

	TD	Rus	Rec	Ret	Pts
E. Smith, Dal.	25	25	0	0	150
Rice, S.F.	17	1	15	1	104
Carter, Min.	17	0	17	0	102
Moore, Det.	14	0	14	0	84
Bruce, St.L.	13	0	13	0	80
Loville, S.F.	13	10	3	0	80
R. Brooks, G.B.	13	0	13	0	78
Conway, Chi.	12	0	12	0	72
Sanders, Det.	12	11	1	0	72
Watters, Phi.	12	11	1	0	72

Kickers

	PAT	FG	Lg	Pts
Hanson, Det.	46/46	29/34	58	132
Reveiz, Dal.	48/48	27/28	45	127
Andersen, Atl.	29/29	31/37	59	122
Rosatti, Min.	44/44	26/28	51	122
Butler, Chi.	48/48	23/31	47	114
Murray, Was.	33/33	27/33	52	114
G. Davis, Ariz	19/19	30/39	55	109
Kasay, Car.	27/28	26/30	52	105
Anderson, Phi.	32/32	22/30	43	98
Jacke, G.B.	43/43	17/23	51	94

Picks: Packers, Bills

Green Bay, Buffalo will play in Super Bowl

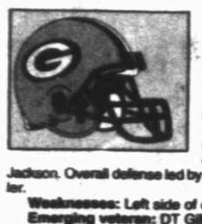
By Dave Goldberg
AP Football Writer

It's time for the Green Bay Packers, after three decades without a championship.

The Buffalo Bills are way past their time. Or are they? It's just a rumor that most of their stars are almost as old as Marv Levy, the 71-year-old coach.

A handicapper's look — in order of strength — at the 1996 NFL season, which will end with the Bills and the Packers meeting Jan. 26 in New Orleans, Buffalo's fifth Super Bowl appearance in seven years and Green Bay's first since Vince Lombardi trod the tundra:

NFC



1, Green Bay

Last year: Won Central at 11-5, lost 38-27 to Dallas in NFC title game.

Strengths: Quarterback Brett Favre and receiving corps led by Robert Brooks and tight ends Mark Chmura, Keith Jackson. Overall defense led by Reggie White, LeRoy Butler.

Weaknesses: Left side of offensive line.

Emerging veteran: DT Gilbert Brown.

Key newcomers: First-round pick John Michels, who must step in immediately at left tackle; rookie WR Derrick Mayes; S Eugene Robinson, obtained in trade with Seattle; free agents DT Santana Dotson and LB Ron Cox.

Key stat: In the last two seasons, Favre has 71 TD passes and just 27 interceptions.

Predicted record: 12-4.



2, San Francisco

Last year: Won West at 11-5, was upset 27-17 at home by Green Bay in first playoff game.

Strengths: Same old thing — Steve Young throwing to Jerry Rice; strong front seven and safeties.

Weaknesses: Kicking, running game, reshuffled offensive line, cornerback.

Emerging veteran: WR J.J. Stokes

Key newcomers: Bill Walsh, coaching consultant; free agent RBs Johnny Johnson (hurt), Tommy Vardell and G Ray Brown; WR Terrell Owens, third-round draft choice.

Key stat: Two years ago, with Ricky Watters, 49ers were sixth in NFL in rushing. Without Watters last year, they were 23rd.

Predicted record: 10-6.



3, Detroit

Last year: Won final seven games to make playoffs at 10-6 and save Wayne Fontes' job. Nearly cost Fontes his job with first-round 58-37 playoff loss at Philadelphia.

Strengths: Offense — Barry Sanders running, Scott Mitchell throwing to Herman Moore, Brett Perriman and Johnnie Morton.

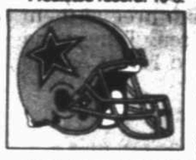
Weaknesses: Overall defense, shuffled offensive line, front office.

Emerging veteran: DT Luther Ellis.

Key newcomers: Free agent OT Ray Roberts, free agent LB Michael Brooks.

Key stat: Lions were first in offense, 23rd in defense last year.

Predicted record: 10-6.



4, Dallas

Last year: Won East at 12-4, won third Super Bowl in four years, 27-17 over Pittsburgh.

Strengths: Offense — Troy Aikman, Emmitt Smith and (eventually) Michael Irvin.

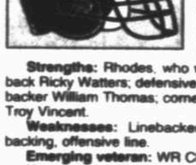
Weaknesses: Cornerback while Deion Sanders fills in for suspended Irvin on offense; depth on offensive and defensive lines; age, injuries to key players like Smith, TE Jay Novacek, T Mark Tuinei.

Emerging veteran: TE Eric Bjornson.

Key newcomers: Free agent LBs Fred Strickland and Broderick Thomas; WR Stepfret Williams, third-round draft pick.

Key stat: Since first Super Bowl in 1992, Cowboys have lost 22 free agents.

Predicted record: 10-6.



5, Philadelphia

Last year: Surprised with 10-6 record and playoff win over Detroit as Ray Rhodes was coach of the year in first season. One win was over Dallas, which later knocked Eagles out of playoffs.

Strengths: Rhodes, who wills team to win; running back Ricky Watters; defensive line; unsung outside linebacker William Thomas; cornerbacks Bobby Taylor and Troy Vincent.

Weaknesses: Linebackers, inconsistent quarterbacking, offensive line.

Emerging veteran: WR Chris T. Jones.

Key newcomers: QB Ty Detmer, competing with Rodney Peete for starting job; free agents Vincent and WR Irvin Fryar, both signed from Miami.

Key stat: In the last three seasons, seven different players have started at left tackle for the Eagles.

Predicted record: 9-7.



6, Washington

Last year: Doubled wins from three to six and beat Dallas twice as Norv Turner continued to rebuild.

Strengths: Quarterback, where third-year men Gus Frerotte and Heath Shuler both have been impressive in competition for starting job; WRs Michael Westbrook and Henry Ellard.

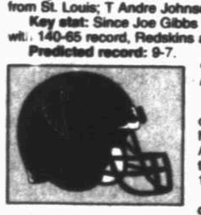
Weaknesses: Overall defense.

Emerging veteran: G Tre Johnson.

Key newcomers: DE Sean Gilbert, obtained in trade from St. Louis; T Andre Johnson, No. 1 draft choice.

Key stat: Since Joe Gibbs retired after 1992 season with 140-65 record, Redskins are 13-35.

Predicted record: 9-7.



7, Atlanta

Last year: Made playoffs at 9-7, largely on heroics of kicker Morten Andersen, without whom they might have been 6-10.

Strengths: Andersen, overall offense.

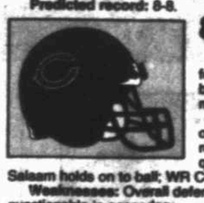
Weaknesses: Overall defense — quick but very small by today's standards.

Emerging veteran: S Patrick Bates.

Key newcomer: LB Cornelius Bennett, signed as a free agent.

Key stat: Since 1991, Falcons are 38-42.

Predicted record: 8-8.



8, Chicago

Last year: Went 9-7 for second straight year, but missed playoffs after making them in 1995.

Strengths: Overall offense, if Erik Kramer repeats 1995 season at quarterback and Rashaan Salaam holds on to ball; WR Curtis Conway.

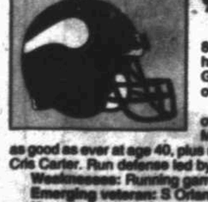
Weaknesses: Overall defense — small up front and questionable in secondary.

Emerging veteran: G Todd Perry.

Key newcomers: Free agent LB Bryan Cox from Miami; CB Walt Harris, first-round draft choice and instant starter.

Key stat: Dave Wannstedt is 25-23 as head coach, not quite what was expected of Mike Ditka's successor.

Predicted record: 7-9.



9, Minnesota

Last year: Finished 8-8, first time in four years as head coach that Dennis Green failed to make playoffs.

Strengths: Passing offense, led by Warren Moon, who seems almost as good as ever at age 40, plus receivers Jake Reed and Cris Carter. Run defense led by John Randle.

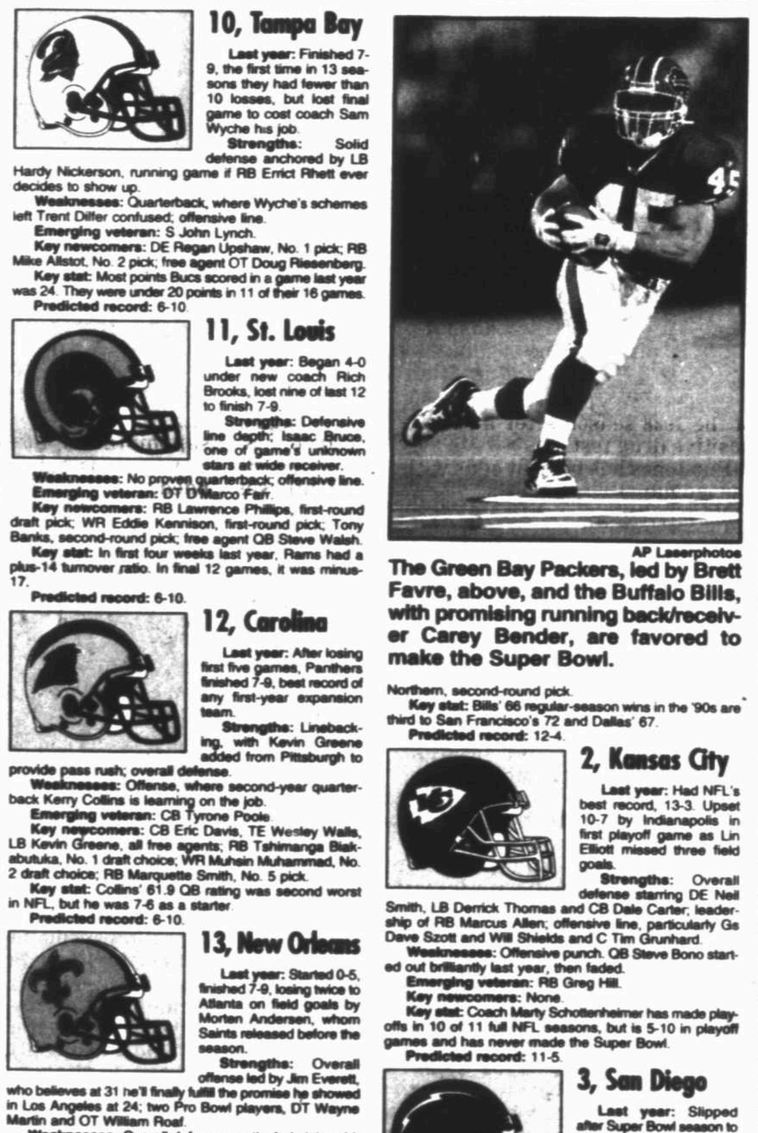
Weaknesses: Running game, pass defense.

Emerging veteran: S Orlando Thomas.

Key newcomers: Free agent LB Dixon Edwards, CB Rod Smith; DE Duane Clemons, No. 1 draft pick.

Key stat: Moon, at age 39, threw for 4,228 yards with 33 TDs and 14 interceptions.

Predicted record: 7-9.



The Green Bay Packers, led by Brett Favre, above, and the Buffalo Bills, with promising running back/receiver Carey Bender, are favored to make the Super Bowl.

AP Laserphotos

10, Tampa Bay

Last year: Finished 7-9, the first time in 13 seasons they had fewer than 10 losses, but lost final game to cost coach Sam Wyche his job.

Strengths: Solid defense anchored by LB Hardy Nickerson, running game if RB Errict Rhett ever decides to show up.

Weaknesses: Quarterback, where Wyche's schemes left Trent Dilfer confused; offensive line.

Emerging veteran: S John Lynch.

Key newcomers: DE Regan Upshaw, No. 1 pick; RB Mike Alstott, No. 2 pick; free agent OT Doug Riesenberg.

Key stat: Most points Bucs scored in a game last year was 24. They were under 20 points in 11 of their 16 games.

Predicted record: 6-10.

11, St. Louis

Last year: Began 4-0 under new coach Rich Brooks, lost nine of last 12 to finish 7-9.

Strengths: Defensive line depth; Isaac Bruce, one of game's unknown stars at wide receiver.

Weaknesses: No proven quarterback; offensive line.

Emerging veteran: OT D'Marco Farr.

Key newcomers: RB Lawrence Phillips, first-round draft pick; WR Eddie Kennison, first-round pick; Tony Banks, second-round pick; free agent QB Steve Walsh.

Key stat: In first four weeks last year, Rams had a plus-14 turnover ratio. In final 12 games, it was minus-17.

Predicted record: 6-10.

12, Carolina

Last year: After losing first five games, Panthers finished 7-9, best record of any first-year expansion team.

Strengths: Linebacking, with Kevin Greene added from Pittsburgh to provide pass rush; overall defense.

Weaknesses: Offense, where second-year quarterback Kerry Collins is learning on the job.

Emerging veteran: CB Tyrone Poole.

Key newcomers: CB Eric Davis, TE Wesley Walls, LB Kevin Greene, all free agents; RB Tshimanga Biakabutuka, No. 1 draft choice; WR Muhsin Muhammad, No. 2 draft choice; RB Marquette Smith, No. 5 pick.

Key stat: Collins' 61.9 QB rating was second wor

Disorder in Dallas

Chaos continues for record-seeking Cowboys

By Dave Goldberg
AP Football Writer

AUSTIN — Three hours before Michael Irvin was suspended by the NFL for the season's first five games, Barry Switzer was sitting in a dorm room at the Dallas Cowboys' training camp, stealing glances at a baseball game on his big-screen TV.

While he doesn't shy away from topics like his $30,000 hotel bill at the Super Bowl ("I had my ex-wife and my girlfriend in the same suite," he said. "I guess that shows I'm a good people person."), the one topic he'd prefer not to discuss is the one on everyone's mind.

Irvin is missing from camp, having retreated to his Florida home following a no-contest plea to felony cocaine possession and a sentence of probation. So is Shante Carver, who has left camp and was subsequently suspended six games for an alcohol-related substance abuse problem.

"We've all got those kinds of problems," said Switzer, looking like he's about to spit on the industrial carpet in the cramped surroundings at St. Edward's College.

"Heck, I was sitting next to another NFL coach at a meeting last month — I won't tell you his name — and I said to him, 'the only difference is that you cover it up.' He said 'Yup.'"

But there is only one "America's Team" — the Dallas Cowboys, the one team that has a chance to become the first to win four Super Bowls in five years, and six overall.

As the season approaches, those chances seem to diminsh every day.

Not only is the team thin — it has lost 22 free agents in three years — but the lack of depth is starting to tell.

Eight starters were out of camp with injuries, tight end Jay Novacek could be out for the season, and tackle Mark Tuinei and the seemingly indestructible Emmitt Smith have gone down with knee sprains the past two weeks.

The lack of depth is related to the salary cap.

The Cowboys have spent big for major players, but they've paid less for their supporting cast, and that supporting cast has defected.

The atmosphere is set at the top. In the seven years that Jerry Jones has owned the Cowboys, things have rarely been dull.

"Uproar is the norm around here," said Troy Aikman, the quarterback.

But this year's camp had a surreal feel to it. Deion Sanders was running pass patterns in Irvin's stead, someone named Alundis Brice was filling in for Sanders at cornerback, and eight regulars were abstaining from drills.

Then Smith — the most indispensable player in Dallas, perhaps in the league — went down for at least two weeks with knee and ankle problems.

Hanging over it all was Irvin and his troubles, the subject of at least one conversation in every two.

"He's a visible player on a visible franchise," Jones said of Irvin.

"I think being here in a cloistered setting helps us set aside everything that's happened. In a sense we can get away from the outside world. But we're certainly not the only ones. Why doesn't anyone talk about all the athletes who have had run-ins with the law? All we hear about are our players."

Much of Dallas seems to feel the same way.

The day after Irvin was suspended, callers to the dozen sports talk radio shows stationed at the Cowboys' camp seemed to agree: the team was being singled out because of NFL commissioner Paul Tagliabue's fight with Jones over outside sponsorships.

The league calls that ludicrous, noting that other players and other teams have had key players disciplined.

"I think most people remember that Lawrence Taylor was suspended," Tagliabue said, referring to the New York Giants' 10-time All Pro linebacker who was suspended for four games at the beginning of the 1988 season after a second positive drug test.

But Jones has been at odds with the league.

He has formed ties with Pepsi, Nike, American Express, Dr. Pepper and AT&T to attach their names to Texas Stadium. The AT&T contract was signed this summer, after all the problems, demonstrating that at least one corporation doesn't believe the team's tarnished image translates into lost profits.

Last year, the NFL filed a $300 million lawsuit against Jones, claiming the sponsorships violated the league's revenue-sharing policies. Jones filed a $700 million countersuit.

But the fact remains that in the last two years, roughly the time since Switzer took over the team from Jimmy Johnson, Dallas has had more trouble with the outside world than with its opponents.

When Irvin was arrested in March with two topless dancers in a Residence Inn near the team's headquarters in Irving, it seemed only the tip of a very big iceberg. Some Cowboys, it seemed, had a safe house — dubbed the "White House" — that was used for partying and other, less savory activities.

That revelation followed the problems of Erik Williams, who seemed on his way to to becoming the dominant offensive lineman in the NFL when he tore up a knee in an auto accident two years ago. He pleaded guilty to misdemeanor drunk driving, then was arrested for an alleged assault on a 17-year-old nightclub dancer.

Irvin's trial developed into a real-life "Dallas" soap opera until he suddenly entered the no-contest plea July 15.

As camp began without Irvin, Carver, the team's top draft pick in 1994, left under threat of suspension by the NFL for alcohol abuse. Travis Hannah, a second-year guard being counted on as an important reserve, decided he'd had enough of football.

Carver, a disappointment at defensive end anyway, was subsequently suspended.

All this came under Switzer, the coach at Oklahoma during a time when his quarterback went to jail on cocaine charges and players were in constant trouble with the law. Switzer finally resigned under a cloud.

Under Johnson, any off-field problems were circumvented or kept private. Those close to the Cowboys' former coach say he spent considerable time trying to keep Irvin — whom Johnson also coached in college — away from negative influences.

Switzer comes into this season having won a Super Bowl, the only acceptable outcome, in his second year as Cowboys coach.

But the mood of the team and a number of free-agent departures make the job of repeating a lot more difficult for Switzer than it was for Johnson. And 10 of Dallas' 22 projected starters are over 30.

The offensive line, one of the best the game has known, is fragile. Nate Newton is 34. Tuinei is 36 and might be out for the season opener with a knee injury. Ray Donaldson is 37 and coming off an ankle injury. Mark Stepnoski, the young center, defected a year ago, and this year Dallas lost its top backup, Ron Stone.

The house of cards began to fall in training camp.

First the Cowboys were told that Novacek, the tight end and their most important third-down receiver, might not play this season because of a back injury.

Then Tuinei injured a knee in the second exhibition game, forcing the move of Larry Allen from right guard to left tackle. In the third, Smith, who had just signed a new $48 million contract, sprained a knee ligament and could miss the first game or two. George Hegamin, who replaced Allen, also was hurt.

On defense, a line that was once eight deep has only five experienced players, and three of them — Charles Haley, Tony Tolbert and the newly re-signed Tony Casillas — are not in the best of health.

Two of last year's three starting linebackers, Dixon Edwards and Robert Jones, are gone, replaced by Fred Strickland and Broderick Thomas.

Any injury there and the Cowboys could experience a flashback of last Dec. 17, when the struggling Giants rushed for 244 yards against them. The Cowboys needed a lot of luck and some help from the officials to escape with a 21-20 win.

The secondary also has problems.

Kevin Smith, who tore his Achilles tendon on opening night last year, is back and looking like he's ready to play. That allows Sanders to stay on offense, although second-year man Brice, who's taking his place, hasn't been impressive in camp.

"We have," said Switzer, "a lot of ifs."

Of course, the Cowboys still have a lot of talent.

"I don't care about all the things that happened," said Reggie White of Green Bay, which has lost six times in Dallas the last three years, including last year's NFC title game.

"To get to the Super Bowl, we still have to go through Dallas."



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Chaos continues to plague the defending Super Bowl champion Dallas Cowboys as Michael Irvin (88) still has five regular season games to sit out and Emmitt Smith (22) is nursing a knee injury. Linebacker Broderick Thomas, left, is a new addition, helping to fill spots left by the departure of Robert Jones and Dixon Edwards.

Notes, Quotes

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By Mike Fisher
Fort Worth Star-Telegram

San Francisco tight ends coach Mike Solari raves about Summertime in the NFL. "You get three meals a day, somebody makes your bed, and there's football," Solari said. "It's utopia."

Raiders defensive coordinator John Fox has a different view. "The way we do it," Fox said, "is obsolete."

There have been as many different ways to approach training camp and the requisite preseason games (NFL czar Paul Tagliabue slaps those who refer to them as "exhibition" games) as there have been coaches. But few exhibit the wisdom of Fox, or of Buffalo coach Marv Levy, who barely tries to win his four or five warmup contests. Or former Minnesota coach Bud Grant, who used to invite his players to camp four or five days before the first preseason game, and only on the rarest of occasions asked them to wear helmets, shoulder pads and long pants.

The stationing of the Cowboys in Austin was the offspring of a marriage between Jerry Jones' desire for riches and Jimmy Johnson's fetish for sadism.

"The only guys who will really hate it," Johnson once said about the club's move to sweaty Austin from country-clubby Thousand Oaks, Calif., "will be the fat ones."

Don't get me wrong. Money and torture have their place in today's NFL. That's what regular seasons are for.

But what are two-a-days for? What are scrimmages in El Paso for? What are exhibitions in Mexico for? What are five preseason games, at about $40 a pop for the NFL faithful, for?

Once, the purpose was to discover which of the dorm-inhabiting football aspirants could really play. Back in the olden days, before 80-man roster limits, clubs would invite 100 bodies to camp and assign game jerseys to the last ones standing.

Now, with assistance from the salary cap and guaranteed money, teams essentially know the makeup of their 53-man rosters in April. The only things that alter their concept are the injuries that result in training camp, which is a mindless adherence to tradition.

Once, the purpose was for athletes to sweat their way into shape. But that's now largely unnecessary. Year-round conditioning programs leave only the rarest, gluttonous linemen needing five weeks to undo the damage done during the preceding five months.

Always, there is Summertime in the NFL for the sake of polish. There is a matter of timing that is achieved. And — without sounding too John Teshy — there is the intangible of male bonding, of a familial feeling that may cause a group of men who felt like they "went to war together" in August to be ready to do it again in January.

But it is time for the NFL to peel back. It is time to bond without killing one another, to protect the resources whose preseason loss can make the regular season a loss, too.

"You need to hit and get hit," Cowboys running back Emmitt Smith said. "You're body needs to get acclimated to that. You do need to practice, but I don't think you need five weeks of two practices a day. You do need games. But nothing you need takes five games. Maybe two. And then let's start playing for real."

Once upon a time, an Emmitt Smith-like performer earned an incredible amount of money for what might be termed "exhibition" games. This fellow and his team took on 19 different opponents in 19 different cities in a span of 66 days. The Chicago Bears wanted to showcase young Red Grange, so they paid him $75,000 and — for the sake of money and maybe sadism — subjected him to an unthinkable schedule.

"No one will ever attempt anything like this again," said Grange after the completion of the winter 1926 tour.

Wrong, Red. Seventy years later, they still do it. It's called Summertime in the NFL.

FINE DINING: The world expresses shock that Jerry Jones and Barry Switzer are going into the restaurant business together, as though this is some sort of a first. Doesn't Pat Riley own $25 million worth of the Miami Heat? Isn't Don Shula part owner of the Miami Dolphins? Didn't Tom Landry have a piece of the Cowboys? Some moves that aren't noticed at all under normal conditions suddenly become scandalous when Jones manages them.

By the way, the Cowboys have a storied tradition in the bar-and-grill biz: Other Cowboys/restaurant industry ties include: The Bill Bates Cowboy Grill, Randy White's Restaurant, The Cowboys Sports Cafe (with Tony Dorsett, Everson Walls, Eugene Lockhart and Alfredo Roberts among the owners), Troy Aikman and the Fog City Diner, and Deion Sanders' Prime Time 21.

Oh, and then there is Nate Newton's concept: "I like to dine at the "Tarnished Star Cafe," he said, chortling.

ALL IN THE FAMILY: If sixth-rounder Anthony Dorsett makes Houston's roster as a rookie defensive back, he will bring the NFL's father-son combinations to a total of at least 95.

"I think he's got a great shot," the elder Dorsett said. "He kind of knows the ropes."

In addition to carrying on a family tradition, the youngster can be part of a far more exclusive father-son team. Of the 94 previous combinations, only two featured Hall-of-Fame ties. Bobby Bell's son, Bobby Jr., played in the NFL in 1984 and '87. John Hannah's dad, Herb, played in the NFL in 1951. And you know Anthony Dorsett's father's credentials. By the way, two other rookies are sons of former NFL players: New Orleans third-round end Brady Smith (son of Stephen Smith) and New England fourthround fullback Kantroy Barber (Rudy Barber). The top five father/son scorers:

Bobby ('68-74) and Ian ('91) Howfield 551 points
Ray ('52-63) and Mike ('78-87) Renfro 480 points
Terry ('73-77) and Eric ('89-present) Metcalf 474 points
Billy ('60-70) and Billy ('84) Cannon 382 points
Ted ('42-50) and Ted ('72-79) Fritsch 380 points

NFL Q&A: Five major NFL stories waiting to happen:

Question: How soon do the Oilers let Steve McNair take over at quarterback?

Answer: Ask football people to pinpoint the leading candidate to be the NFL's most talented group in say, three years, and they'll tell you the Houston Oilers. McNair, running back Eddie George and wide receiver Chris Sanders have a combined one year of starting experience, and a combined train load of talent.

On this subject, coach Jeff Fisher urges patience.

"At some point, those guys are going to do special things on a regular basis," Fisher says. "But they need time."

In the case of McNair, eight games into this season ought to be plenty.

Q: When does Deion Sanders get hurt?

A: It is almost inevitable. He's a smallish guy who plays extensively. And the NFL can be rather physical, you know. So the Cowboys' Sanders will get a little bent out of shape. But not as bent out of shape as the media will get if a Sanders' ankle sprain occurs while he's on offense.

It shouldn't matter how or when it occurs (what, an ankle sprain that occurs on defense is a good thing?), but the Cowboys-bashing media lies in wait.

HOW THEY RANK: Mike Fisher's rankings, by conference:

NFC: 1. Dallas; 2. Green Bay; 3. San Francisco; 4. Detroit; 5. Philadelphia; 6. Atlanta; 7. Minnesota; 8. Chicago; 9. Washington; 10. St. Louis; 11. Carolina; 12. Tampa Bay; 13. New Orleans; 14. New York; 15. Arizona.

AFC: 1. Oakland; 2. Buffalo; 3. Pittsburgh; 4. Kansas City; 5. Houston; 6. Indianapolis; 7. Cincinnati; 8. Miami; 9. Denver; 10.Seattle; 11. New England; 12. San Diego; 13. New York; 14. Baltimore; 15. Jacksonville.

PRESEASON ALL-PRO TEAM

Offense: QB: Troy Aikman, Cowboys; RB: Emmitt Smith, Cowboys; RB: Chris Warren, Seahawks; WR: Jerry Rice, 49ers; WR: Herman Moore, Lions; TE: Ben Coates, Patriots; T: Eric Williams, Cowboys; T: Willie Roaf, Saints; G: Larry Allen, Cowboys; G: Steve Wisniewski, Raiders; C: Dermontti Dawson, Steelers; K: Morten Andersen, Falcons.

Defense: DE: Bruce Smith, Bills; DE: Reggie White, Packers; DT: Bryant Young, 49ers; DT: Sean Gilbert, Redskins; LB: Greg Lloyd, Steelers; LB: Bryan Cox, Bears; LB: Junior Seau, Chargers; DB: Deion Sanders, Cowboys; DB: Troy Vincent, Eagles; S: Darren Woodson, Cowboys; S: Eric Turner, Ravens; P: Darren Bennett, Chargers; KR: Brian Mitchell, Redskins.

Player of the Year: Emmitt Smith, RB, Cowboys.
Defensive Player of the Year: Bruce Smith, DE, Bills.
Rookie of the Year: Rickey Dudley, TE, Raiders.
Coach of the Year: Jeff Fisher, Oilers.
Off-Season Move of the Year: Troy Vincent, CB, Eagles.
First Coach Fired: Bill Parcells, Patriots.

Several coaches have short future

By Dave Goldberg
AP Football Writer

The coaching careers of Dan Reeves and Bill Parcells run parallel to each other. They started in the early '80s and they may end together after the 1996 season.

It started in 1979, when Reeves was runner-up to Ray Perkins for the New York Giants' coaching job. Two years later, he was hired by Denver.

The same year, 1981, Parcells became New York's defensive coordinator and got the head coaching job in 1983 when Perkins quit to go to Alabama.

Parcells' Giants beat Reeves' Broncos in the Super Bowl following the 1986 season.

After his second Super Bowl victory, Parcells quit in 1991, resurfacing in New England in 1993. That was the year Reeves became the Giants' coach after being let go by Denver after the 1992 season.

Unless the Giants and Patriots do better than expected this year, both Reeves and Parcells could be out of a job in 1997.

They won't be the only ones.

Here's a rundown:

DAN REEVES, New York Giants: After going 11-5 and 9-7 in his first two seasons, the Giants slid to 5-11. Reeves isn't comfortable with the front office, which isn't comfortable with him. The Giants are likely to be bad again, and Reeves stubbornly sticks to his old ways, even when they don't work. They'll eat $1 million for the last year of his contract.

Odds to go: 3-5.

BILL PARCELLS, New England: Built from nothing to 10-6 and playoffs in 1994, then slipped to 6-10 and was stripped of his personnel responsibilities. Not a favorite of owner Robert Kraft, who overrode him to take wide receiver Terry Glenn in first round this year. Has always coached year-to-year, and health is a factor.

Odds: 3-2.

WAYNE FONTES, Detroit: A survivor. Seemed set to go when Lions were 3-6 last season and owner William Clay Ford issued a "playoffs or else" ultimatum. Won seven straight, made playoffs, then lost 58-37 in Philadelphia. Needs to go farther in playoffs.

Odds: 2-1.

JIM MORA, New Orleans: Longest tenure with one team (11th season) and may have outlived his welcome. Only Saints coach with winning seasons and playoff berths, but has never won playoff game. Contract is up after the season.

Odds: 5-2.

MIKE WHITE, Oakland: Started 8-2 in his first year and declared everything was peachy with Al Davis. It wasn't peachy when the Raiders finished 0-6. Joe Bugel is coach-in-waiting there, although the real coach is up in the owner's booth.

Odds: 5-2.

DAVE SHULA, Cincinnati: How many coaches survive with a four-year record of 18-46? The Bengals are getting better, but Bruce Coslet is a potential replacement in place and less than a .500 season may mean the end.

Odds: 3-1.

MARV LEVY, Buffalo: Can stay as long as he likes, but at 71 how long is that? Bills could make fifth Super Bowl trip in seven years, and a win would let Marvelous Marv step down in style.

Odds: 4-1.

GEORGE SEIFERT, San Francisco: Eddie DeBartolo's philosophy is "win or die." After 11-5 season that ended with playoff upset by Packers, DeBartolo brought back Bill Walsh as a "consultant." Has any coach with two Super Bowl wins and a .760 career winning percentage been in such constant jeopardy?

Odds: 5-1.

DAVE WANNSTEDT, Chicago: ... A defensive genius under Jimmy Johnson, the Bears have improved on offense, but eroded on defense, and his four-year record of 26-24 isn't what Chicago fans expected after Mike Ditka.

Odds: 6-1.

DENNIS GREEN, Minnesota: Last year was the first in four seasons that he missed the playoffs, and he's 38-29 as head coach. But he's had off-field problems that have hurt his image, and his team looks mediocre at best.

Odds: 6-1.

JUNE JONES, Atlanta: Anonymous coach on an anonymous team. The last proponent of the run-and-shoot is a good guy with 16-16 career record that accurately reflects Falcons' treadmill. Safe if he makes playoffs again, but the owners need fans in the Georgia Dome and they're not getting them.

Odds: 6-1.

RICH KOTITE, New York Jets: He's 3-20 in last 23 games — seven straight losses in final season in Philadelphia and 3-13 with Jets last year. With Jets the NFL's biggest offseason spenders, he can probably stay if he doubles win total.

Odds: 8-1.

BARRY SWITZER, Dallas: Even after winning the Super Bowl, there are still memories of "Bozo The Coach" of last year. But any collapse is likely to be blamed on outside influences, free agency and aging. He lets Jerry Jones have his say, which is what Jerry loves.

Odds: 10-1.

NORV TURNER, Washington: He took over a declining team and doubled his win total from three to six in his second year. But Jack Kent Cooke isn't the most patient owner and he needs to continue the improvement.

Odds: 10-1.

MARTY SCHOTTENHEIMER, Kansas City: Has made playoffs in all but one of 11 full seasons, but his postseason winning percentage is .333, compared to .637 in the regular season. He'll make playoffs again, but another failure and the dormant feud with team president Carl Peterson is likely to become active again. He'd fit as Reeves' replacement in New York.

Odds: 12-1.

Big 12 Capsules

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TEXAS LONGHORNS

Location, enrollment: Austin (47,957)
Coach: John Mackovic (fifth season, 29-16-2 overall)
1995 record: 10-2-1, 7-0 in SWC (first)
Past four years: 10-2-1 (1995), 8-4 (1994), 5-5-1 (1993), 8-5 (1992)
Bowl bids, past four years: 1995 Sugar Bowl, 1994 Sun Bowl
Returning starters: 7 on offense, 7 on defense
Returning lettermen: 47
Top returning rusher: Shon Mitchell (176 carries, 1,099 yards, 10 TDs)
Top returning passer: James Brown (163-322-12, 2,447 yards, 19 TDs)
Top returning receiver: Mike Adams (53 catches, 876 yards, 3 TDs)
Top returning tackler: Tyson King (137 tackles, 4 sacks)
Top returning interceptor: Chris Carter (6)
Key personnel losses: DE Tony Brackens, OT John Elmore, DT Shane Flint, WR Justin McLemore, LB Robert Reed, LB Jason Reeves
Key personnel additions: WR Cortney Eppo (transfer from Tennessee), RB Priest Holmes (redshirted in '95), OT Keith Frierson (redshirted in '95), LB Damon Luckett (redshirted in '95), WR Curtis Jackson (redshirted in '95)
Honors candidates: TE Pat Fitzgerald, RB Ricky Williams, RB Shon Mitchell, WR Mike Adams, QB James Brown, OG Dan Neil, NG Chris Akins, FS Chris Carter, CB Bryant Westbrook, K Phil Dawson
Strengths: Offensive balance, skill-position depth, secondary, special teams
Weaknesses: Experience in offensive line, run defense, linebacker, defensive line

TEXAS A&M AGGIES

Location, enrollment: College Station (43,258)
Coach: R.C. Slocum (eighth season, 68-15-2 overall)
1995 record: 9-3, 5-2 in SWC (tied for second)
Past five years: 9-3 (1995), 10-0-1 (1994), 10-2 (1993), 12-1 (1992), 10-2 (1991)
Bowl bids, past five years: 1995 Alamo Bowl, 1994 Cotton Bowl, 1993 Cotton Bowl, 1992 Cotton Bowl
Returning starters: 5 on offense, 6 on defense
Returning lettermen: 46
Top returning rusher: D'Andre Hardeman (82 carries, 313 yards, 2 TDs)
Top returning passer: Kevin Colon (3-8-1, 47 yards, 0 TDs)
Top returning receiver: Albert Connell (41 catches, 653 yards, 7 TDs)
Top returning tackler: Dat Nguyen (94 tackles, 0 sacks)
Top returning interceptor: Andre Williams (2)
Key personnel losses: TB Leeland McElroy, QB Corey Pullig, LB Reggie Brown, CB Ray Mickens, FS Dennis Allen
Key personnel additions: QB Brandon Stewart (transfer from Tennessee), CB Eric Jennings (JC transfer), RB Michael Jennings (redshirted in '95), P Shane Lechler (redshirted in '95), TE Adrian Dudley (JC transfer)
Honors candidates: WR Albert Connell, OG Calvin Collins, QB Brandon Stewart, DE Brandon Mitchell, LB Dat Nguyen, LB Keith Mitchell, CB Donovan Greer, NG Edward Jasper, DE Pat Williams
Strengths: Defensive line, linebacker, secondary, backfield depth, experience in offensive line
Weaknesses: Receiver, experience at quarterback, kicking game

BAYLOR BEARS

Location, enrollment: Waco (12,000)
Coach: Chuck Reedy (fourth season, 19-15 overall)
1995 record: 7-4, 5-2 in SWC (tied for second)
Past five years: 7-4 (1995), 7-5 (1994), 5-6 (1993), 7-5 (1992), 8-4 (1991)
Bowl bids, past five years: 1994 Alamo Bowl, 1992 John Hancock Bowl, 1991 Copper Bowl
Returning starters: 9 on offense, 4 on defense
Returning lettermen: 38
Top returning rusher: Jarod Douglas (211 carries, 1,114 yards, 8 TDs)
Top returning passer: Jeff Watson (113-214-6, 1,508 yards, 5 TDs)
Top returning receiver: Kaliel Muhammad (37 catches, 542 yards, 2 TDs)
Top returning tackler: Dean Jackson (82 tackles, 9 sacks)
Top returning interceptor: Dean Jackson (3)
Key personnel losses: OT Fred Miller, C John Turner, DE Daryl Gardener, LB LaCurtis Jones, SS Adrian Robinson
Key personnel additions: FS Nikk Codie (redshirted in '95), OT Brandon Pierpoint (redshirted in '95), WR Allen Pace (signee), QB Odell James (signee), LB Leonard Hill (JC transfer)
Honors candidates: TB Jarod Douglas, OT David Davis, WR Kaliel Muhammad, SS Michael Benjamin, CB George McCullough
Strengths: Running game, backfield depth, secondary, offensive line, team speed
Weaknesses: Passing game, defensive line, kicker, quarterback

TEXAS TECH RED RAIDERS

Location, enrollment: Lubbock (24,185)
Coach: Spike Dykes (10th season, 58-47-1 overall)
1995 record: 9-3, 5-2 in SWC (tied for second)
Past five years: 9-3 (1995), 6-6 (1994), 6-6 (1993), 5-6 (1992), 6-5 (1991)
Bowl bids, past five years: 1995 Copper Bowl, 1995 Cotton Bowl, 1993 John Hancock Bowl
Returning starters: 8 on offense, 6 on defense
Returning lettermen: 43
Top returning rusher: Byron Hanspard (248 carries, 1,374 yards, 11 TDs)
Top returning passer: Zebbie Lethridge (136-281-6, 1,865 yards, 13 TDs)
Top returning receiver: Byron Hanspard (35 catches, 474 yards, 7 TDs)
Top returning tackler: Robert Johnson (65 tackles, 1 sack)
Top returning interceptor: Dane Johnson (4) and Robert Johnson (4)
Key personnel losses: LB Zach Thomas, LB Shawn Bertis, SS Marcus Coleman, CB Vernone McKinley, TE Jarod Fistiger, OG Ed Hendrix
Key personnel additions: DE Tony Daniels (redshirted in '95), WR Sheldon Bass (redshirted in '95), LB Mike Henderson (JC transfer), CB Mark Washington (signee), WR Anthony Johnson (signee)
Honors candidates: TB Byron Hanspard, LB Anthony Armour, LB Robert Johnson, QB Zebbie Lethridge, FS Dane Johnson, OT Ben Kaufman
Strengths: Tailback, offensive line, receiver, special teams
Weaknesses: Fullback, defensive line, experience at linebacker, experience in secondary

KANSAS ST. WILDCATS

Location, enrollment: Manhattan, Kan. (21,222)
Coach: Bill Snyder (eighth season, 46-33-1 overall)
1995 record: 10-2, 5-2 in Big Eight Conference, tied for second
Past five years: 10-2 (1995), 8-3 (1994), 9-2-1 (1993), 5-6 (1992), 7-4 (1991)
Bowl bids, past five years: 1995 Holiday, 1994 Aloha, 1993 Copper
Returning starters: 5 on offense, 6 on defense
Returning lettermen: 39
Top returning rusher: Eric Hickson (158 carries, 816 yards, 8 TDs)
Top returning passer: Brian Kavanagh (36-59-1, 437 yards, 5 TDs)
Top returning receiver: Kevin Lockett (56 catches, 797 yards, 13 TDs)
Top returning tackler: Mario Smith (95 tackles)
Top returning interceptor: Chris Canty (6)
Key personnel losses: DT Tim Colston, DE Dirk Ochs, OB Matt Miller, WR/KR Mitch Running, WR Tyson Schweiger, LB Percell Gaskins, DT Ray Eagle
Key personnel additions: DT Kenneth Soule (junior-college transfer), DT Jason Hogaboom (redshirted in '95), DE Darren Howard (redshirted in '95), OB Cody Lee Smith (redshirted in '95).
Honors candidates: WR Kevin Lockett, CB Chris Canty, CB Joe Gordon, FS Mario Smith, C Jason Johnson
Strengths: Defense, secondary, offensive line, special teams, depth at tailback
Weaknesses: Depth at wide receiver, depth and inexperience on defensive line

IOWA STATE CYCLONES

Location, enrollment: Ames, Iowa (24,728)
Coach: Dan McCarney (second season, 3-8 overall)
1995 record: 3-8, 1-6 in Big Eight Conference, tied for last
Past five years: 3-8 (1995), 0-10-1 (1994), 3-8 (1993), 4-7 (1992), 3-7-1 (1991)
Bowl bids, past five years: None
Returning starters: 8 offense, 7 defense
Returning lettermen: 38
Top returning rusher: Troy Davis (345 carries, 2,010 yards, 15 TDs)
Top returning passer: Todd Doxzon (56-100-4, 730 yards, 4 TDs)
Top returning receiver: Ed Williams (46 catches, 639 yards, 7 TDs)
Top returning tackler: Mike Lincavage (109)
Top returning interceptor: Mike Lincavage (2), Dawan Anderson (2)
Key personnel losses: LB Kevin Fiesko, WR Mike Hosmek, OG Mark Konopka, S Matt Straight
Key personnel additions: RB Darren Davis (signee), DT Bill Manasi (redshirted in '95), LB Brandon Rutledge (redshirted in '95), DT/DE Dane David (junior-college transfer).
Honors candidates: RB Troy Davis, WR Ed Williams, OT Tim Kohn
Strengths: Running game, kicking game, recruiting class
Weaknesses: Defense, passing game, wide receivers, unproven quarterback

NEBRASKA CORNHUSKERS

Location, enrollment: Lincoln, Neb. (25,000)
Coach: Tom Osborne (24th season, 231-47-3 overall)
1995 record: 12-0, 7-0 in Big Eight Conference, first
Past five years: 12-0 (1995), 13-0 (1994), 11-1 (1993), 9-3 (1992), 9-2-1 (1991)
Bowl bids, past five years: 1996 Fiesta, 1995 Orange, 1994 Orange, 1993 Orange, 1992 Orange
Returning starters: 5 on offense, 7 on defense
Returning lettermen: 60
Top returning rusher: Ahman Green (141 carries, 1,086 yards, 13 TDs)
Top returning passer: Matt Turman (4-12-2, 73 yards, 1 TD)
Top returning receiver: Jon Verdal (14 catches, 272 yards, 5 TDs) and Brendan Holbein (14 catches, 151 yards, 1 TD)
Top returning tackler: Terrell Farley (62 tackles, 5 sacks)
Top returning interceptor: Terrell Farley (3) and Michael Booker (3)
Key personnel losses: QB Tommie Frazier, QB Brook Berringer, C Aaron Graham, CB Tyrone Williams, FS Tony Veland
Key personnel additions: DB Mike Brown (signee), DB Ralph Brown (signee), QB Scott Frost (transfer from Stanford), RB DeAngelo Evans (signee).
Honors candidates: RB Ahman Green, LB Jared Tomich, LB Terrell Farley, OG Aaron Taylor
Strengths: Offensive line, defense, speed on defense, kicking game
Weaknesses: Untested quarterbacks, wide receivers and comerbacks

OKLAHOMA SOONERS

Location, enrollment: Norman, Okla. (20,000)
Coach: John Blake (first season)
1995 record: 5-5-1, 2-5 in Big Eight Conference, tied for fifth
Past five years: 5-5-1 (1995), 6-6 (1994), 9-3 (1993), 5-4-2 (1992), 9-3 (1991)
Bowl bids, past five years: 1994 Copper, 1993 Sun, 1991 Gator
Returning starters: 3 offense, 6 defense
Returning lettermen: 42
Top returning rusher: James Allen (87 carries, 338 yards, 2 TDs)
Top returning passer: Eric Moore (80-200-9, 1,375 yards, 7 TDs)
Top returning receiver: Stephen Alexander (43 catches, 580 yards, 2 TDs)
Top returning tackler: Tyrell Peters (121 tackles)
Top returning interceptor: Anthony Fogle (2)
Key personnel losses: DE Cedric Jones, RB Jerald Moore, OG Milton Overton, LB Brent DeOssie, WR P.J. Mills
Key personnel additions: RB Brandon Daniels (signee), DB Anthony Davis (redshirted in '95), QB Justin Fuente (redshirted in '95), RB Demond Parker (redshirted in '95), DT Cornelius Burton (signee)
Honors candidates: LB Tyrell Peters, TE Stephen Alexander, K Jeremy Alexander
Strengths: Tight end, depth at wide receiver, linebackers, defensive line
Weaknesses: Quarterback, offensive line, secondary, punting

KANSAS JAYHAWKS

Location, enrollment: Lawrence, Kan. (25,240)
Coach: Glen Mason (ninth season, 43-47-1 overall)
1995 record: 10-2, 5-2 in Big Eight Conference, tied for second
Past five years: 10-2 (1995), 6-6 (1994), 5-7 (1993), 8-4 (1992), 6-5 (1991)
Bowl bids, past five years: 1995 Aloha, 1992 Aloha
Returning starters: 7 on offense, 7 on defense
Returning lettermen: 41
Top returning rusher: June Henley (158 carries, 766 yards, 8 TDs)
Top returning passer: Ben Rutz (8-19-1, 92 yards, 0 TDs)
Top returning receiver: Isaac Byrd (48 catches, 604 yards, 5 TDs)
Top returning tackler: Jason Thoren (119 tackles, 1 sack)
Top returning interceptor: Jason Thoren (3)
Key personnel losses: OB Mark Williams, RB L.T. Levine, WR Ashanndai Smith, LB Keith Rodgers, CB Darian Brew
Key personnel additions: P Dean Royal (junior-college transfer), LB Ron Warner (junior-college transfer), LB Darius Lomax (signee), TE Bonne Wills (sat out last season under Proposition 48 guidelines).
Honors candidates: RB June Henley, WR Isaac Byrd, LB Jason Thoren, TE Jim Moore
Strengths: Running game, tight end, big hitters at linebacker and safety
Weaknesses: Quarterback, offensive line depth, lack of depth and size on defensive line

OKLAHOMA ST. COWBOYS

Location, enrollment: Stillwater, Okla. (19,500)
Coach: Bob Simmons (second season, 4-8 overall)
1995 record: 4-8, 2-5 in Big Eight Conference, fifth
Past five years: 4-8 (1995), 3-7-1 (1994), 3-8 (1993), 4-6-1 (1992), 0-10-1 (1991)
Bowl bids, past five years: None
Returning starters: 8 offense, 6 defense
Returning lettermen: 38
Top returning rusher: David Thompson (256 carries, 1,601 yards, 9 TDs)
Top returning passer: Tony Jones (104-218-11, 1,165 yards, 7 TDs)
Top returning receiver: Alonzo Mayes (32 catches, 421 yards, 4 TDs)
Top returning tackler: Trent Fisher (91 tackles)
Top returning interceptor: R.W. McQuarters (3)
Key personnel losses: DE Jevon Langford, LB Alamu Bailey, P Greg Ivy, K Lawson Vaughn
Key personnel additions: DT Brandon Ashley (transfer from Tennessee), WR Tank Coleman (sat out last season under Proposition 48 guidelines), QB Joe Phease (junior-college transfer), K Tim Sydnes (redshirted in '95).
Honors candidates: RB David Thompson, RB Andre Richardson, TE Alonzo Mayes, CB R.W. McQuarters
Strengths: Running back, defensive backs, team speed
Weaknesses: Passing game, quarterback, defensive line, lack of experience

COLORADO BUFFALOES

Location, enrollment: Boulder, Colo. (25,013)
Coach: Rick Neuheisel (second season, 10-2 overall)
1995 record: 10-2, 5-2 in Big Eight Conference, tied for second
Past five years: 10-2 (1995), 11-1 (1994), 8-3-1 (1993), 9-2-1 (1992), 8-3-1 (1991)
Bowl bids, past five years: 1995 Cotton, 1995 Fiesta, 1995 Aloha, 1993 Fiesta, 1991 Blockbuster
Returning starters: 9 on offense, 7 on defense
Returning lettermen: 58
Top returning rusher: Herchell Troutman (171 carries, 826 yards, 5 TDs)
Top returning passer: John Hessler (154-269-9, 2,139 yards, 20 TDs)
Top returning receiver: Rae Carruth (53 catches, 1,008 yards, 9 TDs)
Top returning tackler: Matt Russell (119 tackles, 4 sacks)
Top returning interceptor: Elton Davis (3)
Key personnel losses: OG Heath Irwin, C Bryan Stoltenberg, K Neil Voshefchian, CB T.J. Cunningham
Key personnel additions: C Adam Reed (transfer from Northwestern), OT Shane Cook (redshirted in '95), DE Tyronne Bussey (redshirted in '95), OT Kane Cullum (redshirted in '95).
Honors candidates: QB Kay Detmer, TE Matt Lepsis, WR Rae Carruth, OG Chris Naeole, LB Matt Russell, DE Greg Jones
Strengths: Innovative offensive scheme, depth at quarterback, wide receivers, linebackers
Weaknesses: Kicking game (especially punting), lack of size on defensive line

MISSOURI TIGERS

Location, enrollment: Columbia (22,356)
Coach: Larry Smith (third season, 9-16-1 overall)
1995 record: 3-8, 1-6 in Big Eight (tied for seventh)
Past five years: 3-8 (1995), 3-8-1 (1994), 3-7-1 (1993), 3-8 (1992), 3-7-1 (1991)
Bowl bids, past five years: none
Returning starters: 11 on offense, 7 on defense, 2 specialists
Returning lettermen: 41
Top returning rusher: Brock Olivo (885 yards, 6 TDs)
Top returning passer: Corby Jones (14-42-4, 134 yards, 0 TDs; 389 yards rushing, 4 TDs)
Top returning receiver: Brock Olivo (17 catches, 101 yards, 0 TDs)
Top returning tackler: DeMonte Cross (144 tackles)
Top returning interceptor: Clayton Baker (4).
Key personnel losses: OG Chris Barrows, OT Chris Buck, QB Brandon Coren, OLB Kay Blake, NT Steve Martin, DT Pat Ivey, SS Bo Adams
Key personnel additions: NT Al Sterling (sat out '95), DE Justin Wyatt (injured until final four games of 1995), OG Cliff Smith (will start after starting six games as redshirt freshman in 1995)
Honors candidates: S DeMonte Cross, C Russ Appel, TB Brock Olivo, CB Shad Criss, QB Clayton Baker, TE Bill Lingefelt, LB Joe Love.
Strengths: Defensive line, defensive secondary, overall team experience
Weaknesses: Quarterback, offensive backfield

Meet me in St. Louis

A quick look at ins and outs of new conference

By Wendell Barnhouse
Fort Worth Star-Telegram

TOUGH SKEDDING: Colorado is ranked in the top 10 of most preseason polls, but its schedule is probably the toughest in the nation. And that's just fine with senior linebacker Matt Russell, an All-American candidate.

"I think the advantage is if you're playing Middle Tennessee, Northeast This and Southwest That, you're beating teams 50 or 60 to nothing, but you don't really know your weaknesses," he said. "We're going to learn early what our weaknesses are. Hopefully we can learn without losing."

Colorado's 11 opponents combined for a 81-49-1 record (.622 winning percentage) in 1995. Seven of Colorado's 11 opponents went to bowl games. In addition to the five Big 12 North Division opponents, Colorado has South Division games at Texas A&M and at home against Texas and Oklahoma State.

"We open up with a great passing team (Washington State), we play Michigan, a team that runs the ball well," Russell said. "All phases of our defense will get tested."

MONTHLY SLATES: The toughest schedules by month:

September: Colorado — Sept. 7 at Colorado State; Sept. 14 Michigan; Sept. 28 at Texas A&M. (The Buffaloes' season opener is against Washington State on Aug. 31).

October: Texas Tech — Oct. 5 Baylor; Oct. 12 at Kansas; Oct. 19 Nebraska; Oct. 26 at Texas A&M.

November: Iowa State — Nov. 9 at Colorado; Nov. 16 Nebraska; Nov. 23 at Kansas State.

MEET ME IN ST. LOUIS: The first Big 12 championship game is scheduled for Dec. 7 in St. Louis' Trans World Dome when the North Division winner faces the South Division winner. The winner of that title game gets an automatic berth in one of three bowl alliance games (Sugar, Orange or Fiesta). The loser probably will play in the Cotton Bowl.

During the conference's football media day in late July, players from the 12 schools in town to meet the media toured the Trans World Dome. And dreamed of returning for a game.

"Playing here in the Big 12 championship game would be a reward for the hard work we put in during the season," Texas nose guard Chris Akins said. "I've seen the Southeastern Conference championship game on TV, and I think the Big 12 game will be as good or better."

Texas, which is favored to win the South Division, could face a three-game stretch of Texas A&M, Big 12 championship game and a bowl game.

"I think it would be tough to get up for the championship game after the A&M game," senior guard Dan Neil said.

Nebraska, favored to win the North Division, has won the past two national championships. Some of the Cornhuskers welcome the chance to play another game instead of simply practicing for a bowl game.

"We got tired of practicing and beating up on each other," junior center Aaron Taylor said. "It would be nice to get to go and beat up on somebody else. I like it because it's another game in there between the end of the season and the bowl game."

RATINGS: Unofficial ranks and raves:

Best coaching staff: Nebraska. The Cornhuskers' staff rarely changes. Not only has Tom Osborne been the head coach for 23 years, but it's Year 23 for offensive line coach Milt Tenopir and Year 20 for defensive coordinator Charlie McBride and Year 20 for assistant head coach//running backs coach Frank Solich. Stability builds championships.

Best recruiting class: If you believe the recruiting gurus, Nebraska continues to reap the success of its consecutive national championships. The Cornhuskers' 1996 group of freshmen was considered Top 10 quality. Because of academic questions, the jury is still out on Baylor's impressive class.

Most overrated player: Chris Carter, Texas senior safety. He needs to be consistent for an entire season in order to get this tag removed.

Most underrated player: John Hessler, Colorado backup quarterback. If starter Koy Detmer isn't healthy for the entire season, the Buffaloes will rely on Hessler. He did the job last season but has become a forgotten man with the anticipated return of Detmer.

Toughest schedule: Colorado. The Buffaloes' non-conference foes are Washington State, Colorado State and Michigan. Their South Division games are against Texas A&M, Texas and Oklahoma State.

Easiest schedule: Texas A&M. Granted, the Aggies faced a tough opener Aug. 24 at BYU in the Pigskin Classic. But three of A&M's five other road games are against Southwestern Louisiana, Iowa State and Oklahoma State, a combined 13-21 last season. And the Aggies get Colorado, Kansas State and Texas Tech in College Station.

Coach on the hot seat: Baylor's Chuck Reedy. He's proven he can recruit, but the Bears annually underachieve. The schedule, other than a road trip to Nebraska on Oct. 12, is reasonable. Even though Baylor is stepping up in class, its fans should expect a bowl bid.

IN QUOTES: Iowa State coach Dan McCarney on the Big 12's championship game:

"I hope some time in this lifetime to be a part of it."

Texas Tech coach Spike Dykes on backup running back Matt DuBuc, a 5-foot-8 senior from Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

"We don't get many guys from Florida, but we managed to get the only slow one they've ever had."

Baylor coach Chuck Reedy on whether freshman quarterback Odell James will play this season:

"He will if I want to keep my job and stay in Waco."

Oklahoma senior running back James Allen on the Sooners' 5-5-1 season:

"When you go to the University of Oklahoma, so much is expected: 5-5-1 just isn't going to cut it. Maybe when they first started playing football, that would do, but since, anything like that is a sin. ... We were embarrassed to be 5-5-1."

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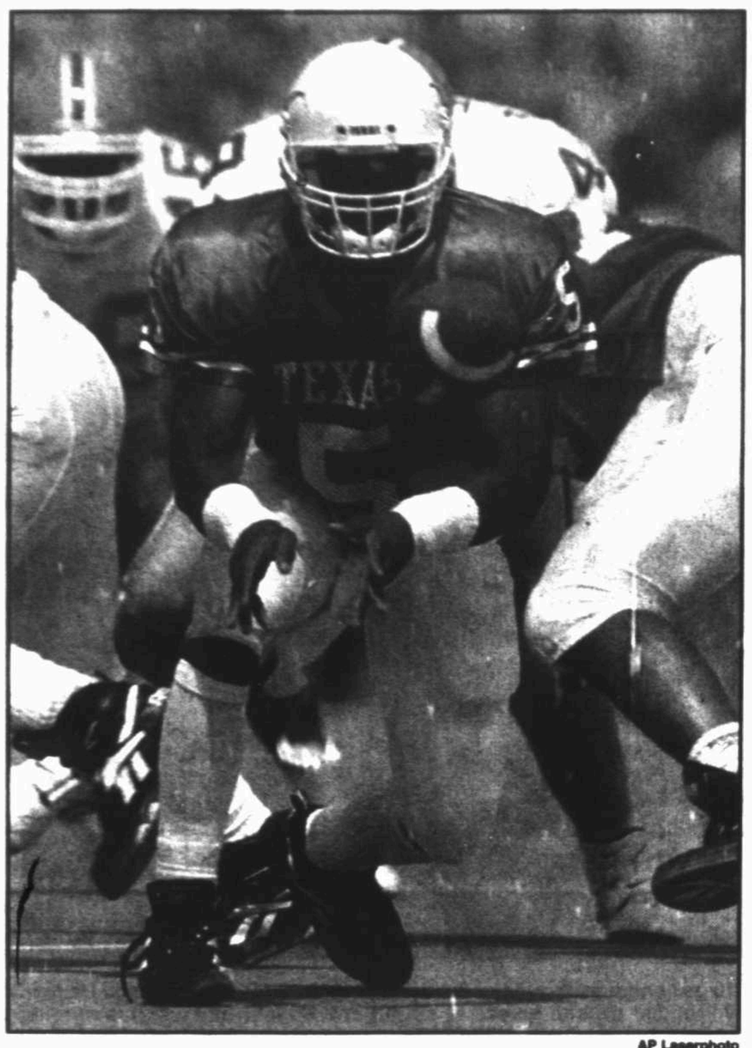
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Texas quarterback James Brown hopes to lead the Longhorns to the Southern Division championship in their first season in the Big 12 Conference.

Preseason stars

The Star-Telegram preseason Big 12 Conference honor team:

OFFENSE			
Player	Pos.	School	Year
Rae Carruth	WR	Colorado	Sr.
Mike Adams	WR	Texas	Sr.
Stephen Alexander	TE	Oklahoma	Jr.
Eric Anderson	OT	Nebraska	Jr.
Tim Kohn	OT	Iowa State	Sr.
Dan Neil	OG	Texas	Sr.
Chris Naeole	OG	Colorado	Sr.
Aaron Taylor	C	Nebraska	Jr.
Koy Detmer	QB	Colorado	So.
Troy Davis	RB	Iowa State	Jr.
Byron Hanspard	RB	Texas Tech	Jr.
Phil Dawson	K	Texas	Jr.
DEFENSE			
Player	Pos.	School	Year
Jared Tomich	DL	Nebraska	So.
Chris Akins	DL	Texas	Jr.
Brandon Mitchell	DL	Texas A&M	Sr.
Grant Wistrom	DL	Nebraska	Jr.
Terrell Farley	LB	Nebraska	Sr.
Matt Russell	LB	Colorado	Sr.
Keith Mitchell	LB	Texas A&M	Sr.
Chris Canty	CB	Kansas State	Jr.
Bryant Westbrook	CB	Texas	Sr.
Chris Carter	S	Texas	So.
Mike Minter	S	Nebraska	Sr.
Marc Harris	P	Iowa State	Sr.

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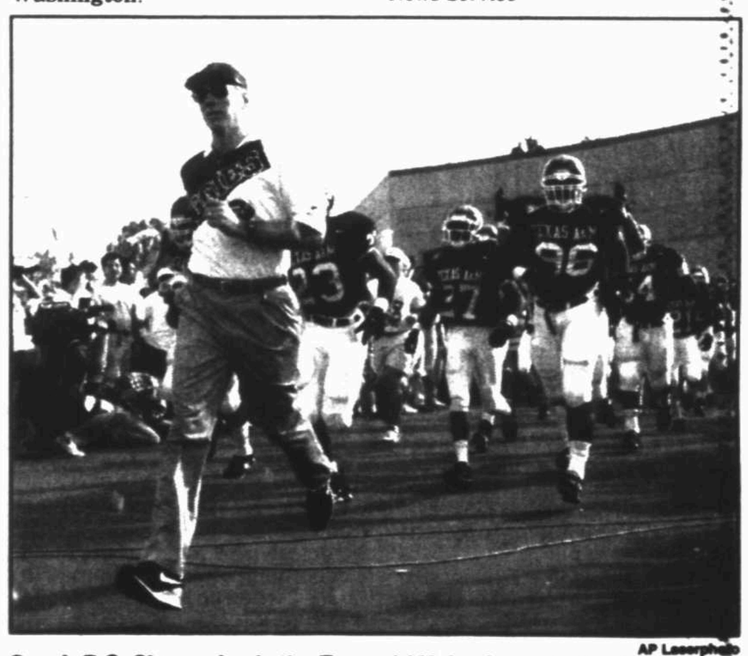
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Coach R.C. Slocum leads the Texas A&M Aggies onto the field in their final Southwest Conference season last year. The Aggies should challenge Texas for the Southern Division title.

Game could Kickoff national title

By Richard Rosenblatt
AP Football Writer

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Joe Paterno calls the Kickoff Classic a "good thing" for Penn State. John Robinson says today's game is "kind of a strange deal" for Southern California.

Whatever it is, a trend has emerged in the 14th year of the game: The winner thinks national title, the loser can forget about it.

In two of the past three seasons, the Kickoff Classic winner swept through the season undefeated and won a national championship. And last year, Ohio State came close, going 11-0 before faltering.

In 1993, Florida State beat Kansas 41-0, and the Seminoles went on to give coach Bobby Bowden his first national crown. The next year, it was Nebraska beating West Virginia 31-0 and the mighty Cornhuskers presented coach Tom Osborne with his first title. The Buckeyes beat Boston College 38-6 in the '95 Kickoff Classic, won their next 10 games but were upset by Michigan in the season finale. In all, each of the game's 13 winners ended the season in the Top 25, with eight finishing in the Top 10.

"Yes, it gives you an early start and it's a great matchup, usually with two excellent teams," BYU coach Lavell Edwards, whose Cougars beat Boston College in the 1985 Kickoff Classic. "But it all can be sort of a reversal. The loser probably has more to lose than the winner has to gain. It can be such a letdown."

It certainly can.

Nine Kickoff Classic losers failed to finish in the Top 25, including Georgia Tech, a 34-22 loser to Penn State in 1991. And the Yellow Jackets entered the game having finished No. 1 in the USA Today/CNN poll in 1990. Virginia, in 1989, was the last team to finish a season ranked after a Kickoff Classic loss. The Cavaliers were 18th after a 36-13 loss to Notre Dame.

Today's game has an added twist: The loser still has a good chance to play in the Rose Bowl, a lofty goal indeed since USC in 1972 was the last Big Ten or Pac-10 team to win a national championship. Penn State was not yet in the Big Ten when it won titles in 1982 and '86.

Robinson doesn't buy into the national title implications. At least not yet.

"The winner isn't going to be launched into the national championship," he said, "and neither is the loser going to be destroyed."

There are other benefits, too. Each team is paid a minimum of $675,000 (it'll probably be about $750,000), and the extra game also allows a team to get an early jump on the season. Paterno likes that idea.

"I think it's probably a good thing for us," said Paterno, who has seven new starters on offense. "Win or lose, I think we'll be a better team coming off the Southern Cal game than we might have been. We've had an opportunity to push our younger kids and I think they're further along than they would have been. It's probably a good thing for us."

Although Robinson says he'd like more time to prepare, he's glad the season is starting at Giants Stadium.

"It sounds like a bowl game except that the two teams are not bowl teams right now," Robinson said. "Playing in Giants Stadium, I was there four or five times when I was with the Rams, and it's a great place."

USC planned to take advantage of a rare trip to the New York area with visits to the New York Stock Exchange, Statue of Liberty and the Downtown Athletic Club, home of the Heisman Trophy. On Friday night, the team attended the Giants-Panthers NFL preseason game.

"The game itself, it's kind of a strange deal," Robinson said. "We're trying to do some things that will be fun. It has the bowl kind of thing, it's the only game being played in America that day, so it has some uniqueness to it.

Not only do most coaches like the game, but the fans turn out, too. Especially when Penn State is involved. A crowd of 77,716 was expected, making this the third Kickoff Classic sellout. The other sellouts were Notre Dame-Virginia in 1989 and Penn State-Georgia Tech in 1991.

The crowd just might see the start of a national championship season.

Utah, SDSU WAC-kier heavies

■ Expansion, including addition of three former SWC teams, has made Western Athletic one of the more interesting leagues.

By John Mossman
Associated Press

Four teams tied for the football championship in the Western Athletic Conference in 1995. That won't happen in 1996.

In fact, a lot of things the WAC has grown accustomed to in its 35-year history have been relegated permanently to the past.

The WAC has ceased to be the private domain of Brigham Young University. The Cougars, who have won or shared 17 of the last 22 WAC titles, have been challenged in recent years by Colorado State, which has gone to the last two Holiday Bowls; Utah; Air Force and Fresno State. BYU hasn't won a title outright since 1991.

And now six new teams have been added to the mix.

With the demise of the Southwest Conference, the WAC has siphoned off Rice, Southern Methodist and Texas Christian. Also coming aboard are Tulsa, UNLV and San Jose State to form a 16-team superconference which will be divided into Mountain and Pacific divisions.

The expansive new league encompasses nine states and five time zones. You'll need a scorecard to keep track of this one.

In a preseason media poll, Utah was picked to win the Mountain Division title and beat Pacific titlist San Diego State in the WAC championship game Dec. 7 in Las Vegas.

Mountain Division

Utah (7-4 last season)

After wildly erratic performances in their first seven games, the Utes finished strong last year. They scored 15 points in the last two minutes to beat both Fresno State and Air Force, then pounded their last three opponents and finished with a 6-2 conference record to gain a share of the WAC title, their first since 1964.

Eight starters return on offense, including 272-pound sophomore tailback Chris Fuamatu-Ma'afala, the WAC's Newcomer of the Year after gaining 834 yards last fall. "He is without a doubt the best running back I've ever coached," coach Ron McBride said. "He's a load."

McBride should know. His foot was broken in a sideline collision with Fuamatu-Ma'afala last summer.

Mike Fouts, nephew of NFL great Dan Fouts, threw for 2,581 yards and 18 TDs last year and has some big-play targets, including Rocky Henry and Kevin Dyson. The defense has seven starters back, led by free safety Harold Lusk, who led the WAC with six interceptions last season.

"Last year, we really matured the last four or five games," McBride said.

BYU (7-4)

BYU is on a mission: to get back to a bowl game, after staying home last year for the first time in 18 years.

Senior quarterback Steve Sarkisian returns, having passed for 3,437 yards and 20 touchdowns last season. He set an NCAA single-game record for completion percentage (91.2 against Fresno State).

Senior wideout James Dye led the nation in punt returns (21.9 yards).

The Cougars started 2-3 last year, then won five of their last six games, finishing in a four-way tie for the title.

BYU returns 12 starters, including a trio of first-team All-WAC performers in tight end Chad Lewis, offensive guard Larry Moore and linebacker Shay Muirbrook.

The Cougars, who open early against Texas A&M in the Pigskin Classic and get an extra game because of traveling to Hawaii, could play 15 games — if they qualify to play in both the WAC championship game in Las Vegas and a bowl game.

"By Sept. 1 this year we will have played two games," coach LaVell Edwards said. "That tells you a little about what's happening in college athletics today. Obviously, it makes for a long season. A lot depends on how we hold up early."

TCU (6-5)

Four players are vying to replace the school's career passing leader, Max Knake, and the Horned Frogs also must replace leading rusher Andre Davis.

Only five starters apiece return on offense and defense for coach Pat Sullivan.

Junior Michael Reeder converted 23 of 25 field goals last year and all 20 of his extra-points, winning the Lou Groza Award. He'll likely punt, too.

"If we solve our quarterback situation, we could be very good," Sullivan said.

Tulsa (4-7)

The Golden Hurricane must improve its pass defense in the wide-open WAC, although safety Jeremy Bunch returns, having intercepted six passes last year, including a school-record three against East Tennessee State.

Eight starters are back on offense, plus quarterback Troy DeGar, who hasn't played since injuring his knee in the first game of the 1994 season but is expected to be the starter. Receiver Wes Caswell also missed last season with a hamstring injury after catching 74 passes for 893 yards in 1994.

"If our running backs don't get it going, we're going to struggle," coach Dave Rader said.

Rice (2-8-1)

Rice's entry into the WAC marks a homecoming for head coach Ken Hatfield, who coached five seasons at Air Force, and offensive coordinator David Lee, who was at UTEP for five years.

"In the two years we've been at Rice, we've lost seven games because of the inability to kick a field goal," Hatfield said.

"We're going to run the spread option. We're going to have the ability to run the option out of every formation, all the time."

Defensive end Ndukwe Kalu terrorized SWC opponents the past two seasons with 15 sacks, already a Rice career record.

New Mexico (4-7)

Donald Sellers threw for 1,693 yards a year ago, completing a school-record 62 percent of his passes. The offensive line returns intact, including 342-pound Kevin Ned.

The Lobos' defense was solid against the run but ranked 107th in pass-efficiency defense.

"We have a new defensive coordinator and he made a big difference in spring practice," coach Dennis Franchione said. "I know we'll be better on defense."

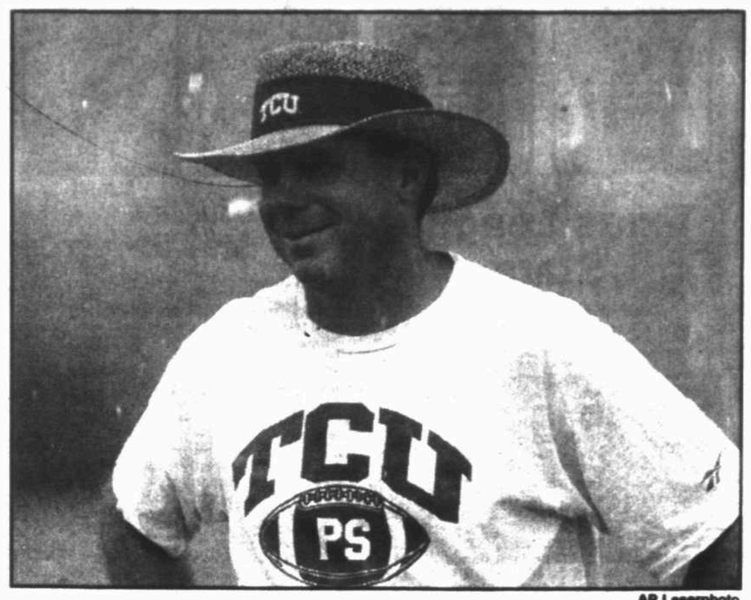
"When we came here in 1992, we had some major problems — only 68 people on scholarship, our facilities were below average and we lacked strength and athleticism. We're competitive now but it's frustrating. We've had a lot of close losses, which means we're not quite over the hump."

SMU (1-10)

Quarterback Ramon Flanigan, who dislocated his hip on the first play from scrimmage last season and didn't play again, will try to jump-start an offense that averaged just 12.0 points per game in 1995. Flanigan needs just 19 more rushing yards to reach 1,000 for his career. With 3,370 career passing yards, he's already seventh on SMU's all-time list.

The Mustangs, who lost their last 10 games after an opening 17-14 win over Arkansas, return 16 starters.

"The strength of our offense will be at running back," coach Tom Rossley said. "We're five-deep there."



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Texas Christian coach Pat Sullivan leads the Horned Frogs into the Western Athletic Conference for the first time. Former Southwest Conference rivals Rice and Southern Methodist will join TCU in the expanded league.

UTEP (2-10)

Sophomore quarterback John Rayborn threw for 1,913 yards and 16 touchdowns but has since become an academic casualty. Three-year backup Lenny Lilja is his successor.

The Miners' seemingly annual rebuilding program will feature nine junior-college transfers.

Charlie Bailey, just 5-22-1 in three seasons at UTEP, has 16 returning regulars, plus his punter.

Inside linebacker Michael Comer set a school record last season with 152 tackles, but the Miner defense ranked 105th in the nation.

"We're picked last and that's where we need to be," Bailey said. "We haven't done anything to prove any different."

Pacific Division

San Diego State (8-4)

The Aztecs are scary, with eight starters back on both offense and defense.

George Jones, a junior-college transfer last year, made his WAC debut by setting a conference record for rushing with 1,842 yards, breaking ex-Aztec Marshall Faulk's record of 1,630. SDSU is the first team in Division I-A history to include a 3,000-yard passer (senior Billy Blanton), a 1,000-yard rusher and two 1,000-yard receivers (juniors Will Blackwell and Az Hakim). The defense, meanwhile, led the nation in interceptions last fall with 26.

"Because of the talent we have," Jones said, "I'd consider anything less than a WAC championship a failure."

With the WAC title and a Holiday Bowl on the line, the Aztecs finished the season with a 24-13 loss at home to CSU.

"We're a better football team than we've been the last two years," Ted Tollner said. "I base this on two things: Our ability will be the best it's been, and our ambition to be a champion is getting closer to what it takes to achieve it."

"Our people who touch the ball are very talented."

Asked about being labeled a favorite, Tollner said, "Most coaches don't want that tag. In a sense, I like it because it means our program has gained a lot of respect."

Air Force (8-5)

The Falcons have only three returning starters on offense, but one of them is quarterback Beau Morgan, who became only the eighth player in NCAA history to top 1,000 yards in both rushing and passing.

Fisher DeBerry, named the WAC's coach of the year after his team gained a share of the title and a Copper Bowl berth, must have his team ready. The Falcons' first five games are within the conference, including demanding road trips to Wyoming and SDSU.

"We've won 12 of our last 14 league games," DeBerry noted. "We're going to be a competitive team. We have to be lucky and healthy to be a contender in November."

Wyoming (6-5)

Senior wide receiver Marcus Harris is a legitimate Heisman Trophy candidate — but a player nobody knows outside of the WAC. He has had more than 1,400 yards receiving each of the past two seasons and needs 1,490 more to break the NCAA receiving yardage record of 4,357 — held by former Cowboy Ryan Yarborough.

The Cowboys have 18 starters returning, including All-WAC tackle Steve Scifres, plus their fine placekicker, Cory Wedel.

In Joe Tiller's five seasons, the Cowboys have gone 29-28-1. But they finished strong last season with consecutive wins over SDSU, Fresno State and UTEP. Only one regular — guard Ryan Oman — is gone from the offense that ranked 12th in the nation in total yards.

CSU (8-4)

The Rams had a school-record four players drafted by the NFL — all of them defenders — leaving some glaring gaps.

The secondary was especially hard hit. Safety Greg Myers, who won the Jim Thorpe Award as the nation's best defensive back, is gone, along with cornerback Ray Jackson. The others who graduated to the NFL are linemen Sean Moran and Brady Smith. Smith was voted the league's defensive player of the year.

The non-conference schedule is brutal, including two-time defending national champion Nebraska, Colorado and Oregon.

But the Rams have developed a winning tradition, and quarterback Moses Moreno figures to benefit from not having to share playing time.

"The easiest way to get things going in the WAC is by playing solid defense," coach Sonny Lubick said. "That's why we've been able to beat BYU and win two WAC championships."

Fresno State (5-7)

Senior quarterback Jim Arellanes had a 152.4 passing efficiency last year despite sharing time with Richie Donati. Wide receiver Brian Roberson caught 55 passes for 758 yards and ranked second in the nation in punt returns.

Eight defensive starters are back, led by strong safety Omar Stoutmire, whose 198 tackles last year set a school and conference single-season record.

"We need to stop the two consecutive losing seasons," said Sweeney, who is only four victories short of 200. "We can do that by restoring our defense's productivity. We have a new defensive coordinator (Robin Ross) and a new scheme, and I think our fans will see a decided difference in the way we play defense."

Sweeney says Arellanes has "all the tools necessary to play in the NFL. In terms of quickness of delivery, I compare him favorably with any passer we've ever had. Trent Dilfer didn't have nearly as quick of a delivery as this guy has."

Hawaii (4-8)

Fred vonAppen, a former San Francisco 49ers assistant named to replace the fired Bob Wagner, takes his West Coast offense to Hawaii, which has only 12 returning starters.

The returnees include quarterbacks Glenn Freitas and Johnny Macon, who split time last year.

"We've made a commitment to throw the ball forward rather than backward," vonAppen said upon scrapping the option.

"I don't want our fans to suffer from runaway expectation. We've told them we're a 4-8 team in transition."

San Jose State (3-8)

Coach John Ralston, the lone active member of the College Football Hall of Fame, has just four starters back on offense and nine overall. He's 8-25 in three seasons with the Spartans.

Quarterback Carl Dean passed for 2,214 yards and 14 TDs.

The Spartans' schedule is ambitious; they play WAC road games at Air Force, Fresno State, CSU and Hawaii, and all four non-conference games are against Pac-10 foes California, Stanford, Washington and Washington State.

"San Diego State beat our brains out recently, so we know we have a ways to go to play WAC-caliber football," Ralston said.

UNLV (2-9)

UNLV allowed 47.3 points per game in 1995, worst in Division I-A. The Rebels went from first to last in the Big West over the last two years.

This year's team features only 10 seniors. Receiver-runner Tony Burton, the 1995 UNLV offensive MVP with nine touchdowns, heads a list of eight returning starters on offense.

"We're going to be better, but we're playing a much tougher schedule," coach Jeff Horton said. "Seventy percent of our team are sophomores and freshmen, so we're still a year or two away. If we can win four or five games, that would be an outstanding season."

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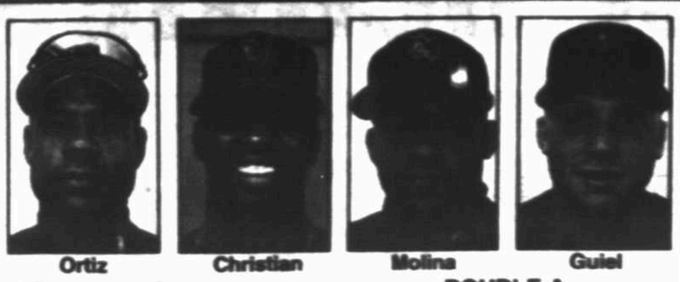
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Midland	**4430**	**636**	**1182**	**92**	**65**	**.267**
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Hansen, Wch	405	60	116	12	50	.286
Riggs, San	479	66	137	13	59	.286
Sutton, Wch	428	79	121	20	75	.283
Rios, Shr	329	62	93	12	49	.283
Segmoen, Tul	387	58	109	10	62	.282
Lopez, Wch	327	47	92	6	32	.281
Bellard, Elp	381	65	107	3	54	.281
Hamlin, Elp	483	77	135	20	87	.280
Colon, Jck	403	46	112	11	55	.278
Medrano, Wch	450	57	125	8	55	.278
Molina, Mid	**342**	**42**	**95**	**8**	**53**	**.278**
Rodriques, Elp	364	61	101	4	47	.277
Felix, Elp	274	64	76	9	55	.277
Powell, Shr	478	86	132	18	68	.276
K.Long, Wch	400	58	110	3	48	.275
R.Long, Wch	411	55	113	16	68	.275
Bell, Tul	451	61	123	16	58	.273
Johnson, San	494	72	134	10	54	.271
Brown, Tul	431	76	116	26	86	.269
Guiel, Mid	**410**	**67**	**109**	**10**	**47**	**.266**
Marrero, Ark	343	56	91	14	56	.265
Carr, Wch	434	66	115	6	39	.265
Diaz, Tul	491	68	130	14	61	.265
Luulua, Mid	**497**	**75**	**131**	**6**	**43**	**.264**
Spearman, San	455	63	119	1	30	.262
Mitchell, Jck	377	52	97	3	29	.257
Fick, Ark	422	59	108	18	73	.256
Johns, Ark	412	51	105	1	39	.255
Martinez, Elp	340	44	86	0	37	.250
Ortega, Elp	329	51	82	7	52	.249
Simonton, Shr	438	76	107	19	63	.244
Blair, Tul	368	45	89	3	29	.242
Dalton, Ark	311	35	72	5	35	.232
King, Shr	422	56	96	7	43	.227

Home Runs

Smith, Tul	30
Konerko, San	27
Brown, Tul	26
Mirabelli, Shr	21
Several Tied	20

Runs Batted In

Smith, Tul	92
Hamlin, Elp	87
Brown, Tul	86
Konerko, San	82
Seitzer, Elp	77

Stolen Bases

Powell, Shr	40
Carr, Wch	38
Singleton, Shr	27
Spearman, San	26
Bellard, Elp	24

PITCHING

Club Pitching

CLUB	ERA	H	HR	BB	SO	SHO	SV
Arkansas	3.57	1075	94	421	823	8	27
Jackson	3.74	1121	86	474	814	9	32
San Antonio	3.92	1167	79	509	718	4	35
Shreveport	4.09	1154	122	371	832	6	38
Tulsa	4.50	1250	120	377	672	7	38
Wichita	4.84	1240	141	407	739	10	32
El Paso	4.76	1269	82	445	811	2	44
Midland	**5.25**	**1284**	**119**	**459**	**795**	**2**	**27**

Pitching Leaders
(Minimum 105 Innings Pitched)

PITCHER	IP	H	BB	SO	W-L	ERA
Foulke, Shr	176	142	33	127	11-7	2.82
Detmers, Ark	156	140	61	94	12-6	2.89
Raggio, Ark	154	145	35	121	8-9	2.99
Halama, Jck	157	145	58	107	9-9	3.04
Aybar, Ark	121	120	34	83	8-6	3.05
Weaver, San	123	106	44	69	10-5	3.30
Johnson, Tul	160	161	39	90	12-9	3.43
Simons, Jck	127	132	30	75	8-7	3.48
Montoya, Elp	117	132	25	66	9-6	3.78
Harrison, Wch	111	113	13	76	9-2	3.81
Morris, Ark	110	171	46	117	12-11	3.83
Macey, Shr	146	155	39	57	9-6	4.26
Bovee, Wch	166	200	37	93	9-10	4.43
Watts, San	115	124	64	71	6-9	4.47
Brohawn, Shr	147	152	45	75	8-9	4.48
Martinez, San	156	152	88	120	10-13	4.49
Whitaker, Elp	141	151	86	84	11-7	4.52
Powell, Tul	110	117	29	74	3-8	4.92
Howry, Shr	142	154	55	50	9-7	4.96
Taulbee, Shr	135	167	47	54	6-10	5.15
Tollberg, Elp	143	173	23	98	6-5	5.15
Creek, Jck	132	131	107	104	7-14	5.40
Declue, Mid	**110**	**135**	**51**	**75**	**5-9**	**5.42**
Narcisse, Jck	120	146	52	84	6-12	5.64
Beaumont, Mid	155	192	70	126	7-16	6.04
Rav W	121	151	57	79	4-12	6.12

Wins

Tul	12
Ark	12
Ark	12
Whitaker, Elp	11
Foulke, Shr	11
Raggio, Ark	121
Martinez, San	120
Morris, Ark	117

Strikeouts

Foulke, Shr	127
Beaumont, Mid	126

Saves

Maloney, Elp	35
Barrios, Jck	20
Golden, Ark	18
Freehill, Mid	17
Purdy, Shr	16

Standings

TRIPLE A

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American Association
Eastern Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Buffalo (Indians)	78	57	.578	—
Nashville (WSox)	73	61	.545	4 1/2
Indianapolis (Reds)	72	62	.537	5 1/2
Louisville (Cards)	57	78	.422	21
Western Division				
Omaha (Royals)	73	61	.545	—
Oklahoma City(Rangers)	68	65	.511	4 1/2
Iowa (Cubs)	60	74	.448	13
New Orleans (Brewers)	55	78	.414	17 1/2

International League
Eastern Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Pawtucket (Red Sox)	75	57	.568	—
Rochester (Orioles)	65	64	.504	8 1/2
Scranton (Phillies)	65	67	.492	10
Syracuse (Blue Jays)	61	71	.462	14
Ottawa (Expos)	56	75	.427	18 1/2
Western Division				
Columbus (Yankees)	78	54	.591	—
Norfolk (Mets)	75	56	.573	2 1/2
Toledo (Tigers)	66	66	.500	12
Richmond (Braves)	59	73	.447	19
Charlotte (Marlins)	58	75	.436	20 1/2

Pacific Coast League
Second Half
Northern Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
x-Edmonton (Athletics)	39	23	.629	—
Calgary (Pirates)	35	27	.565	4
Salt Lake City (Twins)	35	27	.565	4
Vancouver (Angels)	27	34	.443	11 1/2
Tacoma (Mariners)	25	36	.410	13 1/2
Southern Division				
Las Vegas (Padres)	36	26	.581	—
Tucson (Astros)	31	31	.500	5
Albuquerque (Dodgers)	28	33	.459	7 1/2
x-Phoenix (Giants)	28	34	.452	8
Col.Springs(Rockies)	24	37	.393	11 1/2
x-first-half champion				

DOUBLE A

Eastern League
North Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Portland (Marlins)	79	53	.598	—
Binghamton (Mets)	68	63	.519	10 1/2
New Haven (Rockies)	63	69	.477	16
Norwich (Yankees)	63	69	.477	16
New Britain (Twins)	58	73	.443	20 1/2
South Division				
Trenton (Red Sox)	80	52	.606	—
Harrisburg (Expos)	70	62	.530	10
Canton-Akron (Indians)	66	66	.500	14
Reading (Phillies)	63	69	.477	17
Bowie (Orioles)	49	83	.371	31

Southern League
Second Half
Eastern Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Carolina (Pirates)	32	29	.525	—
x-Jacksonville (Tigers)	31	29	.517	1/2
Greenville (Braves)	28	33	.459	4
Orlando (Cubs)	24	37	.393	8
Port City (Mariners)	22	38	.367	9 1/2
Western Division				
Chattanooga (Reds)	43	17	.717	—
Birmingham (WSox)	38	23	.623	5 1/2
Knoxville (Blue Jays)	29	31	.483	14
x-Memphis (Padres)	28	32	.467	15
Huntsville (Athtics)	27	33	.450	16
x-won first-half title				

Texas League
Second Half
Eastern Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Arkansas (Cards)	36	28	.563	—
Tulsa (Rangers)	35	29	.547	1
Shreveport (Giants)	32	32	.500	4
x-Jackson (Astros)	28	36	.438	8
Western Division				
El Paso (Brewers)	38	26	.594	—
San Antonio (Dodgers)	34	30	.531	4
x-Wichita (Royals)	21	35	.453	9
Midland (Angels)	24	40	.375	14
x-won first-half title				

SINGLE A

California League
Second Half
Northern Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Modesto (Athletics)	41	21	.661	—
x-San Jose (Giants)	38	24	.613	3
Stockton (Brewers)	32	29	.525	8 1/2
Visalia (Co-op)	22	40	.355	19
Bakersfield (Co-op)	15	46	.246	25 1/2
Southern Division				
High Desert (Orioles)	36	26	.581	—
Lake Elsinore (Angels)	34	27	.557	1 1/2
Lancaster (Mariners)	31	30	.508	4 1/2
San Bernardino (Dodgers)	31	30	.508	4 1/2
x-R.Cucamonga (Padres)	27	34	.443	8 1/2
x-won first-half title				

Carolina League
Second Half
Northern Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
x-Wilmington (Royals)	34	25	.576	—
Lynchburg (Pirates)	31	27	.534	2 1/2
Frederick (Orioles)	29	30	.492	5
Pr. William (White Sox)	23	36	.390	11
Southern Division				
Kinston (Indians)	33	25	.569	—
Winston-Salem (Reds)	31	28	.525	2 1/2
x-Durham (Braves)	29	30	.492	4 1/2
Salem (Rockies)	24	33	.421	8 1/2
x-won first-half title				

Florida State League
Second Half
Eastern Division

	W	L	PCT.	GB
Daytona (Cubs)	35	25	.583	—
St. Lucie (Mets)	35	25	.583	—
Kissimmee (Astros)	29	32	.475	6 1/2
W.P. Beach (Expos)	29	32	.475	6 1/2
x-Vero Beach (Dodgers)	22	39	.361	13 1/2
Brevard (Marlins)	20	41	.328	15 1/2
Western Division				
Tampa (Yankees)	38	20	.655	—
St. Pete (Cardinals)	37	23	.617	2
Fort Myers (Twins)	36	24	.600	3
Sarasota (Red Sox)	35	25	.583	4
Charlotte (Rangers)	30	32	.484	10
x-Clearwater (Phillies)	27	31	.466	11
Dunedin (Blue Jays)	26	34	.433	13
Lakeland (Tigers)	23	39	.371	17
x-won first-half title				

Midwest League
Second Half
Eastern Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
x-W. Michigan (Athletics)	35	26	.574	—
Lansing (Royals)	32	28	.533	2 1/2
Fort Wayne (Twins)	29	31	.483	5 1/2
Michigan (Red Sox)	26	34	.433	8 1/2
South Bend (White Sox)	22	39	.361	13
Central Division				
Peoria (Cardinals)	37	24	.607	—
Rockford (Cubs)	36	24	.600	1/2
Kane County (Marlins)	33	28	.541	4
Beloit (Brewers)	32	28	.533	4 1/2
x-Wisconsin (Mariners)	26	32	.448	9 1/2
Western Division				
x-Quad City (Astros)	31	29	.517	—
Clinton (Padres)	28	32	.467	3
Cedar Rapids (Angels)	27	32	.458	3 1/2
Burlington (Giants)	27	34	.443	4 1/2
x-won first-half title				

South Atlantic League
Second Half
Northern Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Fayetteville (Tigers)	33	28	.541	—
Hagerstown (Blue Jays)	31	31	.500	2 1/2
x-Delmarva (Expos)	31	31	.500	2 1/2
Charleston, W.Va. (Reds)	25	37	.403	8 1/2
Central Division				
Columbia (Mets)	37	26	.587	—
Hickory (White Sox)	35	27	.565	1 1/2
x-Asheville (Rockies)	34	28	.548	2 1/2
Piedmont (Phils)	31	31	.500	5 1/2
Charleston, SC (Rangers)	29	34	.460	8
Greensboro (Yanks)	23	39	.371	13 1/2
Southern Division				
Columbus (Indians)	34	28	.548	—
Savannah (Dodgers)	32	30	.516	2
x-Augusta (Pirates)	32	31	.508	2 1/2
Macon (Braves)	28	34	.452	6
x-won first-half title				

SINGLE A (Short Season)

Northwest League
North Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Bellingham (Giants)	35	29	.547	—
Yakima (Dodgers)	31	33	.484	4
Everett (Mariners)	29	35	.453	6
Spokane (Royals)	29	35	.453	6
South Division				
Eugene (Braves)	43	21	.672	—
Boise (Angels)	39	25	.609	4
Portland (Rockies)	27	37	.422	16
Southern Oregon (A's)	23	41	.359	20

ROOKIE

Arizona League

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Padres	30	19	.612	—
Athletics	29	20	.592	1
Mariners	26	23	.531	4
Angels	22	27	.449	8
Rockies	22	27	.449	8
Diamondbacks	18	31	.367	12

INDEPENDENTS

Texas-Louisiana League
Second Half

	W	L	Pct.	GB
x-Abilene	25	13	.657	—
Lubbock	25	14	.641	1/2
Alexandria	18	21	.462	7 1/2
Rio Grande	18	21	.462	7 1/2
Tyler	17	23	.425	9
Amarillo	13	24	.351	11 1/2
x-won first-half title				



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Coincidental journey

1996 Astros make fans experience deja vu

By Neil Hohlfeld
Houston Chronicle

HOUSTON — They both call the Astrodome home, and both will have had a chance to advance in baseball postseason play.

Aside from that, there doesn't seem — at first glance — to be much in common between the 1986 Astros team that won the National League West Division and the 1996 team that is battling for the NL Central title.

NL Central? Ten years ago, that term was as foreign as a retractable-roof domed stadium in downtown Houston.

Talk of a new stadium this summer and a potential move does point up the biggest similarity between the teams, though: Both played under the threat of a franchise shift to the Washington, D.C., area.

In 1986, a rumor was floated in USA Today through columnist and TV talk-show host Larry King that a National League team was seriously considering a move to Washington, D.C. By process of elimination, it was determined that the Astros likely were that team.

Owner John McMullen played coy, refusing to give a pointblank answer when asked if he was considering moving the team to Washington. McMullen would only refer to the Astros' less-than-average attendance and his difficulty in getting Harris County officials to pledge money to refurbishing the Astrodome.

In other words, McMullen wouldn't say yes and wouldn't say no, but he certainly wasn't above letting a little panic set in about Houston losing its baseball team.

"We've done everything we can," McMullen said in 1986. "We need assistance, and we need help from the community. All of us have worked hard, but we cannot do it alone."

That sounds like a dead ringer for what current Astros owner Drayton McLane Jr. is saying these days. While McMullen was secretive about his plans to move if attendance and cooperation from politicians and the community didn't improve, McLane has been upfront.

Last winter, McLane said the Astros had to reach an all-time-high attendance of 2.7 million — or he might have to look into selling the team to interests from Northern Virginia. The Astros are on pace to sell about 2 million tickets.

During the season, McLane has insisted his team needs a new domed stadium — one with a retractable roof — either across Kirby Drive from the Astrodome or downtown. If Harris County can't come up with concrete stadium plans shortly, McLane says he will seek permission from the league to reopen talks with a group from suburban Washington about the sale of the team.

Not surprisingly, the talk of a possible move didn't affect the '86 team and hasn't seemed to bother this year's team. Baseball players, after all, seldom stay in the same city for their entire careers, so moving from place to place is a fact of their baseball lives they face often.

Aside from the potential of a franchise shift, the Astros teams separated by 10 years have a few interesting contrasts and comparisons:

The current Astros do not live by the pitching-and-defense strategy of 10 years ago, reflecting the fact that the game of baseball is far more offense-oriented today than it was in 1986.

The '86 Astros had a 3.15 ERA, second-lowest in a 12-team league. They made 130 errors, third-fewest in the NL. This year's team has a 4.36 ERA, which ranks ninth in a 14-team league. Defensively, the Astros have made 111 errors in 127 games, the third-highest error total in the league.

On offense, the '86 team had a .255 average, which ranked fourth. The Astros hit 125 homers, at the time the fourth-highest total in franchise history. That ranked eighth in the league. The '86 Astros scored 654 runs, also eighth.

This year, the Astros have a .265 team average through Wednesday's game, sixth in the league. They have 107 homers, which ranks last, but have scored 622 runs, third in the NL.

Individually, Glenn Davis led the '86 Astros with 31 homers and 101 RBIs. Ten years ago, Davis tied for second in the league in homers behind Mike Schmidt's 37. He was fourth in RBIs.

Though Davis was the first Houston hitter to reach 100-plus RBIs in nine seasons, his 101 total will pale by comparison to this year's leader. Derek Bell already has 100 RBIs and Jeff Bagwell 98 with 35 games remaining. Bagwell has been in an extended power slump, but he has 26 home runs and likely will surpass Davis' 31-homer count of '86.

Both teams used speed to juice up their offense. The '86 Astros stole 163 bases, an increase of 67 from the previous season. They ranked fourth in the league in steals in '86.

This year, the Astros have 151 steals in 127 games, first in the league.

The teams had similar records at the All-Star break. The 1986 Astros were 47-41 and trailed first-place San Francisco in the NL West by one game. This year, the Astros were 47-42 and tied with St. Louis atop the NL Central.

The difference is that on Aug. 22, the '86 Astros were 70-54 and had a seven-game lead over a Cincinnati team that was fading fast. This year, the Astros are 68-59 and in a tight race with the Cardinals, who have kept pace with Houston.

The '86 Astros were 16-11 in July and 16-12 in August. This year, the Astros were 15-12 in July and are 11-7 with 10 games left in August.

One big difference between the teams is their records against their closest rival in the division. In 1986, the Astros were 14-4 against second-place Cincinnati and won the NL West by 10 games. It doesn't take a math major to figure out the Astros won the division by virtue of their domination over the Reds.

This year, the Astros are 0-6 against St. Louis. They have seven games remaining against the Cardinals, so they still have a chance to win the NL Central by beating St. Louis head-to-head.

The '86 Astros had 1,734,276 fans go through the turnstiles, an increase of nearly 600,000 from 1985 and the fifth-highest count in franchise history at the time.

Since then, the accounting procedure for attendance in the National League has changed. Since 1993, attendance is based on tickets sold and not the actual number of fans in the seats. Through Wednesday, the Astros had sold 1,475,779 tickets for 60 dates, an average of 24,596.

However, according to the Astros, only 1,082,942 fans actually attended the first 59 home games, an average of 18,354 per game. If that pace continues, only 1,486,751 fans will come through the turnstiles this season, about 250,000 fewer than in 1986.

Danny Darwin is the only current member of the Astros who played with the team in 1986.

In 1986, the Astros wore their rainbow-colored uniforms at home for the final season. They did wear all-white uniforms for Sunday games in '86 and switched to those uniforms on a full-time basis in 1987.

The Astros changed their uniforms and logo to the current look before the 1994 season.

The biggest change in the Astrodome is that in 1986, the huge scoreboard loomed over the outfield. It was dismantled in September 1988 in order to add 10,000 more seats for the Oilers.

In 1996, the Oilers are on their way out of town and put just more than 12,000 fans into the Dome for each of two home exhibition games.

The upper-deck seats were all yellow in 1986, as opposed to the multicolored seats that were put in during the 1989 season.

In 1986, there were no hand-operated scoreboards in the outfield, no video games down the right- and left-field lines, no advertisements on the outfield walls, no floral displays in the outfield and no luxury suites on the fifth level. The walls weren't the soothing "ballpark green" of today but a stark battleship gray.

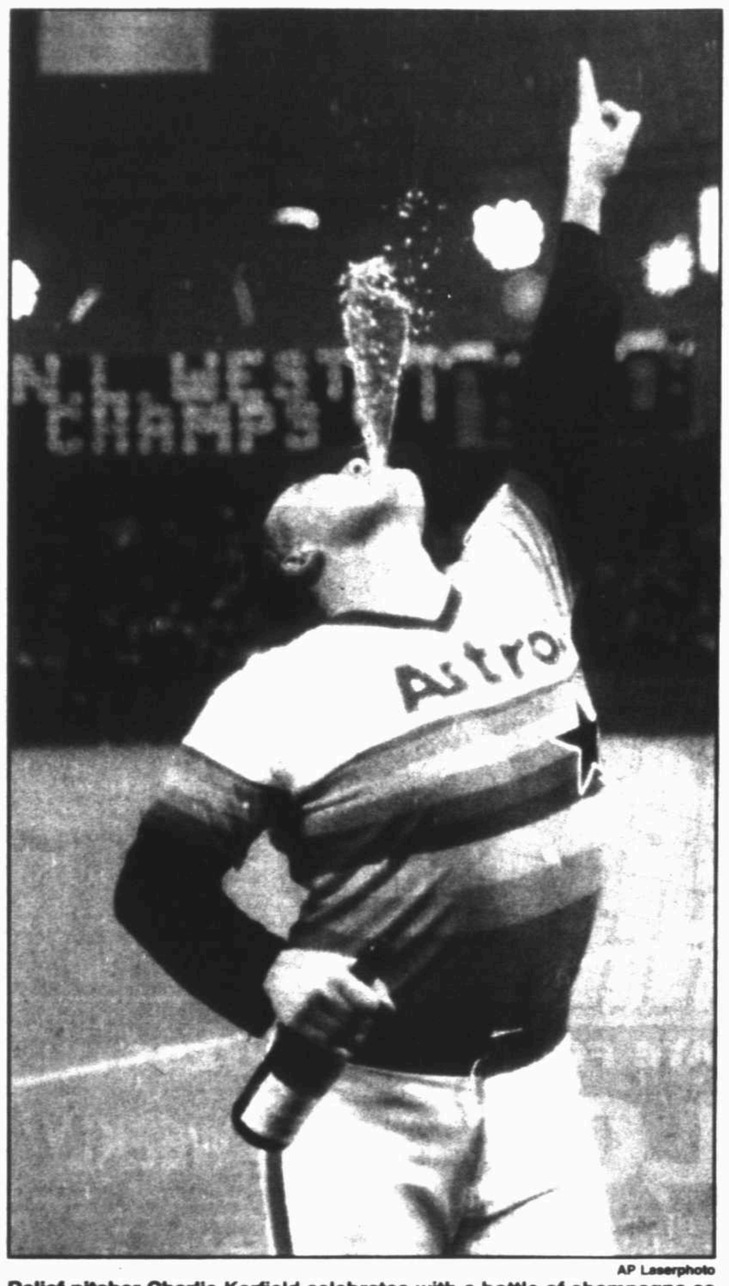
Most of the current players probably were not big fans of the '86 Astros.

But at least a few of the members of the '86 team are rooting for the '96 Astros to win their division.

"I think they'll win, and not just because I played for the Astros," said Mike Scott, who won the Cy Young Award in 1986. "If I had to make a pick, I'd go with them. They look like the best team in that division. They've got a lot of offense, and the pitching's starting to come on."

"If they're in the playoffs, I'll be there," said reliever Charley Kerfeld. "I think it'd be great for them to get to the World Series 10 years after we should have been there."

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Relief pitcher Charlie Kerfield celebrates with a bottle of champagne as the 1986 Houston Astros clinched the National League West on Sept. 25, 1986 in Houston. The Astros have not been in the playoffs since.

Rodriguez, 21, makes pitch

Associated Press

Alex Rodriguez is just 21 years old. Sometimes his manager, coaches and Seattle Mariners teammates have to remind themselves of that fact.

"He is a very, very special player," said Lee Elia, the Mariners' hitting coach.

Elia has been around long enough to know one. Like Rodriguez, he broke in as a minor league shortstop, in 1959. He managed for 13 years, spending two seasons with the Cubs and two in Philadelphia.

As Rodriguez jogs into the infield to take some grounders before a recent Seattle game against the New York Yankees, Elia couldn't wait to brag about his star pupil.

"Work ethic? He has the best one that I've ever seen and I've been in this game for what 38 years?" said Elia. "He's so eager to improve his game that sometimes I'll be caught up with Lou (Seattle manager Piniella), and Alex will grab me and say 'Hey, come on, let's go do some work.'"

Rodriguez's extra toil this season has made him one of baseball's best players, and he heads a short list of possible American League MVPs that includes Juan Gonzalez of Texas, Oakland's Mark McGwire and Albert Belle of Cleveland. Rodriguez entered the weekend leading the AL with a .363 average to go with 31 homers and 103 RBIs.

And above all, he is the main reason the Mariners are still in the wild-card race. Seattle has been without Randy Johnson, Ken Griffey Jr. and Edgar Martinez for extended periods this year.

If he is named MVP, he would be the youngest to win the award in the AL. Hal Newhouser (Detroit, 1944), Jeff Burroughs (Texas, 1974), Fred Lynn (Boston, 1975) and Cal Ripken (1983, Baltimore) were all 23 in their MVP years.

"I hate talking in the first person. But I've been real lucky," Elia said. "I've been around some of the game's greatest players like (Mike) Schmidt, (Pete) Rose, (Don) Mattingly and (Ryne) Sandberg. And in him I see many of the same qualities of those great players."

Elia likes to drop those names on Rodriguez for added motivation.

"I even tell Alex sometimes, 'You know Sandberg used to take 50 extra ground balls a day,'" Elia said. "Or if Pete went 0-for-12, not that that happened very often, he'd go out and take extra batting practice. I think Alex likes to hear that stuff."

Rodriguez doesn't play like a 21-year-old or act like one. He moves off the field like he does on — effortlessly. Elia thinks Rodriguez's maturity can be traced right to his teammates, particularly Martinez.

"He's learned a lot from Edgar, not just in terms of hitting but in approaching the game on a daily basis," Elia said. "Look at these guys he's got around him. We got Junior and Edgar and (Jay) Buhner. I mean what other guys would you like on your club for him to learn from?

"And what's even more impressive about him is how respectful he is. You know I'm his first major league hitting coach. I'm very proud of that."

TOO GREEN FOR THE BIGS? Not that anyone expected the Mets to challenge Atlanta for the NL East title this season, but no doubt New York was hoping to do better than its 59-69 record heading into the weekend.

The main problem has been pitching, particularly the lack of it from the three young starters in whom the Mets had such high hopes. Bill Pulsipher is missing the entire season because of elbow surgery, former No. 1 overall pick Paul Wilson is 4-9 with a 6.47 ERA and Jason Isringhausen is 5-13. Isringhausen is on the disabled list — officially, it's a rib-cage injury, but he's really getting a much-needed mental break. Wilson, meanwhile, has lost confidence.

"I can't say I'm the same pitcher I was in spring training, physically or mentally," he said. "It's different now."

Mets manager Dallas Green, whose job is on the line, this week expressed the disappointment and frustration the team and its fans have been feeling because of the pitchers' struggles.

"These guys really don't belong in the big leagues," he said of Wilson and Isringhausen. "It's really that simple. It sounds very harsh and very negative, but what have they done to get here? All we're looking for from these guys is something consistent. All we want is for something to work with. We don't get that."

The Mets hold an option on Green for 1997. According to his contract, the Mets have to let him know by Sept. 1 whether they intend to bring him back next season. Mets catcher Todd Hundley, having a huge year, says that preseason expectations for Wilson, Isringhausen and Pulsipher may have been too high.

"A lot of it was hype," he said. "You can't put that much emphasis and pressure on that young of a player."

TICKETS OR FOOD?: Too much rain, too few makeup dates. The Orioles have had several games postponed by rain this season, and unfortunately, there are only a few good seats left for fans who intend to cash in their rainchecks. So the Orioles have announced that this year's exchange vouchers and gift certificates may now be used at Camden Yards not only for tickets, but for food and retail merchandise. In the past, vouchers and certificates were redeemable for tickets only. The vouchers expire Sept. 22, the date of the Orioles' final regular-season home game.

BROOKLYN BLUES: For the first time, ESPN is airing a miniseries. The five-parter, which starts Tuesday, is entitled: "The Original America's team: The Brooklyn Dodgers." The series, which will air on five consecutive Tuesday nights, has personality profiles the first four weeks on Pee Wee Reese, Jackie Robinson, Roy Campanella and Duke Snider. The final episode, on Sept. 24, is called "The Last Trolley" and deals with the events surrounding the Dodgers' move to Los Angeles following the 1957 season. Mark Reese, the son of the former Dodgers captain, produced the series.

■ Baseball Notes

Disabled List

NEW YORK (AP) — Players on the disabled list by team, as provided by the American and National League, with position and effective date (players are on the 15-day disabled list unless noted):

Through August 24

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Baltimore: Armando Benitez, p, 60-day, April 20; Bill Percival, p, 60-day, April 26; Mark Smith, of, July 25; Arthur Rhodes, p, Aug. 6; Roger McDowell, p, 60-day, Aug. 17; Jeffrey Hammonds, of, Aug. 17; Aaron Lane, p, Aug. 21.

Boston: Butch Henry, p, 60-day, March 22; Nate Minchey, p, June 28; Jose Canseco, of, July 26; Milt Cuyler, of, 60-day, July 28; Aaron Sele, p, Aug. 17; Stan Belinda, p, Aug. 20.

California: Steve Ontiveros, p, 60-day, March 24; Bryan Harvey, p, March 24; Tim Harkrider, ss, 60-day, March 31; Dick Schofield, ss, April 20; Mark Eichorn, p, June 6; Mark Holzemer, p, June 10; Rich Monteleone, p, July 13; Mark Langston, p, Aug. 10; Chuck McElroy, p, Aug. 21.

Chicago: Jason Bere, p, 60-day, April 22; Chad Kreuter, c, 60-day, July 20; Matt Karchner, p, Aug. 11; Larry Thomas, p, Aug. 15.

Cleveland: Daron Kirkreit, p, 60-day, March 31; Jeff Sexton, p, 60-day, June 30; Alan Embree, p, July 28; Dennis Martinez, p, July 31; Julio Franco, 1b, Aug. 6.

Detroit: Alan Trammell, ss, July 27; C.J. Nitkowski, p, Aug. 13.

Kansas City: Jim Converse, p, 60-day, March 22; Kris Ralston, p, 60-day, June 12; Mark Gubicza, p, 60-day, July 6; Bip Roberts, if, Aug. 7.

Milwaukee: Jamie McAndrew, p, 60-day, March 29; Turner Ward, of, May 25; Chuck Carr, of, 60-day, May 31; Kevin Wickander, p, June 27.

Minnesota: Kirby Puckett, of, 60-day, May 28; Dennis Hocking, ss, July 31; Dan Naulty, p, Aug. 5.

New York: Tony Fernandez, ss, 60-day, March 24; Melido Perez, p, 60-day, March 26; David Cone, p, 60-day, July 8; Scott Kamieniecki, p, 60-day, July 31; Mike Aldrete, 1b-of, Aug. 11; John Wetteland, p, Aug. 13.

Oakland: Pedro Munoz, of, 60-day, June 2; Brent Gates, if, 60-day, Aug. 17; Billy Taylor, p, Aug. 15; Damon Mashore, of, Aug. 13.

Seattle: Greg Hibbard, p, 60-day, March 11; Ricky Jordan, if, 60-day, May 3; Russ Davis, if, 60-day, June 8; Alex Diaz, of, Aug. 12; Paul Menhart, p, 60-day, Aug. 14.

Texas: Chris Nichting, p, 60-day, March 22; Chris Howard, p, 60-day, March 22; Dewayne Stevens, 1b, Aug. 4.

Toronto: Sandy Martinez, c, Aug. 17.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Atlanta: David Justice, of, 60-day, May 31; Danny Bautista, of, June 28; Jeff Blauser, ss, July 16; Jason Schmidt, p, July 15; Lee Daniels, p, 60-day, July 17; Steve Avery, p, July 13; Jerome Walton, of, 60-day, July 25.

Chicago: Mike Campbell, p, June 30; Amaury Telemaco, p, Aug. 20; Sammy Sosa, of, Aug. 21; Rey Sanchez, ss, Aug. 11

Playing the markets

■ Rangers try to board MLB's Orient Express.

By Simon Gonzalez
Fort Worth Star-Telegram

ARLINGTON — U.S. automakers are not the only group with a serious trade imbalance with Japan. Major league baseball has the same problem.

Actually, it's a slightly different problem.

The automakers' plight is that Japanese cars are readily available in the United States, while restrictive trade practices make it hard for them to sell their wares over there.

In baseball, it's the other way around. U.S. imports are common in Japan, but restrictive practices make it difficult for Japanese players to export themselves to the major leagues.

Slowly, that's beginning to change.

The success of Japan's Hideo Nomo, both in leaving his country and in retiring big-league hitters, has more and more teams exploring ways to tap the Far East market.

"Nomo is the match that lit the fire," said Omar Minaya, the Rangers' director of pro scouting.

That fire has spread to Texas. Minaya spent the first week of June in Japan on a goodwill/scouting mission as the Rangers seek to expand their scouting efforts world-wide.

"This trip was an exploratory trip," Minaya said. "We will be evaluating the Asian situation. Our philosophy is that we are going to be in every part of the world."

General manager Doug Melvin said the Rangers need to scout worldwide to stay ahead of or, at minimum, keep pace with other teams that have begun scouring the globe for talent.

"We just want to make sure that in some of these avenues of procuring players we're not left out in the dark or falling behind," Melvin said. "If Japanese baseball is going to be a way of getting players, we thought a trip was worthwhile."

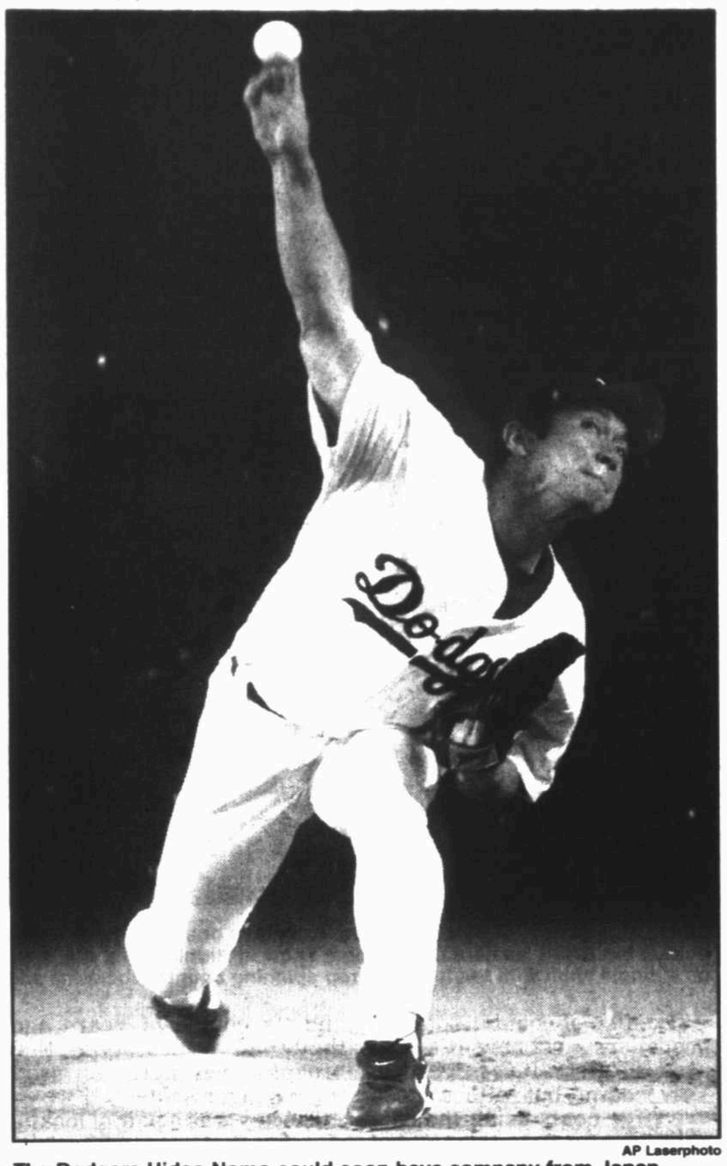
Minaya split his time between Tokyo and Chiba, making contacts, evaluating the caliber of the Japanese professional leagues, scouting Americans who can become free agents in the next year or two, and scouting Japanese players.

"I saw some players over there who can be free agents in the near future," Minaya said. "One of them could be the next Nomo."

Ah, Nomo. That's the magical name for those who envision an influx of talented Japanese players.

Nomo was a five-time all-star for the Kintetsu Buffaloes before signing with the Los Angeles Dodgers prior to the 1995 season. The 26-year-old right-handed pitcher quickly silenced critics who suggested that Japanese players couldn't compete in the majors, posting a 13-6 record with a 2.56 earned-run average, leading the National League with 236 strikeouts (in 191-1/3 innings), starting the All-Star Game at The Ballpark in Arlington, and being selected as the NL Rookie of the Year.

"It's the dawn of a new era," one Japanese newspaper said.



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The Dodgers Hideo Nomo could soon have company from Japan.

Perhaps, but it's an era that is proceeding deliberately, almost imperceptibly. The arrival of Nomo did not signal the start of a flood of Japanese players to the United States.

"Because of the distance and the language barrier, baseball is not sure what it wants to do with the Asian market," Minaya said.

There are other reasons why the Asian market remains a difficult one in which to shop.

For one, the players don't have the same freedom of movement enjoyed by their counterparts in the United States.

Free agency doesn't come until after 10 years. And when a player does become a free agent, Minaya said the team he signs with must pay his old club a sum equivalent to the contract. Whether a U.S. team would have to abide by those rules is a matter that would have to be worked out between the commissioner's offices of the two countries.

Nomo sidestepped the rules by declaring his retirement after five seasons. Kintetsu technically retained his rights, but they didn't protest when he began negotiating with the Dodgers, a stance that angered some in Japan.

"Voluntary retirement should mean he had the will to quit baseball," Masaaki Nagino, a baseball official in Japan, told Baseball Weekly. "In order to play baseball in the states, he should obtain the status of unconditional release."

Another of Japan's top pitchers, Shigetoshi Hasegawa, tried to follow Nomo. Hasegawa went 12-7 with a 2.89 ERA for the Orix BlueWave in '95. He attempted to get his release, but with another five years before free agency, he was unsuccessful.

"They have a different mind-set than we do," said former Rangers pitching coach Tom House, an international consultant with the San Diego Padres. "Basically, you've got a job for life when you sign with an organization. You're not signing with the Chunichi Dragons. You're signing with the Chunichi corporation, and they will find work for you in the organization somewhere for the rest of your life."

Major-league clubs also are finding it difficult to approach the country's top amateur players. The Dodgers made inquiries about 18-year-old pitcher Kosuke Fukodome and set off a firestorm of controversy.

Fukodome rebuffed an offer from the Kintetsu Buffaloes, electing to stay with his semi-pro team. This is the equivalent of an American high schooler going to college instead of turning pro. The drafting team loses the rights to him, but he is not eligible to be drafted for three years.

Japanese baseball officials have requested that major-league clubs abide by their rules, and threatened to go after top amateurs in the United States in retaliation if they don't.

"The MLB had better not try to seek amateur players (from Japan) or a bidding war might start," Nobuhisa Ito, Japan's assistant director of baseball operations, told Tokyo's Daily Yomiuri.

Then there's the matter of just how many Japanese players are willing to leave their homes and their culture to compete in a foreign land.

"I find Japan to be very traditional, very organized, very dedicated," Omar Minaya said. "They have a system that works. They are not going to be dying to come to America. Just as they are an uncertainty to us, we are an uncertainty to them."

Efforts have begun to open up the Asian market, though.

The Padres play host to the Chiba Lotte Marines for a few days at their spring training camp in Peoria, Ariz., and are negotiating to play exhibition games in Japan.

The Cleveland Indians have a working relationship with the Yakult Swallows.

And the Yankees gave the Seibu Lions $350,000 to let them sign a Japanese minor-league pitcher, Katsuhiro Maeda.

House, who has worked with the Lotte Marines and the Chunichi Dragons since 1988, sees those things as positive developments.

"When I first started going over, it was like a block of wood and a block of concrete," he said. "Now what I'm seeing is there's permeation on both sides."

House said the question isn't when can U.S. teams sign Japanese players, but when will U.S. teams play Japanese teams in regular-season games.

His answer, he said, is five to 15 years.

"I see a big-league ballclub in Hawaii for the body-clock arrangements, two teams in Japan, a team in Taiwan, a team in Seoul, Korea, and eventually a team in Australia, so there'll be a Pacific Rim division," he said. "Americans and Japanese do business, so there's no reason American baseball and Japanese baseball can't find a common denominator and make it work.

"I think you can hang your hat on it. I have always been a little goofy, but I think I'm goofy with a purpose on this one. There's just too many things right about it. I think it's a win-win-win. Economics, fan base and player base. What's the term, 'Zeitgeist'? It's an idea whose time has come."

It might happen in the future, but for the present the restrictive free-agency rules make it unlikely that the Rangers will sign a Japanese player in the near future.

"I see us competing," Minaya said. "Before we act, we are going to be very thorough. I think we can do it someday, but it won't happen soon."

Just like the Rangers, and an increasing number of major-league clubs, are interested in doing business in Japan and doing something about that trade deficit.

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Reese and the 'Original America's Team'

By Hank Kurz Jr.
AP Sports Writer

NEW YORK — Pee Wee Reese endured more than his share of heartache during a 16-year career when a player's unwavering loyalty to his team sometimes meant a bond to its failures.

Reese and his teammates had such a bond with the Brooklyn Dodgers.

In 1951, they had to elude the crush of fans streaming onto the field at the Polo Grounds after Bobby Thomson's "Shot Heard 'Round the World." The three-run homer in the ninth inning gave the New York Giants the National League pennant — and Reese the low point of his career.

"That was a killer, the worst," he said recently, shaking his head.

The worst, but certainly not the only time the Dodgers came up short.

All through the 1940s and '50s, Brooklyn suffered from poor timing. The Dodgers often were the best the National League had, but not good enough to beat the New York Yankees. Seven times the teams met in the World Series; six times the Yankees prevailed.

"There was always something little that happened to change the outcome," Reese said. "We were as good as the Yankees, and we didn't fear the Yankees, but something always happened that made them win."

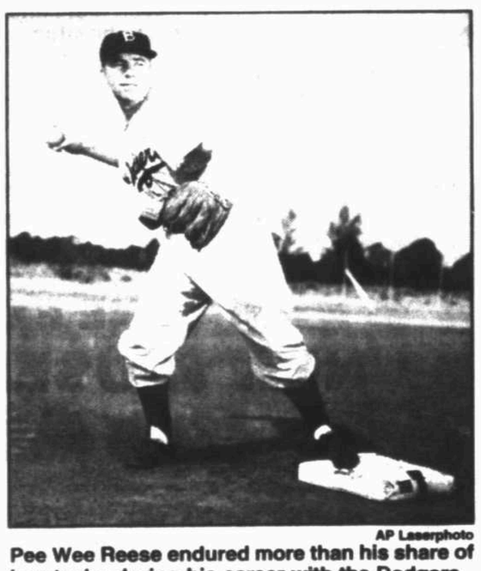
Elected to the Hall of Fame in 1984, Reese will be featured players in a five-part ESPN series about the Dodgers beginning Aug. 27. Jackie Robinson, Roy Campanella and Duke Snider also will be featured, followed by a retrospective on the Dodgers' rich history.

The series, entitled "The Original America's Team: The Brooklyn Dodgers," was written and produced by Mark Reese, Pee Wee's son.

The younger Reese said about 250 hours of interviews were taped for the series. There also was extensive research, and a bit of recollection, too.

"All the stories he told me, he didn't think I was listening," Mark Reese said of his childhood in a home of a baseball great. "But I was."

Pee Wee Reese, 78, still wears the ring he earned during the magical season of 1955, when Brooklyn finally beat the Yankees and won it all. And he's quick to note that it was his play on a ball hit by Elston Howard that clinched the championship, allowing next year to finally arrive.



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Pee Wee Reese endured more than his share of heartache during his career with the Dodgers.

"It was a beautiful time," he said, speaking not just of the championship but of the entire era, "a beautiful time to play ball."

These days, Reese still watches baseball. He sees a game that has changed a lot from the one he played, the one that took a Kentucky native named Harold with a good glove, clutch bat and the leadership of a colonel and let him come to be known by fans everywhere simply as Pee Wee.

"It's a different game, but I can still recognize it," he said.

Reese lists better equipment and the improved strength and speed of today's players as advances. On the downside, he thinks the game would be better with less flash and more attention to the fundamentals.

"You see a lot of diving, diving after ground balls and diving in the outfield," he said. "I never saw DiMaggio dive for a ball in my life."

Reese agrees that field conditions have improved, too, but disputes that the faster surface is as difficult to field on as old time dirt.

"You don't get too many bad bounces on that," he said of the turf. "They say the ball comes at you a little faster, but if you can't catch something that's coming a little faster, you don't belong up there."

Some players in today's game have won his admiration.

"I sat next to Cal Ripken at a baseball writers dinner ... and I said, 'Cal, I don't know how you did it,'" Reese said of the Baltimore Orioles' shortstop, whose major league record streak of games played keeps growing.

"The first year up, I got hit in Chicago when they had no background there and it was just white shirts. I got hit in the head without a helmet on and I was in the hospital for 18 days," Reese said.

"I broke my ankle, and I still played in more than 2,000 games. It's just impossible to play in that many games, especially at shortstop."

From his easy chair, Reese still enjoys watching a master pitcher, too, something he did regularly playing behind Dodgers starters Don Newcombe, Carl Erskine, Billy Loes and Russ Meyer and relief ace Clem Labine.

That's why he most enjoys the Atlanta Braves and Greg Maddux, whose style evokes memories of a different era in baseball, one where brushback pitches were common and bench-clearing brawls were not.

Last season during the World Series, Reese remembers Albert Belle crowding the plate and hitting a home run off Maddux in Game Five.

"The next hitter was (Eddie) Murray, and I mean to tell you, Maddux undressed him," Reese said, snickering. "I don't mean in a little close. It was right at his head, and you knew Maddux was making that pitch because he's not that wild. He can throw the ball on a dime somewhere."

Reese father and son choose not to consider their memories of how baseball used to be as anything more than that, memories they both share in the series that recalls a simpler, more passionate age.

"From the hard, cold eyes of the '90s, it's kind of hard to imagine (the way it used to be)," Mark Reese said. "But I guarantee that if you asked them, the players wouldn't trade what they had back then for anything.

"It was special."

Major League Stats

Batting

Through Aug. 23

American League

TEAM BATTING

	AB	R	H	HR	RBI	Pct
Texas	4558	766	1332	171	738	.292
Minnesota	4500	733	1312	97	678	.291
Cleveland	4547	750	1325	175	717	.291
New York	4389	670	1271	119	638	.289
Seattle	4506	787	1301	193	758	.288
Milwaukee	4523	740	1278	147	698	.282
Boston	4574	738	1290	177	703	.282
California	4525	626	1264	168	593	.279
Chicago	4539	727	1266	158	699	.278
Baltimore	4494	768	1243	203	739	.276
Kansas City	4486	609	1189	95	560	.265
Oakland	4570	693	1211	207	667	.264
Toronto	4480	640	1177	155	596	.262
Detroit	4372	641	1130	164	606	.258

INDIVIDUAL BATTING
Based on 300 plate appearances.

	AB	R	H	HR	RBI	Avg
ARodriguez Sea	467	114	170	31	103	.364
Knoblauch Min	469	114	164	10	61	.350
FThomas ChW	412	85	144	28	105	.350
Nilsson Mil	335	70	117	16	69	.349
RAlomar Bal	469	111	163	20	84	.348
Jefferson Bos	307	51	104	16	59	.339
Brosius Oak	302	61	102	21	61	.338
EMartinez Sea	385	95	130	22	86	.338
Molitor Min	526	88	177	8	97	.337
Greer Tex	478	87	160	16	90	.335
JGonzalez Tex	404	73	135	36	116	.334
Franco Cle	330	56	110	10	57	.333
Cirillo Mil	441	80	146	10	62	.331
Duncan NYY	305	45	100	6	47	.328
MVaughn Bos	505	99	165	37	117	.327
Edmonds Cal	312	55	101	23	57	.324
Thome Cle	399	95	128	28	89	.321
IRodriguez Tex	514	95	164	17	72	.319
Lofton Cle	545	101	173	12	59	.317
DaMartinez ChW	341	65	108	8	45	.317
Seitzer Mil	459	71	145	11	59	.316
McGwire Oak	329	82	104	43	85	.316
Boggs NYY	437	69	138	2	36	.316
Giambi Oak	465	78	146	20	75	.314
Cordova Min	452	80	141	12	94	.312
Higginson Det	327	59	102	20	64	.312
DJeter NYY	452	72	140	8	56	.310
TMartinez NYY	477	70	147	19	96	.308
Griffey Jr Sea	419	97	129	39	109	.308
Canseco Bos	325	65	100	28	77	.308
Hamilton Tex	495	80	152	4	42	.307
MRamirez Cle	438	77	134	26	91	.306
Vizquel Cle	440	79	134	8	54	.305
O'Neill NYY	453	78	138	15	73	.305
Stahoviak Min	326	65	99	10	50	.304
BeWilliams NYY	428	82	130	24	78	.304
Belle Cle	476	102	144	41	119	.303
CDavis Cal	425	60	128	26	79	.301
DWilson Sea	403	45	121	15	67	.300
Amaral Sea	270	59	81	0	28	.300
Naehring Bos	390	72	117	17	62	.300
JnValentin Bos	432	69	129	11	50	.299
Sorrento Sea	384	56	115	21	77	.299
Girardi NYY	342	47	102	1	38	.298
Velarde Cal	431	63	128	9	41	.297
Surhoff Bal	435	62	129	20	74	.297
Baines ChW	404	62	120	20	84	.297
McLemore Tex	416	68	123	4	38	.296
Jaha Mil	431	84	127	27	95	.295
ByAnderson Bal	438	86	129	38	88	.295
GAnderson Cal	499	69	145	10	51	.291
Roberts KC	285	34	83	0	46	.291
Offerman KC	436	60	126	3	34	.289
Cora Sea	436	71	126	3	39	.289
Durham ChW	448	66	129	9	51	.288
MLewis Det	446	62	128	11	47	.287
RPalmeiro Bal	491	91	141	30	113	.287
Bonilla Bal	470	83	135	18	88	.287
Vina Mil	427	75	122	5	38	.286
Lockhart KC	358	41	102	4	47	.285
Ventura ChW	464	72	132	29	84	.284
Palmer Tex	458	77	130	30	92	.284
WClark Tex	320	50	91	8	53	.284
CRipken Bal	507	75	144	21	86	.284
Berroa Oak	473	78	134	34	88	.283
Phillips ChW	458	99	129	11	56	.282
Steinbach Oak	423	64	119	30	86	.281
Cedeno Tor	282	44	79	2	17	.280
GVaughn Mil	375	78	105	31	95	.280
Salmon Cal	466	75	130	27	73	.279
CDelgado Tor	396	59	110	20	78	.278
Becker Min	392	75	109	9	49	.278
Mieske Mil	309	40	86	11	49	.278
Frye Bos	277	54	77	2	23	.278
Olerud Tor	324	57	90	17	51	.278
Green Tor	332	38	92	11	39	.277
TGoodwin KC	462	69	128	1	32	.277
Damon KC	442	52	122	6	47	.276
JsValentin Mil	450	77	124	21	79	.276
Macfarlane KC	303	48	83	15	43	.274
Nixon Tor	412	76	113	1	18	.274
Meares Min	414	54	113	7	57	.273
Buhner Sea	441	83	120	36	115	.272
Paquette KC	313	49	84	18	55	.268
Stanley Bos	389	68	99	23	68	.268
Baerga Cle	424	54	113	10	55	.267
Bragg Bos	290	54	77	9	33	.266
O'Leary Bos	410	58	109	13	69	.266
Murray Bal	448	55	119	19	64	.266
Guillen ChW	427	58	113	4	41	.265
Curtis Det	400	55	105	10	37	.262
Fryman Det	485	70	127	18	82	.262
Hoiles Bal	325	57	85	22	60	.262
SAlomar Cle	340	41	89	7	41	.262
Sierra Det	432	52	113	12	63	.262
DiSarcina Cal	431	52	112	5	42	.260
Snow Cal	460	55	119	14	58	.259
Herrera Oak	283	38	73	6	27	.258
Nieves Det	310	54	80	21	51	.258
Tucker KC	328	52	84	11	49	.256
Fielder NYY	476	71	122	32	96	.256
Elster Tex	420	66	107	21	87	.255
Carter Tor	510	74	130	26	94	.255
AGonzalez Tor	436	49	109	9	52	.250
Tettleton Tex	390	66	97	18	66	.249
Sprague Tor	460	72	114	31	84	.248
DHollins Min	409	71	101	13	53	.247
Tartabull ChW	367	42	89	18	69	.243
Listach Mil	317	51	76	1	33	.240
Devereaux Bal	307	46	72	8	34	.235
Young Oak	376	55	88	15	50	.234
DHoward KC	371	45	85	4	41	.229
Bordick Oak	424	33	95	5	42	.224
DLewis ChW	316	48	70	4	48	.222
Karkovice ChW	339	44	74	10	37	.218
Matheny Mil	289	29	61	6	44	.211

National League

TEAM BATTING

	AB	R	H	HR	RBI	Pct
Colorado	4488	769	1297	180	731	.288
New York	4471	612	1222	124	573	.273
Atlanta	4410	627	1195	162	598	.270
St. Louis	4353	600	1160	117	562	.266
Montreal	4357	622	1161	128	587	.266
Houston	4404	628	1171	112	585	.265
San Diego	4524	633	1190	116	587	.263
Pittsburgh	4486	585	1181	111	560	.263
San Francisco	4339	603	1110	129	565	.255
Florida	4375	535	1113	117	508	.254
Cincinnati	4282	585	1091	140	552	.254
Chicago	4314	620	1098	146	584	.254
Philadelphia	4375	517	1106	112	479	.252
Los Angeles	4382	542	1100	120	513	.251

INDIVIDUAL BATTING
Based on 300 plate appearances.

	AB	R	H	HR	RBI	Avg
Eisenreich Phi	311	40	110	2	34	.354
TGwynn SD	323	51	112	3	40	.347
EYoung Col	448	95	154	8	62	.344
Grace ChC	423	68	145	7	68	.343
Piazza LA	430	68	146	30	81	.340
Burks Col	501	117	168	34	105	.335
CpJones Atl	479	97	153	28	98	.319
Gilkey NYM	473	93	151	27	99	.319
Bichette Col	518	96	165	25	111	.319
LJohnson NYM	541	92	172	8	55	.318
BJordan StL	407	69	126	14	85	.310
Grissom Atl	546	90	169	19	59	.310
Sheffield Fla	435	95	135	36	99	.310
Biggio Hou	480	97	149	14	65	.310
Castilla Col	505	75	156	31	92	.309
Bagwell Hou	451	85	139	27	99	.308
Larkin Cin	413	88	127	25	69	.308
Kendall Pit	336	40	103	1	37	.307
Bonds SF	437	101	134	35	107	.307
Caminiti SD	425	82	130	29	97	.306
Grudzielanek Mon	516	84	157	5	37	.304
Mabry StL	441	50	134	11	61	.304
Galarraga Col	497	89	151	38	121	.304
Vizcaino NYM	363	47	110	1	32	.303
MaWilliams SF	404	69	122	22	85	.302
Lansing Mon	504	82	151	11	48	.300
Dunston SF	287	27	86	5	25	.300
ERenteria Fla	290	45	86	3	23	.297
EDavis Cin	327	65	97	21	69	.297
Morris Cin	403	59	119	9	54	.295
Martin Pit	515	78	151	15	57	.293
Colbrunn Fla	406	47	119	11	52	.293
Finley SD	526	103	154	20	74	.293
Kent NYM	335	45	97	9	39	.290
Conine Fla	482	66	140	21	75	.290
Merced Pit	366	59	106	17	57	.290
Joyner SD	324	51	94	7	51	.290
McGriff Atl	500	64	144	23	86	.288
Weiss Col	444	78	127	6	39	.286
Hollandsworth LA	351	41	100	8	46	.285
McRae ChC	495	90	141	10	49	.285
Klesko Atl	429	77	122	30	79	.284
Alou Mon	429	74	122	17	80	.284
JeReed Col	279	30	79	7	31	.283
Santangelo Mon	291	44	82	6	47	.282
Mondesi LA	497	73	140	19	62	.282
DFletcher Mon	333	40	94	12	55	.282
Clayton StL	396	54	111	4	25	.280
BLHunter Hou	401	59	112	4	28	.279
Segui Mon	294	47	82	6	36	.279
Jefferies Phi	294	42	82	5	33	.279
Huskey NYM	349	33	97	12	51	.278
Lankford StL	435	85	121	20	71	.278
Gonzalez ChC	376	50	104	10	62	.277
Berry Hou	368	48	101	13	73	.274
King Pit	486	76	133	25	93	.274
Miller Hou	363	38	99	12	48	.273
HRodriguez Mon	450	74	123	32	91	.273
Hundley NYM	432	72	118	38	99	.273
Sosa ChC	498	84	136	40	100	.273
Otero Phi	309	36	84	2	26	.272
Pagnozzi StL	305	36	83	11	43	.272
JLopez Atl	387	44	105	18	57	.271
DBell Hou	505	73	137	16	102	.271
Javier SF	274	44	74	2	22	.270
Gagne LA	312	34	84	8	38	.269
Gaetti StL	402	55	108	17	60	.269
Servais ChC	355	39	95	10	47	.268
Blowers LA	317	31	84	6	38	.265
Zeile Phi	483	60	128	20	78	.265
Ordonez NYM	405	42	106	0	20	.262
Morandini Phi	434	54	111	2	22	.262
DvWhite Fla	448	57	117	10	57	.262
Santiago Phi	391	58	102	23	69	.261
Cameron SF	292	40	76	9	51	.260
Andrews Mon	314	41	81	17	61	.258
Lemke Atl	382	49	100	4	31	.255
Karros LA	451	62	122	27	85	.254
Veras Fla	253	40	64	4	14	.253
JHernandez ChC	281	44	71	10	37	.253
RSanders Cin	392	49	71	14	33	.252
Gant StL	317	56	80	25	70	.252
RHenderson SD	391	92	98	7	24	.251
Hayes Pit	444	51	111	10	61	.250
Benard SF	377	63	94	4	20	.249
Alicea StL	305	41	76	4	36	.249
LGomez ChC	314	41	78	17	54	.248
Pendleton Atl	443	35	109	8	61	.246
Whiten Atl	272	45	66	10	38	.243
Stocker Phi	290	30	68	5	35	.234
Boone Cin	387	43	90	10	55	.233
Sandberg ChC	444	67	102	20	69	.230
DeShields LA	480	66	110	5	36	.229
RWilkins SF	307	43	70	10	38	.228
JBell Pit	428	47	97	7	49	.227
JoRead SD	401	37	90	1	37	.224
CJohnson Fla	316	29	67	12	31	.212

Pitching

American League

TEAM PITCHING

	ERA	H	ER	BB	SO	ShO	SA
Cleveland	4.44	1239	572	388	814	7	36
Chicago	4.53	1220	590	512	839	3	36
Kansas City	4.58	1268	597	379	717	7	27
Toronto	4.71	1185	601	507	813	6	25
Texas	4.74	1239	606	483	775	6	34
New York	4.75	1168	597	499	881	7	46
Boston	5.01	1306	648	571	932	4	26
Baltimore	5.17	1274	663	478	778	0	31
Oakland	5.27	1325	691	527	719	1	29
Milwaukee	5.29	1261	679	530	639	2	32
Minnesota	5.33	1239	674	455	780	5	26
Seattle	5.40	1268	680	494	819	2	25
California	5.44	1255	693	526	832	6	34
Detroit	6.47	1342	813	613	743	3	19

INDIVIDUAL PITCHING
Based on 13 decisions.

	IP	H	BB	SO	W	L	ERA
Guzman Tor	171	144	52	154	10	8	2.99
Appier KC	168	146	62	156	11	9	3.32
Hentgen Tor	207	182	63	132	18	7	3.43
KHill Tex	205	201	77	139	14	7	3.46
AFernandez ChW	200	198	62	156	12	8	3.55
Nagy Cle	174	178	52	124	12	4	3.72
Clemens Bos	190	179	63	198	7	11	3.84
Hershiser Cle	168	189	46	99	13	7	3.96
Alvarez ChW	179	166	75	159	14	6	3.97
Belcher KC	189	208	61	90	12	8	4.00
Gooden NYY	149	134	73	110	11	5	4.22
McDonald Mil	173	186	55	106	10	3	4.25
Tapani ChW	185	189	59	124	11	8	4.27
Pettitte NYY	166	178	60	118	18	7	4.28
DeMartinez Cle	111	120	36	48	9	6	4.37
Pavlik Tex	168	166	62	110	14	6	4.54
Radke Min	184	183	45	122	8	13	4.54
Olivares Det	131	127	61	72	7	8	4.60
Finley Cal	187	193	73	171	12	12	4.61
BWells Sea	114	118	41	85	11	5	4.66
Boskie Cal	155	184	47	108	12	6	4.74
Mussina Bal	193	213	52	153	16	8	4.79
DWells Bal	182	199	38	96	9	12	4.84
Haney KC	180	217	40	83	9	12	4.88
Robertson Min	153	159	90	103	6	12	4.88
Key NYY	130	133	47	94	9	10	4.90
Rogers NYY	152	156	72	77	10	7	4.96
DOliver Tex	139	152	65	87	10	8	5.04
FRodriguez Min	155	166	56	78	11	10	5.11
Gubicza KC	119	132	34	55	4	12	5.13
Erickson Bal	170	206	55	72	8	10	5.13
JMcDowell Cle	152	172	53	113	10	8	5.14
Karl Mil	157	167	63	89	10	6	5.15
Wengert Oak	130	153	48	63	6	9	5.18
Reyes Oak	101	116	49	71	6	10	5.22
Gordon Bos	171	192	82	139	9	6	5.32
Hitchcock Sea	159	198	64	109	12	6	5.35
Linton KC	85	92	21	72	5	8	5.40
Wakefield Bos	158	197	66	115	10	11	5.50
Quantrill Tor	107	147	41	72	4	12	5.53
KeGross Tex	118	139	49	71	10	7	5.54
Sele Bos	127	157	57	110	5	9	5.60
Wolcott Sea	130	161	48	68	7	10	5.65
Lira Det	158	180	52	94	6	10	5.67
Johns Oak	151	173	62	68	6	12	5.70
BWitt Tex	159	192	81	124	12	9	5.71
Bones Mil	144	170	62	59	7	14	5.86
Hanson Tor	164	195	84	116	11	15	6.08
Wasdin Oak	105	116	43	63	7	6	6.32
BrWilliams Det	110	135	74	61	3	10	6.93
Gohr Cal	106	152	41	68	5	9	7.13
JAbbott Cal	116	137	72	46	1	15	7.79

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TEAM PITCHING

	ERA	H	ER	BB	SO	ShO	SA
Atlanta	3.20	1044	414	334	4	8	38
Los Angeles	3.51	1116	451	406	965	7	37
San Diego	3.79	1131	504	405

Fishing Report

The Associated Press

By Chester Moore

AUSTIN — The weekly fishing report as compiled by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department:

WEST

ARROWHEAD: Water clear; low; 84 degrees; black bass to 5 pounds are good on spinners and worms; white bass are fair to good on live bait and spoons; crappie are fair to good on minnows and jigs fished over deep brush; catfish are fair on rod and reels baited with minnows and shrimp.

KEMP: Water fairly clear; low; 86 degrees; black bass to 7 pounds are fair on spinners, topwaters and worms; striped bass are good on live bait; catfish are fair to good on trotlines baited with bait.

OAK CREEK: Water clear; low; 81 degrees; black bass are fair on topwaters and crank baits; white bass are fair on spoons; crappie are fair on minnows fished over deep water brush piles; catfish are slow.

O.H.IVIE: Water clear on main lake, murky in upper end and tributaries; lake level 1541; 81 degrees; black bass and smallmouth to 3 + pounds are slow on plastic worms and buzz baits; crappie are fair on minnows fished in 20 to 30 feet of water in the creeks, coves and ridges at night; white bass are fair; crappie are fair on minnows fished in 20 to 30 feet of water; catfish are fair on trotlines baited with cut bait fished over baited holes; yellow catfish are fair on trotlines baited with live perch.

POSSUM KINGDOM: Water clear; low; 83 degrees; black bass are good on topwaters fished early and on spinners fished during the day; striped and white bass are fair on slabs fished on the main lake; crappie are fair on minnows fished around the docks; catfish are good on rod and reels baited with cut bait and on trotlines baited with live perch.

SPENCE: Water clear; lake level 1854; 82 degrees; black bass are fair on spinners and chartreuse jigs; striped bass are good on shad; blue and channel catfish are fair on rod and reels baited with shad and prepared bait; yellow catfish are slow to fair on live perch.

WHITE RIVER: Water clear; low; 85 degrees; black bass to 5 pounds are good on worms and black spinners; crappie are fair to good on minnows and jigs; channel catfish are good on rod and reels baited with shrimp and cheese bait; yellow catfish are slow.

CENTRAL

BASTROP: Water clear; 16 inches low; 90 degrees; black bass to 5 pounds are fair to good on worms; crappie are fair to good on minnows and jigs fished in 25 feet of water; catfish are slow.

BELTON: Water clear; low; 81 degrees; black bass to 3 pounds are good on spinners; white bass and hybrids are fair to good on slabs and jigging spoons; crappie are fair on minnows and Fle-Flies; catfish are slow.

BROWNWOOD: Water clear; normal level; 84 degrees; black bass to 4 pounds are good on spinners, worms and Rat-L-Traps; hybrid stripers are good on live bait and spoons; crappie are slow on minnows and jigs; channel catfish are fair on rod and reels baited with shrimp and worms.

BUCHANAN: Water fairly clear; low; 86 degrees; black bass to 6 pounds are good on topwaters fished early and late and on crank baits; striped bass are good on live shad; white bass are fair on slabs; crappie are fair on minnows fished over deep water brush piles; catfish are fair on rod and reels and trotlines baited with large minnows and prepared bait.

DECKER: Water fairly clear; normal level; 82 degrees; black bass are fair to good on live bait and spinners; hybrid stripers are very good on shad; crappie are fair on minnows fished over brush; catfish are good on Magic Bait.

FAYETTE: Water fairly clear; low; 89 degrees; black bass to 4 pounds are good on live water dogs and topwaters; catfish are good on nightcrawlers and prepared bait.

GIBBONS CREEK: Water clear; low; 86 degrees; black bass are good on worms, spinners and topwaters; catfish are good on rod and reels baited with stink bait and shad.

LBJ: Water clear; lake full; 85 degrees; black bass to 6 pounds are good on spinners and Carolina-rigged worms; white bass are good on slabs and spoons; crappie are fair on minnows and jigs fished over brush; catfish are fair on liver and and shad..

SOMERVILLE: Water murky; low; 82 degrees; black bass are fair on live shiners, spinners and Rat-L-Traps; crappie are fair on minnows and jigs fished over brush and around boat houses; catfish are fair on rod and reels baited with minnows and cut bait.

SQUAW CREEK: Water clear; 2 feet low; 98 degrees; very few fishermen out due to water conditions.

TRAVIS: Water clear; very low; 85 degrees; black bass to 3 pounds are good on topwaters and spinners; striped and white bass are good on live bait; crappie are slow on minnows and jigs fished around boat houses; catfish are fair on rod and reels baited with shrimp and cheese bait.

WHITNEY: Water clear; 11 feet low; 84 degrees; black bass and small mouth to 3 pounds are fair on spinners; striped bass to 9 pounds are very good on live perch and shad with limits caught daily; white bass to 2 pounds are good on "critter getters" and Road Runners; crappie are slow; catfish to 6 pounds are good on prepared bait, shrimp and worms.

NORTHEAST

ATHENS: Water fairly clear; 82 degrees; black bass to 5 pounds are good on black and pumpkin worms; crappie are fair on minnows fished at night; catfish are slow.

BOB SANDLIN: Water clear; 4 + feet low; 86 degrees; black bass to 7 pounds are good on topwaters and Rat-L-Traps; catfish are fair to good on nightcrawlers and shad.

CYPRESS SPRINGS: Water fairly clear; low; 84 degrees; black bass to 4 + pounds are fair on spinners and Carolina-rigged worms; crappie are fair on minnows and jigs fished over brush piles in 8 to 12 feet of water; catfish are good on nightcrawlers and shrimp.

FORK: Water clear; low; 82 degrees; black bass to 10 pounds are good on topwaters and Carolina-rigged worms; crappie are fair to good on minnows and jigs fished under the bridges; catfish are fair on cut bait and shrimp.

GRAPEVINE: Water fairly clear; low; 85 degrees; black bass are fair on Carolina-rigged worms and small spinners; white bass are slow; catfish are ir to good on rod and reels baited with chicken liver.

JOE POOL: Water fairly clear; low; 83 degrees; black bass to 4 pounds are fair on topwaters fished early and late and on worms fished during the day; crappie are slow; catfish are slow.

MONTICELLO: Water clear; normal level; 87 degrees; black bass are good on crank baits and black worms fished in 10 to 20 feet of water; catfish are very good on shrimp and Canadian crawlers fished in 12 to 28 feet of water.

PALESTINE: Water fairly clear; low; 81 degrees; black bass to 5 pounds are fair to good on spinners and crank baits; white bass are good on spoons and live bait; crappie are fair on minnows and jigs fished around the marinas; catfish are fair on rod and reels Baie with shrimp and prepared bait.

PURTIS CREEK: Water stained; low; 89 degrees; black bass to 5 pounds are good on topwaters fished early and late and on spinners and worms fished during the day; crappie are slow on minnows and jigs; catfish are slow; bream are fair on crickets and worms.

RAY HUBBARD: Water clear; low; 83 degrees; black bass to 6 pounds are fair to good on worms and crank baits; crappie are slow to fair on minnows and jigs fished over brush and around the marinas; catfish are good on prepared baits and soap.

RAY ROBERTS: Water clear; normal level; 83 degrees; black bass to 4 pounds are good on minnows and Carolina-rigged worms; crappie are fair to good on small minnows; catfish are good on rod and reels baited with minnows and prepared baits and on cut baited trotlines.

RICHLAND-CHAMBERS: Water fairly clear; low; 80 degrees; black bass are to 5 pounds good on worms and spinners; white bass are good on minnows, small Rat-L-Traps and spoons; crappie are fair on minnows fished in the backs of creeks; catfish are good on shrimp and shad.

TAWAKONI: Water clear; 5 feet low; 81 degrees; black bass to 7 pounds are good on worms and topwaters; striped bass are fair to good on spoons; white bass are fair on slabs; crappie are fair on minnows and jigs fished in shallow water; catfish are fair on blood bait, worms and chicken liver.

TEXOMA: Water fairly clear; lake level 617.23; 83 degrees; black bass to 6 pounds are good on spinners and topwaters fished early and late; striped bass are good on slabs and live bait; crappie are fair on minnows and jigs fished in 12 to 30 feet of water; catfish are good on shrimp, stink bait, frozen shad and live minnows.

SOUTHEAST

CONROE: Water fairly clear; low; 83 degrees; black bass to 7 pounds are good on spinners and purple worms; white bass are fair on live minnows, slabs and spoons; crappie are fair on minnows fished over brush piles; catfish are fair on rod and reels baited with cheese and cut bait.

HOUSTON COUNTY: Water clear; normal level; 82 degrees; black bass to 6 + pounds are good on Power Worms; crappie are slow to fair on minnows and jigs fished around the islands; catfish are fair on shrimp and worms.

LIVINGSTON: Water fairly clear; lake level 127; 83 degrees; black bass to 4 pounds are fair on crank baits, Bass Assassins and small buzz baits; white bass are slow to fair on yellow & chartreuse Charlie slabs; striped bass are slow: catfish are fair on rod and reels and trotlines baited with live and cut perch.

RAYBURN: Water clear; 14 feet low; 82 degrees; black bass up to 10 pounds are good on spinners, topwaters and crank baits; crappie are fair on minnows and jigs fished around boat houses; catfish are good on trotlines baited with cut and prepared bait.

TOLEDO BEND: Water clear; 7 feet low; 83 degrees; black bass to 10 pounds are good on topwaters fished early and late; crappie are slow to fair on minnows fished over deep water brush piles and over baited holes; catfish are fair on rod and reels and trotlines.

SOUTH AMISTAD: Water clear; very low; 85 degrees; black bass to 6 pounds are fair on spinners, Zara Spooks and Power Worms; striped bass are good on topwaters fished on the main lake; white bass are fair on slabs and spoons; catfish are fair on rod and reels baited with shrimp and cut bait.

BRAUNIG: Water stained; close to normal level; 85 degrees; black bass are fair to good on Power Worms and spinners; hybrid stripers are good on crawfish and chicken liver; redfish are fair on perch; channel and blue catfish are fair on rod and reels baited with nightcrawlers and shrimp.

CALAVERAS: Water clear; normal level; 85 degrees; black bass are good on Power Worms; hybrid stripers are good on chicken liver, minnows and spoons; redfish are fair on perch fished from the banks; catfish are good on Bob's Cheese Bait; corvina are slow.

CHOKE: Water fairly clear; very low; 86 degrees; black bass to 8 pounds are good on topwaters fished early and late and on spinners and Rat-L-Traps fished during the day; white bass are fair on slabs and live bait fished on the river; catfish are good on rod and reels baited with cut and cheese bait.

FALCON: Water fairly clear; very low; 81 degrees; black bass to 5 pounds are good on topwaters and spinners; striped bass are good on spoons and live bait; catfish are good on rod and reels baited with shrimp and prepared bait; exercise extreme caution in navigating lake.

MEDINA: Water clear; 40 feet low; black bass to 4 pounds are fair to good on topwaters fished over main lake schools; striped bass are fair on live bait; catfish are slow; exercisé extreme caution in navigating lake.

COASTAL

NORTH SABINE: Redfish are good on mullet fished under a popping cork and on the bottom on the Louisiana side of the lake and under the birds; trout are good on shrimp and mullet fished under a popping cork and on Shrimptails and spoons fished under the birds; flounder are fair to good on shad, minnows and a glow & chartreuse jigs fished around Burton's Ditch and in the Sabine and Neches Rivers; live bait is scarce.

SOUTH SABINE: Redfish are fair to good on mullet and Rat-L-Traps fished over the reefs and on live shrimp, silver and gold spoons fished at the jetties; trout are good on Shrimptails and Rat-L-Traps fished over the reefs and under the birds on the main lake and on live shrimp fished at the jetties; flounder are fair on live mud minnows, finger mullet and jigs fished on the Louisiana shoreline; offshore fishing has been good for snapper, ling and king mackerel; live bait is scarce.

BOLIVAR PENINSULA: Redfish are good on cut bait and live shrimp fished from the piers; speckled trout are good on live shrimp, Shrimp Tails and Jumpin Minnows fished from the piers and under the birds in the surf, also some action at Rollover Pass; flounder are fair on mud minnows fished on the Louisiana side of the lake; shark are good on cut bait and Shrimptails; live bait is available at $11 a quart.

TRINITY BAY: Redfish are good on live shrimp and finger mullet fished on the points and on Cocahoe Minnows; trout are good on live shrimp and Mirrolures fished under the birds; live bait is available at $11 a quart.

EAST GALVESTON BAY: Redfish are fair to good on live shrimp and Mirrolures fished near the Intracoastal Canal and the islands; trout are good on live shrimp, croaker and Shrimptails fished over the reef and under the birds; live bait available at $11 a quart.

WEST GALVESTON BAY: Redfish are good on live finger mullet and Shrimptails fished around the jetties and in San Luis Pass; trout are fair on Shrimptails, Kelly Wigglers and live shrimp fished in San Luis Pass and at the jetties; live bait is available at $10-11 a quart.

GALVESTON SURF: Redfish are good on mullet fished from the piers; trout are good on live shrimp fished from the piers at night; shark are good on cut bait; sheepshead are fair to good on shrimp and crab; offshore fishing has been good for snapper when the weather is permissible; live bait is available at $10-12 a quart.

TEXAS CITY: Redfish are fair on shrimp and mullet; trout are fair to good on live shrimp; sheepshead are fair to good on live shrimp; live bait is available at $11-12 a quart.

FREEPORT: Redfish are fair to good on Shrimptails and cut bait fished in the surf; trout are fair to good on live shrimp, Mirrolures, spoons; billfish are fair to good offshore; live bait is available at $11 a quart.

PORT OCONNOR: Redfish are fair to good on live bait, Cocahoe Minnows and Rat-L-Traps fished in the surf and in Coon Island Bay; trout are good on live shrimp and Mirrolures; offshore fishing has been good for ling, snapper, and king mackerel when the weather is permissible; live bait is available at $9-11 a quart.

EAST MATAGORDA: Redfish are fair to good on shad, Cocahoe Minnows and live shrimp fished in Caney Creek; trout are good on live shrimp fished under the birds on the main lake; live bait is available at $9-11 a quart.

MATAGORDA: Redfish are good on live shrimp, finger mullet and topwaters; trout are good on live shrimp and Shrimptails fished under the birds; offshore fishing has been good for snapper, ling, and king mackerel when the weather is permissible; live bait is available at $9-12 a quart.

MATAGORDA SURF: Redfish are good on cut bait and shrimp fished along the south shoreline; trout are good on live shrimp, topwaters and spoons; shark are good on cut bait; live bait is available at $9-11 a quart.

ROCKPORT: Redfish are good on mullet and Shrimptails fished in the surf and at the jetties; trout are fair to good on live shrimp fished under the birds; offshore fishing has been good for red snapper, ling and king mackerel when the weather is permissible; live bait is available at $9-11 a quart.

PALACIOS: Redfish are good on mullet, shrimp and Rat-L-Traps fished at the jetties and in the mouth of the Tres Palacios River; trout are good on Shrimptails, Mirrolures and silver topwaters fished under the birds, at the Baptist Encampment and at the jetties; live bait is available at $9-12 a quart.

PORT ARANSAS: Redfish are fair on shrimp, Rat-L-Traps and Cocahoe Minnows fished along major points; trout are fair to good on live shrimp, croaker, spoons and Mirrolures; offshore fishing has been good for snapper and mackerel when the weather is permissible.

BAFFIN BAY: Redfish are good on live shrimp and croaker; trout are fair to good on live shrimp, and Shrimp Tails fished under the birds; flounder are fair on live finger mullet and jigs; live bait is available at $9-12 a quart.

CORPUS CHRISTI: Redfish are good on live shrimp and spoons fished at the jetties and at the Boat Hole; trout are fair to good on Cocahoe Minnows and live shrimp fished at the jetties and under the birds; live bait is available at $9-12 a quart.

PORT MANSFIELD: Redfish are good on live shrimp and finger mullet fished under a popping cork at the jetties and in the surf; trout are good on live shrimp, strawberry Shrimptails, Rat-L-Traps and Cocahoe Minnows; live bait is available at $9-12 a quart.

SOUTH PADRE: Redfish are good on cut bait, finger mullet and gold spoons; trout are fair to good on live shrimp, Mirrolures, Rat-L-Traps and topwaters; shark are good on cut bait fished in the surf..

PORT ISABEL: Redfish are good on live shrimp fished under a popping cork and gold spoons fished at the jetties; trout are fair to good on live shrimp, Shrimptails and silver spoons; tarpon are good at the jetties and offshore; snapper, shark, dolphin and ling are good offshore; live bait is available at $9-12 a quart.

Prop-er equipment

Double propeller means faster boat engines

■ Alabama boat show premiers newest addition to world of fishing boats.

By Bill Schulz
Associated Press Writer

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — You know something's different about this outboard motor. It just takes a couple of minutes to figure out what it is.

■ In the Wild

The answer: two props.

They counter-rotate on what appears to be a single shaft, with the forward prop spinning counterclockwise and the aft one going clockwise.

"What it means is the boat lifts quickly onto plane," said spokesman Mike Walker, a spokesman for Yamaha and its Pro V Max 150. "Bow rise is minimal. Because you're on plane and level sooner, your ride is safer."

The aft propeller is 13 inches in diameter, one inch smaller than the forward.

"That engine, with its two propellers, gives 60 percent more propeller blade area" than a conventional motor with a single, larger prop, Walker said. Tests using identically rigged boats and the same drivers showed a 3- to 5-mph improvement in speed.

"It means if you're not pushing a big, fat boat, you're going to get out there faster than the rest of the guys," Walker said while previewing the 1997 model at the BASS Masters Classic boat show.

The counter-rotating propellers negate the torque, which tends to make a single-prop motor shove its boat in a circle.

"With the counter-rotation, once you get up on plane, you can steer with your fingertips. You don't need hydraulic steering" to keep the boat safely and comfortably under control, Walker said.



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Amber Goggins, 7, of Sylacauga, Ala. examines one of Yamaha's counter-rotating double props on a bass boat at the BASS Masters Classic boat show in Birmingham, Ala. The Pro V Max 150 utilizes two propellers on a single shaft with the forward prop spinning counterclockwise and the aft prop spinning clockwise.

The idea of counter-rotating propellers is not new. It's been used on aircraft for decades. Volvo came out with a stern drive for boats using the concept about a decade ago, and Mercury introduced one in the early '90s. But it is a first for an outboard motor, and industry observers feel there will be a market for it.

In the race for better performance, Yamaha engineers became convinced the gearing, not the powerhead, was the place to find a winner, said Robin Senger, Yamaha product manager. An engineer in Japan refused to give up on the idea of counter-rotating props and "a couple of years ago, they had a prototype they brought over here for us to try," Senger said.

The key was a pair of locking clutches that connect the drive shaft to two propshafts, one inside the other, simultaneously. The outer propshaft drives the forward prop, the inner propshaft drives the aft prop.

The system required specially tempered, "bigger and beefier gears with more teeth engaged at one time," Senger said by telephone.

Props then had to be developed for the system. This is not a motor where the average angler can try to improve performance by swapping props.

The first shipments from Yamaha's plant in Hamamatsu, Japan, were made this summer. The target market for the motor is the bass fisherman and owners of boats in the 17- to 22-foot class.

The price is $13,920, or about $1,000 more than an equivalent 150-horsepower motor, Walker said, but the boater gets the difference back in the accessories.

The price includes both props, while the prop is a $400 extra on many motors, and there's no need to buy a $1,200 hydraulic steering system for the Pro V Max.

Cuba largemouths pull fast one

By Mike Leggett
Austin American-Statesman

AUSTIN — Back in the early 1980s, Cuba largemouth bass joined cigars on the most-wanted list of exports from the little island with the Communist government.

Bass breeders, bass catchers and bass biologists proclaimed the fish to be the next big thing in fishing. So great were the claims and exclaims about the Cuba bass — fast growing, super sized and extremely aggressive — that everyone thought the millennium was coming early for anglers.

Something happened, though, between Cuba and Texas. The revolution never happened. A few fish made it into the state and were even spawned out and stocked in a few places by Texas Parks and Wildlife.

Cuba bass were the hot item in the power political set, too. When TPWD took it on the chin for providing special stocking favors for politicians and influence brokers, Cuba bass were there.

But that practice was scuttled and the Cuba bass movement lost momentum and played out. And for a very good reason.

"Look where they (the fish) came from," said Dick Luebke, head of Heart of the Hills Research Station in Ingram. "Those fish came from Florida originally. They were Florida bass. We ran some genetic analyses on those bass and they were just Florida bass. They were no different than any other Florida bass."

Luebke said the largemouth bass from Cuba were stocked at the perfect time in terms of growth potential.

"The country was building lakes," he said. "There was an abundance of food and very light fishing pressure. They were to very large sizes, but there was nothing special about the fish. Evolutionary changes don't take place in 30, 40 or 50 years."

Those conclusions were echoed by Bill Harvey, regulations coordinator for TPWD. During the Cuba bass fanaticism of the 1980s, Harvey worked as a fisheries biologist in charge of the hatchery in San Marcos. He made more than one trip to Cuba to research the fish, the lakes and the possible applications of the fish for Texas.

"For a long time, it was against the law for citizens to fish in any of those lakes down there," Harvey said. Military presence around the reservoirs was strong and no one dared even to take bass for food. Having not been pressured at all since they were stocked, the largemouths grew to gargantuan sizes.

The first Americans who made it into Cuba to fish, before the U.S. government banned all non-scientific or journalistic travel to the island nation, found tremendous fishing for very large bass. The legend was made overnight and biologists and anglers began clamoring for stocking populations.

"There was a lot of political pressure about that because those were the people who were going in there,' Luebke said. "There was a lot of hoopla, but it just played itself out. They didn't run circles around any other Florida bass."

The main reason was that Texas already had good stocks of pure Florida largemouths in both state and private hatcheries. "We could go to Florida if we needed," Luebke said. "Even California has pure Florida bass."

And it's Florida bass upon which the national big-bass craze has been based, Luebke said. "There is plainly a difference between Florida bass and northern largemouths in terms of growth potential and catchability," he said. "The Cuba bass were Florida bass. The rest of it sound like salesmanship to me. They might bring a higher price."

"What happened in Cuba is what happens when you put an exotic anywhere," Luebke said. "There aren't the normal checks on them and they capitalize on the situation. The right situation is the key. All those fish have the opportunity to shine in the right situation."

Providing that is what TPWD's fisheries research and hatchery work is all about now, Luebke said. "We have one of the best aquatic programs in the country," he said. "We have a definite plan for producing them that keeps our stocks diverse. Diversity has been a problem in fish hatcheries all over the country, but we don't have it here."

Sufficient pure stocks exist in Texas and elsewhere to keep TPWD well inventoried. Cuba bass haven't been part of the picture for several years, even though there is still considerable interest in them for private lake stockings and even for anglers wishing to fish one of the many lakes on the island.

Harvey said, though, that the people able to make their way into Cuba to fish aren't finding the same kind of experience they once did. "Those lakes that were so pristine and productive aren't nearly as good now," he said. Silting, subsistence fishing and agricultural use of the shores surrounding many of the lakes has hurt trophy bass production and even the habitats themselves.

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NASCAR's oldest superspeedway gets boost

By Pete Iacobelli
AP Sports Writer

DARLINGTON, S.C. — Forget your fan-friendly mega-speedways and comfortable luxury boxes. Forget the talk of crumbling old-time racetracks built for bootleggers' boys and rednecks being swept aside for gleaming new corporate palaces.

For all the new fans and sponsors coming to NASCAR, the sport's biggest story could unfold at Darlington Raceway, its oldest superspeedway.

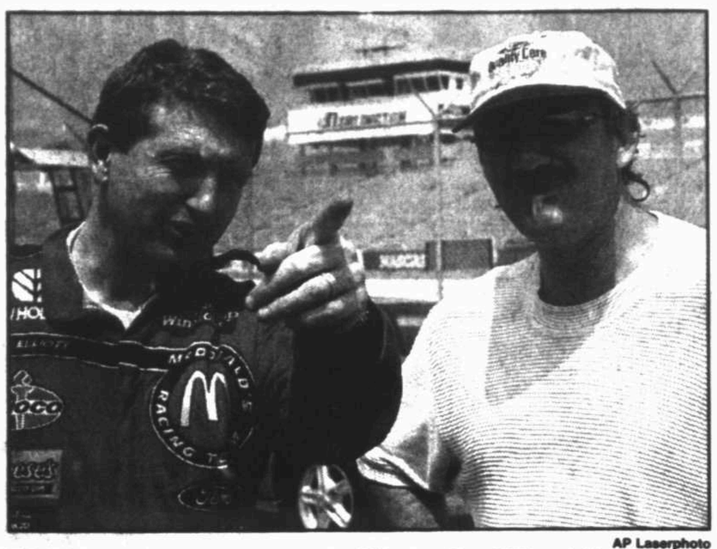
When Dale Jarrett lines up to go for the Winston Million in the Southern 500 on Sept. 1, he'll do it basically on the same layout as Fireball Roberts and Buck Baker ran on back in the 1950s.

"Darlington needs a pretty good shot in the arm," said Robert Yates, owner of the Ford Thunderbird driven by Jarrett, who is seeking the $1 million bonus to winners of three of the sport's four major races.

"I'd at least like to see Darlington keep the Southern 500 every September," Yates said. "Maybe this will keep Darlington where it needs to be."

And where it has been since Harold Brasington cleared out a field and avoided a fish pond on his farm to form the track's unique oval in 1949.

The raceway quickly became a regular stop on NASCAR's circuit and joined Daytona as one of the series' most famous tracks. Drivers coveted a Southern 500 title like no other because it meant successfully swinging through the tight course and finishing free of the tricky turns.



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Bill Elliott, the only driver to win the Winston Cup Million, talks with Dale Jarrett, right. Jarrett will try for the prize Sept. 1 at the Southern 500 at Darlington Raceway in South Carolina.

For four decades, Darlington stood as the most daunting of Winston Cup challenges. But as NASCAR spread to tracks like New Hampshire International Speedway and Sears Point at Sonoma, Calif., more new markets and corporate sponsors were demanding racers break away from the older Southern tracks.

"I think this is the best thing that could happen," track president Jim Hunter said. "With all those Taj Mahal's of racing, we're just Darlington."

The track is owned by the same group that owns Daytona and Talladega, so it probably has a better chance of keeping its two race weekends — the TranSouth 400 and Southern 500 — in future NASCAR schedules.

Hunter does not expect Darlington to wind up like North Wilkesboro (N.C.), a Winston Cup track since 1961 that held only 40,000 people and was thrown out of the 1997 schedule. One of its races will go to the new 150,000-seat Texas Motor Speedway and the other to New Hampshire, which can pack in 72,000 fans.

Hunter said Darlington has tried to modernize by expanding (it now holds 75,000), promoting (radio ads throughout South Carolina) and pressing the flesh (Hunter regularly meets with state officials) to draw business to the area.

Jarrett has given the track its biggest bang in years. The race has been sold out for seven weeks, Hunter said, and public relations manager Russell Branham has turned down more media requests than he has processed for the Labor Day weekend race.

"Dale Jarrett will help our sport whether he wins this thing or not," Hunter said. "The way he handles himself, his patience, his personality."

Jarrett is also excited — not only at his shot at capturing the Winston Million, but also at winning the Southern 500 like his father, Ned, did in 1965 and at doing it only 40 miles from where he grew up in Camden.

Jarrett knows Darlington will never look like NASCAR's newer, fancier tracks. But having his big day come at Darlington is more important to him and NASCAR.

"It says a lot about the people in this sport who are keeping things in perspective," Jarrett said. "I'm sure they've had many, many opportunities that we don't know about, and never will, of selling out or something that will make lots of money change hands.

"(But) they've kept things intact and gotten a good handle on things. I think these racetracks that were there in the leaner times can still be here and do well."

St. James still setting standards

By Mike Recht
Associated Press Writer

LOUDON, N.H. — Lyn St. James has been setting standards for women auto racers for years, and she's ready to do it again. She plans to become the first woman driver-owner.

"Drivers with any business acumen want to be in control of their own destiny," she said.

"I've formed a company, the business plan is in place, the financial projections are in place," she said during last weekend's IRL True Value 200 at the New Hampshire International Speedway. "I hope to have it together by October."

The IRL race at Orlando, Fla., in January would be her team's first race.

There have only been a handful of hands-on women owners in top level racing, and a handful of top level women drivers.

Owner Bessie Paoli won a Triple A championship in the 1950s and Rose Wysard played a key role in a husband-wife Indy car ownership team in the late 1970s. Janet Guthrie is the only woman driver who reached the same heights as St. James, racing in three Indy 500s in the late 1970s and finishing as high as ninth.

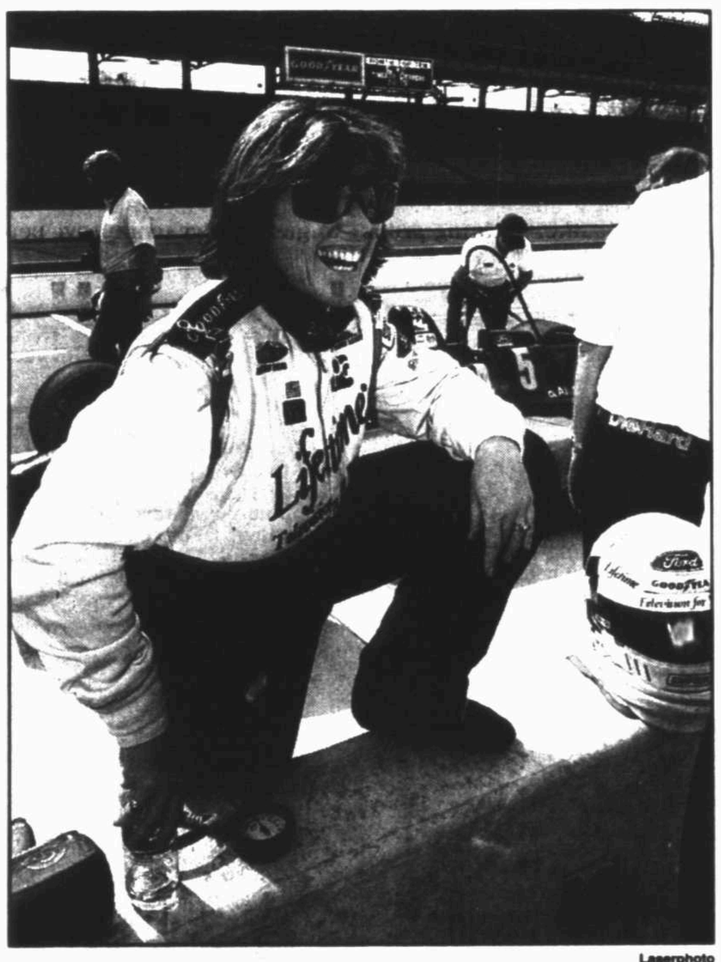
But there are few others, and St. James hopes her new racing role will speed the process for women.

"My team will have a female focus, but it is not meant to be an all-female team," she said.

"There are other women drivers competing world wide," she said. "I've already submitted four of them as possible contenders for the (IRL) rookie program.

"I've kind of designated myself as being one who is open to that. I read the results. I know there are just so many young girls and women passionate about this sport."

Although owners are more open now to hiring women drivers, St. James remembers the days when that was not the case. She knows the struggles of any young driver, particularly a woman.



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Lyn St. James will become the first woman driver-owner when her new team gears up for its first race, the IRL race at Orlando, Fla. in January.

"In 1988, when I decided to go into Indy racing, there were probably few owners who would consider a woman," she said. But Dick Simon gave her the chance.

"If it wasn't for him, I might still be walking around looking for a ride," she said. "It took until 1992 before we could get it together. I was persistent. I was not going to give up."

St. James, 49, won her first championship in SCCA stock A in 1976, was the first woman to exceed 200 mph in 1985 at Talladega, was the first woman to win an IMSA GTO race and was the first woman to win a road race solo at Watkins Glen.

She also has set several closed-course speed records for women.

Racing for Simon, she earned rookie of the year honors in the first of her five Indy 500 appearances, finishing 11th in 1992.

"I've proved myself on a race track. I can get the job done," she said. "The credibility I've gained the last five years is going to help."

She already has one sponsor, Lifetime Television, a cable network that is sponsoring her as a driver this year.

"They renewed for next year," she said.

But she needs "quite a few more, and I'm also seeking investors," she said.

The dual job isn't new for her.

"I did this in 1981-82," when she was racing in the IMSA Kelly American Challenge series. "I had to worry about everything."

Ford was her sponsor, and "Ford came to me and said, 'We think you're trying to do too much. We're going to keep your sponsorship and let you drive,'" she said.

With 15 more years of maturity and experience, she thinks she can handle it all now.

She was injured for the True Value 200, but hopes to resume racing at Las Vegas on Sept. 15.

"I, as an owner, have to focus on the IRL," she said. "I, as a driver, can still make myself available to drive something else," such as trucks or touring cars.

But it was when she referred to herself as an owner that her eyes really lit up.

"It's a powerful position to be in," she said, and added, "It's the right thing to do."

Gordon move to NASCAR not greediness

Associated Press

ELKHART LAKE, Wis. — Robby Gordon says the move from IndyCar to NASCAR's Winston Cup series next season isn't motivated by money, as many people assumed.

Gordon, 27, who has driven for Derrick Walker in the PPG Indy Car World Series for three seasons, will move to the No. 42 stock car of Felix Sabates, who signed the young Californian to a three-year contract last weekend.

Sabates, a wealthy businessman known for giving his driver and team members big-dollar incentives for performance, said, "Robby took a substantial pay cut to take this ride. Two or three IndyCar team owners took Robby aside Friday night and tried to talk him out of coming to NASCAR, but he'd made up his mind."

"I actually had a couple of deals going here (in IndyCar) that would have paid me more money," Gordon said. "But this is an opportunity that I have been thinking about for a long time."

Sabates, whose current driver, Kyle Petty, is expected to start his own team next season, said Gordon's motivation for the move has more to do with safety than money.

"Robby has seen four of his friends badly injured and another killed in recent years," Sabates said. "Robby told me, 'When I'm 40, I want to still be driving a race car, like Dale Earnhardt.'"

TIRE WARS, PART II: Goodyear put a couple of notches in its belt last weekend in its rivalry with Firestone in the two Indy-car series.

The Indy Racing League, which began its second season with a race at Loudon, N.H., saw Goodyear break through for a victory with Scott Sharp, ending Firestone's IRL string at three races.

At Elkhart Lake, Wis., Michael Andretti put Goodyear in the winner's circle after trailing the Goodyear-shod car of Al Unser Jr. through much of the PPG Indy Car World Series race.

That makes Goodyear 5-9 in PPG Cup competition this season.

"You can't expect to win them all," said Dick Davis, manager of race tire development for Bridgestone-Firestone. "We're disappointed in not having a Firestone car cross the finish line first, but we have a good product and heavyweight teams in our family. We'll take the track in the next race with plenty of confidence."

IndyCar races at Vancouver on Sept. 1 and IRL goes to Las Vegas on Sept. 15.

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TV TIME: Dale Jarrett is reaping the rewards of his recent heroics, which means there are plenty of new demands on his time.

Jarrett, who has won a career-high four races, including two of the last three, and is the top money-winner in the Winston Cup series this season, will appear on ESPN's "SportsCenter" this weekend on the segment called "Sunday Conversation."

Part of the interview will be shown during the morning show, with the entire segment in the 11 p.m. EDT show.

ROAD WARRIOR: Mike Skinner, the defending champion and current points leader in NASCAR's Craftsman Truck Series, will take to the road again Sunday at Watkins Glen International.

Skinner, whose background is almost entirely on short ovals, proved himself a good road racer with a victory earlier this season at Heartland Park in Topeka, Kansas.

"I am really looking forward to racing another road course," Skinner said. "That win at Heartland Park gives me a little more confidence. But when we get there Friday morning, that will be the first time I have ever laid eyes on this road course."

Skinner goes into the race holding a 6-point lead over Ron Hornaday Jr.

Few of the drivers who will participate in the race have run at Watkins Glen, although Geoff Bodine, who won the Winston Cup event there two weeks ago, is scheduled to run after racing Saturday night at Bristol, Tenn.

"When I watched the Winston Cup race on TV, it looked like you just need to stay on the road," said Skinner, who has five wins and 12 top-five finishes so far this season. "A guy could be running in the top five and get off the course and wind up 18th."

CREAM RISING: The names of the drivers who finished 1-2 in the first race of the Indy Racing League's new season should have a familiar ring.

Winner Scott Sharp and runner-up Buzz Calkins shared the championship in the abbreviated first season of IRL competition, which concluded with the May 26 Indianapolis 500.

The first season consisted of only three races, while the second season, which will conclude with the 1997 Indy race, so far has five events scheduled.

The slate is expected to expand to at least eight races in 1997-98.

Meanwhile, the 16-race PPG Indy Car World Series, which may expand by two more events next season, continues to roll along despite losing the Indy 500 from its schedule.

While the fledgling IRL was drawing an announced 24,000 spectators at the 70,000-seat New Hampshire International Speedway on Sunday, the PPG Cup race at the Road America road course in Elkhart Lake, Wis., was pulling in an estimated 75,000.

SLUMPING ROOKIE: Glenn Allen, who has a commanding lead in the rookie standings in NASCAR's Busch Grand National division, has been caught in a nosedive of late.

Allen started the season with top-15 finishes in six of the first nine races, but has not finished that high in his last 10 starts.

He'll get another chance Friday night at Bristol, Tenn., where the BGN series will race under the lights in the Food City 250 at Bristol Motor Speedway.

Meanwhile, the BGN championship battle remains a heated one with David Green holding a 41-point lead over Randy LaJoie.

PARK AVENUE MOVE: NASCAR announced this week it will open a New York City office on Oct. 1 in an effort to enhance its marketing efforts.

The office will be located in the heart of Midtown Manhattan at 375 Park Ave., and will be a base for a sponsorship sales staff, which will be supported by NASCAR's marketing department at its Daytona Beach, Fla., headquarters.

The expanding marketing arm of the stock car sanctioning body opened a Charlotte, N.C., office earlier this year to handle the licensing of merchandise. NASCAR also maintains an office in Scotts Valley, Calif.

IRRESISTIBLE FORCE: John Force has won 10 races in a season for the third time in his career, an unprecedented feat in NHRA Winston Drag Racing. He won a record-tying 11 races in 1993 and 10 in 1994. The only other driver to win 10 races in one season was pro stock ace Darrell Alderman, who set a record with 11 in 1991. Force has been in the final round 13 times this season, one shy of Alderman's 1991 record.

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NASCAR Winston Cup

Top 10 drivers

Driver	Points
1. Terry Labonte	3,137
2. Jeff Gordon	3,003
(tie) Dale Earnhardt	3,003
4. Dale Jarrett	3,000
5. Mark Martin	2,702
6. Ricky Rudd	2,623
7. Ernie Irvan	2,561
8. Ken Schrader	2,547
9. Sterling Marlin	2,530
10. Rusty Wallace	2,503

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NEW YORK — The 1996 NASCAR Winston Cup stock car racing schedule, with winners in parentheses and driver point standings:

Aug. 11 — Bud at the Glen, Watkins Glen, N.Y. (Geoff Bodine).
Aug. 18 — GM Goodwrench Dealers 400, Brooklyn, Mich. (Dale Jarrett).
Aug. 24 — Goody's Headache Powders 500, Bristol, Tenn.
Sept. 1 — Mountain Dew Southern 500, Darlington, S.C.

Other Driver Standings Through Aug. 18

11. Ted Musgrave, 2,416.
12. Jeff Burton, 2,405.
13. Jimmy Spencer, 2,382.
14. Bobby Labonte, 2,318.
15. Michael Waltrip, 2,305.
16. Bobby Hamilton, 2,272.
17. Ricky Craven, 2,241.
18. Geoff Bodine, 2,145.
19. Rick Mast, 2,129.
20. Morgan Shepherd, 2,101.
21. Jeremy Mayfield, 2,092.
22. Wally Dallenbach Jr., 2,032.
23. Johnny Benson, 2,028.
24. Brett Bodine, 1,966.
25. Kyle Petty, 1,917.
26. Lake Speed, 1,849.
27. Hut Stricklin, 1,825.
28. Darrell Waltrip, 1,818.

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38. Bobby Hillin Jr., 1,294.

IndyCar

Top 10 drivers

Driver	Points
1. Jimmy Vasser	136
2. Al Unser Jr.	115
3. Alex Zanardi	109
4. Michael Andretti	107
5. Christian Fittipaldi	93
6. Gil de Ferran	92
7. Bobby Rahal	80
8. Andre Ribeiro	76
(tie) Greg Moore	76
10. Scott Pruett	68

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TROY, Mich. — The 1996 Indy-car racing schedule, with winners in parentheses:

Aug. 11 — Miller 200, Lexington, Ohio. (Alex Zanardi).
Aug. 18 — Texaco-Havoline 200, Elkhart Lake, Wis. (Michael Andretti).
Sept. 1 — Molson Indy Vancouver, Vancouver, British Columbia.

Other Driver Standings

11. Adrian Fernandez, 64.
12. Bryan Herta, 62.
13. Paul Tracy, 60.
14. Mauricio Gugelmin, 43.
(tie) Stefan Johansson, 43.
16. Mark Blundell, 40.
17. Parker Johnstone, 31.
18. Emerson Fittipaldi, 29.
19. Robby Gordon, 26.
(tie) Eddie Lawson, 26.
21. Roberto Moreno, 24.
22. Raul Boesel, 17.
23. Juan Manuel Fangio II, 5.
24. P.J. Jones, 4.
(tie) Max Papis, 4.
26. Hiro Matsushita, 3.
(tie) Richie Hearn, 3.
28. Eliseo Salazar, 2.
29. Davy Jones, 1.
(tie) Scott Goodyear, 1.
(tie) Marco Greco, 1.

Formula One

Top drivers

Driver	Points
1. Damon Hill	79
2. Jacques Villeneuve	62
3. Jean Alesi	35
4. Michael Schumacher	29
5. Mika Hakkinen	19
6. David Coulthard	18
7. Gerhard Berger	16
8. Olivier Panis	13
9. Rubens Barrichello	12
10. Eddie Irvine	9

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PARIS — The 1996 Formula One racing schedule, with winners in parentheses and driver standings:

April 28 — European Grand Prix, Nurburgring, Germany. (Jacques Villeneuve).
May 5 — San Marino Grand Prix, Imola (Damon Hill).
May 19 — Monaco Grand Prix, Monte Carlo (Olivier Panis).
June 2 — Spanish Grand Prix, Barcelona. (Michael Schumacher).
June 16 — Canadian Grand Prix, Montreal. (Damon Hill).
June 30 — French Grand Prix, Magny Cours. (Damon Hill).
July 14 — British Grand Prix, Silverstone. (Jacques Villeneuve).
July 28 — German Grand Prix, Hockenheim. (Damon Hill).
Aug. 11 — Hungarian Grand Prix, Budapest. (Jacques Villeneuve).
Today — Belgian Grand Prix, Spa-Francorchamps.
Sept. 8 — Italian Grand Prix, Monza.
Sept. 22 — Portuguese Grand Prix, Estoril.
Oct. 13 — Japanese Grand Prix, Suzuka.

Other Driver Standings

11. Heinz-Harald Frentzen, Germany, 6.
12. Mika Salo, Finland, 5.
13. Johnny Herbert, Britain, 4.
14. Martin Brundle, Britain, 3.
15. Jos Verstappen, Netherlands, 1.
(tie) Pedro Diniz, Brazil, 1.

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — The 1996 NASCAR Busch Grand National stock car racing series schedule, with winners in parentheses and driver standings.

Aug. 23 — Food City 250, Bristol, Tenn.
Aug. 31 — Gatorade 200, Darlington, S.C.
Sept. 6 — Autolite Platinum 250, Richmond, Va.

Other Driver Standings

11. Chad Little, 2,026.
12. Dick Trickle, 1,980.
13. Larry Pearson, 1,966.
14. Glenn Allen Jr., 1,947.
15. Hermie Sadler, 1,905.
16. Bobby Labonte, 1,896.
17. Rodney Combs, 1,838.
18. Terry Labonte, 1,823.
19. Jeff Fuller, 1,740.
20. Tim Fedewa, 1,728.
21. Bobby Dotter, 1,555.
22. Mike Dillon, 1,542.
23. Doug Heveron, 1,488.
24. Mark Martin, 1,331.
25. Mike Wallace, 1,323.
26. Dale Jarrett, 1,287.
27. Dennis Setzer, 1,257.
28. Buckshot Jones, 1,252.
29. Tommy Houston, 1,173.
30. Patty Moise, 1,097.
31. Michael Waltrip, 1,065.
32. Steve Grissom, 1,005.
33. Joe Nemechek, 943.
34. Joe Bessey, 941.
35. Jim Bown, 912.

NASCAR Grand National

Top 10 drivers

Driver	Points
1. David Green	2,780
2. Randy LaJoie	2,605
3. Todd Bodine	2,253
4. Jeff Green	2,205
5. Jeff Purvis	2,198
6. Curtis Markham	2,185
7. Jason Keller	2,101
8. Phil Parsons	2,099
9. Mike McLaughlin	2,078
10. Kevin LePage	2,050

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NHRA Winston Drag Racing

Top Fuel

Driver	Points
1. Blaine Johnson	1,123
2. Kenny Bernstein	1,010
3. Larry Dixon	913
4. Scott Kalitta	910
5. Cory McClenathan	798

Funny Car

Driver	Points
1. John Force	1,538
2. Tony Pedregon	964
3. Cruz Pedregon	953
4. Al Hofmann	832
5. Chuck Etchells	797

Pro Stock

Driver	Points
1. Jim Yates	1,199
2. Warren Johnson	1,111
3. Mike Edwards	959
4. Chuck Harris	775
5. Steve Schmidt	761

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GLENDORA, Calif. — The 1996 National Hot Rod Association schedule with winners in parentheses, and driver point standings (TF—Top Fuel; FC—Funny Car; PS—Pro Stock; PSM—Pro Stock Motorcycle; x-non-points race):

Aug. 4 — Northwest Nationals, Seattle. (TF—Shelly Anderson; FC—John Force; PS—Mike Edwards).
Aug. 18 — Champion Auto Stores Nationals, Brainerd, Minn. (TF—Kenny Bernstein; FC—John Force; PS—Warren Johnson; PSM—Matt Hines).

Other Driver Standings

Top Fuel

6. Joe Amato, 783.
7. Shelly Anderson, 781.
8. Mike Dunn, 789.
9. Connie Kalitta, 763.
10. Eddie Hill, 709.
11. Bruce Sarver, 539.
12. Bob Vandergriff Jr., 476.

Funny Car

6. Mark Oswald, 757.
7. Whit Bazemore, 677.
8. Del Worsham, 655.
9. Gary Densham, 600.
10. Kenji Okazaki, 548.
11. Gary Bolger, 525.
12. Tom Hoover, 459.

Pro Stock

6. Kurt Johnson, 706.
7. Rickie Smith, 696.
8. Tom Martino, 637.
9. Bob Glidden, 615.
10. Troy Coughlin, 562.
11. Jerry Eckman, 512.
12. Ray Franks, 498.

Pro Stock Motorcycle

1. David Schultz, 837.
2. John Myers, 778.
3. Matt Hines, 691.
4. John Smith, 470.
5. Rick Ward, 404.
6. Hector Arana, 366.
7. Steve Johnson, 344.
8. Ron Ayers, 319.
9. Paul Gast, 271.
10. Geno Scali, 257.

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — The 1996 NASCAR Craftsman Truck schedule, with race winners in parentheses and driver point standings:

Aug. 10 — Stevens Bell Genuine Cars Parts 200, Flemington, N.J. (Mike Skinner).
Today — Parts America 150, Watkins Glen, N.Y.
Aug. 31 — Federated Auto Parts 250, Nashville, Tenn.
Sept. 5 — Fasmart SuperTruck Shootout, Richmond, Va.

Other Driver Standings

11. Bill Sedgwick, 1,704.
12. Rich Bickle, 1,642.
13. Doug George, 1,608.
14. John Nemechek, 1,573.
15. Bob Brevak, 1,460.
16. Lance Norick, 1,408.
17. Bobby Gill, 1,349.
18. Bob Keselowski, 1,326.
19. Walker Evans, 1,305.
20. Michael Dokken, 1,282.
21. Kenny Allen, 1,211.
22. Jay Sauter, 988.
23. T.J. Clark, 916.
24. Lonnie Cox, 868.
25. Charlie Cragan, 724.
26. Mark Gibson, 717.
27. Ron Barfield Jr., 649.
28. Mike Hurlbert, 628.
29. Mike Chase, 607.
30. Jerry Glanville, 515.

NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series

Top 10 drivers

Driver	Points
1. Mike Skinner	2,280
2. Ron Hornaday Jr.	2,254
3. Jack Sprague	2,207
4. Dave Rezendes	1,921
5. Mike Bliss	1,888
6. Rick Carelli	1,821
7. Jimmy Hensley	1,802
8. Butch Miller	1,787
9. Bryan Reffner	1,784
10. Joe Ruttman	1,739

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PGA Tour Money

PONTE VEDRA BEACH, Fla. — Money leaders on the PGA Tour through The International, which ended Aug. 18:

	Tm	Money
1. Mark Brooks	24	$1,309,137
2. Phil Mickelson	19	$1,190,799
3. Mark O'Meara	19	$1,144,999
4. Tom Lehman	19	$1,144,571
5. Fred Couples	14	$1,022,468
6. Steve Stricker	19	$962,339
7. Scott Hoch	21	$926,634
8. Nick Faldo	16	$839,421
9. Davis Love III	19	$820,764
10. Greg Norman	15	$807,237
11. Justin Leonard	24	$774,609
12. Tommy Tolles	21	$774,007
13. Ernie Els	16	$766,557
14. Kenny Perry	22	$747,179
15. Vijay Singh	21	$734,780
16. David Duval	19	$731,849
17. Corey Pavin	17	$697,019
18. Brad Faxon	18	$690,690
19. Jeff Maggert	22	$687,147
20. Steve Jones	22	$680,107
21. John Cook	21	$650,935
22. Tom Watson	14	$640,438
23. Jim Furyk	24	$606,079
24. Michael Bradley	21	$519,804
25. Bob Tway	19	$499,204
26. Mark McCumber	15	$487,228
27. Woody Austin	28	$483,921
28. Rocco Mediate	17	$467,813
29. Jeff Sluman	24	$462,694
30. John Huston	19	$461,359
31. Steve Elkington	19	$454,087
32. Colin Montgomerie	7	$421,011
33. Mark Calcavecchia	20	$417,823
34. Loren Roberts	19	$416,945
35. Clarence Rose	21	$414,696
36. Lee Janzen	22	$402,492
37. Nick Price	14	$402,407
38. Craig Perry	17	$401,884
39. Payne Stewart	21	$401,539
40. D.A. Weibring	12	$395,251
41. Tim Herron	24	$384,904
42. Fred Funk	25	$380,765
43. Tom Purtzer	19	$375,924
44. Billy Andrade	28	$370,938
45. David Frost	19	$368,762
46. Paul Stankowski	21	$365,737
47. Paul Goydos	24	$361,266
48. Duffy Waldorf	15	$354,082
49. Scott McCarron	21	$348,139
50. Fuzzy Zoeller	15	$344,313
51. Jay Haas	22	$335,919
52. Jay Don Blake	22	$321,269
53. Kirk Triplett	19	$318,634
54. Tom Kite	19	$317,146
55. Scott Simpson	19	$307,469
56. Larry Mize	19	$305,258
57. Craig Stadler	15	$297,700
58. John Morse	21	$293,986
59. Grant Waite	21	$284,817
60. Jesper Parnevik	17	$283,867
61. Russ Cochran	22	$268,721
62. Larry Nelson	19	$262,843
63. Lennie Clements	19	$259,089
64. Frank Nobilo	7	$255,654
65. Glen Day	22	$254,414
66. Gil Morgan	17	$250,888
67. Jim Gallagher Jr.	19	$248,830
68. John Adams	22	$237,216
69. Mike Brisky	28	$236,360
70. David Ogrin	24	$235,894
71. Joel Edwards	23	$227,620
72. Brandel Chamblee	18	$227,536
73. Chip Beck	23	$224,027
74. Joe Ozaki	22	$220,813
75. Greg Kraft	21	$220,266
76. Marco Dawson	23	$217,276
77. Willie Wood	5	$202,260
78. Doug Martin	24	$202,222
79. Emlyn Aubrey	14	$200,689
80. Patrick Burke	19	$198,794
81. Mike Hulbert	25	$193,336
82. Nolan Henke	18	$187,526
83. Steve Lowery	24	$186,282
84. David Edwards	18	$185,222
85. Brad Bryant	22	$184,449
86. Mark Wiebe	19	$184,129
87. John Wilson	23	$179,541
88. Phil Blackmar	22	$178,610
89. Neal Lancaster	27	$178,586
90. Wayne Levi	16	$177,517
91. Ben Crenshaw	19	$176,857
92. David Toms	24	$171,168
93. Dan Forsman	19	$170,198
94. Rick Fehr	19	$169,162
95. Jim Thorpe	19	$167,365
96. Brian Fabel	21	$167,174
97. Lee Rinker	26	$166,247
98. Curtis Strange	19	$165,183
99. Joey Sindelar	22	$163,864
100. Dicky Pride	19	$163,412
101. Blaine McCallister	22	$162,440
102. Paul Azinger	19	$161,002
103. Mike Reid	19	$158,491
104. Scott Dunlap	25	$157,557
105. Billy Mayfair	21	$155,911
106. Jerry Kelly	25	$155,855
107. Omar Uresti	25	$155,393
108. Jim Carter	24	$155,199
109. Kelly Gibson	27	$153,666
110. Fulton Allem	15	$148,821
111. Robert Gamez	18	$144,900
112. Ted Tryba	30	$142,445
113. Hal Sutton	23	$139,796
114. Olin Browne	21	$139,314
115. Ken Green	23	$132,756
116. Kevin Sutherland	25	$130,923
117. Ronnie Black	19	$123,114
118. Charlie Rymer	23	$123,111
119. Stuart Appleby	23	$121,307
120. Bruce Fleisher	8	$120,870
121. Robin Freeman	27	$118,850
122. Gene Sauers	21	$117,258
123. Tom Scherrer	25	$116,490
124. Peter Jacobsen	18	$115,229
125. Bob Lohr	24	$114,918
126. Keith Clearwater	18	$112,132
127. Dave Stockton Jr.	20	$107,799
128. Jeff Gallagher	23	$106,534
129. Curt Byrum	17	$104,228
130. Bob Estes	19	$102,940

PGA Tour Statistics

PONTE VEDRA BEACH, Fla. — Statistical leaders on the PGA Tour through The International, which ended Aug. 18:

Scoring: 1, Corey Pavin, 69.56. 2, Mark O'Meara, 69.62. 3, Tom Watson, 69.71. 4, Tom Lehman, 69.73. 5, Scott Hoch, 69.79. 6, Fred Couples, 69.80. 7, Davis Love III, 69.82. 8, Brad Faxon, 69.86. 9, Rocco Mediate, 69.95. 10, Nick Faldo, 70.02.

Driving Distance: 1, John Daly, 296.8 yards. 2 (tie), John Adams and Davis Love III, 284.2. 4, Tim Herron, 284.1. 5, Fred Couples, 282.8. 6, Steve Stricker, 282.5. 7, Steve Jones, 280.0. 8, Kelly Gibson, 279.9. 9, Chris Smith, 279.4. 10, Carl Paulson, 279.3.

Driving Accuracy: 1, Fred Funk, 79.4 percent. 2, Nick Faldo, 78.9. 3, Tom Byrum, 78.6. 4, David Edwards, 77.9. 5, John Morse, 77.2. 6 (tie), Lennie Clements, Loren Roberts and Curtis Strange, 76.5. 9 (tie), Olin Browne and Allen M. Doyle, 76.4.

Total Driving: 1, David Duval, 40. 2, Nick Price, 56. 3, Kenny Perry, 67. 4, Davis Love III, 68. 5, Mark Calcavecchia, 81. 6, Jeff Maggert, 87. 7, Woody Austin, 91. 8 (tie), Joey Sindelar and Tom Watson, 92. 10, 2 tied with 93.

Greens in Regulation: 1, Mark O'Meara, 73.5 percent. 2, Fred Couples, 73.3. 3, Tom Lehman, 71.5. 4, Tom Watson, 70.7. 5, Rocco Mediate, 70.6. 6 (tie), Bob Tway and Jesper Parnevik, 70.3. 8, Mark Calcavecchia, 70.2. 9, Fuzzy Zoeller, 70.1. 10, John Cook, 70.0.

Putting: 1, Brad Faxon, 1.714 per green reached in regulation. 2, Nick Faldo, 1.735. 3, Mark O'Meara, 1.735. 4, Kirk Triplett, 1.742. 5 (tie), John Huston and Gil Morgan, 1.750. 7, Justin Leonard, 1.761. 8, Steve Stricker, 1.762. 9, John Wilson, 1.763. 10, Lee Janzen, 1.764.

Birdies: 1, Mark O'Meara, 4.34 per round. 2, Fred Couples, 4.23. 3, Nick Faldo, 4.05. 4, John Huston, 3.99. 5, Brad Faxon, 3.93. 6, Gil Morgan, 3.91. 7, David Duval, 3.89. 8, Larry Nelson, 3.88. 9, Tommy Tolles, 3.86. 10, Jeff Maggert, 3.84.

Eagles: 1, Tom Watson, 82.8 holes per eagle. 2, Vijay Singh, 108.0. 3, Chris Smith, 124.0. 4, Curt Byrum, 126.0. 5, Tom Scherrer, 128.0. 6, Carl Paulson, 130.5. 7, Omar Uresti, 131.4. 8, Scott McCarron, 137.5. 9, John Wilson, 140.0. 10, 2 tied with 141.0.

Sand Saves: 1, Gary Rusnak, 67.9 percent. 2 (tie), Emlyn Ellis and Glen Day, 64.8. 4, Justin Leonard, 64.6. 5, Jeff Sluman, 62.9. 6, Wayne Grady, 61.7. 7, Tommy Tolles, 60.8. 8, Dan Forsman, 60.5. 9, Brad Faxon, 60.2. 10, four tied at 60.0.

All Around: 1, Fred Couples, 185. 2, Tom Watson, 258. 3 (tie), Nick Faldo and Mark O'Meara, 265. 5, Davis Love III, 282. 6, Nick Price, 304. 7, David Duval, 317. 8, Jeff Maggert, 328. 9, Justin Leonard, 339. 10, Larry Nelson, 356.

Senior PGA Money

PONTE VEDRA, Fla. — Leading money winners on the Senior PGA Tour through the Northville Long Island Classic, which ended Aug. 18:

	Tm	Money
1. Hale Irwin	15	$1,204,354
2. Jim Colbert	23	$999,007
3. Bob Murphy	22	$962,538
4. John Bland	24	$937,998
5. Ray Floyd	18	$900,994
6. Isao Aoki	19	$887,594
7. Dave Stockton	20	$868,600
8. Walter Morgan	27	$738,607
9. Graham Marsh	19	$703,537
10. Jay Sigel	23	$607,142
11. J.C. Snead	23	$596,287
12. Bob Charles	19	$494,603
13. Jack Kiefer	24	$470,545
14. Tom Wargo	26	$469,955
15. Tom Watskopf	14	$419,202
16. Brian Barnes	13	$419,131
17. Lee Trevino	20	$418,116
18. Jimmy Powell	24	$393,719
19. Vicente Fernandez	11	$385,149
20. Jim Dent	25	$378,345
21. John Schroeder	20	$364,149
22. Frank Conner	24	$361,148
23. Jack Nicklaus	7	$360,861
24. Larry Gilbert	22	$350,487
25. Bruce Summerhays	26	$331,585
26. Simon Hobday	23	$317,211
27. Al Geiberger	14	$308,334
28. Rocky Thompson	22	$307,034
29. Bob Eastwood	19	$295,160
30. Kermit Zarley	18	$291,652
31. Rick Acton	24	$287,049
32. John Jacobs	24	$278,086
33. Chi Chi Rodriguez	20	$273,072
34. Dale Douglass	22	$272,467
35. Gary Player	16	$271,125
36. Dave Eichelberger	26	$269,466
37. Bruce Crampton	25	$263,128
38. Tommy Aaron	20	$251,957
39. Bobby Stroble	23	$249,809
40. John Paul Cain	25	$247,823
41. Bud Allin	25	$246,326
42. Charles Coody	20	$245,611
43. Jerry McGee	24	$244,833
44. Bob E. Smith	25	$244,566
45. Terry Dill	22	$243,321
46. Mike Hill	13	$234,966
47. Dick Rhyan	22	$233,886
48. Bob Dickson	19	$224,922
49. Calvin Peete	18	$224,076
50. Tony Jacklin	23	$209,583

Senior PGA Statistics

PONTE VEDRA BEACH, Fla. — Senior PGA Tour statistical leaders through the Northville Long Island Classic, which ended Aug. 18:

Scoring: 1, Hale Irwin, 69.60. 2, Isao Aoki, 70.10. 3, Ray Floyd, 70.16. 4, Bob Murphy, 70.21. 5, Dave Stockton, 70.22. 6, John Bland, 70.55. 7, Graham Marsh, 70.61. 8 , Jay Sigel, 70.73. 9, Brian Barnes, 70.74. 10, Al Geiberger, 70.77.

Driving Distance: 1, Terry Dill, 285.0 yards. 2, John Jacobs, 282.4. 3, Jay Sigel, 282.2. 4, Jim Dent, 278.6. 5, Tom Weiskopf, 277.1. 6, David Graham, 273.5. 7, Brian Barnes, 273.3. 8, Dewitt Weaver, 273.0. 9, Ray Floyd, 271.5. 10, J.C. Snead, 270.3.

Driving Accuracy: 1, Calvin Peete, 80.3 percent. 2, Deane Beman, 80.1. 3, Hale Irwin, 79.7. 4, Isao Aoki, 78.3. 5, John Bland, 77.7. 6, Bob Murphy, 77.0. 7 (tie), Bob Charles and Graham Marsh, 76.9. 9, Dick Rhyan, 76.6. 10, Bob E. Smith, 76.4.

Total Driving: 1, Brian Barnes, 21. 2 (tie), Graham Marsh and J.C. Snead, 29. 4, Isao Aoki, 34. 5, Walter Morgan, 37. 6 (tie), Hale Irwin and Jack Kiefer, 41. 8, Ray Floyd , 42. 9 (tie), Larry Gilbert and Jay Sigel, 52.

Greens in Regulation: 1, Brian Barnes, 75.3 percent. 2, Hale Irwin, 74.7. 3, Ray Floyd, 72.3. 4, Graham Marsh, 71.9. 5, Jay Sigel, 71.8. 6, Isao Aoki, 71.5. 7, John Bland, 71.0. 8, Dave Stockton, 70.1. 9, Bob Murphy, 70.0. 10, two tied at 69.2.

Putting: 1, Vicente Fernandez, 1.739 per green reached in regulation. 2, Bob Murphy, 1.749. 3, Hale Irwin, 1.754. 4, Rocky Thompson, 1.763. 5, Dave Stockton, 1.766. 6, Ray Floyd, 1.767. 7, Jimmy Powell, 1.769. 8, John Bland, 1.774. 9, Isao Aoki, 1.776. 10, Jim Colbert , 1.791.

Birdies: 1, Hale Irwin, 4.10 per round. 2, Isao Aoki, 3.98. 3, Bob Murphy, 3.91. 4, Ray Floyd, 3.84. 5, Vicente Fernandez, 3.73. 6, Graham Marsh, 3.67. 7, Jim Dent, 3.66. 8, Dave Stockton, 3.65. 9, Jay Sigel, 3.64. 10, Brian Barnes, 3.55.

Eagles: 1, David Graham, 116.8 holes per eagle. 2, Tom Weiskopf, 138.0. 3, Lee Trevino, 139.5. 4, Vicente Fernandez, 148.5. 5, Terry Dill, 167.5. 6, Gibby Gilbert, 168.0. 7, John Jacobs, 173.3. 8, Brian Barnes, 189.0. 9, John Bland, 196.0. 10, Jim Dent, 208.1.

Sand Saves: 1, Mike McCullough, 60.0 percent. 2, Tom Weiskopf, 59.7. 3, [illegible], 58.0. 4, Deane Beman, 56.3. 5, Bob Murphy, 54.1. 6, Jerry Mueller, 54.0. 7, Ray Floyd, 57.4. 8, Jimmy Powell, 56.6. 10, three tied at 56.5.

All Around: 1, Hale Irwin, [illegible]. 97. 3, Ray Floyd, 103. 4, Isao Aoki, 106. 5, John Bland, 123. 6, Brian Barnes, 143. 7, Vicente Fernandez, 165. 8, Tom Weiskopf, 171. 9, Walter Morgan, 173. 10, Lee Trevino, 175.

LPGA Money Leaders

Money leaders on the LPGA tour through the Women's British Open, which ended Aug. 18:

	Tm	Money
1. Karrie Webb	19	$653,821
2. Laura Davies	13	$635,287
3. Annika Sorenstam	14	$591,805
4. Liselotte Neumann	18	$530,046
5. Meg Mallon	18	$486,980
6. Kelly Robbins	19	$440,978
7. Dottie Pepper	17	$412,267
8. Emilee Klein	21	$396,716
9. Michelle McGann	20	$393,798
10. Val Skinner	21	$380,508
11. Jane Geddes	20	$368,174
12. Patty Sheehan	12	$272,460
13. Kris Tschetter	20	$267,166
14. Brandie Burton	19	$264,695
15. Pat Bradley	19	$239,091
16. Marianne Morris	20	$227,500
17. Rosie Jones	19	$227,397
18. Barb Mucha	18	$217,747
19. Penny Hammel	21	$201,053
20. Joan Pitcock	18	$176,049
21. Nancy Lopez	15	$175,589
22. Tracy Hanson	20	$175,051
23. Carrin Hilmark	17	$169,603
24. Juli Inkster	16	$162,799
25. Julie Piers	22	$161,239
26. Pat Hurst	18	$155,536
27. Amy Fruhwirth	20	$154,864
28. Deb Richard	22	$153,404
29. Tracy Kerdyk	21	$138,524
30. Hiromi Kobayashi	17	$138,500
31. Jane Crafter	14	$134,938
32. Amy Benz	19	$133,443
33. Vicki Fergon	20	$121,971
34. Barb Whitehead	21	$119,604
35. Cathy Johnston-Forbes	21	$117,235
36. Missie McGeorge	18	$117,140
37. Mayumi Hirase	21	$117,121
38. Beth Daniel	14	$116,669
39. Tammie Green	13	$111,628
40. Chris Johnson	18	$110,023
41. Tina Barrett	19	$109,217
42. Alison Nicholas	13	$107,336
43. Dale Eggeling	21	$106,980
44. Amy Alcott	15	$101,794
45. Kim Saiki	14	$100,596
46. Donna Andrews	19	$98,824
47. Carin Koch	17	$98,580
48. Gail Graham	21	$98,546
49. Betsy King	20	$98,536
50. Caroline Pierce	20	$96,983

LPGA Tour Statistics

Statistical leaders on the LPGA Tour through the Women's British Open, which ended Aug. 18:

Scoring Leaders: 1, Annika Sorenstam, 70.57. 2, Liselotte Neumann, 70.78. 3, Laura Davies, 70.83. 4, Meg Mallon, 70.90. 5, Karrie Webb, 71.03. 6, Brandie Burton, 71.08. 7, Kelly Robbins, 71.57. 8, Pat Bradley, 71.61. 9, Patty Sheehan, 71.65. 10, Michelle McGann, 71.87.

Eagles: 1, Laura Davies, 7. 2 (tie), Vicki Fergon, Tracy Hanson, Carrin Hilmark and Kelly Robbins, 5. 6 (tie), Laurie Brower, Kathryn Marshall, Barb Mucha and Cindy Schreyer, 5.

Birdies: 1, Michelle McGann, 255. 2, Liselotte Neumann, 247. 3, Karrie Webb, 241. 4, Val Skinner, 236. 5, Tracy Hanson, 226. 6, Brandie Burton, 224. 7, Pat Bradley, 215. 8, Jane Geddes, 217. 9, Kelly Robbins and Kris Tschetter, 213.

Fairway Leaders: 1, Nancy Ramsbottom, .812. 2, Rosie Jones, .808. 3, Marta Figueras-Dotti, .796. 4, Amy Fruhwirth, .789. 5, Emilee Klein, .786. 6, Tracy Kerdyk, .786. 7, Jody Anschutz, .783. 8, Pat Bradley, .778. 9, Sandra Palmer, .772. 10, Kathryn Marshall, .771.

Greens Leaders: 1, Annika Sorenstam, .727. 2, Kelly Robbins, .722. 3, Karrie Webb, .710. 4, Meg Mallon, .708. 5, Marianne Morris, .703. 6, Beth Daniel, .697. 7, Donna Andrews, .695. 8, Nancy Lopez, .694. 9, Jane Geddes, .689. 10, Michelle McGann, .687.

Sand Save Leaders: 1, Carolyn Hill, .542. 2, Nicole Daghe, .533. 3, Caroline Pierce, .521. 4, Danielle Ammaccapane, .509. 5, Holli Stacy, .500. 6, Barb Whitehead, .500. 7, Martha Nause, .500. 8, Alice Miller, .500. 9, Lenora Fittenhouse, .533. 10, Jennifer Wyatt, .535.

Putting Leaders: 1, Cindy Schreyer, 28.97. 2, Liselotte Neumann, 29.16. 3, Brandie Burton, 29.27. 4, Dottie Pepper, 29.29. 5, Danielle Ammaccapane, 29.41. 6, Jenny Lidback, 29.53. 7, Jennifer Wyatt, 29.63. 8, Dana Dormann, 29.69. 9, Jane Crafter, 29.85. 10, Carolyn Hill, 29.93.

Driving Average Leaders: 1, Laura Davies, 267.1. 2, Kelly Robbins, 258.4. 3, Jean Bartholomew, 255.6. 4, Michelle McGann, 255.4. 5, Jane Geddes, 255.0. 6, Kerrie Webb, 251.7. 7, Tania Abbott, 251.7. 8, Wendy Doolan, 250.4. 9, Helen Alfredsson, 249.6. 10, Leigh Ann Mills, 249.1.

PGA European Tour

VIRGINIA WATER, England — Leading money winners on the European PGA Tour through the Czech Open, which ended Aug. 18 (all figures in U.S. dollars converted as $1.55 to the British pound):

	Money
1. Colin Montgomerie, Scotland	$669,648
2. Ian Woosnam, Wales	$384,125
3. Lee Westwood, England	$486,503
4. Robert Allenby, Australia	$451,168
5. Mark McNulty, Zimbabwe	$394,083
6. Costantino Rocca, Italy	$392,672
7. Andrew Coltart, Scotland	$377,859
8. Wayne Riley, Australia	$369,094
9. Raymond Russell, Scotland	$343,953
10. Frank Nobilo, New Zealand	$320,827
Also	
14. Stephen Ames, Trinidad & Tobago	$305,007
37. Bernhard Langer, Germany	$177,971
57. Sam Torrance, Scotland	$126,155
81. Philip Walton, Ireland	$91,162
90. Per Ulrik Johansson, Sweden	$83,378
91. David Gilford, England	$82,800
100. Jay Townsend, United States	$70,961
105. Barry Lane, England	$67,606
108. Mark James, England	$66,151
111. Howard Clark, Wales	$65,450
121. Sandy Lyle, Scotland	$48,923
135. Seve Ballesteros, Spain	$42,118
139. Bob May, United States	$39,563
141. Peter Teravainen, United States	$38,468
168. Michael Campbell, New Zealand	$27,886
179. Gary Nicklaus, United States	$16,415
182. Ben Crenshaw, United States	$14,764
217. Jason Widener, United States	$3,701

Ryder Cup Points

PALM BEACH GARDENS, Fla. — Standings for the 1997 Ryder Cup to be played Sept. 26-28, 1997 at Valderrama in Sotogrande, Spain. The top 10 U.S. finishers will qualify for the 12-man team and captain Tom Kite will select two other players:

United States
Through Aug. 18

1. Mark Brooks	$518,500
2. Tom Lehman	$503,250
3. Phil Mickelson	$405,000
4. Scott Hoch	$400,000
5. Davis Love III	$375,000
6. Mark O'Meara	$350,000
7. Jeff Maggert	$274,125
8. Tommy Tolles	$265,000
9. Justin Leonard	$263,500
10. Kenny Perry	$256,250
11. Steve Jones	$252,500
12. Steve Stricker	$230,000
13. Fred Couples	$225,000
14. Corey Pavin	$199,167
15. David Duval	$190,000
16. Mark McCumber	$185,834
17. Brad Faxon	$182,500
18. Jim Furyk	$172,500
19. John Cook	$156,000
20. Tom Watson	$148,000
21. Duffy Waldorf	$140,000
22. Michael Bradley	$132,500
23. Bob Tway	$127,083
24. John Morse	$115,000
tie Paul Stankowski	$115,000

Presidents Cup Points

PONTE VEDRA BEACH, Fla. — Standings for the 1996 Presidents Cup Match to be held Sept. 19-15 at the Robert Trent Jones Golf Club in Lake Manassas, Va. U.S. player points are based on official money earnings from the start of the 1995 season through the 1996 World Series of Golf while the International team will be determined by Sony World Rankings at the conclusion of the 1996 World Series of Golf and will contain any players not on the U.S. team. For the Presidents Cup event, the top 10 leaders earn positions on their respective teams while two spots are selected by team captains.

Through Aug. 18
United States

1. Mark O'Meara	3,204,127
2. Tom Lehman	3,119,373
3. Phil Mickelson	3,049,376
4. Mark Brooks	2,985,133
5. Davis Love III	2,783,827
6. Corey Pavin	2,734,116
7. Scott Hoch	2,649,912
8. Steve Stricker	2,393,600
9. David Duval	2,345,134
10. Fred Couples	2,344,197
11. Justin Leonard	2,298,010
12. Kenny Perry	2,267,745
13. Lee Janzen	2,169,951
14. Jeff Maggert	1,992,946
15. Billy Mayfair	1,936,014

International Team

1. Greg Norman, Aus.	10,78
2. Ernie Els, S.Afr.	8,80
3. Masashi Ozaki, Japan	8,28
4. Nick Price, Zim.	7,84
5. Steve Elkington, Aus.	6,44
6. Vijay Singh, Fiji	5,93
7. Frank Nobilo, N.Z.	4,04
8. Mark McNulty, Zim.	3,83
9. Craig Parry, Aus.	3,79
10. David Frost, S.Afr.	3,52
11. Robert Allenby, Aus.	3,11
12. Michael Campbell, N.Z.	2,88
13. Peter Senior, Aus.	2,50
14. Eduardo Romero, Arg.	2,40
15. Wayne Riley, Aus.	2,22

Nike Tour Money

PONTE VEDRA, Fla. — Leading money winners on the Nike Tour through the Wichita Open, which ended Aug. 18:

	Tm	Money
1. Stewart Cink	17	$147,256
2. Joe Durant	20	$123,089
3. P.H. Horgan III	22	$112,592
4. Dave Rummells	20	$108,803
5. Michael Christie	19	$96,418
6. Brett Quigley	22	$92,627
7. Jack O'Keefe	19	$89,507
8. Brent Geiberger	21	$89,435
9. Greg Twiggs	19	$83,010
10. Jimmy Johnston	22	$81,149
11. J.P. Hayes	19	$79,777
12. Larry Silveira	19	$78,085
13. Greg Whisman	20	$77,938
14. Skip Kendall	20	$74,936
15. Eric Johnson	23	$73,554
16. Matt Peterson	21	$72,618
17. Tim Loustalot	17	$70,291
18. Lee M. Porter	19	$67,732
19. Willie Wood	13	$67,008
20. David Sanders Jr.	14	$63,910
21. Rocky Walcher	22	$54,095
22. R.W. Eaks	22	$53,318
23. Robert Allenby	14	$50,879
24. Jimmy Green	20	$50,776
25. Gary Webb	18	$50,664
26. Glen Hnatiuk	19	$50,145
27. Jeff Wagner	22	$49,744
28. Rob Moltenbrey	20	$49,440
29. Bill Porter	19	$48,007
30. Tim Conley	10	$47,400
31. Pearlie Lee	19	$47,307
32. Paul Stankowski	2	$46,800
33. P.J. Cowan	19	$45,850
34. Rick Cisney	21	$44,417
35. Jeff Gove	21	$43,182
36. Jim Rutledge	20	$42,784
37. Chad Wagner	18	$41,993
38. Tom R. Smith	22	$41,150
39. Danny Ellis	21	$39,106
40. Jeff Barnhart	20	$36,237
41. Clint Sheehan	17	$36,000
42. Jay Delsing	18	$35,599
43. Phil Tataurangi	19	$34,671
44. Bruce Fleisher	2	$34,200
45. Russell Claydon	20	$34,003
46. Jeff Coston	20	$33,600
47. Chris Kinsella	18	$33,033
48. Kelly Mooney	20	$32,813
49. Brett Ogle	19	$31,174
50. Doug Barron	17	$30,396



AP Laserphoto

Justin Leonard is just one of several University of Texas golf products to put on a show this season.

Long on talent

Several Longhorns prosper in '96

By Denne H. Freeman
AP Sports Writer

DALLAS — This has been a giant golf year for Texans, particularly those who got a higher education and learned to strike dimpled orbs while at the University of Texas.

Justin Leonard, of course, broke through with his first PGA Tour victory at the Buick. The Longhorn, who learned the game under Randy Smith at Royal Oaks Country Club in Dallas, cracked the top 30 money winners last year but his recent win opened many, many doors including the World Series of Golf and next year's Mercedes Tournament of Champions.

Since then he finished in the top 10 in the PGA Championship and the Sprint International. He's still a candidate for The President's Cup in September when the United States takes on Australia and Asia.

As big a year as Leonard has had, he has been one-upped by two other Longhorns, Mark Brooks and Kelli Kuehne.

Brooks hit the lottery. He joined Ben Hogan and Byron Nelson as Fort Worth winners of the PGA title.

The Rodman Wanamaker Trophy for winning the PGA now rests in the clubhouse at Colonial Country Club in Fort Worth.

■ Freeman File

Brooks also won two other times this year at the Bob Hope Chrysler Classic and Shell Houston Open to put himself in prime position as a candidate for PGA Player of the Year honors. He's already on the President's Cup team captained by Arnold Palmer.

Brooks is the tour's top money winner with over $1.3 million.

Leonard is fast climbing toward the $1 million mark himself.

Then there's little Kelli, who lives in McKinney and is a sophomore at Longhorn land.

Honing her game on the tough Pete Dye course at Stonebridge Ranch, Kuehne won the women's British amateur then successfully defended her United States amateur title at Firethorn Golf Club in Nebraska, defeating Marisa Baena of Colombia 2 and 1.

Kuehne became only the 11th player to win consecutive women's amateurs and the first since Kay Cockerill in 1987.

You may remember her brother, Trip, who lost 1-up to Tiger Woods two years ago in the men's U.S. amateur. Trip was playing in the amateur again this week along with brother, Hank.

Leonard, Brooks and Kuehne have a lot in common with their games. They aren't big hitters but don't miss many fairways.

Each and every one of them are solid iron players and their short games are sharp almost beyond reproach. They are good from the sand and are deadeye putters and chippers.

And most important of all, each is a gritty, cold-eyed competitor.

Brooks has set himself up almost for life. He has a five-year exemption for the Masters, U.S. and British Opens. Of course, he will be invited to play in the PGA Championship until he's too old to swing his sticks.

Brooks was thought to be the journeyman type player whose game might be good enough to win a few tournaments but never a major. However, Brooks made swing changes and made some adjustment with his putting. The last two years he made gutsy runs at winning the British Open championship only to fall short.

But the experience paid off when he birdied the last hole to get into a playoff with Kenny Perry then beat him by making a birdie on the same hole.

"It was looking bleak but I kept plodding along, that's the way I do it," Brooks explained after the win.

That's the way those burnt orange Texans have been doing it all summer.

Tiger's tale: Still amateur and loving it

By Ron Sirak
AP Golf Writer

CORNELIUS, Ore. — Tiger Woods confirmed Tuesday that he accepted an invitation from the USGA to play in the World Amateur Team Championship in the Philippines this November, seemingly shooting down rumors that he will turn pro right after the U.S. Amateur Championship.

"Yes, I said I will be there," Woods told The Associated Press before Tuesday's second round of stroke play qualifying at Pumpkin Ridge Golf Club.

Rumors that Woods would turn pro immediately after Sunday's final in the Amateur were given added intensity this week because Nike, which has endorsement deals with the biggest names in every other sport, is based in nearby Beaverton and has made no secret it wants to sign Woods.

"So far, my plans right now are to return to school" for his junior year at Stanford, Woods said earlier. "I'll know when," Woods said when asked about the timetable for turning pro. "I can't tell you when. I can't tell you because I've never been there. When I get there, I'll tell you."

Woods was offered a spot on the four-man U.S. team in the Nov. 14-17 World Team Amateur Championship on Sunday night, according to a USGA spokesman.

"He was extended an invitation and he accepted," Craig Smith said.

Sources close to the situation said that Woods was advised not to accept the invitation to the quadrennial event if it was likely he would back out.

The sources said Woods gave a firm commitment to remaining an amateur through November.

"I'll be there," Woods said Tuesday when asked about the World Amateur. "I'm going."

DALY CONFUSION: John Daly's last-minute withdrawal from the Fred Meyer Challenge, a two-day charity event in a Portland suburb, triggered rumors that a frustrated Daly would take the rest of the year off.

"There is nothing to that," Daley's agent, Terry Reilly of Cambridge Sports International, said Tuesday. "He's just tired and wanted some time off with his wife."

Daly pulled out of the 24-man field for the Monday-Tuesday event on Saturday and a replacement was found.

Reilly said Daly will "probably play" in the Canadian Open Sept. 5-8 and had "tentatively scheduled to play in four or five more events this year."

Daly, who has finished as high as 10th only once since winning the 1995 British Open, had problems at the Fred Meyer Challenge two years ago when he jokingly turned toward the gallery during an exhibition and hit a ball over thier heads.

Twice Daly miss

Behind the '88-ball': Cowboys 9-7

By Jim Reeves
Fort Worth Star-Telegram

A bell above the door tinkled lightly as I tentatively stepped into the shop. The sign outside, printed Gothic style in peeling yellow paint on the dusty plate glass window, read, "Madame Serena. Seer. Oracle. Psychic Readings. Crystal Ball, Tarot Cards. Palms Read."

And in the lower corner: "MasterCard accepted. Lady Visa, too."

Plastic money. My kind of place.

It took a few seconds for my eyes to adjust from the bright sunlight to the darkness inside. Dingy velvet drapes covered the walls. Melancholy gypsy music played softly from hidden speakers. The musty smell of mildew, of things old and better left undisturbed, hung heavy in the air.

Nervously, I cleared my throat.

"Anybody home?"

The curtains at the rear of the room parted slowly and a woman stepped through. Don't ask how old she was. Her skin was smooth and clear but there was a sense of timeless history in her gaze.

"Yes?" she purred, her voice throaty and with an accent I couldn't place. "Something you want?"

She wore a dress like the ones women wear at Scarborough Faire, something from another century, another world, full-skirted with the blouse draped down around her shoulders and bodice. It was velvet, like the curtains, and I wondered why she wasn't sweating in the still, hot air. Lord knows I was.

"Uh, well, I wanted to look into the future ... that is, I was wondering if maybe you could ..."

■ Commentary

She interrupted me with a disdainful wave of her hand.

"You want to know about the Dallas Cowboys, right?" she whispered, her voice even huskier. "Madame Serena knows. She sees all."

My jaw dropped and she chuckled.

"It's my business to know what you want, even before you know you want it," she explained lightly.

She motioned to a pair of high-backed chairs surrounding a small wooden table covered by a long tablecloth that reached to the floor.

"Sit down," she said, sweeping into a chair herself. I couldn't help but notice that she was barefoot, her toenails painted a glistening red. "I think I can help you."

I stood there hesitant, not wanting to commit.

"How much does this cost?" I asked, my throat oddly dry and hoarse.

"Don't worry about money, darling," she snapped. "What, you think maybe this is Neiman Marcus? Sit down."

I sat.

"So," she asked, her black eyes probing mine. "You want crystal ball? The cards? What?"

I shrugged. I didn't know where to start, what to ask for.

"OK," she said crisply, in total command. "All of the above. We'll start with the crystal ball."

She reached under the table and produced a small black plastic ball. I was speechless. It was exactly like the toy "8-Ball" we used to buy at the five-and-dime when we were kids, the one that answers your questions with replies like "Not at this time," or "Answer unclear, try again later."

I didn't know whether to laugh or cry.

Then she turned the ball toward me. Instead of the normal white "8" it boasted the number "88."

"This is where these Cowboys of yours are," she said. "Behind the '88-ball.' Get it?"

She laughed and waved her hand over the ball and suddenly it was a clear, heavy crystal ball. I blinked, still unable to speak. She thumped it down into a tri-legged holder on the table between us. I looked around, wondering what had happened to the other ball.

The sound of shuffling cards brought my gaze back to the table. An over-sized deck of ancient tarot cards pulsed in her hands as if they had a life of their own. Despite the stifling heat, I shivered.

The strange pictures were baffling and she frowned as the cards flew from her hands and fluttered softly into various piles on the tabletop. Finally, she laid out the final card, turning it over dramatically — the Hangman.

Naturally.

"What is that?" I croaked. "Does that mean death?"

She shook her head.

"No," she said, studying the layout carefully. "That's Mr. Jerry Jones. It means he has another corporate sponsor lined up for the kill."

"But what about the Cowboys?" I blurted. "Will they win another Super Bowl this year? Can they overcome all their injuries, all the off-field distractions, the loss of Michael Irvin for five games?"

Madame Serena, if that's who she really was, asked for my hand. She took it in both of hers and turned it palm up.

"I see a dark-haired woman," she said, and I breathed a sigh of relief. My wife, I thought.

"Her name is Angela," she said, her voice a caress.

Uh-oh.

"The Cowboys have much trouble," she said, "But then, you already knew that, yes?"

"I'll say."

"I see a tall man with a strong arm," she said. "He is very brave."

"Troy Aikman," I nodded.

"No," she said. "He has a badge."

Uh oh, again.

"That's old news," I said. "I think."

"It's an old line," she snapped back, gesturing at my hand.

Touche.

"I see heartbreak," she said. "I see turmoil and confusion. I see sadness and anger, arrogance and greed."

"I know, but we're not talking about Barry and Jerry now," I said. "What about the team and the regular season?"

"That "is" the regular season," she said haughtily.

Oh.

"I see two numbers," she said. "Nine and seven. Do you know what they mean?"

I nodded bleakly. "That's the heartbreak."

"I see a man muttering about fourth-and-one," she said. "He is packing boxes. He is going on a trip. He seems confused."

I nodded again. "Switzer. He can't survive 9-7. Not in this town."

"I see another man. No, I see lots of them. They are smiling and wearing something strange on their heads, something yellow, like a three-cornered hat."

"Oh God," I mumbled. "The Cheeseheads are coming."

It was too much for me, the cloying aroma of incense, the heat in the airless room, the nearness of Madame Serena. I swayed dizzily.

"Nine-and seven?" Surely not.

"That'll be $50," she said, still clutching my hand as if afraid I might faint. "Cash or credit card?"

I was back on the street, blinking in the sunlight, before my knees stopped shaking. No receipt. I turned back, tried the doorknob. It was locked.

Stepping close to the dirty window and cupping my hands around my eyes, I peered inside.

Serena, her bawdy dress replaced by a royal blue midriff blouse, white short shorts and white go-go boots, danced alone in the room, eyes closed, high-stepping, hips gyrating, lips sensual and moist. Then she pranced off through the back curtains.

I shivered as the grating strains of the theme to the TV show "Dallas" came floating out into the thick August air.

Bad song, I thought. Bad year.

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Trade ranks as one of Suns' best

By Joe Gilmartin
The Phoenix Gazette

Capsule comment on the Barkley-Houston deal: The sizzle is gone, but the steak just got better.

Considering the position the Suns were perceived to be in (i.e., over a barrel) this has to be one of the best deals the Suns ever made.

Not quite as good as the one that brought The Chuckster here in the first place, to be sure.

But close.

Any time you can trade an aging and disenchanted superstar for youth, defense, athleticism and better chemistry, you have made yourself one steal of a deal.

What we're talking here is not only addition by subtraction, but addition by addition.

This isn't as good as the aborted Dikembe Mutombo deal.

It's better. Much better!

Barkley (surprise, surprise) is taking credit for the deal. And if he deserved it, it might make him a serious candidate for General Manager of The Year.

But (surprise, surprise) he overrates his role a little.

This deal wasn't made because of anything Charles Barkley said or threatened to not do (like play here).

The Suns had made up their minds to trade him if the right deal was there long before Charles went publicly ballistic.

Suns President Jerry Colangelo made it perfectly clear at the Big Press Conference on Monday that it was Barkley Ball, not Barkley bluster and blather, that triggered the deal.

"I haven't liked the way we played for the last two years," he said. "It just hasn't been any fun for me personally to watch us play more and more like Philadelphia did Charles' last year or two there."

Colangelo also pointedly noted he was fully prepared to let Charles sit or whatever if they couldn't make a deal on their terms.

Coach Cotton Fitzsimmons, appearing at the press conference despite a painful injury, noted he was really looking forward to going back to the running game that was once the team's signature style.

Cotton didn't say he was hurting, but you know he had to be. There's no way he could turn a cartwheel at his age without hurting something. And there's no way he didn't turn at least one cartwheel over not having to coach (make that coax) Chuck this season.

■ Commentary

Cotton liked Barkley, but he never made any secret of the fact there was no way he could coach him.

Not to take anything away from the Suns, who deserve high marks for holding firm in the face of all the flak from Charles until they got everything they wanted from the Rockets, but they were lucky as well as plucky.

Lucky there was a team out there that needed charisma even more than talent, and had the right kind of players to offer for it.

Despite their two titles and two future Hall of Famers, the Rockets couldn't hold a candle to Charles in charisma.

And you have to think what owner Leslie Alexander saw in Charles was the new arena he has been pushing so hard for.

You can only wonder what Coach Rudy Tomjanovich, an ardent believer in team play and defense, sees in him, because the guess is he's not going to tell you.

This deal hardly positions the Suns to make another title run any time soon, but they weren't going to be in that position anyway. What this does do is position them for a relatively painless rebuilding phase.

Cotton hails it as a "fresh start," and indeed he looked 10 years younger Monday. (Not coaching Charles will do that for a man.) But while he relishes it, Barkley's absence poses a big challenge for him to make Cotton Ball work.

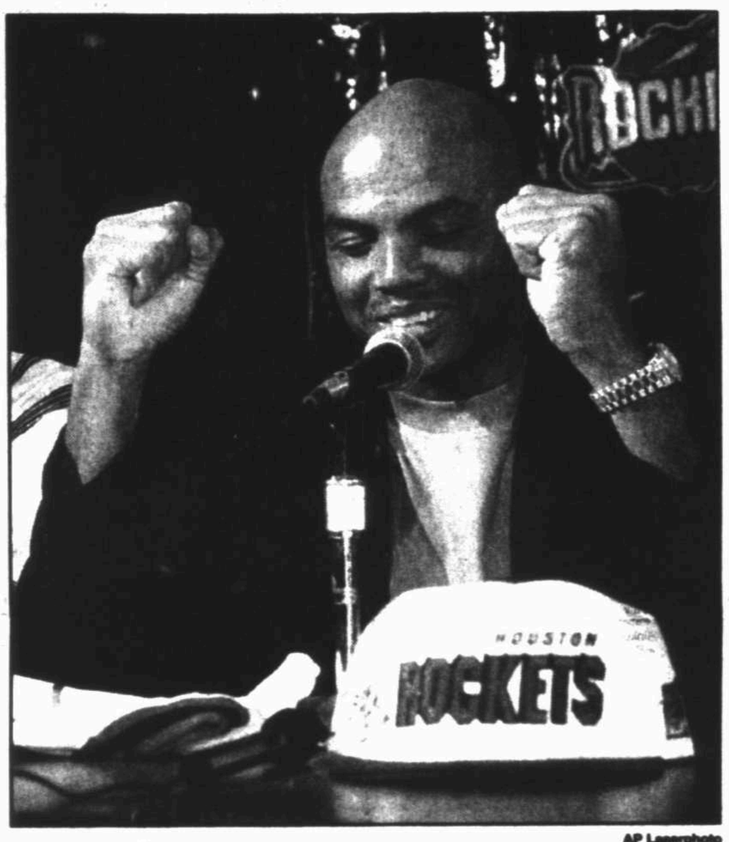
It no longer really matters who or what caused the rift between the Suns and Charles (my guess is the public part of it is traceable to the fact Charles really wanted out, likes to hear himself talk and saw a chance to kill two birds with one stone).

The bottom line is he and the Suns were great for each other in the beginning, but now have no real need (or use) for each other.

It was time for both to move on. And happily, both moved in what they firmly believe is the right direction.

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Charles Barkley is now a Rocket. But the Suns cashed in on their second great deal involving the power forward.

Inferiority complex turns to ego as Big 12 flexes muscle

By Wendell Barnhouse
Fort Worth Star-Telegram

Nationally, the freshly minted Big 12 Conference is perceived as being the best college conference going. A neat trick, considering it has yet to make its competitive debut.

Membership in the nation's top conference is heady stuff for heavyweights such as Texas, Texas A&M, Nebraska and KaNsas. Shoulders at those schools are still stooped from carrying around sumo-sized chips of Southwest and Big Eight conference inferiority.

But now we get word that Big 12 leaders are unhappy with the revised bowl alliance. The 12 Musketeers' desire to be cutting-edge leaders of college sports apparently includes the motto "All for us and none for you."

A month ago, the announcement came that the Rose Bowl, Big Ten and Pacific-10 conferences would join the bowl alliance in 1998.

"This is great for college football" was the predominant message.

"We get even more money" was the subliminal message coming from the fortunate conferences in the alliance.

Then last week, the Rose Bowl announced a contract extension through 2005 with ABC Sports, which will be the revised alliance's exclusive carrier. That high-pitched howl you heard came from the Big 12's home offices. Big 12 folks believe that ABC did an end run with the Rose Bowl.

"There has been some confusion and frustrat)on," ABC Sports media representative Mark Mandel said. "We've been upfront and honest about all the facts involving the extension of thg Rose Bowl deal. When there are this many entities, there is bound to be some information not filtered down. Perhaps that is what's happening now."

So what's the problem?

The grand plan with some Big 12 thinkers called for a four-year alliance deal. After that, with the Rose-ABC contract expiring and all conferences in the alliance, a new TV contract could be negotiated for even more money. Or perhaps even a Division I-A playoff could be realized "for even more money."

The ABC-Rose extension means that can't happen until at least 2006.

"I think this new alliance is a dead deal," Texas A&M athletic directOr Wally Groff said recently.

"The Big 12 is united on this and we won't vote for it. We've got to be business people, too. I don't want somebody on the outside telling me what to do with my product.

"Most of us feel that this (alliance) deal way, way undervalues the national championship. I don't think we're getting a fair share of what it's worth."

In the current alliance, teams in the No. 1 vs. No. 2 national championship game receive about $8.5 million each. The new alliance deal would raise the per-team payout for the championship game from $12 million to $14 million.

Question No.1: How much money is enough money?

Question No. 2: If the revised bowl alliance guaranteed a true Jnational championship game that all the fans, coaches and players want, how arrogant does the Big 12 appear if it votes it down?

"I'm puzzled why suddenly there's a feeling that there was anything else proposed," Pac-10 commissioner Tom Hansen said.

"All of this has been available to the alliance parties. It's not accurate to say there was a lack of awareness of the details of the agreement. We tried very hard to make this a fair, equitable and attractive proposal."

Funny how conference realignment, even if it is a forced union that might not last longer than a Hollywood marriage, can turn inferiority complexes into ego mania.

Example No. 1: The Big 12 logo uses Roman numerals. That evokes images of the Super Bowl, America's daylong sports/corporate bash. The idea, if the league lasts this long, is for the "Big" to be lropped. (No reason to be associated with the Big Ten or the Big East, you know.) The conference would become known simply as "The 12."

Example No. 2: To announce its official birth in July, the Big 12 sent out wall clocks with the school's logos replacing the 12 numbers. (Oh, how we wish we could have been in on that negotiation: "I want to be 12." "No, I get to be 12.")

The clocks came in boxes with the clever phrase, "Welcome to the Big Time."

So now we know. The Southwest and Big Eight conferences were small time.

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Hitter's year brings back memories of 1930

By Bob Ryan
N.Y. Times News Service

I was dreaming last night. I dreamed it was the magical, mysterious, legendary and virtually unimaginable year of 1930, and baseballs were flying all over this great land of ours. I dreamed there was an unprecedented explosion of offensive might throughout the major leagues. I dreamed that in virtually every city, the Scoreboard Union was petitioning for a time-and-a-half overtime clause. I dreamed that on just about every team, someone was putting up monster numbers. I was living baseball history, and it was all very exciting.

What's this? It's not a dream? It's just 1996 major league baseball? It's Aug. 22, 1996 (happy 57th, Yaz), and we really do have more than 60 guys hitting .300, we really do have 11 guys with 100 RBIs and we really do have 64 guys with 20 or more homers? It's Aug. 22, 1996, and the American League median (i.e. half above, half below) batting average really is .287 and the National League's is .280? There are six weeks to go in the regular season and we've already had 381 instances in which a team has scored 10 or more runs in a game?

A true baseball aficionado knows there are landmark years in the game's history. The very mention of these years resonates in the attuned baseball ear.

1920: The game changed irrevocably with the introduction of the so-called lively ball.

1945: The game's artistic nadir, when the only ones left to play were 4Fs, pimple-poppers and World War I vets.

1968: The Great Modern Ice Age, when Our Yaz was the only .300 hitter in the American League (.301), Bob Gibson had a 1.12 ERA, the American League average was .230 and there were 335 shutouts.

And then there was 1930, when, as legend has it, all a pitcher could do was throw, duck and pray.

"The barrage began in the spring, reached a deafening crescendo during the heat of summer and subsided in the cool sanctity of autumn," write Richard Cohen and David Neft in "The Sports Enclyclopedia: Baseball."

■ Commentary

"Never before had such an offensive been staged, and never again would the cannon fire of baseball bats strike so often and so effectively ... For the batters, it was a vision of heaven on earth. And for the pitchers, it was the fright and embarrassment that open season had been declared on them."

"Baseballs left National League parks as though there were launching pads at home plate," submits Donald Honig in his historical treatise, "The National League." "A batting average of .330 or .340 was almost a sign of infirmity."

In his "Historical Baseball Abstract," Bill James discusses a 1930 season in which there were "flashy batting stats reaching all the way down to the basement, where the Philadelphia Phillies had two outfielders hitting over .380 and a team earned run average of 6.71."

This was the year Hack Wilson hit 56 home runs and drove in a still-standing record of 190 runs. It was the year Phillies outfielder Lefty O'Doul hit .383 and not only finished fourth in the league but (itals) second on his team (unitals). (Chuck Klein hit .386, to accompany his 250 hits, 445 total bases, 170 RBIs and 158 runs scored.) It was the year Bill Terry set a league record of 254 hits while becoming the last National Leaguer to exceed .400 (.401). It was the year nine teams hit over .300. (The Phillies hit .315 as a team, averaged more than six runs a game and finished last, 40 games out). It was the year — the only year — in which four men (Terry, Klein, Babe Herman and Freddie Lindstrom) had 230 or more hits. It was the year when both the National League batting average and the median batting average of anyone playing 40 or more games was the same — .303.

"A hitter's bacchanalia," observes Bill James.

As a partial explanation for all this, popular mythology holds that the 1930 baseball was deliberately juiced up. "Oh, they've always admitted they did something to the baseball that year," points out Seymour Siwoff of Elias Sports Bureau. Seymour is the Great Guardian of the game's statistical integrity and, like many baseball savants, he never dreamed he would live long enough to see a recurrence of 1930.

But 1996 is every bit as astounding in its offensive tyranny as 1930. Reading the averages is like being transported back through time. You feel like you should be sitting in front of an Atwater Kent.

As of last Friday night, the American League listed 38 men with averages of .300 or better (280 plate appearances), while the National League had 28. The median average of the AL was .287; the NL's was .280. Yet that's hardly the entire story.

"The big difference between 1930 and 1996," says Siwoff, "is the home runs. There is no doubt that we will break the record for total major league home runs, and there is also no doubt that the Oakland A's will break the Yankees' 1961 record of 240 homers."

Wilson's NL record assault aside, homers weren't the issue in 1930. Only 29 men among the 16 big league clubs even reached double figures that year. Now we have 139 and counting. The current home run barrage is numbing. Twenty-two men have already smashed at least 30, while 42 more have exceeded 20.

Bad pitching? Smaller parks? Shrinking strike zone? Bigger, stronger, more analytical, batters who pump iron, study videotape and pay attention to scholarly batting coaches? Steroids? I'd say it's four yeses and a who-knows? The truth is that no one knows the definitive reason(s) why. We just see what we see, every day and every night. Offense rules.

Facts are facts. In the hallowed season of 1930, the American League slugged .421 and the National League slugged a century-high .448. Entering last night's games, the National League was slugging .410. The American League? Try .450.

So peel yourself a grape, pour yourself a goblet of wine and then enjoy the show. It's A Hitter's Bacchanalia, Part II.

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A GLANCE AT NEW YORK

Seeds Capsules

By Bob Greene
AP Sports Writer

NEW YORK — A quick look at the Top 10 seeded players in the U.S. Open tennis championships being played Aug. 25-Sept. 10 at the USTA National Tennis Center in Flushing Meadows:

Women

No. 1 Steffi Graf: With a myriad of physical and personal problems, Graf would seem to be vulnerable. But despite injuries and her father's incarceration, Graf won the French Open and Wimbledon this year, increasing her Grand Slam tournament singles titles to 20, second only to the 24 won by Margaret Smith Court. While she still has the physical tools — the big forehand and the quick feet — and is the favorite, she has suffered surprising losses to Martina Hingis at Rome, Kimiko Date in the Fed Cup and Lindsay Davenport in Los Angeles.

No. 2 Monica Seles: After winning the Australian Open, Seles' year has been somewhat of a struggle — for her, that is. She has lost only four times: to Jana Novotna at the French Open and Atlanta Olympics, Iva Majoli at Tokyo and Katarina Studenikova at Wimbledon. Seles has been hampered by a sore shoulder, but it's her confidence that will determine whether she returns to the title match.

No. 3 Arantxa Sanchez Vicario: For almost anyone else, the Spaniard's 1996 performance would be a great year. For Sanchez Vicario, however, it's been a bummer. She reached the final at the French Open, Wimbledon, the Atlanta Olympics and the Canadian Open, but lost them all. Still, she won two tournaments in April and has been a factor the entire year. A right-hander who has proven she can win the big matches, Sanchez Vicario uses her speed and all-court coverage to wear down opponents.

No. 4 Conchita Martinez: Like her Spanish Fed Cup teammate, Martinez has run into a bumpy road in 1996. Not only has she dropped from No. 2 to No. 3 in the world rankings, Martinez has won only one title, the Italian Open in May. That victory, however, moved the right-hander with the powerful all-court game past Tracy Austin with 30 career singles titles.

No. 5 Iva Majoli: Majoli is no longer being called the next Monica Seles. Like Seles, Majoli was born in what used to be Yugoslavia, then moved to Florida at a young age to better her game. But the 19-year-old right-hander from Zagreb, Croatia, while steadily moving up the rankings, has won only twice this year, in Tokyo in January and Essen, Germany, in February. And she beat Seles in Tokyo.

No. 6 Anke Huber: Huber's steady baseline game has taken her to a No. 5 world ranking, even if the tournament titles are few and far between. She won a grass-court event at Rosmalen, the Netherlands, in June, but her reputation rests more on her losses, including a thrilling five-set final against Graf in the season-ending WTA Tour Championships in New York last November.

No. 7 Jana Novotna: Known for her epic collapses, Novotna may finally be ready to win a major title. Her all-court game has given her two victories over Seles this year, and she won at Madrid in May. The right-hander from Brno, Czech Republic, has a strong serve-and-volley game and is always on the attack.

No. 8 Lindsay Davenport: The 6-foot-2, 20-year-old right-hander from Murrieta, Calif., has powered her way right to the top of the women's game. By winning the gold medal at the Atlanta Olympics, then capturing the title at Los Angeles, where she beat Graf, Davenport is going into the U.S. Open full of confidence. She also won Strasbourg, France, in May.

No. 9 Mary Joe Fernandez: Fernandez has spent her career being close. The right-hander from Miami has lost twice in the Australian Open final, and her career has been interrupted time and again by either injuries or illness. Now 25, the baseliner always seems to be playing in the second week of a Grand Slam tournament, but rarely on the final day.

No. 10 Kimiko Date: The first player from Japan to break into the top echelon, the right-hander has won only one title this year, the Japan Open in April. But Date rarely loses to someone she's supposed to beat and she is one of the most consistent players on the WTA Tour.

Men

No. 1 Pete Sampras: The U.S. Open, where he won his first Grand Slam tournament title in 1990, is Sampras' last chance to win a major crown this year. He proved that he's back in form at Indianapolis this month, winning the RCA Championships, his first title since the Japan Open in April. When his serve is on — and it usually is — Sampras is almost untouchable. If he has problems with his serve, he can be beaten.

No. 2 Michael Chang: Chang's quickness and mental toughness carried him to the French Open title in 1989 when he was 17. He has since developed a big serve, more powerful groundstrokes and a tenacity that has taken Chang to No. 3 in the world. And hardcourt is his best surface. He has won tournaments in Key Biscayne, Fla., Los Angeles and Washington this year, as well as reaching the finals at the Australian Open and Cincinnati.

No. 3 Thomas Muster: Upset over being seeded third, the No. 2-ranked Muster could get his revenge on the court. French Open champion in 1995, the left-hander is on a crusade to prove he's not just a clay court player, winning his first indoor crown last November in Essen, Germany; reaching the semifinals on grass at Queen's in June, and the semis on hardcourts at Cincinnati earlier this month. He has won six titles in 1996.

No. 4 Goran Ivanisevic: With one of the biggest serves in tennis, the left-hander from Croatia is still looking for his first career title in the United States. He has won 16 tournaments in his career. He also is seeking his first Grand Slam tournament title, having been runnerup twice at Wimbledon — in 1992 and 1994. Has gone out in the first round the last two years at the U.S. Open. Although he has decent groundstrokes, he goes only as far as his serve carries him.

No. 5 Richard Krajicek: The 24-year-old Dutchman made his big breakthrough this summer, winning Wimbledon. He also has wins over all of the other top players and is a legitimate threat to become the first player from the Netherlands to win the men's singles title at the U.S. Open. His huge serve in a class with those of Ivanisevic and Sampras.

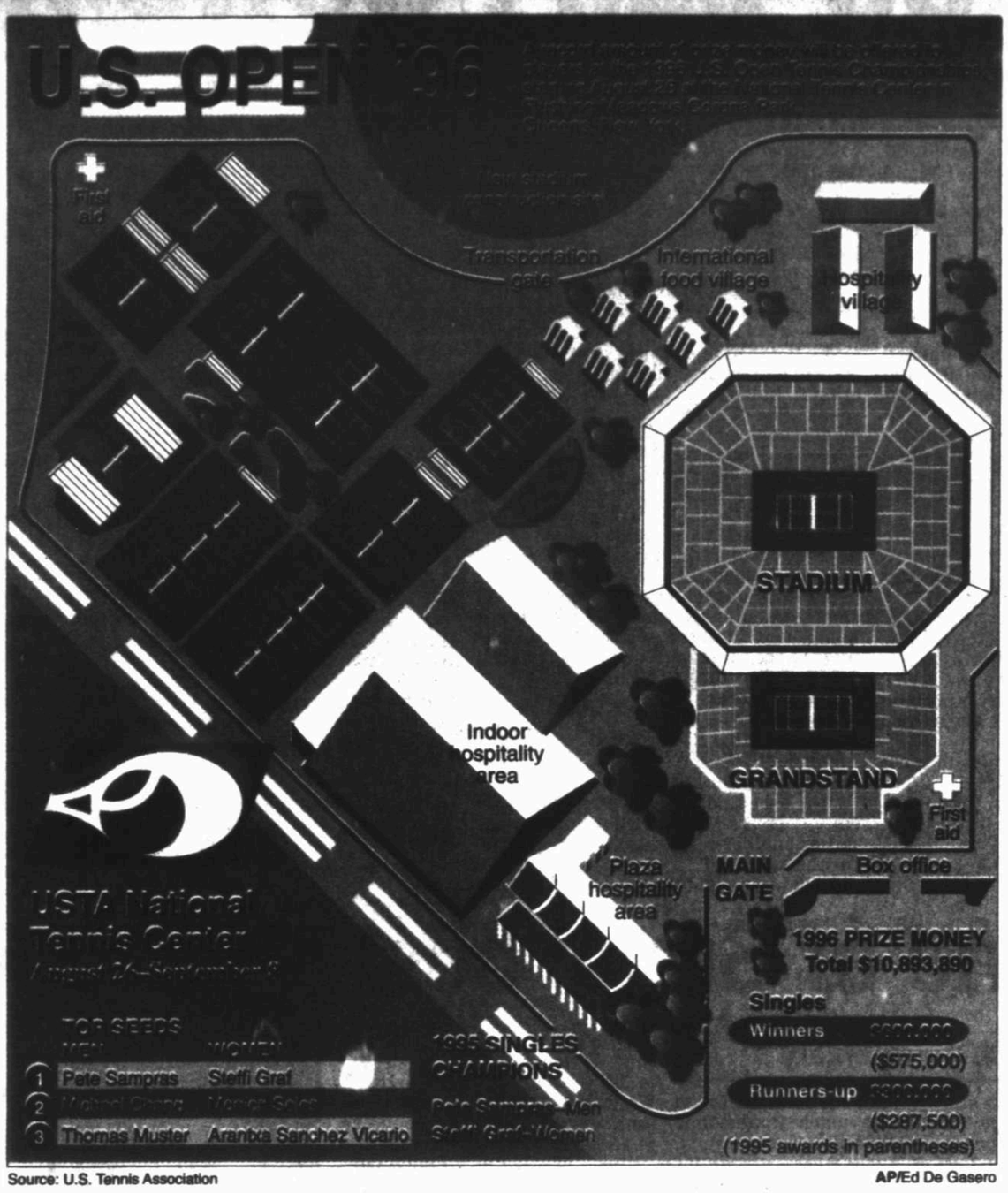
No. 6 Andre Agassi: Which Agassi will show up at the National Tennis Center is the question. After a year of disastrous results, Agassi finally put his game together to win the Olympic gold medal in Atlanta, then followed up by winning at Cincinnati, beating Chang in the final. But his conduct and language caused him to be defaulted the next week at Indianapolis. He's won Grand Slam tournaments, including the U.S. Open, and been ranked No. 1 in the world. He's also lost to qualifiers.

No. 7 Yevgeny Kafelnikov: The 22-year-old Russian right-hander finally cashed in at Paris, winning the French Open. One of the young bright stars of tennis, he prefers to stay back, but sneaks to the net just enough to keep his opponent honest, and can hit passing shots with accuracy and enough topspin to keep the ball in the court.

No. 8 Jim Courier: In 1993, he won the Australian Open and was runnerup at both the French Open and Wimbledon. Since then, Courier, once ranked No. 1 in the world, has had his problems. However, he now seems to be more interested in tennis than in reading books during the changeover.

No. 9 Wayne Ferreira: Consistency is the hallmark of this South African. A right-hander, Ferreira has steadily improved every year since he joined the tour in 1988 and in 1994 became only the seventh man to be ranked in the top 20 in both singles and doubles.

No. 10 Marcelo Rios: It's been a long time since a Chilean player has been ranked this high; in fact, not since Hans Gildemeister in 1979. A 20-year-old left-hander, the 5-foot-8 Rios was the No. 1 junior player in the world three years ago when he won the U.S. Open junior boys title, proof he can play on the hardcourts at the National Tennis Center.



Source: U.S. Tennis Association

AP/Ed De Gasero

Serve up cash

By Bob Greene
AP Sports Writer

■ Notebook

NEW YORK — One service return — $1 million. That's the deal this weekend for two tennis fans in the promotional buildup to the U.S. Open.

Francesca Bijelec, 22, a college student in Seattle, and Patrick Lally, 23, of Kalamazoo, Mich., will try to win $1 million each on Sunday when they attempt to return a serve from a tennis great and hit a target. Bijelec will face Billie Jean King, while Lally will go against John McEnroe.

If they hit the target in the opposite court, they win the $1 million prize. If they miss the target, but hit the ball into the singles court, each will win $25,000. They will receive a consolation prize of $10,000 if they fail to successfully return the serve.

Bijelec and Lally were winners of the "American Express $1 Million U.S. Open Return Sweepstakes."

McENROES FOR EVERYONE: There will be plenty of McEnroe and plenty of McEnroes for the U.S. Open television audience this year.

John McEnroe, the four-time U.S. Open and three-time Wimbledon champion, will team with Mary Carillo, Tim Ryan, Sean McDonough, Tony Trabert, Barry MacKay, Pat O'Brien and Andrea Joyce as CBS televises the U.S. Open for the 29th consecutive year.

On weekends, Patrick McEnroe, John's brother, will be in the studio as an analyst for CBS.

CBS will broadcast more than 45 hours of tennis, beginning Monday and concluding with the men's and women's finals on Sunday, Sept. 8.

For the 13th consecutive year, USA Network will telecast the U.S. Open, this year serving up more than 84 hours of live tennis in 11 days, beginning Monday.

John McEnroe and former women's champions Tracy Austin and Virginia Wade will be USA Network analysts.

Others behind the microphones will be MacKay, David Mercer, Larry Stefanki, Bill Macatee, Ted Robinson, Jon Frankel, Michael Barkann and Elise Burgin.

ON THE DISABLED LIST: When 11th-seeded Chanda Rubin of Lafayette, La., pulled out of the tournament because of an injury, she was the fourth player forced to miss the year's final Grand Slam event.

Boris Becker still hasn't recovered from a wrist injury suffered during Wimbledon, while 12-ranked Mary Pierce of France and No. 20 Meredith McGrath of Midland, Mich., withdrew early in the week.

Pierce has a bad shoulder and McGrath has a knee injury.

HONORING COACHES: The USTA, in accordance with an new U.S. Olympic Committee program, will honor a Coach of the Year and a Developmental Coach of the Year.

The tennis award winners will then become candidates for USOC Coach of the Year and USOC Developmental Coach of the Year, where they will compete against coaches from all other Olympic sports.

"There's always a successful coach behind a successful player, and this program is designed to give coaches the recognition that they deserve," said Ron Woods, USTA Director of Player Development. "The goals of the program are to elevate the status of coaching as a profession and acknowledge the coach's contributions to athlete development."

LEARN FROM THE MASTERS: USTA coaches Tom Gullikson, Lynne Rolley, Nick Saviano and Stan Smith head an all-star faculty in the U.S. tennis Association's Tennis Teachers Conference starting Sunday.

Gullikson, the U.S. Davis Cup captain, has tutored players such as Jim Courier, Todd Martin and MaliVai Washington. As a player, he has career victories over Bjorn Borg, Jimmy Connors and Stefan Edberg.

Rolley, who directs player development activities for women's tennis, has worked with many of today's top players, including Jennifer Capriati, Lindsay Davenport and Chanda Rubin.

A U.S. Open and Wimbledon winner, Smith is associate director of USTA player development, while Saviano, USTA director of coaching for men's tennis, reached the fourth round of Wimbledon in 1980 and 1982.

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BRIEFING

New Mesa CEO

IRVING, Texas — Mesa Inc. named JOn Brumley chairman and chief executive to succeed the oil and gas company's founder, Boone Pickens.

Brumley, 57, was chairman, chief executive and a co-founder of Cross Timbers Oil Co.

"Jon Brumley has spent his entire career in the oil and gas industry, he is an entrepreneur and has an excellent record. I am pleased that Jon has accepted this leadership position," Pickens said.

Pickens, 68, who founded the Irving, Texas-based company 40 years ago, was one of the most feared corporate raiders of the 1980s.

Drilling slumps

Drilling activity slumped in mid-August, according to Baker Hughes Inc.

The Permian Basin rig count fell six rigs to 116 for the week, above last year's count of 113.

The U.S. rig count fell four rigs to 805 for the week but continues to lead year-ago levels. A year ago the count was 744.

Among major producing states, Texas posted the largest increase, six rigs, while New Mexico posted the largest drop, nine rigs.

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Petrochemical buy

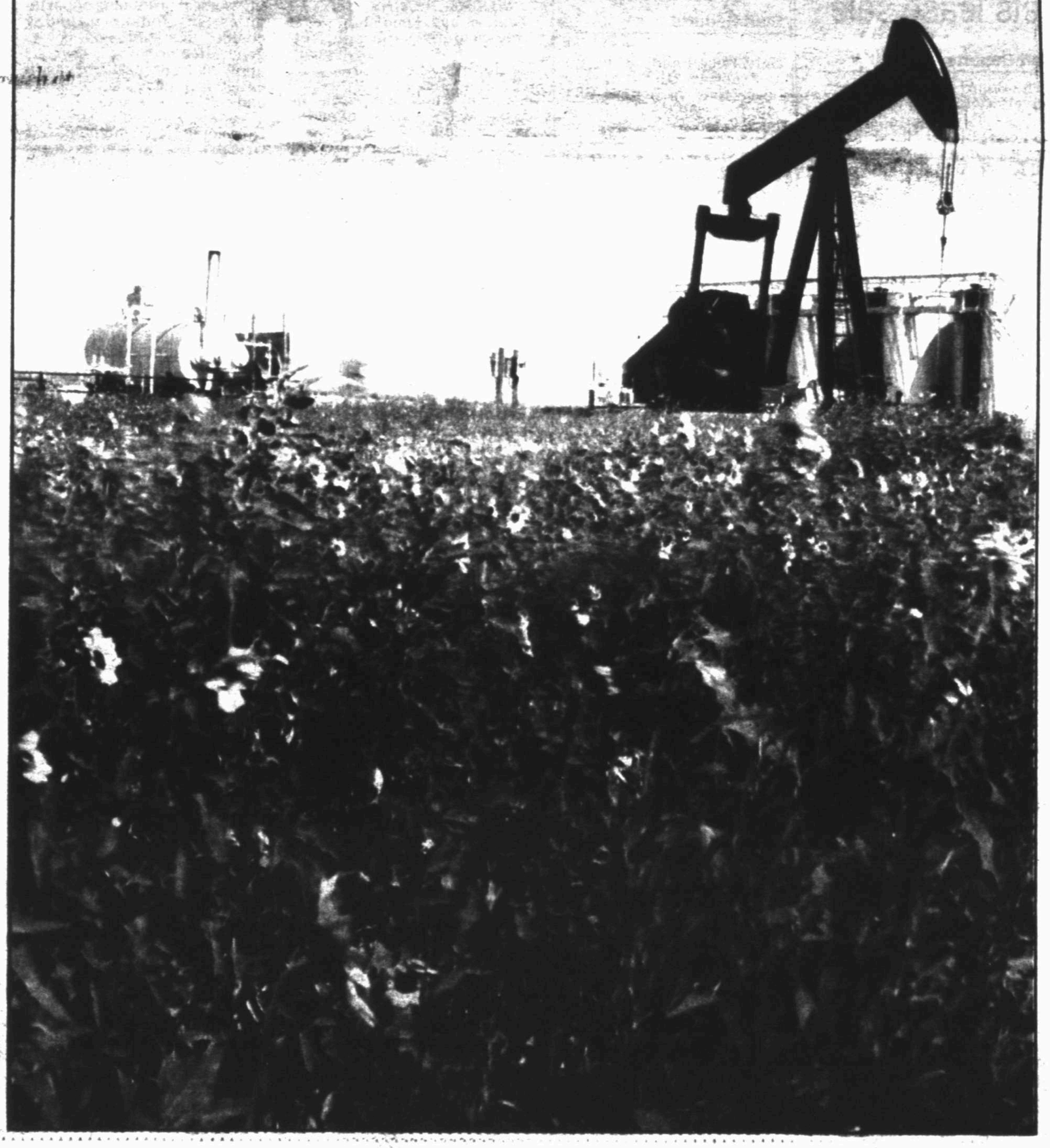
ALEXANDRIA, Va. — Imperial Petroleum Recovery Corp. has reached an agreement to purchase the assets of Phonon Technologies Inc. of Houston for an undisclosed amount of cash.

Mr. Joseph Meuse, Director of Investor Relations for Imperial, noted that Phonon is well known as a pioneer in developing applications of microwave-enhanced chemical processes for the petrochemical, petroleum, refining, and gas industries.

Discussions aimed at the commercialization of this process are said to be already underway.

Imperial markets a microwave-based emulsion breaking technology designed to address the problem of mounting world inventories of crude oil sludge. Utilizing a unique application of high power microwave energy, the process effectively and efficiently breaks the stubborn molecular bonds characteristic of oily sludges, releasing saleable oil and irrigation-quality water while at the same time dramatically reducing the volume of disposable solids.

HIGHER PRICES BRIGHTEN OUTLOOK FOR PRODUCERS



Analyst sees higher prices as oil, gas 'cushion' ends

■ Rising demand has taken toll on production cushion, expert says.

By John Paul Pitts
Oil Editor

As oil prices remain above $20 and natural gas prices hover around $2, a leading energy analyst and energy investment consultant says the price of oil and gas will continue to go up.

"We have used our cushion of excess capacity," says Rodney Mitchell, president of the Houston-based Mitchell Group, "and that means prices will continue to increase."

The Mitchell Group, whose members of the senior strategy committee include: Robert Gates, former director of the CIA; John Swearingen, former Chairman of Amoco, and John Williams, former Chairman of the Williams Companies has over $200 million of oil and gas equity securities under management.

"Demand has grown 10 million barrels per day over the past 10 years, and that has taken a toll on the production cushion," said Mitchell, who was in Midland to make a presentation to the clients of Stubbeman, McRae, Sealy, Laughlin & Browder Inc.

The Harvard graduate pointed out that over the last three years, non-OPEC production, primarily from the North Sea, had captured most of the expanding energy market. "Intense utilization of resources and a benign tax structure were the keys to production increases in the North Sea," noted Mitchell.

Mitchell, who grew up on a farm near Crosbyton, Texas, put it in simple terms: "When you burn off excess producing capacity, it looks very good for the oil and gas industry."

He said a decline on the Outer Continental Shelf in the Gulf of Mexico would drive natural gas prices up. "Production in the Gulf is holding flat now, and that is good, because 70 percent of all the wells drilled in the Gulf over the past three years have been between existing platforms. We are not finding any new reserves."

Mitchell said a production decline on the Shelf was inevitable and when it comes it will be rapid. "It will sink like a rock. Only a 5 percent decline on the Shelf will mean operators will have to increase activity 45 percent to compensate. Once you get behind the power curve, it is difficult to recover."

Mitchell explained that new wells in the Gulf deplete 50 percent in the first 18 months. "This means operators have to keep on running to stand still — they will not be able to put enough rigs in the Gulf to keep up."

Mitchell, said these factors would create a tight natural gas market and that the lack of a cushion and possible disruptions would drive up oil prices. He said that 70 percent of all the oil in the world was now being produced by unstable nations.

"The Middle East is in one of its most dangerous periods in recent years. Our number one ally Saudi Arabia has problems. They can no longer afford their extravagant welfare system, and the Islamic problem is growing. The nation was shocked by recent bombings. The Saudis need western capital and expertise to expand their oil industry, but the fundamentalists don't want any western influence."

The former advisor to the American Foreign Policy Council said the Saudi government was in a no-win situation that would require creative leadership, that the nation would become more volatile, the Royal Family would be challenged and disruptions of oil supply could occur, causing prices to escalate.

"This is a problem that cannot drift. The Saudi family must cope with it." Still, he does not expect the Royal Family will be deposed.

As for the United States, he said the U.S. had an unwritten contract with no expiration date to protect oil supplies in the Middle East. "We could not last six months without Middle East oil, we would have to go to war."

But Mitchell worries that when it comes time for a show down in the Middle East, perhaps against Iran, Saudi Arabia might not provide a base, and Turkey, another Muslim nation, may not allow bombers to fly from there against Iran. "That means we will have to operate solely from carriers."

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Mitchell does not discount any possible scenario in the Middle East because of the varying shades and flavors of Islam. "It does not mean the same thing in Algeria as Iran, so I don't think we will see Muslim unification."

Mitchell predicts that the world will become more unstable every day, and that will impact oil prices. However, a possible bump in supply could come from the re-entry of Iraq into the world market.

"Iraq is a nation of tremendous potential for oil and gas growth. Ask the CEO of any oil company, where he would most like to explore in the world and he will probably say Iraq."

Mitchell noted, however, that to develop vast oil reserves in Iraq and put that much economic power into the hands of a nation led by someone like Saddam Hussein could be dangerous. He said the world was in for perilous times.

University Lands sets lease sale

Staff Reports

The Board for Lease of University Lands has scheduled its 90th regular oil and gas lease sale for November 11 at the Center for Energy and Economic Diversification at 10 a.m.

The regular oil and gas lease sale includes 228 tracts totaling 86,549.988 acres in Andrews, Crane, Crockett, Irion, Reagan, Schleicher, Upton, Ward and Winkler counties.

Several of the tracts contain unplugged wells containing casing and above-ground producing equipment that is not the property of the state. The successful bidder, if he does not own the casing and equipment, will have the right to negotiate the sale of the casing and equipment, remove it and plug the well according to commission rules.

One tract in Andrews County contains a wellbore currently being used as a saltwater disposal well and presently not available for attempted reentry for oil and gas production.

Another tract, in Crane County, is to be leased on the basis that east and west lines of the section be considered for oil and gas purposes on even miles from the east line of Block 30.

Portions of two tracts are near the Winkler County airport and the leases are subject to a restriction prohibiting use or activity that would interfere with the permitted use.

Each bonus must equal or exceed the minimum bid states in the sale list.

There is a five-year primary term. Advance rentals are $5 an acre per year for years two and three and $10 per acre per year for years four and five.

There is a 25 percent royalty on oil and gas, which can be reduced to 20 percent if commercial production is established within the first 18 months of the lease term or 22.5 percent if commercial production is established within the second 18 months of the lease term.

Bids must be sealed and marked "Sealed Bid for Oil and Gas Lease Sale, November 12, 1996." Bids must be received no later than 5 p.m. November 8 at P.O. Box 553, Midland Texas 79702-0553 or at 808 W. Wall St. or no later than 10 a.m. November 11 at the CEED.

Lease sale includes frontier acreage

Staff Reports

The Board for Lease of University Lands will hold a Frontier Oil and Gas Lease Sale in conjunction with its regular oil and gas lease sale on November 11 at the Center for Energy and Economic Diversification at 10 a.m.

The lease sale is comprised of six tracts in El Paso County, 161 in Hudspeth County and 12 tracts in Terrell County totaling 467,926.300 acres.

In El Paso and Hudspeth counties, available acreage is offered in tracts comprised of four whole and contiguous designated sections of land per tract. The lease terms are 10-year primary leases with advance rentals of 10 cents per acre per year for years two through five; 20 cents per acre per year for years six through 10. There is a 1/8 royalty on oil and gas for the first 13 years, rising to 3/16 beginning with year 14.

Acreage in Terrell County is offered in tracts consisting of one whole designated section per tract. The leases carry a five-year primary term with advance rentals of $1 per acre per year for years two and three and $2 per acre per year for years four and five. There is a 3/16 royalty on oil and gas for the first eight years, rising to 1/5 beginning with year nine.

Sealed bids must be received no later than 5 p.m. November 8 at P.O. Box 553, Midland Texas 79702-0553 or at 808 W. Wall Street or no later than 10 a.m. November 11 at the Center for Energy and Economic Diversification.

Ex-Midlander to head new Texaco office in India

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. — Texaco has opened its first representative office in New Delhi, India, and has appointed Jagjit S. Yadav Managing Director - India to oversee the company's opportunities in the fast-growing nation, effective immediately.

In his new position, Yadav, currently President of Texaco subsidiary Sabine Pipe Line Company, will be responsible for representing Texacos interest with government and corporate entities, and coordinating new business development in such areas as exploration, production, natural gas, liquefied natural gas, power generation and pipeline infrastructure.

Texaco's opportunities in the country primarily have been served through its joint venture company Caltex Petroleum Corporation, which has lubricant marketing activities in India with plans for further endeavors.

Texaco currently is evaluating several promising opportunities in India, including coalbed methane and power generation projects, as well as applying its proprietary gasification technology in the power and refining markets.

Yadav joined Texaco's Producing Department in New Orleans, La., in 1967 as a gas engineer, and subsequently held various positions of increasing responsibility in that department. In 1976 he was named Assistant Division Superintendent (Gas) in the Producing Department -West at Midland, Texas. Yadav was appointed Assistant to the Manager (Gas Operations) in the Gas Department in Houston in 1979 and Manager - Contract Administration there in 1982. He was named Assistant to the Vice President of the Gas Department in 1986. Yadav joined Sabine Pipe Line Company as Vice President in 1988, and was named to his most recent position in 1989. In addition to heading Sabine Pipe Line Company, Yadav simultaneously served as President of Sabine Hub Services Company and Chief Operating Officer of the CNG/Sabine Center.

During his tenure at Sabine, Yadav was instrumental in the creation of Texaco's vital Henry Hub natural gas interchange center in Louisiana, the introduction of the Intra-Hub Transfers service and the formation of an alliance with the New York Mercantile Exchange (NYMEX) which established the Henry Hub as the standard delivery mechanism for natural gas traded on the futures market.

Yadav holds a bachelor of science degree in petroleum engineering from the Indian School of Mines, a master of science degree in petroleum engineering from Texas A&M University and a master of business administration degree from the University of Texas of the Permian Basin.

Unocal announces new upstream business units

EL SEGUNDO, Calif. — Unocal Corp. is realigning its worldwide oil, gas and geothermal activities into two business units that will focus on domestic growth activities and the company's expanding international operations.

Jack W. Schanck, 45, will be responsible for exploration and production activities in the United States. Charles R. Williamson, 47, will have responsibility for Unocal's foreign oil and gas production operations, including projects operated by others, and the company's geothermal activities.

"The segregation of our domestic exploration and production operations into one organization emphasizes the importance of these businesses to Unocal's long-term future," said Roger C. Beach, Unocal chairman and chief executive officer. We expect a sharper focus on growth opportunities as well as on continuing operational improvements."

Previously, the company's worldwide oil and gas production activities were in one organization headed by Schanck.

Unocal has domestic exploration and production operations in Alabama, Alaska, Texas, Louisiana, Michigan, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Utah, and as well as extensive offshore operations in the Gulf of Mexico.

The new international operations group headed by Williamson includes Unocal's oil and gas production operations — Thailand, Indonesia, the U.K., Canada, and the Netherlands, as well as international projects operated by others — and the company's geothermal operations in the U.S., Philippines and Indonesia.

Schanck joined Unocal in 1976. He held various positions as a field geologist with the company's Louisiana/Gulf of Mexico operations before becoming vice president, Unocal Canada, in 1989. He was named president of Unocal Canada in 1990.

Schanck then became vice president for Unocal's worldwide exploration in 1992 and was promoted to his current position of group vice president for oil and gas operations in 1994.

He holds a masters' degree in geology from Memphis State University.

Williamson joined Unocal in 1977 as a research associate. In 1983 he was named chief exploration geologist for the company in the U.K., and in 1986 became exploration manager and director of Unocal Netherlands.

He was named exploration vice president for Unocal Thailand in 1989, and then was named vice president for technology in the company's former Energy Resource Division in 1992. In 1994, he was named to his current position as vice president for corporate planning and economics.

He holds a Ph.D. in geology from the University of Texas (Austin).

API statistics show big gain in petroleum demand

■ More of Americans' demand for energy being supplied by imports.

Staff Reports

Domestic demand for petroleum products moved higher in July while domestic production continued to decline, according to the American Petroleum Institute.

In its Monthly Statistical Report, the API said that a higher portion of America's demand for petroleum products was met by imports in July.

Petroleum products supplied, a key measure of demand, rose 5.5 percent compared to July 1995, the API said. At the same time, domestic crude production fell to 6,359,000 barrels a day compared to 6,449,000 barrels a day a year ago.

Meanwhile, total imports - crude oil and products - averaged 9,562,000 barrels a day, up 7.9 percent from last July. The API noted that crude oil imports fell to 7.6 million barrels a day in July from over 8 million barrels a day in May and June. Year-to-year, total imports are still up by about 8 percent, slightly higher than the estimated underlying trend in imports growth, the API said.

The organization said the increase in deliveries was the largest since January and attributed the growth to several factors, including weak year-ago deliveries, trading-day effects and a counterbalancing of June's year-to-year drop. The API also said the jump was more than double the 2.5 percent average growth in deliveries over the last several months.

Domestic production in the lower 48 states closely matched July 1995 levels, but production as a whole was reduced by continued declines in Alaskan production, which were due to required maintenance. Overall, production fell 1.4 percent compared to last year and for the year to date has fallen 2.9 percent or about 190,000 barrel a day. Nearly two-thirds of the decline is occurring in Alaska.

The good news in the statistic, according to the API, is that the 1.4 percent decline in U.S. production from a year ago was half the rate of decline for the year-to-date and reflects a slower rate of decline in lower 48 production in recent months.

The industry organization attributes the slower decline to increased activity in the Gulf, where many projects are expected to come online in the last half of 1996. In addition, higher wellhead prices have also helped lead to increased production from other exiting wells both on- and offshore.

The API went on to note that the total number of active rotary rigs grew by 8 percent from the first six months of last year through the first six months of 1996. While the number of active oil rigs fell from an average of 319 in the first half of 1995 to 289 in the first half of this year, the average number of rotary rigs drilling for natural gas rose by 27 percent from 343 to 438. Oil rigs have accounted for 40 percent of all rigs during the first half of the year.

The API also noted that higher prices for oil and gas have brought about an increase in well servicing as compared to last year. Since last year, oil prices have increased an estimated 15 percent at the wellhead while gas prices have risen roughly 30 percent, leading to a 14 percent increase in the number of active service units, from 2,921 to 3,327.

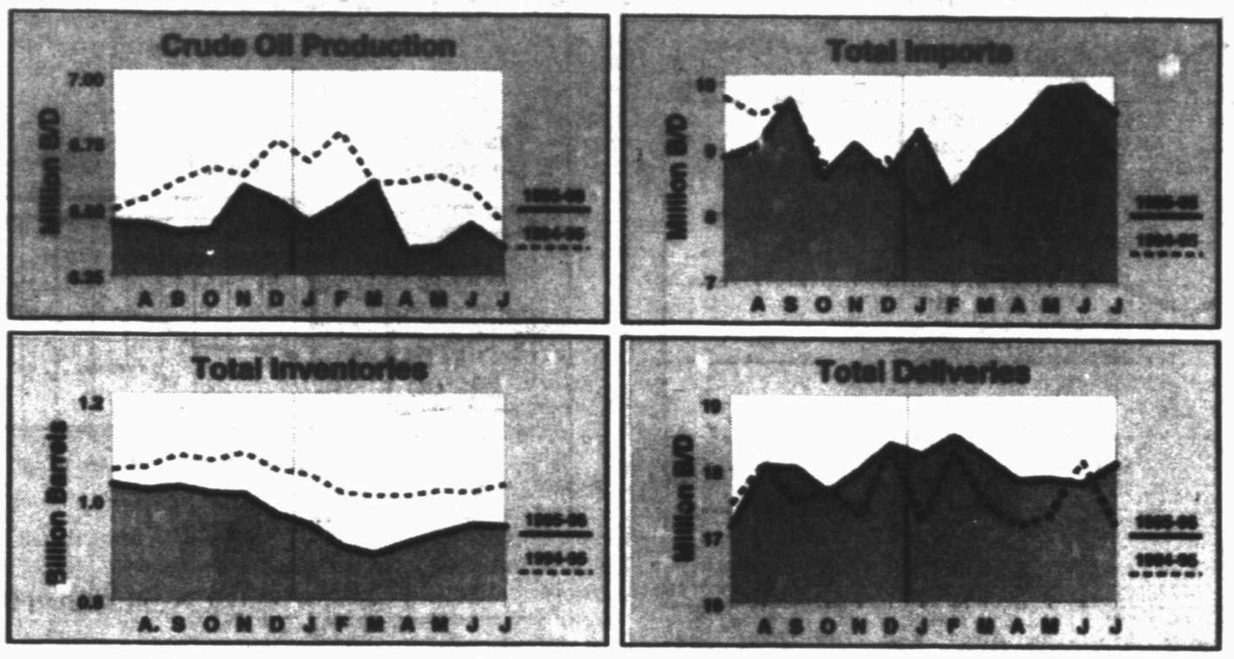
The API also found that:

■ Gasoline deliveries averaged 8,103,000 barrels per day, up 2.7 percent compared to 7,888,000 in July a year ago.

■ Distillate deliveries - home heating oil and diesel fuel - were up 14.3 percent, averaging 3,123,000 barrels a day. In July 1995, they amounted to 2,732,000 barrels a day.

■ Refineries operated at 93.2 percent of operable capacity in July.

■ Stocks of crude oil and petroleum products stood at 948,300,000 barrels at the end of July, down 0.3 percent from June and down 8.2 percent from a year ago.



Seminars on increasing oil production scheduled

Staff Reports

The University of Tulsa's Continuing Education Division will host seminars in Tulsa, Oklahoma City, Denver and Houston on "Cost-Effective Strategies to Get New Oil From Mature Fields."

The workshop will learn the methodology used in the Glenn Pool field under the DOE Class Oil Program that is expected to increase production six or seven-fold after full implementation.

Under the DOE program, the field, which has been producing for more than 90 hears, was selected for an additional reservoir characterization/performance improvement program. A detailed integrated reservoir characterization on the unit was performed and an appropriate reservoir management plan proposed. After partial implementation, oil production has shown a three-fold increase.

The workshop will discuss the methodology used in generating the reservoir description, the techniques used, the planning of the reservoir management program and evaluation of the implementation. It is targeted at geologists, geophysicists, engineers and small operators involved in mature oil field operations.

Discussion leaders include Dr. Mohan Kelkar, Dr. Christopher L. Liner, Dennis R. Kerr and Daniel S. Richmond.

Cost is $100. Information is available by calling 918/631-2347.

The workshop will be held on the University Tulsa campus on October 3; at the Hilton Inn Northwest Hotel in Oklahoma City on October 4; at the Hyatt Regency Denver Hotel in Denver on October 10 and at the Renaissance Houston Hotel in Houston October 15.

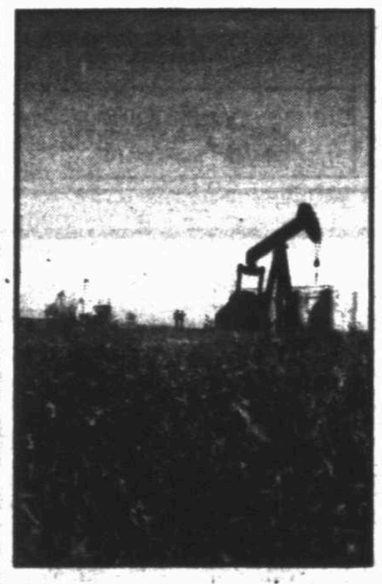
Arco names president of new global ventures unit

LOS ANGELES — Arco Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Mike R. Bowlin announced formation of a new organization to expand and accelerate the company's worldwide growth.

"While we have already achieved low costs, good earnings growth and high returns on shareholder equity, expanding our existing portfolio of growth projects is key to enhancing shareholder value," said Bowlin. "The objective of the new organization, Arco Global Energy Ventures, is to facilitate profitable worldwide growth by developing additional energy-related business opportunities."

Arco Senior Vice President Stephen R. Mut will be the unit's first President and report directly to Bowlin. Existing organizations included within ArcoO Global Energy Ventures are Arco Asia-Pacific Ltd., the Hamaca Venezuela heavy oil project and business development activities of Arco's corporate planning group.

Mut, 45, brings significant international experience to his new position. Since joining Arco in 1974, he served with Arco International Oil and Gas Company as Managing Director of Arco British Ltd. and Senior Vice President, Operations, for Australia, Asia and the Americas. He has also served in a number of senior positions in Arco's downstream businesses. For the past two years, Mut has been President of Arco Coal Company which operates mines in Australia and the United States.



ON THE COVER

An Anadarko Petroleum pumping unit produces oil in a field surrounded by West Texas sunflowers.

Photo courtesy Anadarko

Amerac Energy reports increase in revenues

FORT WORTH—Amerac Energy Corp. announced the results of its first six months of 1996.

The company reported revenues for the six months ended June 30, 1996, of $4.8 million compared to $1.8 million for the same period of 1995. The revenue increase was due primarily to acquisitions.

Operations for the first six months generated net income of $1.5 million ($.04 per common share) compared to a loss of $187,000 ($.03 per common share) for the same period in 1995.

PanEnergy Power to supply power in retail pilot program

HOUSTON — PanEnergy Power Services, Inc., in coordination with PanEnergy Trading and Market Services, L.L.C., recently signed a one-year contract to supply electric power to Reynolds Metals Company in New York's first retail wheeling pilot program.

PanEnergy began supplying 4 megawatts (MW) of electricity to Reynolds' Middletown, N.Y., Wallkill Can Plant in early July. PanEnergy is supplying the power through Orange and Rockland Utilities, Inc., which was selected for the retail wheeling pilot program. The one-year contract with Reynolds represents about 13 percent of the entire pilot program.

"This is the first electric retail wheeling pilot program in the Northeast in which PanEnergy has participated," said L.B. "Buck" Gatewood, president of PanEnergy Trading and Market Services. "Reynolds is one of PanEnergy's key industrial natural gas accounts, and supplying Reynolds' electric power in addition to natural gas advances our corporate goal of becoming a total energy service provider nationwide. In the Pacific Northwest, PanEnergy has been providing multiple energy sources for several customers for the past year."

"The new energy marketing company formed by PanEnergy Corp and Mobil Corporation offers a wide range of energy management services and fuel options to businesses across North America. Companies might benefit now from PanEnergy's evaluation and recommendations of their energy needs even though electric retail wheeling may not yet be available in their area," Gatewood continued. "PanEnergy commends Orange and Rockland for its leadership in opening the market to retail competition and looks forward to serving Reynolds and other new customers."

Reynolds received proposals from seven companies competing for pilot sales.

"We selected PanEnergy because of the competitive cost of the power supply and the positive working relationship we have had with its natural gas group," said Ken Younger, Reynolds corporate director of energy resources. "Lowering these costs has the potential to save a significant amount of money. Reynolds has been very aggressive in seeking lower cost natural gas service and the company is expecting additional savings when buying electricity on the open market."

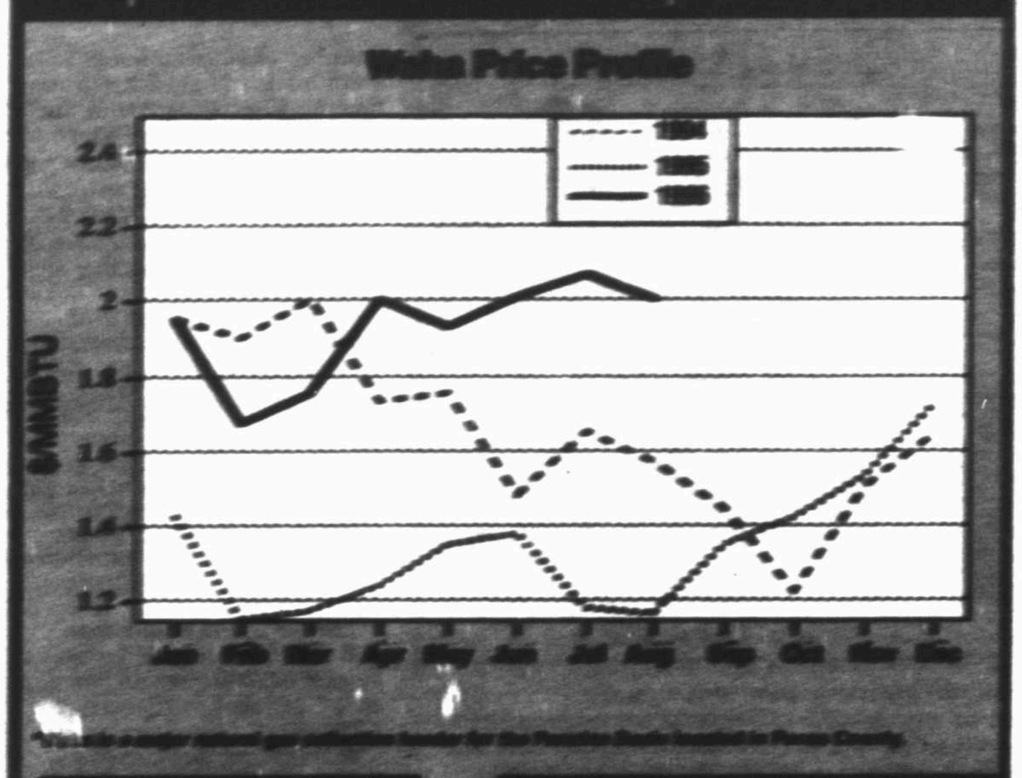
Reynolds expects to save about $150,000 a year with PanEnergy's contract.

Reynolds Metals is an integrated global manufacturer, distributor and marketer of aluminum products. It is the second largest aluminum company in the United States.

PanEnergy Trading & Market Services, L.L.C., a PanEnergy/Mobil company, sells approximately 7 billion cubic feet per day of natural gas, and PanEnergy Power Services, Inc. markets more than 15,000 megawatt-hours per day of electricity.

PanEnergy Corp — one of North America's leading energy services companies — operates approximately 37,500 miles of natural gas pipeline, delivering gas primarily to Northeast and Midwest markets. PanEnergy also is one of the nation's largest natural gas gatherers and processors and is a leading marketer of natural gas, electricity, liquefied petroleum gases and related energy services throughout the United States, Canada and the United Kingdom. The company also has other energy interests worldwide.

Spot Gas Price Comparison



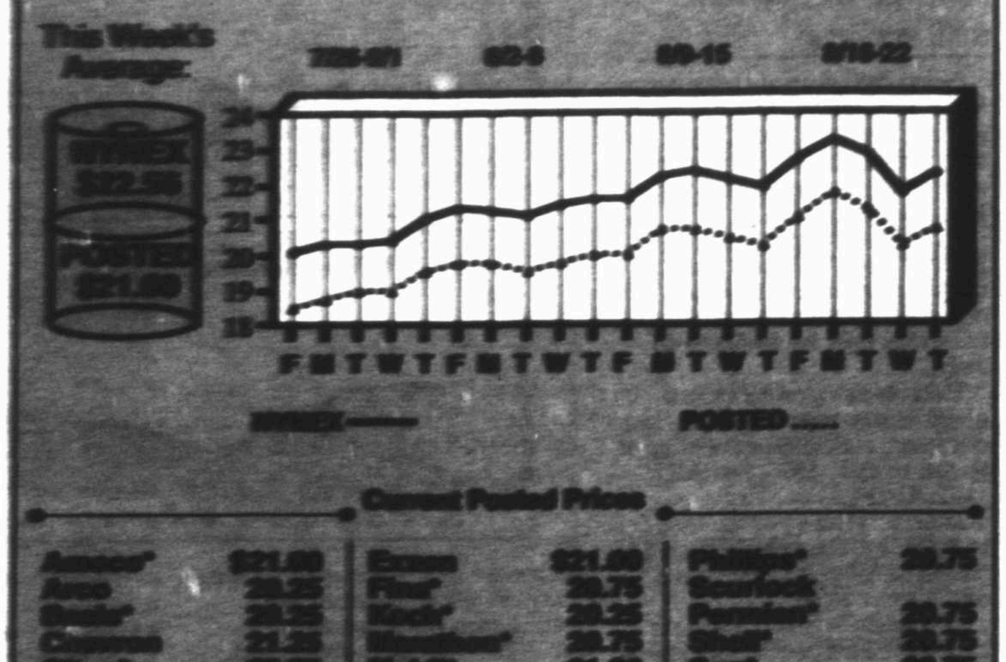
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Current Spot Prices

- MidContinent (Arizona) $2.25
- Gulf Coast (Louisiana) $2.30
- Rocky Mountain (Wyoming) $1.21

Crude Oil Prices



Current Posted Prices

Amoco*	$21.00	Exxon	$21.00	Phillips*	20.75
Arco	20.25	Flag*	20.75	Scurlock	
Basin*	20.25	Kock*	20.25	Pennzoil*	20.75
Chevron	21.25	Mustang*	20.75	Shell*	20.75
Citgo*	20.75	Navajo*	21.00	Sun*	20.75
Conoco	20.25	Roadrunner*	20.75	Texaco	20.75
E.O.T.T.	20.25	Scurlock	22.00	Unocal	N/A

*Plus Market Differentials **Net price without transportation charges
Note: Prices are effective Thursday prior to publication.

Oil, gas properties to be auctioned

Staff Reports

The Oil & Gas Asset Clearinghouse will auction 800 oil and gas properties September 11 at the JW Marriott Hotel in Houston beginning at 10:30 a.m.

Sellers include PetroCorp Inc., Diverse Energy, Anderman Operating, Paragon Royalty, Vernon Faulconer and others. Properties being offered are located in Alabama, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Kansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Texas and Wyoming.

Interests in significant fields are being offered by PetroCorp. Inc., including Conroe field, Montgomery County, Texas; Eakly-Weatherford field, North Sickles field and East Hydro field, Caddo County, Okla.; Watonga-Chickasha field, Canadian County Okla.; Clinton field, Custer County, Okla.; Panola field, Latimer County, Okla.; Spraberry Trend, Glasscock County, Texas; Haley field, Loving County, Texas; Southwest Rugley field, Matagorda County, Texas and Peveto field, Orange County, Texas. Prudentia Petroleum is also selling its interest in La Grange and Hazlit Creek fields in Adams and Wilkinson counties, Mississippi and Eclipse Oil & Gas will offer an interest in North Ward-Estes field in Ward County, Texas.

Apache completes two deep natural gas wells in Oklahoma county

HOUSTON - Apache Corp. announced that it brought on stream two deep gas wells in Caddo County, Okla., adding combined gross production of 16 million cubic feet of gas and 160 barrels of condensate per day.

The Lovelace No. 1-35, in which Apache owns a 76 percent working interest, was completed in the Deep Springer formation and is flowing into pipeline at the rate of 9.3 Mmcf of gas per day. The well, which was fracture treated, is producing through a 14/64-inch choke with a flowing tubing pressure of 5,800 pounds per square inch. Production is from the Lower McComas formation perforated between 18,335 and 18,453 feet. Three productive uphole zones will be produced at a later date.

Apache's Deep Springer drilling program has generated 25 new producers of 27 wells drilled, and the company plans to drill four additional Deep Springer wells during the remainder of the year.

Apache increased production from its Taylor No. 1-15A by 6.3 Mmcf of gas and 110 barrels of condensate per day. As the result of recent recompletion and workover operations, the well's daily production rose to 8.9 Mmcf of gas and 160 barrels of condensate, up from 2.6 Mmcf of gas and 50 barrels of condensate. The new production rate was gauged through a 19/64-inch choke with 3,000 psi of flowing tubing pressure.

After assuming operatorship, Apache cleaned out perforations in the well's two producing horizons and opened up additional intervals in the Deep Springer formation, which were subsequently fracture treated and commingled with the other zones. The company owns a 48 percent working interest in the producer, which was originally completed in 1995.

Trico Marine to build and operate marine vessel offshore Brazil

HOUSTON — Trico Marine Services, Inc. has executed a five-year charter contract with Petroleo Brasileiro S.A. (Petrobras) to build, own and operate a "small water area twin hull" (SWATH) vessel.

The advanced crew boat will be used to transport up to 250 passengers to platforms offshore Brazil.

Total value of the charter is approximately $19.6 million, including an additional one-year option. Construction is expected to begin in September 1996 at a U.S. Gulf Coast shipyard, with delivery and operations commencing in Brazil late in the fourth quarter of 1997.

The company previously announced that it was the successful bidder for the SWATH contract, subject to successful completion of a model tank test in accordance with the bid requirements and execution of a definitive agreement.

Both conditions have now been satisfied.

The SWATH will complement Trico's existing Brazilian operations. In March 1996, the company acquired eight line handling vessels and a local operations base.

The acquired vessels and a ninth line handling vessel relocated from the Gulf of Mexico operate under long-term contracts for Petrobras supporting the oil off-loading operations from production facilities to tankers in the Campos Basin offshore Brazil.

These contracts fit the company's strategy of selectively expanding into international markets. The company has identified other opportunities to expand its marine operations in the Brazilian market.

Trico Marine provides a broad range of marine support services to the oil and gas industry, primarily in the Gulf of Mexico and Brazil. The services provided by the company's diversified fleet of vessels include the marine transportation of drilling materials, supplies and crews, and support for the construction, installation, maintenance and removal of offshore facilities. Trico has principal offices in Houma, Louisiana, and Houston, Texas.

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Oil companies pay Colombian army to protect fields

■ Increased attacks against oil exploration sites has prompted foreign firms to pay the Colombian military directly for protection.

N.Y. Times News Service

YOPAL, Colombia — Emboldened by the political disarray in Colombia, guerrilla factions have been increasing their attacks against oil exploration and production sites, leading foreign oil companies operating here to begin directly paying the Colombian military to deploy its best-trained officers and soldiers for protection.

British Petroleum Exploration, which has discovered the country's largest oil reserves, estimated at three billion barrels, near this town in eastern Colombia, has just signed a three-year agreement with the defense ministry valued at $54 million to $60 million to create a battalion of 150 officers and 500 soldiers to protect expansion and construction of sprawling production sites.

The battalion will include an elite mobile unit trained for swift action to monitor construction of a 550-mile pipeline to deliver oil to the Caribbean coast for export to the United States. Last year, company officials said, British Petroleum spent $8 million on development projects along the existing pipeline, as a way to buy local good will and stave off attacks by leftist guerrillas of the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia and the National Liberation Army.

Other companies are also negotiating new, more expansive agreements for protection. Oxy Colombia, a subsidiary of Occidental Petroleum of Bakersfield, Calif., is creating two platoons totaling 80 soldiers to bolster security at Cano Limon, from which it pumps some 200,000 barrels of oil a day to the coast. The company expects its bill for military and police protection will increase to $7 million next year from $3.9 million this year.

"It's the privatization of the Colombian army," said Eduardo Gamarra, a political science professor at Florida International University who has studied the guerrilla presence in Colombia. Increasingly, foreign companies are being forced to assume the responsibilities of the government — financing development and security, including "buying themselves whole military platoons," he said.

The new trend underscores the increasing independence of the military in a period of deep political instability in Colombia. President Ernesto Samper, though cleared of accusations that drug dealers financed his 1994 election, has been under fire for most of his administration.

Backroom whispers of a military coup became public this week, when Myles Frechette, the American ambassador, announced on Colombian television that a group of civilians had approached him last summer to test the potential United States reaction to a coup, which he said he rejected.

The stakes are high for the guerrillas — who military intelligence experts estimate collect $140 million a year from oil companies — and for Colombia, South America's fourth largest oil exporting country. The British Petroleum discovery should double Colombia's production to 890,000 barrels a day by 1998 from 450,000 last year. By the end of the century, British Petroleum is expecting to pump one million barrels of crude oil a day from reserves in Cusiana and Cupiagua.

Even before the spate of attacks this year, the lack of security in large patches of the country had been costing foreign companies dearly. A special war tax, initially introduced as a one-time expense in 1992, still remains in force, and last year cost the industry $250 million, though Defense Ministry officials said the money never reached them.

The companies, which operate under joint ownership with Ecopetrol, the Colombian state petroleum company, pay 20 percent of their production in royalties to localities, and typically pay millions in logistical and other support for the military assigned to protect their installations.

Along with Putumayo, near the border with Ecuador, Cano Limon has been among the hardest hit regions. Until the British Petroleum discovery of reserves near Yopal in 1993, it represented the richest oil reserves in Colombia. The site, owned jointly by Oxy Colombia, Shell and Ecopetrol, has long been wracked with violence, averaging one pipeline attack every eight days.

But in recent months, the attacks have grown more fierce and frequent. In May, a bus taking workers from Arauca to Cano Limon was forced to stop by masked gunmen, who ordered the workers to lie face down in the dirt while the guerrillas, from the leftist National Liberation Army, tossed leaflets over the aisles and seats.

The gunmen identified two security guards from among the passengers, who the leaflets asserted were lackeys of the foreign companies. The rest were ordered back on the bus. As it pulled away, two shots announced that the men had been killed.

The next day, five guards quit their jobs, and the rest refused to ride the bus. The company sent a helicopter for them, but a union representative intimidated many from getting on the helicopter by taking down the names of those who did, a guard said. The next day, three more guards quit and nobody boarded the helicopter.

April, guerrillas ambushed a military transport near here, killing six soldiers and a lieutenant. Last month they shot up a bus at Panama de Arauca, killing three people; afterward, they apologized, saying they thought the passengers were soldiers. They also blew up a wellhead less than a mile from the company offices — the closest attack ever to the heart of Cano Limon's operations, and last week, they ambushed another five soldiers and a lieutenant.

"The guerrillas are trying to tell us something," a worker said. "It's like they're gaining little by little. We are losing control day by day."

(STORY CAN END HERE. OPTIONAL MATERIAL FOLLOWS)

While oil companies complain that the many attacks they sustain highlight the lack of security, even with special military and police protection, Colombian military intelligence experts blame the companies themselves for the attacks. They contend that the companies surrender to extortion and to guerrilla infiltration through their subcontractors, essentially financing guerrilla activities in the troubled areas and fueling the cycle of extortion, kidnapping and violence.

Maj. Luis A. Villamarin Pulido, author of several books on Colombian guerrillas, said the guerrilla attacks plague the oil industry from the beginning of exploration to production to the long journey of the oil to the coast.

The guerrillas, he said, begin by demanding quotas of workers in the exploration phase. They may threaten kidnappings or pipeline explosions unless they are paid off in advance, or blow up the pipelines and then collect money from the companies hired to repair the damage. In the last decade, some 1.4 million barrels of crude oil have spilled because of pipeline sabotage.

Despite the environmental damage, the attacks make the guerrillas more popular with local residents, who, instead of earning a dollar a day as farmhands, may pick up $10 repairing the pipeline.

Officially, the companies deny financing the guerrillas.



Carlos Agudelo, a coca farmer, watches a burning oil pipeline near Puerto Asis, Colombia earlier this month. The pipeline was sabotaged by leftist guerrillas in one of the latest attacks against the oil industry in the last decade. Oil companies in Colombia, including Occidental Petroleum, are paying Colombia's armed forces for protection from attacks and sabotage by leftist guerrillas according to Gen. Harold Bedoya. Bedoya said Occidental, British Petroleum and others help defray the costs of defending oil fields and pipelines.

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"Everybody believes that the oil companies pay off the guerrillas, but that doesn't make sense," said Alejandro Martinez, president of the Colombian Oil Association. "Oil is a long-term investment. If the company from the start accepts paying blackmail, they would be accepting it for 25 to 30 years."

Nevertheless, oil company officials acknowledge that guerrillas may have infiltrated the workers' union and may control many local politicians, who periodically present proposals for local development to the foreign companies. They suspect that the guerrillas extort money from subcontractors.

"In short, everybody pays, and they pay a lot," said Jesus Enrique La Rotta Mendoza, a specialist in military intelligence and author of "The Finances of Colombian Subversion."

A retired oil company executive said: "If you're not threatened by the guerrillas, it's by common delinquents, or by the authorities. Many times the companies prefer to pay them off. To denounce is to die."

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DANNY McCOLLUM has been appointed sales manager for NDT Systems and will operate from the Midland facility. He has been with the Hudson-Rush company for the past two years as vice president, operations.

Prior experience includes director of marketing for Western Sales, Ojeda, Venezuela and six years in Singapore as regional manager, Far East/Australia for Baker Hughes.

MARK J. LARSON has joined the staff of Highlander Environmental Corp. as project manager/senior hydrologist. He has over 15 years experience in the areas of soil and ground water contamination assessment and remediation; regulatory compliance; and project management.

Prior to his joining Highlander, Larson was employed with the environmental consulting firm of Roberts/Schornick and Associates Inc. of Norman, Okla.

L. PAUL TEAGUE has been appointed to the Board of Directors of Key Production Company, Inc. effective August 20, 1996. He joins Cortlandt S. Dietler and F.H. Merelli on Key's Board.

The position Teague fills was vacated by Timothy J. Moylan, President and CEO of BelRad Group, Inc. of Omaha, Nebraska, who died earlier this month.

Teague, 62, retired in 1994 from his position as Vice President, Western Region, Texaco Exploration & Producing Inc. in Denver. Other positions in his 35 years with Texaco included Division Manager of the New Orleans Division, Eastern Producing Department; Vice President, New Orleans Producing Division of Texaco USA; and Vice President, Producing Department, Texaco USA in Houston. He also worked on special troubleshooting assignments across the globe.

L.L. Knickerbocker Co. said its affiliate, Pure Energy Corp., has hired a Smith Barney Inc. finance executive to be president and chief executive.

The new CEO, **MERRICK ANDLINGER**, is wrapping up his duties as corporate finance managing director at Smith Barney, a unit of Travelers Group Inc. He is co-leader of its Global Energy and Power Group. Andlinger will leave Smith Barney and work exclusively for Pure Energy from an office to be established in New York City.

Pure Energy, which like Knickerbocker is based in Rancho Santa Margarita, California, is developing a low-cost alternative fuel source, made from "societal waste."

Mobil debuts new fast-pay pump system

ST. LOUIS — Mobil announced that 50 of its St. Louis-area stations will take self-service gasoline pump advancement to the highest level of sophistication with the introduction of a new and exclusive transaction technology called Mobil Pegasus Speedpass. The new system is similar to the state-of-the-art "toll tags" successfully used by many tollways to reduce the long lines at toll booths.

Speedpass allows customers to gas up without having to stop and pay for the gas they've just purchased, thereby reducing the time required to refuel. An electronic system located in the pump "talks" to a miniature radio-like device (a transponder) issued to the customer. These electronic devices provide instant "quick" to the gasoline pump by automatically charging fuel purchases to a credit card selected when the customer completes a simple application.

Arch Energy/Wallis Oil, owner/operator of 80 Eastern Missouri Mobil stations will lead Mobil's test-market launch of the new customer-friendly technology. "Arch Energy/Wallis Oil has the customer-orientation, commitment to quality service and marketing know how to deliver this product to the market", said David McGettigan, Mobil Speedpass project manager.

"When Mobil asked us to be the first location in the world to offer this advanced technology on this scale to our customers, we jumped at the chance," said Bill Wallis, president of Wallis Oil Company. "We're extremely pleased — and flattered — to be part of this exciting customer-oriented advancement."

"As with the development and introduction of most technological advances, security was a major consideration," said Mobil's McGettigan. "Since the Speedpass operates by the customer's transponder identification code, the customer's credit card number remains outside the Speedpass signal system, maintaining the confidentiality of that information. We believe we've developed a technology that helps to protect our customers' account from unauthorized use while speeding them on their way."

To support and enhance the introduction of Speedpass in the St. Louis market, Arch Energy/Wallis Oil has teamed with GM MasterCard(RTM). Customers who designate the GM MasterCard for Speedpass purchases will receive credit toward the purchase or lease of General Motors-brand vehicles.

Speedpasses come in three customer-friendly formats: a key tag —a tiny device that attaches to a key chain; a car tag that is affixed to the car's rear window; or a wallet card, which is similar in appearance to a credit card. Customers select their preferred device when they complete an application.

Customers will also be able to use other credit cards including Mobil's proprietary credit cards.

NGC to sell some fractionation assets

HOUSTON — NGC Corp. has reached an agreement with the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) staff to divest its interests in certain fractionation assets.

The agreement is part of the FTC's review of NGC's pending merger with Chevron Corp.'s Natural Gas Business Unit and Warren Petroleum.

Under the agreement, NGC will sell its 80 percent ownership interest in the Mont Belvieu I fractionation facility. NGC will also relinquish operatorship of the Mont Belvieu II fractionation facility, known as Gulf Coast Fractionators, but will retain its 38.75 percent ownership interest in the plant. Each plant has a capacity of approximately 110,000 barrels per day (Bbls/d). Both facilities are located in Mont Belvieu, Chambers County, Texas.

As a result of the merger, NGC will own Warren's nearby Mont Belvieu plant, which has a capacity of approximately 165,000 Bbls/d.

The agreement between NGC and FTC staff remains subject to approval by the FTC. Unless the full FTC overturns the agreement with FTC staff, NGC will be permitted to complete the merger on Aug. 31.

NGC is a leading gatherer, processor, transporter and marketer of energy products and services in North America and the United Kingdom. Through its "Energy Store," NGC offers a multi-commodity energy-product-and-services resource that provides natural gas, natural gas liquids, electricity and crude oil.

Tosco expects to make decision on Marcus Hook refinery this week

N.Y. Times News Service

New York — Tosco Corp. expects to decide by the end of this week on whether or not it will resume operations at the Marcus Hook oil refinery it bought from British Petroleum Co. earlier this year, a company official said.

BP shut the plant in Trainer, Pennsylvania, in February as part of its sale agreement with Tosco because Tosco couldn't reach a new labor agreement with the local union.

Stamford, Connecticut-based Tosco, citing the refinery's inability to compete with other regional plants, wanted to lay off about one-third of the 520 workers and hire based on merit, not seniority. When the talks failed, BP shut the 190,000-barrel-a-day plant, idling one of the Northeast's biggest refineries.

Early this month, Tosco and the Local 8-234 of the Oil, Chemical and Atomic Workers International Union began a fresh round of talks after Tosco determined it could make a "marginal profit" at the plant under a new labor contract, $50 million of upgrades and maintenance work. Tosco made it clear from the start that it would leave the plant idle without a new labor contract.

Now, Tosco expects to determine soon whether the refinery will reopen or not. "By the end of the month is a reasonable time to expect to hear something," said the Tosco official, who asked not to be named.

OCAW union officials couldn't be reached to comment because they are in negotiations with Tosco.

If an agreement is reached, Tosco said, it won't resume operations this year. Tosco would run the plant at 150,000 barrels a day if operations resume and staff it with about 300 people.

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Maxus Energy renegotiates Ecuadorian contracts

DALLAS — YPF S.A. wants to clarify the reports transmitted by news agencies in reference to the suspension of activities of its subsidiary Maxus Energy Corp., in Block 16, Ecuador:

1. The new government of Ecuador has asked that the current contracts between Maxus and itself be renegotiated into joint action contracts. This negotiation is ongoing between Maxus and Petroecuador (the national oil company).

2. Ecuador's Armed Forces have not occupied Block 16 where Maxus continues its operation and production under Maxus Operations' Management.

3. The income yielded by this operation represents approximately 1 percent of the consolidated sales of YPF S.A. and its results are not significant.

Grant Geophysical evaluates several financial proposals

HOUSTON — Grant Geophysical, Inc. has received and is evaluating several financial proposals with respect to the debt and capital structure of the company. There can be no assurance that Grant will consummate a transaction resulting from this evaluation, or as to the terms and conditions of any such transaction.

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Warrior Trust announces cash distribution, tax credit

DALLAS — Dominion Resources Black Warrior Trust announced a quarterly cash distribution to the holders of its units of beneficial interest of $0.832243 per unit. The distribution will be payable Sept. 6, 1996 to unitholders of record on Aug. 29, 1996, according to the trustee, NationsBank of Texas, N.A.

Unitholders of record on Aug. 29 will also be entitled to tax credits under Section 29 of the Internal Revenue Code for the coal seam gas produced and sold from April 1, 1996 to June 30, 1996. The estimated tax credit associated with this cash distribution is $0.38 per unit.

This distribution represents the quarterly royalty payment from Dominion Black Warrior Basin, Inc (DBWB) reflecting production from April 1, 1996 to June 30, 1996. DBWB reported that production attributable to the Trust's overriding royalty interests was approximately 3.0 billion cubic feet during this period, exceeding previously anticipated levels by over 15 percent.

Nigeria passes laws regarding foreign oil companies

LAGOS, Nigeria - Oil Minister Dan Etete accused foreign oil companies of abusing their powers and announced harsh new laws on hiring, firing and other business decisions.

Foreign firms such as Mobil and Chevron Corp., which produce about 95 percent of the country's oil, must receive government approval before hiring expatriates or firing Nigerian staff, Etete said.

In addition, Etete said companies hired by oil firms to provide support services must be Nigerian.

"The Government and people of Nigeria are not getting their fair share out of the joint venture arrangements for petroleum exploration and production," Etete told foreign oil officials.

Nigeria produces about 1.89 million barrels of oil daily through a system of complicated joint ventures involving Western oil companies and the government.

Etete complained that the production costs for Nigerian oil had steadily increased because of the large number of foreign workers being imported "at the expense of capable Nigerian hands."

He said the number of foreign oil workers had doubled in the past five years, but he did not give specifics.

"These inequities and anomalies, as well as others not specified here, have almost made Nigeria the laughing stock of the international petroleum industry," Etete said.

All oil companies will have to have their operating permits reviewed to ensure compliance with the new restrictions.

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ACTIVITY HIGHLIGHTS

Kent County records 104-barrel Strawn oil discovery

Staff Reports

Kent County has gained a Strawn discovery. 1.5 miles northwest of 6,701 ft. Strawn Lime production in the Red Mud field, 22 miles northwest of Jayton.

SHARP IMAGE ENERGY tested the No. 1 North Salt Creek to pump 104 barrels of 36 gravity crude, 112 Mcfd and 84 barrels of water from perforations 6,734 to 6,738 ft. The interval was acidized with 250 gallons of acid.

Permitted as a 7,500 ft. test, the well reached total depth of 7,170 ft. and was plugged back to 7,127 ft. with 5 1/2 inch casing set at 7,169 ft.

Formation tops, on ground elevation of 2,157 ft., include the Cisco Limestone at 4,875 ft., Cisco Sandstone at 5,300, Canyon Reef at 6,320 and Strawn at 6,710 ft.

Location is 2,104 ft. from north and 891 ft. from east lines of Section 65, Block 1, H&GN survey, Abst. 38.

The operator has requested a new field designation of SIE North Salt Creek (Lower Canyon) for the discovery.

Yates Petroleum finals Atoka gas discovery

YATES PETROLEUM CORP. has completed an Atoka gas discovery in Lea County, N.M.

The No. 1 Papalotes was completed to flow 1,400 Mcfd on a 32/64 inch choke with flowing tubing pressure of 225 psi. The well flowed from perforations 12,634 to 12,654 ft.

Total depth was 13,660 ft., where 5 1/2 inch casing was set, and the well was plugged back to 13,280 ft.

On ground elevation of 4,092 ft., formation tops include the Rustler at 1,830 ft., Yates at 2,964, San Andres at 4,488, Glorieta at 5,240, Tubb at 7,400, Abo at 8,080, Wolfcamp at 9,787, Pennsylvanian Shale at 11,392, Strawn at 11,950, Atoka at 12,122, Morrow Limestone at 13,026 and Chester at 13,538 ft.

Location is 1,960 ft. from south and 330 ft. from east lines of Section 34, T14s, R34e.

Morrow gas discovery flows CAOF of 1410 Mcf

Lea County, N.M. has gained a Morrow gas discovery.

SHELL WESTERN EXPLORATION & PRODUCTION INC. finaled the No. 1 Ridge State "B" for a calculated absolute open flow of 1,410 Mcfd from perforations 11,518 to 11,532 ft.

The well was drilled to 11,730 ft. and the well was plugged back to 11,631 ft. A 5-1/2 inch liner was hung from 10,090 to 11,725 ft.

On ground elevation of 3,979 ft., formation tops include the Yates at 2,906 ft., Seven Rivers at 3,196, Queen at 3,773, San Andres at 4,471, Glorieta at 5,984, Blinebry at 6,416, Tubb at 7,413, Drinkard at 7,631, Abo at 8,065, Wolfcamp at 9,413, Pennsylvanian at 10,390, Strawn at 11,036, Atoka at 11,130 and Morrow at 11,464 ft.

Location is 2,310 ft. from south and 990 ft. from east lines of section 30, T17s, R35e.

Shell planned to plug the well back and kick off for a directional sidetrack but the sidetrack was not drilled.

Crane County workover nets Wolfcamp discovery

COSTILLA PETROLEUM CORP. has completed a Wolfcamp Reef discovery with deepening of a Crane County producer.

Costilla reentered the No. 1 Edwards "12," testing it to pump 15 barrels of 39 gravity crude, 25 Mcfd and three barrels of water from open interval 8,400 to 8,455 ft. The interval was acidized with 2,400 gallons of 15 percent NeFe acid.

Original depth was 8,402 ft. and the well was deepened to 8,455 ft. with 5 1/2 inch casing set at 8,400 ft.

On ground elevation of 2,940 ft., formation tops include the Yates at 3,066 ft., Queen at 3,718, Grayburg at 4,380, Clearfork at 6,595, Wolfcamp at 8,290 and Wolfcamp Reef at 8,322 ft.

Location is 172 ft. from south and 1,784 ft. from east lines of Mary Lou Reid survey, Abst. 289.

The well was completed in February 1995 in the Buffalo Ridge (Wolfcamp) field, flowing 211 barrels of crude and 289 Mcfd on a 24/64 inch choke from perforations 8,351 to 8,395 ft.

Chevron completes dual Ward producer

CHEVRON U.S.A. INC. has completed a dual producer in the W.A. Estes (Holt) and HSA (San Andres) fields of Ward County, four miles southwest of Monahans.

The No. 1548 Hutchings Stock Association was tested to pump 17 barrels of 31.4 gravity crude, 13 Mcfd and 23 barrels of water from San Andres perforations 4,294 to 4,318 ft. The interval was acidized with 3,300 gallons of 15 percent acid and fractured with 59,000 lbs.

From Holt perforations 4,634 to 4,845 ft., the well pumped 10 barrels of 34.2 gravity crude, 20 Mcfd and 24 barrels of water. The producing interval was acidized with 4,662 gallons of 15 percent acid.

Drilled to 5,401 ft., where seven inch casing was set, the well was plugged back to 5,359 ft.

The well topped the Rustler at 875 ft., San Andres at 3,532 and Holt at 4,630 ft. on kelly bushing elevation of 2,610 ft.

Location is 467 ft. from south and 2,464 ft. from east lines of Section 82, Block N, G&MMB&A survey, Abst. 118.

WILDCATS

Southeast New Mexico

CHAVES COUNTY

PALOMA RESOURCES INC
■ MORGAN FEDERAL #1
WILDCAT - RE-ENTRY; 10S-30E-6; 2s/2 ne nw, 990 fnl 1980 fwl, 33 mi E of Roswell. PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 4015 GR. Obj: 10000 test..

LEA COUNTY

J & G ENTERPRISE LTD CO
■ STETSON #1
WILDCAT ATOKA MORROW - RE-ENTRY; 12S-32E-26; 2c sw ne, 1980 fnl 1980 fel Summary Original Drill: Oper: EASTLAND OIL CO Well: GOOD TEXIAN #1. Field: CAPROCK EAST DEV. TD: 11397. P&A on 10/22/91. Summary Re-entry: Oper: EASTLAND OIL CO Well: GOOD TEXIAN #1. Field: WILDCAT SEV RIV YATES. TD: 2660. P&A on 05/22/92. PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 4320 GR. Obj: 11000 (Morrow).

AMERADA HESS CORP
■ VINSON #1
WILDCAT ELLEN; 20S-38E-4; se se sw, 330 fsl 2310 fwl EL: 3574 GR. Obj: 10000 (Granite Wash).

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KIMBLE COUNTY

GEOSURVEYS INC
■ CEDAR SPRINGS #1
WILDCAT; NICHOLAS MARTINEZ #348 sur, A-393, 1850 fsl 2250 fel of sur, 540 fr S'ly nl 2250 fel of lse. 465 acre lse. 20 mi E of Junction. EL: 1809 GR. Obj: 5000 test.

MCCULLOCH COUNTY

BRUNO EARL R
■ WULFF - D #2
WILDCAT; G & B N CO #41 sur, A-1858, 340 fsl 1130 fwl of sur, 330 fnl 330 fwl of lse. 10 acre lse. (A-1858 originally known as Glen & Comfort) 15 mi SW of Brady. Obj: 1425 test.

P & S PROD INC
■ SHIPP #1
WILDCAT; J A SCHERFIVS sur sec 1253, 1200 fsl 2640 fwl of sec, 200 fsl 2500 fwl of lse. 320 acre lse. 4 mi NE of Melvin. Obj: 1990 test.

P & S PROD INC
■ SHIPP #1A
WILDCAT; JACOB KLOCK sur sec 1248, A-821, 330 fsl 670 fel of sec, (lse ftg not available) 160 acre lse. 4 mi NE of Melvin. Obj: 1990 test.

TOM GREEN COUNTY

REMUDA OPERG CO INC
■ RIPPLE 61 #1
WILDCAT; S P RY CO #61 sur, 2050 fsl 503 fwl of sur, 2050 fsl 467 fwl of lse. 187.2 acre lse. (S P RY CO Dist 11) 2.5 mi E of Wall. EL: 1873 GR. Obj: 4800 test.

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ANDREWS COUNTY

ARCO PERMIAN
■ BEDFORD 15 #1
WILDCAT; PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND sur blk 73 sec 15, A-1342, 2580 fnl 2220 fel of sec, and lse. 640 acre lse. 24 mi SW of Andrews. EL: 3232 GR. Obj: 11650 test.

MIDLAND COUNTY

G P II ENERGY INC
■ WINDHAM - SV #1H
WILDCAT; T & P RY CO sur blk 40 [illegible] sec 32, 1811 fnl 2559 fel of sec, and lse. 520 acre lse. 15.5 mi S of Midland. BHLoc: PROPOSED: 2052 fnl 816 fwl of sec. 32 -- and lse. EL: 2861 GR. Obj: 13400 test. Notes: (Operator plans to re-enter & kick off Manzano Oil Corp's existing vertical wellbore reference ID #459021 completed oil well 6/22/94, for horizontal sidetrack #1)

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DICKENS COUNTY

EASTERN ENERGY CORP
■ MCGALLIARD #1
WILDCAT; H & G N RY CO sur blk 1 sec 156, A-1178, 467 fsl 467 fel of sec, 467 fsl 797 fel of lse. 80 acre lse. (A-1178 originally known as P E Hagins) 9 mi SE of Spur. EL: 2122 GR. Obj: 4800 test.

KING COUNTY

PRIMROSE OPERATING CO
■ BATEMAN TRUST EST ACCT 1 #51
WILDCAT- DEEPEN; J B RECTOR sur blk A sec 117, 6421 fnl 1039 fwl of sec, 3000 fsl 3660 fwl of lse. 2436 acre lse. 10 mi E of Guthrie. PRESENT OPERATIONS: Obj: 6500 test.

DEVELOPMENT WELLS

Southeast New Mexico

EDDY COUNTY

DEVON ENERGY CORP
■ EAGLE - 34G FEDERAL #13
UND RED LAKE QU GB SA; 17S-17E-34; nw sw ne, 1650 fnl 2310 fel, 7 mi SE of Artesia. EL: 3556 GR. Obj: 2500 (San Andres).

DEVON ENERGY CORP
■ EAGLE - 33N FEDERAL #9
RED LAKE QU GB SA; 17S-27E-33; nw se sw, 990 fsl 1650 fwl, 7 mi SE of Artesia. EL: 3544 GR. Obj: 2500 (San Andres).

DEVON ENERGY CORP
■ EAGLE - 33P FEDERAL #13
UND RED LAKE QU GB SA; 17S-27E-33; nw se se, 1140 fsl 1090 fel, 7 mi SE of Artesia. EL: 3512 GR. Obj: 2500 (San Andres).

DEVON ENERGY CORP
■ EAGLE - 33O FEDERAL #11
UND RED LAKE QU GB SA; 17S-27E-33; nw sw se, 990 fsl 2410 fel, 7 mi SE of Artesia. EL: 3515 GR. Obj: 2500 (San Andres).

DEVON ENERGY CORP
■ EAGLE - 34F FEDERAL #11
UND RED LAKE QN GB SA; 17S-27E-34; nw se nw, 1650 fnl 1650 fwl, 7 mi SE of Artesia. EL: 3553 GR. Obj: 2500 (San Andres).

DEVON ENERGY CORP
■ EAGLE - 34E FEDERAL #9
UND RED LAKE QU GB SA; 17S-27E-34; nw sw nw, 1650 fnl 330 fwl, 7 mi SE of Artesia. EL: 3514 GR. Obj: 2500 (San Andres).

DEVON ENERGY CORP
■ WEST H E - B #93
GRAYBURG JACKSON SR QU GB SA; 17S-31E-10; sw ne nw, 1262 fnl 1363 fwl EL: 3920 GR. Obj: 4400 (San Andres).

DEVON ENERGY CORP
■ KITE - 4E FEDERAL #1
RED LAKE QU GB SA; 18S-27E-4; nw sw nw, 1650 fnl 280 fwl, 7 mi SE of Artesia. EL: 3569 GR. Obj: 2500 (San Andres).

SANTA FE ENERGY RES INC
■ TEN BEARS - 23 STATE #1
UND WICHESTER NORTH MOR; 19S-28E-23; n/2 se sw, 990 fsl 1980 fwl EL: 3359 GR. Obj: 11500 (Morrow).

CONOCO INC
■ PRESTON FEDERAL #14
DAGGER DRAW SOUTH UPR PENN; 20S-24E-35; c se sw, 660 fsl 1980 fwl EL: 3684 GR. Obj: 8200 (upr Pennsylvanian).

LEA COUNTY

NEARBURG PRODUCING CO
■ NIKE 3 #1
LOVINGTON WEST STRW; 16S-35E-3; se se ne, 3070 fsl 330 fel EL: 3896 GR. Obj: 12300 (Strawn).

BRISTOL RESOURCES CORP
■ ROYAL COACHMAN #2
MONUMENT ABO; 19S-36E-27; ne nw se, 2310 fsl 1650 fel EL: 3696 GR. Obj: 7700 (Abo).

HARTMAN DOYLE
■ HOBBS #5
EUMONT; 20S-37E-18; w/2 ne sw, 1980 fsl 1650 fwl EL: 3539 GR. Obj: 3720 test.

SANTA FE ENERGY RES INC
■ TOMCAT 8 FEDERAL #1
SAND DUNES SOUTH-DEL BONE SPR; 23S-32E-8; w/2 sw sw, 660 fsl 467 fwl, 24 mi E of Loving. EL: 3578 GR. Obj: 8900 (Bone Spring).

MERIDIAN OIL INC
■ PRONGHORN FEDERAL 12 #1
DIAMONDTAIL BONE SPR; 23S-32E-12; e/2 ne nw, 660 fnl 2310 fwl, 31.83 mi NW of Jal. EL: 3751 GR. Obj: 9000 (Bone Spring).

ARCH PETROLEUM INC
■ LAMUNYON C E #61
TEAGUE BLINE; 23S-37E-28; se ne nw, 1216 fnl 2620 fwl, 10.25 mi S of Eunice. EL: 3303 GR. Obj: 6000 (Blinebry).

TEXACO EXPL & PROD INC
■ COOPER JAL UNIT #110
JALMAT TANS YATES SEV RIV - PLUG BACK; 24S-37E-18; 2c ne se, 1980 fsl 660 fel PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 3303 GR. Obj: 3365 (Jalmat).

TEXACO EXPL & PROD INC
■ COATES A B - C #15
JUSTIS ABO - PLUG BACK; 25S-37E-24; 2c sw se, 660 fsl 1980 fel PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 3084 KB. Obj: (Abo).

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COKE COUNTY

PITTENCRIEFF AMERICA INC
■ FORT CHADBOURNE WEST GRAY SD UN #19
FORT CHADBOURNE WEST- PLUG BACK; SETH CLARK #475 sur, A-48, 1286 fsl 1337 fel of sur, 2456 fsl 2781 fel of lse. 975.6 acre lse. (Rule 37 exception granted) 8 mi N of Bronte. Summary Original Drill: Field: FORT CHADBOURNE WEST DEEP. PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 2038 GR. Obj: 5320 test.

CROCKETT COUNTY

ENRON OIL & GAS CO
■ DANIEL-STATE 2 #2
SIMPSON-MANN (CANYON); T C RY CO sur blk O-5 sec 2, A-5453, 1600 fsl 1200 fel of sec, and lse. 583 acre lse. (A-5453 originally known as T J Brown) 44 mi SSW of Ozona. EL: 2361 GR. Obj: 6500 (Canyon).

MARIAH ENERGY CORP
■ UNIVERSITY 2 #4
FARMER (SAN ANDRES); UNIVERSITY LAND sur blk 48 sec 2, 2380 fsl 1033 fwl of sec, and lse. 943.8 acre lse. 19 mi NW of Ozona. EL: 2807 GR. Obj: 2000 (San Andres).

QUESTA OIL & GAS CO
■ PIERCE-STATE 105 #1
OZONA (CANYON SS); ROBERT MASSIE sur blk WC sec 105, A-5487, 660 fsl 660 fwl of sec, and lse. 160 acre lse. 25 mi SW of Ozona. EL: 2288 GR. Obj: 7200 (Canyon ss).

UNION PACIFIC RESOURCES
■ FRIEND #511
OZONA EAST (ELLENBURGER); G C & S F RY CO sur blk OP sec 1, A-3955, 150 fnl 467 fel of sec, and lse. 328.85 acre lse. 1.5 mi SW of Ozona. BHLoc: PROPOSED: 467 fsl 467 fel of sec. 1 -- and lse. Obj: 9000 (Ellenburger).

UNION PACIFIC RESOURCES
■ FRIEND - B #5H
OZONA EAST (ELLENBURGER)- HORIZONTAL; G C & S F RY CO sur blk OP sec 2, A-4280, 295 fr S'ly sl 467 fel of sec, 295 fsl 467 fel of lse. 320 acre lse. (A-4280 originally known as J T Gurley) 1.5 mi SE of Ozona. BHLoc: PROPOSED: 467 fnl 467 fel of sec. 2 -- and lse. EL: 2519 GR. Obj: 9000 (Ellenburger).

UNION PACIFIC RESOURCES
■ HOOVER 50 #6
OZONA (CANYON SS); T & S T L RY CO sur blk MM sec 50, A-4504, 1980 fnl 500 fwl of sec, and lse. 640 acre lse. 27.6 mi SW of Ozona. EL: 2141 GR. Obj: 7600 (Canyon ss).

UNION PACIFIC RESOURCES
■ MCDONALD 15 #12
LIVE OAK DRAW NORTH (STRAWN); G C & S F RY CO sur blk MN sec 15, A-2621, 1900 fnl 660 fwl of sec, and lse. 646.7 acre lse. (Rule 37 exception applied for) 5.5 mi S of Ozona. EL: 2319 GR. Obj: 9000 (Strawn).

UNION PACIFIC RESOURCES
■ MILLSPAUGH AUSTIN C - A4 #7003
OZONA (CANYON SS); THOMAS WARD sur blk MM sec 70, A-4875, 275 fsl 2930 fel of sec, 275 fsl 268 fel of lse. 160 acre lse. (A-4875 originally known as Arthur Mills) 23.8 mi SW of Ozona. EL: 2426 GR. Obj: 7600 (Canyon ss).

UNION PACIFIC RESOURCES
■ MILLSPAUGH SARAH C - 16A #4
OZONA (CANYON SS); I & G N RY CO sur blk 2 sec 16, A-631, 1979 fnl 1800 fwl of sec, 660 fsl 841 fel of lse. 160 acre lse. 21.9 mi SW of Ozona. EL: 2125 GR. Obj: 7600 (Canyon ss).

UNION PACIFIC RESOURCES
■ MILLSPAUGH SARAH C - 16D #5
OZONA (CANYON SS); I & G N RY CO sur blk 2 sec 16, A-631, 400 fsl 1700 fwl of sec, 400 fsl 939 fel of lse. 160 acre lse. (Rule 37 exception applied for) 22.2 mi SW of Ozona. EL: 2438 GR. Obj: 7600 (Canyon ss).

UNION PACIFIC RESOURCES
■ UNION PACIFIC #61H
HUNT-BAGGETT WEST (STRAWN)- HORIZONTAL; G C & S F RY CO sur blk I sec 1, A-2141, 350 fnl 1000 fwl of sec, 350 fnl 4339 fel of lse. 4304.3 acre lse. 9.8 mi SW of Ozona. BHLoc: PROPOSED: 2351 fsl 100 fwl of sec. 1 -- 2351 fsl 5245 fel of lse -- S 19 deg 34'34" W 2795.8 ft from surf loc -- Top of PZone: 634 fnl 903 fwl of sec, 634 fnl 4436 fel of lse. EL: 2495 GR. Obj: 10100 (Strawn).

IRION COUNTY

HALLWOOD PETROLEUM INC
■ ROCKER - B 87 #1
SPRABERRY TREND AREA- RECOMPLETION; T & P RY CO sur blk 1 sec 87, A-619, 660 fsl 660 fwl of sec, and lse. 160 acre lse. 20 mi NE'LY of Big Lake. Summary Original Drill: Field: S R H (CLEAR FORK). Compl: on 10/03/95 OIL PZone: 5580-6564 (Spraberry/Jo Mill/Dean) PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 2519 GR. Notes: (Commingled with previous S R H (Clear Fork) field production)

PETRODATA RESOURCES INC
■ REED #1
HALDAS (CLEAR FORK) COMMINGLED; H & T C RY CO sur blk 17 sec 8, 330 fsl 330 fel of sec, and lse. 160 acre lse. 10 mi NE of Mertzon. EL: 2180 GR. Obj: 975 (Clear Fork).

MCCULLOCH COUNTY

NAUTILUS EXPL INC
■ WHITE #1-20
NEEDLE CREEK; H & T C RY CO sur blk 60 sec 20, A-1756, 440 fsl 334 fwl of sec, 220 fnl 220 fwl of lse. 10 acre lse. (A-1756 originally known as J W Haggerlund) 8 mi S of Melvin. EL: 1948 GR. Obj: 1750 test.

REAGAN COUNTY

COLLINS & WARE INC
■ RIO GRANDE MUD #1
HONDO PIPELINE; T & P RY CO sur blk 1 sec 80, A-719, 2203 fnl 2047 fel of sec, 880 fnl 602 fwl of lse. 181 acre lse. (A-719 originally known as O L Wood) 15 mi SE of Stiles. EL: 2521 GR. Obj: 10000 test.

PARKER & PARSLEY DEV LP
■ SPRABERRY DRIVER UNIT #1314A
SPRABERRY TREND AREA; T & P RY CO sur blk 37 twp 5S sec 27, 660 fnl 1980 fel of sec, 25863 fsl 5923 fwl of unit. 61256 acre unit. (Located in tract 131) 19 mi NW of Stiles. EL: 2709 GR. Obj: 8630 test. Notes: (RRC District 8 has jurisdiction over Spraberry Driver Unit #1314A for Spraberry Trend Area field)

PARKER & PARSLEY DEV LP
■ SPRABERRY DRIVER UNIT #1694A
SPRABERRY TREND AREA; T & P R Y CO sur blk 36 twp 5S sec 35, 660 fnl 660 fwl of sec, 9943 fsl 23189 fwl of unit. 61256 acre unit. (Located in tract 169) 17 mi NW of Stiles. EL: 2686 GR. Obj: 8310 test. Notes: (RRC District 7C has jurisdiction over Spraberry Driver Unit #1694A for the Spraberry Trend Area field)

PARKER & PARSLEY DEV LP
■ SPRABERRY DRIVER UNIT #1902A
SPRABERRY TREND AREA; T & P RY CO sur blk 37 twp 5S sec 38, 1980 fsl 660 fel of sec, 12441 fsl 11522 fel of unit. 61256 acre unit. (Located in tract 190) 16 mi NW of Stiles. Obj: 8450 test. Notes: (RRC District 7C has jurisdiction over Spraberry Driver Unit #1902A for the Spraberry Trend Area field)

PARKER & PARSLEY DEV LP
■ SPRABERRY DRIVER UNIT #1921A
SPRABERRY TREND AREA; T & P RY CO sur blk 37 twp 5S sec 37, 660 fnl 1980 fwl of sec, 15001 fsl 8864 fel of unit. 61256 unit. (Located in tract 192) 17 mi NW of Stiles. EL: 2633 GR. Obj: 8510 test. Notes: (RRC District 8 has jurisdiction over Spraberry Driver Unit #1921A for Spraberry Trend Area field)

RUNNELS COUNTY

ERIN OIL EXPL INC
■ ALLEN RUFUS #1
DICK RICHARDSON; H T & B RY CO sur blk 63 sec 45, A-293, 1667 fr N'ly nl 467 fwl of sur, 1667 fnl 467 fwl of lse. 320 acre lse. 5 mi S'LY of Winters. EL: 1814 GR. Obj: 4700 test.

GEONATURAL RESOURCES INC
■ BUNYARD 536 #3
FUZZY CREEK; T & N O RY CO sur blk 301 sec 536, A-822, 1980 fsl 1091 fwl of sec, 1980 fsl 867 fwl of lse. 1250.8 acre lse. 10 mi S of Ballinger. Obj: 4900 test.

GEONATURAL RESOURCES INC
■ BUNYARD 536 #5363
FUZZY CREEK; T & N O RY CO sur blk 301 sec 536, A-822, 1980 fsl 1091 fwl of sec, 1980 fsl 867 fwl of lse. 1250.8 acre lse. (A-822 originally known as D A MacRae) 10 mi S of Ballinger. Obj: 4900 test.

SUTTON COUNTY

LOUIS-DREYFUS NATRL GAS
■ BLOODWORTH 140 #6
SAWYER (STRAWN NORTH); H E & W T RY CO sur blk B sec 140, A-1005, 1980 fnl 1890 fwl of sec, and lse. 640
acre lse. (A-1005 originally known as B M Halbert) 7 mi W of Sonora. EL: 2190 GR. Obj: 7752 (Strawn).

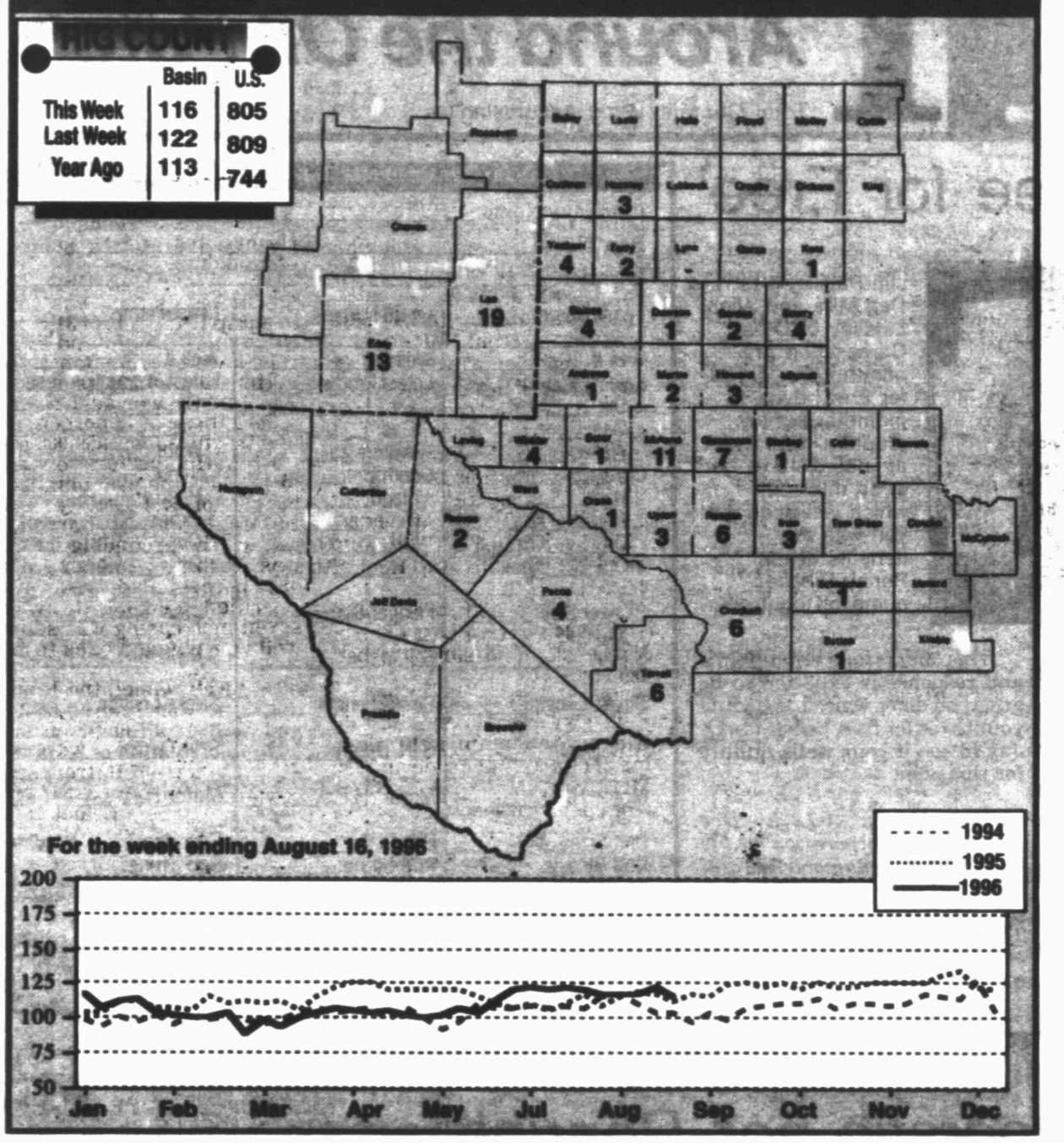
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■ MAYFIELD 39 #9
SAWYER (STRAWN NORTH); G C & S F RY CO sur blk D sec 39, A-125, 1840 fsl 820 fel of sec, and lse. 640 acre lse. 9 mi W of Sonora. EL: 2270 GR. Obj: 8500 (Strawn).

LOUIS-DREYFUS NATRL GAS
■ SAWYER 15 #6
SAWYER (STRAWN NORTH); E L & R R RY CO sur blk CC sec 15, A-86, 500 fsl 724 fwl of sec, and lse. 640 acre lse. 11.9 mi SW of Sonora. EL: 2165 GR. Obj: 8600 (Strawn).

LOUIS-DREYFUS NATRL GAS
■ SHURLEY 147 #12
SAWYER (CANYON); H E & W T RY CO sur blk C sec 147, A-453, 1780 fsl 2520 fwl of sec, and lse. 640

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RIG ACTIVITY PROFILE



Arco, partner sign contract to upgrade Venezuela oil project

CARACAS, Venezuela — Corpoven, S.A. and ARCO signed a Memorandum of Understanding here which establishes terms and conditions for a Strategic Association between the two companies to produce and upgrade heavy crude oil from Venezuela's Orinoco Belt.

Participating in the signing were Guillermo Archila, Chairman of Corpoven, and Mike R. Bowlin, ARCO Chairman and Chief Executive Officer.

The Strategic Association, or joint venture, will produce approximately 200,000 barrels per day of 9-degree API extra-heavy crude oil from the Hamaca zone south of El Tigre in the state of Anzoategui.

The oil will be transported via pipeline to an upgrading plant to be built in the Jose Industrial Complex north of Anzoategui. It will then be processed into crude oil with characteristics similar to Alaska North Slope oil, which is of higher commercial value on the international market.

The joint venture is expected to invest approximately $3.5 billion in the project. This includes the cost of field facilities, drilling, transportation, and crude oil upgrading.

Archila said that the Strategic Association with ARCO — the first of its kind for Corpoven, an affiliate of Petroleos de Venezuela, S.A. (PDVSA) — will be presented by the executive branch of the government to the National Congress for approval at its next session.

The project will have three phases. In its first phase, a pipeline will be built from the production field to a crude oil upgrading facility that has yet to be constructed; some oil will be produced. Phase Two involves construction of the first upgrading module, which is expected to be operational in the year 2001. Phase Three calls for doubling the capacity for crude oil production/upgrading until a level of 180,000 barrels per day of upgraded 25-degree API is reached. This last phase is expected to become operational in the year 2006.

Cross Timbers to exchange common stock

FORT WORTH - Cross Timbers Oil Co. announced that its board of directors has authorized an offer to exchange shares of the company's new Series A Convertible Preferred Stock for up to 2,750,000 shares of the company's common stock. Each share of common stock accepted in the offer will be exchanged for .86 shares of the new preferred stock.

The offer is expected to qualify as a tax-free reorganization under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 - except for cash received in lieu of fractional shares. The offer will expire at midnight, New York City time, on September 9 unless extended.

The 2,365,000 shares of preferred stock to be issued in the offer will have a liquidation preference of $25 per share and will pay dividends at an annual rate of $1.5625 per share.

Stewart & Stevenson reports second quarter sales

HOUSTON — Stewart & Stevenson Services Inc., a manufacturer of diesel and gas turbine powered equipment announced second quarter sales of $240,762,000 and net earnings of $5,313,000 or $.16 per share, prior to a special charge of $20 million for anticipated litigation losses.

The company incurred a net loss for the quarter of $7,687,000 or $.23 per share after the litigation charge. Comparable sales, net earnings and earnings per share for the same period a year ago were $319,840,000, $16,927,000 and $.51 respectively.

Sales for the first six months ended July 31, 1996 totaled $460,266,000 compared to $608,862,000 a year ago. Net earnings for the first half, excluding the special $20 million litigation charge, were $12,026,000 or $.36 per share compared to $32,942,000 or $1.00 per share last year. The company incurred a net loss of $974,000 or $.03 per share during the first six months of 1996, after the litigation charge.

Distribution sales for the quarter totaled approximately $124 million compared to $101 million a year ago. Year to date, Distribution sales are up over 21 percent. A strengthening oil and gas market within the company's Distribution territory contributed to the sales improvement, particularly among the company's Detroit Diesel, EMD and Waukesha product lines. Distribution backlog of unfilled orders totaled $75 million representing a 67 percent increase over the $45 million backlog one year ago.

Tactical Vehicle Systems quarterly truck sales totaled approximately $6 million compared to $60 million a year ago. This reduction was anticipated as the company retrofitted trucks built prior to the completion of the Army's test program. The retrofit program ended late in the quarter, allowing limited production of new trucks. TVS will transition into a higher level of production during the third quarter and should produce approximately 2,000 vehicles during the second half of 1996.

Engineered Power Systems quarterly sales totaled approximately $111 million compared to $157 million last year. This decline can be attributed to reduced turbine equipment sales which totaled $35 million compared to $101 million for the same period a year ago. Bid and proposal activity for gas turbines remains strong, particularly overseas. Orders for gas turbine equipment increased during the quarter totaling $98 compared to $3 million during the first quarter of this year.

At quarter-end, the gas turbine equipment backlog of unfilled orders stood at $211 million, representing the first increase in nine consecutive quarters. This increased order level should translate to higher turbine sales volume in future quarters. Other Engineered Power Systems products, including petroleum equipment, airline equipment and turbine product support had higher sales during the quarter.

Corporate debt and its corresponding interest expense remain high due to above normal levels of working capital within the turbine group. Recent orders and the anticipated completion of a significant turnkey project should ensure that debt levels decrease during the balance of the year.

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D-Jax announces 'Three for Free'

D-Jax Corporation has announced the implementation of its "Three for Free" dynamometer survey program. The purpose of this program is to acquaint producers and operators with the features and benefits of the D-Jax Penny Pincher pump-off controller.

Under the terms of this program, producers and operators may select up to three beam-pumped wells for dynamometer surveys at no cost. Upon completion of the surveys, the results will be delivered by experienced D-Jax personnel who can answer any questions that may arise.

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Jim Pattillo, (l to r), Dee Mills and Allen Lindsey of D-Jax Corporation are offering the "Three for Free" dynamometer survey program. Call them at 683-5710 to get in on this offer, which will acquaint you with the benefits of the Penny Pincher pump off controller.

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Financial Focus by RAUL BENAVIDES

Market is neither Democratic nor Republican

By Raul Benavides of Edward Jones

As concerned West Texas voters, you are trying to decide whom to vote for in this year's presidential election. If you want the stock market to perform well, vote Democrat—at least, that's what a recent study might make you believe. However, a closer look at the statistics shows that sock market performance really has little to do with which party is in the White House.

The study, published by Kemper Financial Services in its shareholder newsletter, reviewed how the Standard and Poors Index of 500 stocks (S&P 500) performed during each presidential term since 1929. The S&P 500 is generally considered representative of the U. S. stock market as a whole. The study found that when a Republican was in office, the market averaged a 5.9 percent gain. Under Democratic presidents, on the other hand, the market gained an average of 14.2 percent.



Raul Benavides

However, when you look beyond political parties and consider specific economic and political events that occurred during this period, you will gain a more realistic view.

For example, at first glance, it looks like Herbert Hoover's Republican administration was disastrous for the stock market, resulting in a 27.2 percent decline. But consider the period: 1929-33 was the height of the Great Depression. The Depression was sparked by the stock market crash of 1929, which occurred eight months after Hoover took office. While Hoover may have contributed to the problem, the world economy and the stock market were poised for disaster well before election time.

The second-worst stock market decline during the period studied, a loss of 19.1 percent, occurred during Republican Richard Nixon's second term, from 1973-74. However, this was not only a period of political firsts—with the Watergate scandal and Nixon's subsequent resignation—it was also a time of spiraling inflation and an energy crisis. As Gerald Ford completed Nixon's term, the market rebounded 15.8 percent, resulting in a more reasonable 3.3 percent market loss for the four-year period, even after the Nixon debacle.

The third-worst presidential term for the stock market was that of a Democrat—Franklin Roosevelt. The market's loss of 8.4 percent during his second term occurred during a world-wide depression and the prelude and beginning of World War II—hardly normal times, either politically or economically.

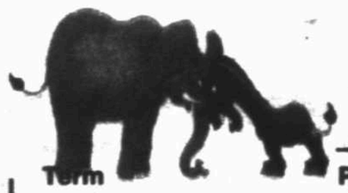
These are only three sock market declines since 1929. Most agree that the severity and uniqueness of other events—depression, inflation, war—would have triggered declines regardless of the party in power.

In fact, when these periods are removed, the market has performed about the same with either party—gaining an average of 16.7 percent during Democratic administrations and 14.2 percent during Republican administrations.

The lesson here is that you shouldn't take everything at face value. Be aware that statistics can be interpreted to support a specific viewpoint. Look beyond the surface and consider all the facts—especially in an election year.

In addition, keep in mind that over the past 65 years, stocks have performed better than all other types of investments. There are many factors to consider when making investment choices—but presidential party is NOT one of them.

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Market performance by presidential term 1929-1995

Term	President	S&P 500
03/04/29-03/04/33	R-Hoover	-27.2%
03/04/33-01/20/37	D-Roosevelt	+40.9%
01/20/37-01/20/41	D-Roosevelt	- 8.4%
01/20/41-01/20/45	D-Roosevelt	+14.2%
04/12/45-01/20/49	D-Truman	+ 8.3%
01/20/49-01/20/53	D-Truman	+22.3%
01/20/53-01/20/57	R-Eisenhower	+19.5%
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01/20/61-11/22/63	D-Kennedy	+ 9.5%
11/22/63-01/20/65	D-Johnson	+20.6%
01/20/65-01/20/69	D-Johnson	+ 7.5%
01/20/69-01/20/73	R-Nixon	+ 6.4%
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08/09/74-01/20/77	R-Ford	+15.8%
01/20/77-01/20/81	D-Carter	+11.7%
01/20/81-01/20/85	R-Reagan	+14.0%
01/20/85-01/20/89	R-Reagan	+17.5%
01/20/89-01/20/93	R-Bush	+13.9%
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Average gain during Democratic administrations: +14.2%
Average gain during Republican administrations: + 5.9%

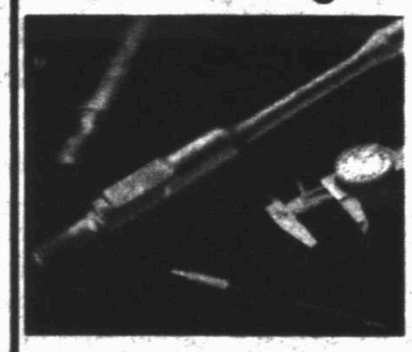
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Tests show Flexbar Sinkerbars increase life of rod strings, tubing

Historically, sucker rod strings have been designed to accommodate upstroke tensile loads, with little consideration for destructive downstroke compressive loads. Typical American Petroleum Institute (API) sucker rod string designs call for larger diameter sucker rods at the top of the string, tapering to smaller diameter rods at the bottom. Occasionally, an operator would include a few larger diameter sucker rods on the bottom, to act as "fall rods" to keep the rod string in tension and to help the pump operate more efficiently. While this is a step in the right direction, larger diameter sucker rods are still subject to compressive loads and the resulting wear and tear common in the lower portion of a rod string.

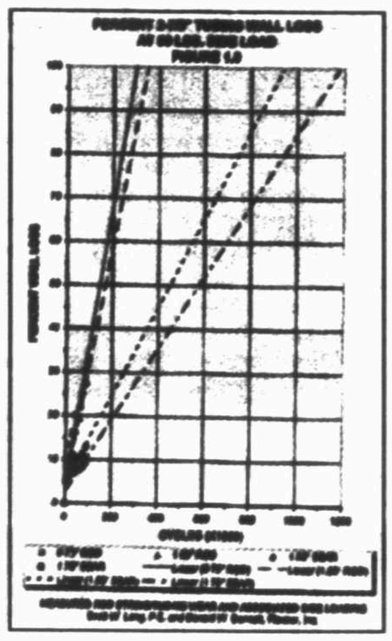
Flexbar Sinkerbars are designed to reduce failures by accommodating the compressive loads and spreading the associated wear over a greater surface area.

To illustrate the benefit of Sinkerbars, Flexbar recently designed and constructed an apparatus to conduct wear tests. Flexbar presented these results at the Southwest Petroleum Short Course in Lubbock last spring. The test results indicated an approximate threefold increase in tubing life when Flexbar Sinkerbars are used compared to one inch or three-quarter-inch sucker rods (see figure one). In addition, due to the greater diameter of sinker bars in this test and their greater surface contact area, Flexbar Sinkerbars lasted over three times longer than three-quarter and one-inch sucker rods (see figure two). Although these tests were conducted in controlled conditions and actual well results may differ, the tests indicate the benefits of Sinkerbars versus sucker rods in this application.

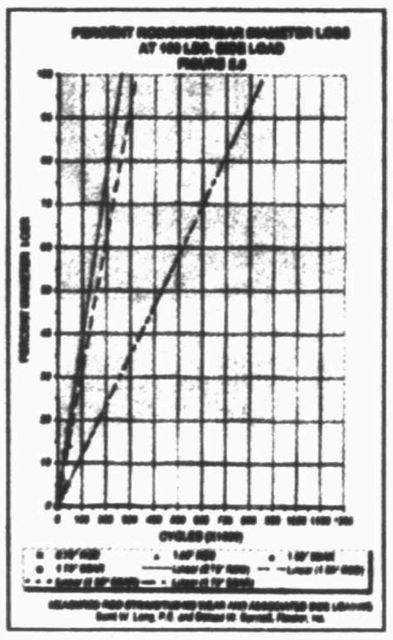
Flexbar Sinkerbars utilize a unique pin design which improves sucker rod string performance under compression compared to the API sucker rod pin, which is designed for tensile loads. Flexbar is the only Sinkerbar manufacturer to utilize this pin design, which has resulted in the near-elimination of pin-related failures.

Flexbar manufactures Sinkerbars for major sucker rod companies, as well as pump and supply firms. Flexbar Sinkerbars and associated products are used in beam pumping wells worldwide. The company provides expert design assistance using the most widely accepted, state of the art predictive software. The manufacturing facility at Flexbar is also capable of taking ideas and generating custom designed and manufactured equipment.

Flexbar, Inc. helps customers increase production and reduce associated costs, specializing in the use of Sinkerbars. They also offer other rod string products, as well as custom engineering services and rod string analysis. Flexbar is located at 2817 John Ben Shepperd Parkway, Suite 104C. Their phone number is (915) 550-4920.



The solid red line on this graph reveals that 3/4 inch sucker rods caused a 100 percent tubing wall loss in 2-7/8 tubing after approximately 300,000 cycles with a 50 pound side load. The dashed green line indicates almost 1.2 million strokes were required by 1.75 inch Sinkerbars to cause the same loss in the same type tubing with the same side load, an almost fourfold increase in tubing life.



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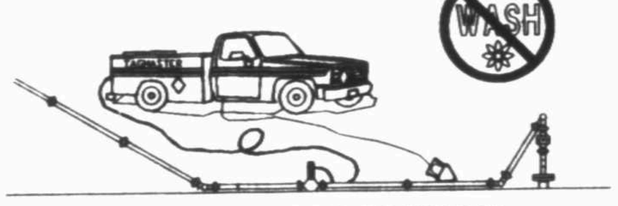
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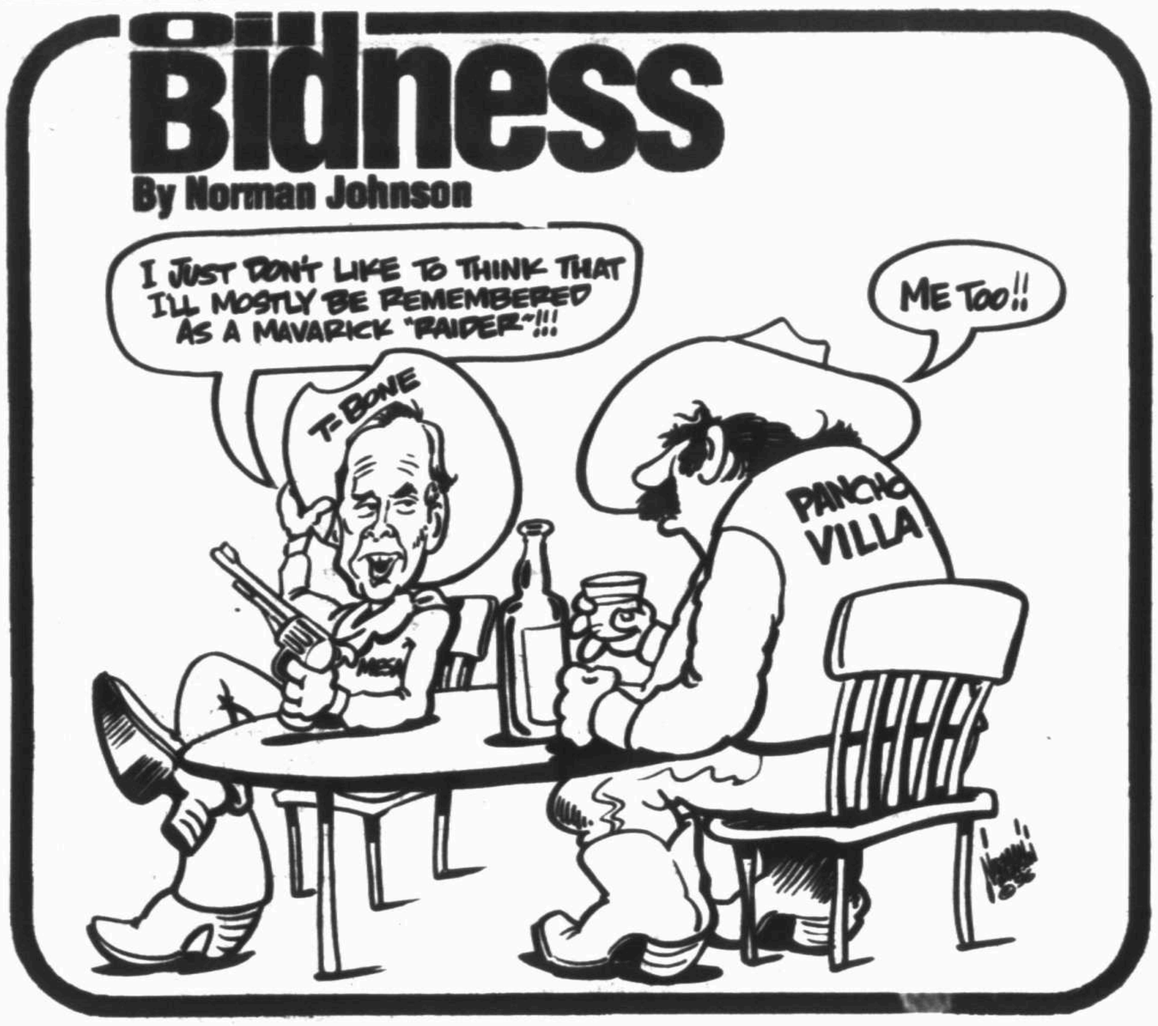


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Seagull details natural gas finds

HOUSTON — Seagull Energy Corp. announced details of natural gas discoveries at the Vastar Fee No. 1, located onshore in the city of Vidor in Orange County, Texas, approximately 100 miles east of Houston, and at Brazos 377 No. A-1, located offshore Texas about 25 miles south/southwest of Freeport, Texas.

At the Vastar Fee No. 1 Seagull and its partners encountered a productive Yegua sand that tested 3.3 million cubic feet of gas per day (MMcf/d) and 77 barrels of condensate per day through a 12/64-inch choke with a flowing tubing pressure of 3,725 pounds per square inch (psi).

Seagull's exploration and production subsidiary is the operator and has a 75 percent interest in the discovery.

Venus Exploration, Inc. and another private firm hold the remaining interests. Seagull's acreage position around the Vastar Fee No. 1 discovery totals approximately 3,000 net areas, upon which additional delineation drilling is planned.

At Brazos 377 No. A-1 Seagull and its partner encountered 35 feet of productive sands that tested 8.5 MMcf/d of natural gas through a 24/64-inch choke with a flowing tubing pressure of 1,620 psi.

Seagull's exploration and production subsidiary is the operator and also has a 75 percent interest in this discovery.

The remaining interest is held by Williams Production Company, a unit of The Williams Companies. Plans are being finalized to install production facilities later in 1996.

Seagull also disclosed today that it has now been awarded all 10 blocks for which it and partners were the high bidder in OSC Sale 157 conducted in the spring of 1996. Gross high bids from Seagull and its six partners on the 10 blocks totaled $6.5 million, with Seagull's net being $2.5 million.

DEVELOPMENT WELLS

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acre lse. 8.7 mi SW of Sonora. EL: 2132 GR. Obj: 7250 (Canyon).
LOUIS-DREYFUS NATRL GAS
■ WARD 127 #12
SAWYER (STRAWN NORTH); H E & W T RY CO sur blk B sec 127, A-336, 2360 fnl 1220 fwl of sec, and lse. 640 acre lse. 6.5 mi SW of Sonora. EL: 2198 GR. Obj: 8100 (Strawn).

TERRELL COUNTY
ARCO PERMIAN
■ BROTHERTON - B #4
BROWN-BASSETT (WOLFCAMP); G C & S F RY CO sur blk 161 sec 30, 550 fnl 2500 fwl of sec, 550 fnl 660 fel of lse. 40 acre lse. 27.5 mi NE of Dryden. EL: 2351 GR. Obj: 6250 (Wolfcamp).
ARCO PERMIAN
■ BROWN MCNINCH EST #7
BROWN-BASSETT (WOLFCAMP); G C & S F RY CO sur blk 161 sec 31, A-539, 2000 fsl 2000 fwl of sec, and lse. 640 acre lse. 26.6 mi NE of Dryden. EL: 2390 GR. Obj: 6250 (Wolfcamp).

TOM GREEN COUNTY
T K P PETROLEUM INC
■ JONES #1A
JONES; L YARBROUGH #35 sur, 800 fsl 1049 fwl of sur, and lse. 184 acre lse. 3 mi E of Knickerbocker. Obj: 6500 test.

UPTON COUNTY
PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO
■ BENEDUM #5
BENEDUM (DEVONIAN GAS)- PLUG BACK; G C & S F RY CO sur blk 4.5 sec 13, 1980 fnl 1980 fwl of sec, and lse. 637.63 acre lse. 15 mi NE of Rankin. Summary Original Drill: Field: BENEDUM (FUSSELMAN). PRESENT OPERATIONS: Obj: 10586 (Devonian).
PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO
■ HUDGENS DON #7
BENEDUM (DEVONIAN GAS)- PLUG BACK; T C RY CO sur blk Y sec 37, 990 fnl 1090 fel of sec, and lse. 643.95 acre lse. 15 mi NE of Rankin. Geomap: 3-11N-15W Summary Original Drill: Well: DON HUDGENS #7. Field: BENEDUM (FUSSELMAN). TD: 11617. Compl: on 01/24/86 Oil. PZone: 11185-11242 (Fusselman) PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 2695 GR. Obj: 10586 (Devonian).

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ANDREWS COUNTY
ALLEDER INC
■ KNIGHT GENE #1
NIX SOUTH; PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND sur blk A-41 sec 10, 1787 fsl 467 fel of sec, and lse. 160 acre lse. 11 mi W of Andrews. EL: 3245 GR. Obj: 7300 test.
EXXON CO USA
■ KING GEORGIA B #2
DEEP ROCK- RECOMPLETION; PUBLIC SHCOOL LAND sur blk A-46 sec 11, A-1992, 1969 fnl 660 fel of sec, 644 fnl 660 fel of lse. 160 acre lse. (A-1962 originally known as A E King) 6.5 mi W of Andrews. Summary Original Drill: Field: DEEP ROCK (DEVONIAN). Summary Plug Back: Field: DEEP ROCK (DEVONIAN). TD: 12291. Recomp: on 05/28/94 Oil. PZone: 9987-10042 (Devonian) PRESENT OPERATIONS: Obj: 12291 test.
PENWELL ENERGY INC
■ GINDORF #2
NIX SOUTH; PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND sur blk A-42 sec 6, 1600 fsl 2185 fwl of sec, 1600 fsl 467 fel of lse. 40 acre lse. 11 mi W of Andrews. EL: 3241 GR. Obj: 7200 test.
STELLER ENERGY & INV
■ HUMBLE - B #1
COWDEN NORTH DEEP; UNIVERSITY LAND sur blk 9 sec 45, 1980 fsl 330 fwl of sec, 647 fnl 330 fwl of lse. 159.225 acre lse. 17 mi S'LY of Andrews. EL: 3121 GR. Obj: 5700 test.

ECTOR COUNTY
ANDECTOR EXPL CO
■ COWDEN R B - F 10-1 #1
GOLDSMITH NORTH (SAN ANDRES CONS)- PLUG BACK; T & P RY CO sur blk 45 twp 2N sec 10, 1980 fnl 1980 fwl of sec, 660 fsl 660 fel of lse. 40 acre lse. 13 mi NW of Goldsmith. Geomap: 6-17N-23W Summary Original Drill: Oper: FINA OIL & CHEMICAL CO Well: COWDEN F #1. Field: GOLDSMITH (SILURIAN). TD: 8240. Compl: OIL Summary Plug Back: Oper: FINA OIL & CHEMICAL CO Well: COWDEN F #1. Field: GOLDSMITH (5600). TD: 8240. Recomp: on 03/22/88 OIL PZone: 5663-5731 (Clear Fork) PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 3299 GR. Obj: 4500 (San Andres con).
EXXON CO USA
■ BARROW AUGUSTA #36
HEADLEE NORTH; T & P RY CO sur blk 42 twp 1S sec 21, A-94, 1515 fnl 1905 fel of sec, 6862 fnl 6067 fwl of lse. 6259 acre lse. 8 mi N of Odessa. Obj: 10300 test.
TEXACO EXPL & PROD INC
■ HOLT O B #43
COWDEN NORTH- PLUG BACK; T & P RY CO sur blk 43 sec 11, 660 fsl 660 fwl of sec, 3300 fsl 6000 fwl of lse. 2480.8 acre lse. 22 mi NW of Odessa. Summary Original Drill: Field: COWDEN NORTH (GRAYBURG). PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 3119 GR. Obj: 4590 test.
TEXACO EXPL & PROD INC
■ HOLT O B #5
COWDEN NORTH- PLUG BACK; T & P RY CO sur blk 43 sec 15, 3100 fsl 750 fel of sec, 440 fsl 440 fwl of lse. 2480.8 acre lse. 21 mi NW of Odessa. Summary Original Drill: Field: COWDEN NORTH (GRAYBURG). PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 3093 GR. Obj: 4560 test.

GLASSCOCK COUNTY
COBRA OIL & GAS CORP
■ KOLB 12 #1
COBRA (WOLFCAMP); T & P RY CO sur blk 35 twp 3S sec 12, A-808, 386 fnl 1237 fel of sec, and lse. 320 acre lse. (A-808 originally known as L H Hillger) 13 mi NW of Garden City. EL: 2561 GR. Obj: 8500 (Wolfcamp).
PARKER & PARSLEY DEV LP
■ SPRABERRY DRIVER UNIT #751A
SPRABERRY TREND AREA; T & P RY CO sur blk 37 twp 5S sec 15, 660 fsl 1980 fwl of sec, 20667 fnl 12497 fwl of unit. 61256 acre unit. (Located in tract 75) 14 mi SW of St Lawrence. EL: 2718 GR. Obj: 8630 test.
PARKER & PARSLEY DEV LP
■ SPRABERRY DRIVER UNIT #825A
SPRABERRY TREND AREA; T & P RY CO sur blk 36 twp 5S sec 17, 660 fnl 660 fel of sec, 20527 fsl 16554 fel of unit. 61256 acre unit. (Located in tract 82) 10 mi SW of St Lawrence. Obj: 8490 test.

HOWARD COUNTY
COSTILLA PETROLEUM CORP
■ COCONUT 10 #1
LAND-O-LAKES; T & P RY CO sur blk 34 twp 1N sec 10, A-1340, 467 fsl 474 fwl of sec, and lse. 320 acre lse. 10 mi NW of Big Spring. Obj: 11000 test.
COSTILLA PETROLEUM CORP
■ DAVIS 5 #1
LAND-O-LAKES; T & P RY CO sur blk 34 twp 1N sec 5, A-387, 671 fsl 2422 fel of sec, and lse. 640 acre lse. 10 mi NW of Big Spring. Obj: 11000 test.
COSTILLA PETROLEUM CORP
■ ROWLAND 34 #1
TALBOT; T & P RY CO sur blk 32 twp 2N sec 34, 1857 fsl 1256 fel of sec, and lse. 340 acre lse. 10 mi NE of Big Spring. Obj: 9000 test.

DEVELOPMENTS/13

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Southeast New Mexico

EDDY COUNTY
MARBOB ENERGY CORP
■ BURCH KEELY #249
GRAYBURG JACKSON SR QU GB SA - REPERMIT; 17S-29E-23; 2ne sw nw, 1650 fnl 1150 fwl, 21 mi E of Artesia. Summary Original Drill: Well: BURCH - C FEDERAL #52. ABND LOC on 07/21/94. PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 3597 GR. Obj: 4600 (San Andres). NL: 07/27/93. API# 30-015-27575. ID# T-455585. Contr: L & M #3. Resume: 06/20/96. TD: 4553 on 06/29/96. PB: 4525. Recomp: on 07/17/96 OIL (Last Info: 08/13/96) PZone: 4123-4371 (San Andres) IP: (San Andres 4123-4371) P 49 BOPD; 14 MCFGPD; 905 BWPD Casing: 8 5/8 @ 390 w/200 -- 5 1/2 @ 4553 w/1700
DEVON ENERGY CORP
■ TURNER - A #55
GRAYBURG JACKSON SR QU GB SA; 17S-31E-18; ne ne se, 2307 fsl 330 fel EL: 3884 GR. Obj: 4200 (Grayburg/Jackson). NL: 01/31/96. API# 30-015-28918. ID# T-473389. Contr: Artesia Fishing #2. Spud: 06/04/96. TD: 3770 on 06/10/96 in San Andres. PB: 3727. Compl: on 07/05/96 OIL (Last Info: 08/13/96) PZone: 2711-3691 (Grayburg/San Andres) gross interval IP: (Grayburg/San Andres 2711-3691) P 140 BOPD grav 37; no gas; 577 BWPD Casing: 8 5/8 @ 464 w/500 -- 5 1/2 @ 3769
DEVON ENERGY OPERG CORP
■ TURNER - A #45
GRAYBURG JACKSON SR QU GB SA; 17S-31E-19; sw ne nw, 975 fnl 1450 fwl EL: 3874 GR. Obj: 4200 (Grayburg/Jackson). NL: 04/02/96. API# 30-015-28860. ID# T-474660. Spud: 05/14/96.TD: 3884 on 05/19/96 in San Andres. PB: 3838. Compl: on 06/27/96 OIL (Last Info: 08/13/96) PZone: 2695-3400 (Grayburg/San Andres) gross interval IP: (Grayburg/San Andres 2695-3400) P 173 BOPD grav 37; no gas; 215 BWPD Casing: 8 5/8 @ 352 w/350 -- 5 1/2 @ 3883 w/2000
DEVON ENERGY OPERG CORP
■ TURNER - A #48
GRAYBURG JACKSON SR QU GB SA; 17S-31E-18; sw se nw, 2360 fnl 1330 fwl EL: 3830 GR. Obj: 4200 (Grayburg/Jackson). NL: 09/18/96. API# 30-015-28969. ID# T-474370. Spud: 05/21/96. TD: 3870 on 05/27/96 in San Andres. PB: 3826. Compl: on 07/01/96 OIL (Last Info: 08/13/96) PZone: 2726-3241 (Grayburg/San Andres) IP: (Grayburg/San Andres 2726-3241) P 136 BOPD grav 37; no gas; 577 BWPD Casing: 8 5/8 @ 387 w/500 -- 5 1/2 @ 3869 w/2000
OXY U S A INC
■ T BIRD STATE 30 #1
PARKWAY WEST ATOKA - PLUG BACK; 19S-29E-30; 2c nw se, 1980 fsl 1980 fel Summary Original Drill: Well: T BIRD STATE 30-1 #1. Field: UND PARKWAY WEST MORROW. Compl: on 03/20/96 GAS PZone: 10863-11133 (Morrow) PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 3310 GR. Obj: (Atoka). NL: 11/14/95. API# 30-015-28718. ID# T-471914. Resume: 05/30/96. TD: 11400. Recomp: on 06/18/96 GAS (Last Info: 08/14/96) PZone: 10582-10660 (Atoka) gross interval IP: (Atoka 10582-10660) CAOF 161 MCFGPD -- F 3 BOPD; 152 MCFGPD on 20/64 clc; 1 BWPD; FTP 400, SLOPE 1.059
MARATHON OIL CO
■ FEDERAL - C 35 #1
INDIAN BASIN MORROW - DEEPEN; 21S-23E-35; 2nw se nw, 1650 fnl 1650 fwl Summary Original Drill: EL: 3961 GR. PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 3974 KB. Obj: (Morrow). NL: 08/13/96. API# 30-015-10403. ID# T-477544. Resume: 04/23/96. TD: 10778 on 05/09/96. PB: 10019.Recomp: on 07/19/96 GAS (Last Info: 08/13/96) PZone: 9288-9416 (Morrow) gross interval IP: (Morrow 9288-9416) F 1089 MCFGPD on 20/64 clc; no oil; 65 BWPD; FTP 540 Casing: 4 1/2 @ 7610-10,115 w/345
TEXACO EXPL & PROD INC
■ LEVERS E J 12 FEDERAL NCT-1 #2
CATCLAW DRAW MOR; 21S-25E-12; s/2 se nw, 2448 fnl 1980 fwl, 7 mi NW of Carlsbad. EL: 3249 GR. Obj: 10550 (Morrow). NL: 09/28/95. API# 30-015-28644. ID# T-471000. Spud: 10/29/95. TD: 10600 on 11/11/95. PB: 10594. Compl: on 01/15/96 GAS (Last Info: 08/13/96) PZone: 10238-10458 (Morrow) gross interval IP: (Morrow 10238-10458) CAOF 9484 MCFGPD -- F 4 BOPD grav 48.1; SLOPE 0.716 Casing: 13 3/8 @ 400 w/400 -- 8 5/8 @ 2250 w/600 -- 5 1/2 @ 10,600 w/1900

LEA COUNTY
YATES PETROLEUM CORP
■ PAPALOTES #1
WILDCAT ATOKA; 14S-34E-34; se ne se, 1980 fsl 330 fel EL: 4092 GR. Obj: 12100 (Strawn). NL: 01/25/96. API# 30-025-33275. ID# T-473217.Spud: 02/27/96. TD: 13880 on 04/10/96. PB: 13280. Compl: on 09/11/96 GAS (Last Info: 08/14/96) PZone: 12634-12854 (Atoka) IP: (Atoka 12634-12854) F 1400 MCFGPD on 32/64 clc; FTP 225 Notes: (Possible new pool discovery) Casing: 13 3/8 @ 450 w/475 -- 8 5/8 @ 4624 w/1750 -- 5 1/2 @ 13,660
SHELL WESTERN E&P INC
■ RIDGE STATE - B #1
WILDCAT MORROW; 17S-35E-30; nw ne se, 2310 fsl 990 fel EL: 3979 GR. Obj: 11800 (Morrow). NL: 03/05/96. API# 30-025-33307-00. ID# T-474062. Contr: Norton #8. Spud: 03/24/96 Mud drlg. TD: 11730 on 04/27/96. PB: 11631. Compl: on 07/19/96 GAS (Last Info: 08/14/96) PZone: 11518-11532 (Morrow) gross interval IP: (Morrow 11518-11532) CAOF 1410 MCFGPD -- F 155 BOPD grav 49.5; 700 MCFGPD grav .754 on 12/64 clc; no wtr; FTP 1800, BHSIP 4120, SLOPE 1.000 Notes: (Operator planned to plug back and kick off for a directional sidetrack if evaluation of the Atoka/Morrow formation was unfavorable, directional sidetrack #1 reference ID #474814 never drld) (Possible new pool discovery)
Casing: 13 3/8 @ 1470 w/1350 -- 9 5/8 @ 4810 w/1750 -- 7 @ 10,360 w/845 -- 5 1/2 @ 10,090-11,725
TEXACO EXPL & PROD INC
■ CENTRAL VACUUM UNIT #187
VACUUM GB SA; 17S-35E-31; ne sw sw, 974 fsl 1199 fwl BHLoc: PROPOSED: 660 fsl 1292 fwl e/2 sw sw; ACTUAL @ TD: 663 fsl 1287 fwl EL: 3945 GR. Obj: 4850 (San Andres). NL: 03/18/96. API# 30-025-33329. ID# T-474355. Spud: 05/27/96. TD: 4850 on 06/03/96. Compl: on 06/17/96 OIL (Last Info: 08/14/96) PZone: 4328-4739 (San Andres) gross interval IP: (San Andres 4328-4739) P 70 BOPD grav 38.6; 62 MCFGPD; 1078 BWPD Casing: 8 5/8 @ 1583 w/587 -- 5 1/2 @ 4850 w/950
PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO
■ VACUUM EAST GB/SA UNIT #391
VACUUM GB SA; 17S-35E-34; se nw ne, 1155 fsl 1523 fel EL: 3925 GR. Obj: 4900 (San Andres). NL: 03/14/96. API# 30-025-33326. ID# T-474298. Spud: 05/15/96. TD: 4900 on 05/26/96. Compl: on 07/30/96 OIL (Last Info: 08/09/96) PZone: 4476-4576 gross interval IP: (4476-4576) P 66 BOPD; 132 MCFGPD; 817 BWPD; -- 53.6% C02 Casing: 8 5/8 @ 1620 -- 5 1/2 @ 4899 w/825
TEXACO EXPL & PROD INC
■ VACUUM GRAYBURG SAN ANDRES UNIT #159
VACUUM GB SA; 18S-34E-1; se ne ne, 907 fnl 350 fel BHLoc: PROPOSED: 572 fnl 78 fel ne ne ne; ACTUAL @ TD: 569 fnl 84 fel ne ne ne; EL: 3985 GR. Obj: 4850 (San Andres). NL: 05/23/96. API# 30-025-33484. ID# T-475847. Spud: 08/16/96. TD: 4850 on 08/22/96. PB: 4805. Compl: on 07/18/96 OIL (Last Info: 08/14/96) PZone: 4334-4746 (San Andres) gross interval IP: (San Andres 4334-4746) P 137 BOPD grav 39.2; 62 MCFGPD; 644 BWPD Casing: 8 5/8 @ 1555 w/550 -- 5 1/2 @ 4850
MATADOR OPERATING CO
■ LEA - AQ STATE #8
PEARL WEST SA; 19S-35E-29; sw sw sw, 330 fsl 330 fwl EL: 3758 KB. Obj: 6000 (San Andres). NL: 04/22/96. API# 30-025-33393. ID# T-475151. Contr: Norton #12. Spud: 04/30/96. TD: 5955 on 05/12/96 in San Andres. PB: 5932. Compl: on 06/09/96 OIL (Last Info: 08/14/96) PZone: 5742-5886 (San Andres) gross interval IP: (San Andres 5742-5886) P 64 BOPD grav 39.4; 30 MCFGPD; 218 BWPD Casing: 8 5/8 @ 447 w/280 -- 5 1/2 @ 5953
TEXACO EXPL & PROD INC
■ SKELLY - D STATE #5
MONUMENT PADDOCK; 20S-36E-1; se ne se, 1840 fsl 330 fel EL: 3564 GR. Obj: 6000 (Blinebry). NL: 02/15/96. API# 30-025-33297. ID# T-473692. Contr: Nabors #348. Spud: 03/24/96. TD: 6000 on 04/02/96. PB: 5425. Compl: on 06/17/96 OIL (Last Info: 08/14/96) PZone: 5142-5206 (Paddock) IP: (Paddock 5142-5206) P 28 BOPD grav 34.0; 55 MCFGPD; 239 BWPD Casing: 8 5/8 @ 1150 w/500 -- 5 1/2 @ 6000
AMERADA HESS CORP
■ PHILLIPS J R GAS COM #1
EUMONT YATES SEV RIV QU - PLUG BACK; 20S-36E-1; 2ne ne ne, 330 fnl 330 fel PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 3586 KB. Obj: (Eumont). NL: 08/14/96. API# 30-025-04130. ID# T-477591. Contr: Pride. Resume: 08/11/96. TD: 3900. PB: 3400. Recomp: on 07/18/96 GAS (Last Info: 08/14/96) PZone: 3072-3324 (Eumont) gross interval IP: (Eumont 3072-3324) F 571 MCFGPD; no oil; no wtr
TEXACO EXPL & PROD INC
■ SKELLY - B STATE COM #5
EUMONT YATES SEV RIV; 21S-36E-16; e/2 nw nw, 660 fnl 990 fwl EL: 3599 GR. Obj: 3750 (Penrose). NL: 04/01/96. API# 30-025-33360. ID# T-474616. Spud: 04/24/96. TD: 3750 on 04/27/96. PB: 3484. Compl: on 07/23/96 GAS (Last Info: 08/14/96) PZone: 3048-3230 (Eumont) IP: (Eumont 3048-3230) F 458 MCFGPD on 1 clc; no oil; 4 BWPD; FTP 30, SICP 100 Casing: 8 5/8 @ 455 w/200 -- 5 1/2 @ 3750 w/1100
TEXACO EXPL & PROD INC
■ HENDERSON V M #2
PADDOCK - RECOMPLETION; 21S-37E-30; 2c ne ne, 660 fnl 660 fel PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 3492 GR. Obj: 5625 (lwr Paddock). NL: 04/12/96. API# 30-025-06908. ID# T-474627. Resume: 04/22/96. TD: 6591. PB: 5625. Recomp: on 05/23/96 OIL (Last Info: 08/14/96) PZone: 5412-5520 (lwr Paddock) gross interval IP: (lwr Paddock 5412-5520) P 33 BOPD grav 36.8; 118 MCFGPD; 108 BWPD
COLLINS & WARE INC
■ STATE - PA #3
EUNICE BLINE - PLUG BACK; 22S-37E-17; 2nw ne, (ftg not available) PRESENT OPERATIONS: Obj: 6400 (Blinebry). NL: 07/24/96. API# 30-025-25209. ID# T-477105. TD: 6650. PB: 6365. Recomp: on 08/07/96 OIL (Last Info: 08/13/96) PZone: 5471-5975 (Blinebry) gross interval IP: (Blinebry 5471-5975) F 75 BOPD grav 34; 360 MCFGPD on 30/64 clc; 75 BWPD; FTP 100, FCP 560
TEXACO EXPL & PROD INC
■ KING E F #2
JALMAT TANS YATES SEV RIV - PLUG BACK; 23S-36E-1; 2c nw sw, 1980 fsl 660 fwl PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 3425 GR. Obj: 3565 (Jalmat). NL: 03/08/96. API# 30-025-09205. ID# T-474187. Resume: 05/06/96. TD: 3797. PB: 3565. Recomp: on 08/10/96 GAS (Last Info: 08/14/96) PZone: 3112-3287 (Jalmat) IP: (Jalmat 3112-3287) F 76 MCFGPD on open clc; no oil; no wtr
TEXACO EXPL & PROD INC
■ FRISTOE C C - B FEDERAL NCT-2 #16
JUSTIS BLINE TUBB DRINK; 24S-37E-26; sw sw se, 330 fsl 2310 fel, 5 mi NE of Jal. EL: 3177 GR. Obj: 7100 (Drinkard). NL: 12/18/95. API# 30-025-33235. ID# T-472538. Contr: Nabors #348. Spud: 02/02/96. TD: 6500 on 02/13/96. PB: 6452. Compl: on 05/20/96 OIL (Last Info: 08/14/96) PZone: 5102-6178 gross interval IP: (5102-6178) P 39 BOPD grav 38.7; 551 MCFGPD; 104 BWPD Casing: 8 5/8 @ 1012 w/1125 -- 5 1/2 @ 6500
TEXACO EXPL & PROD INC
■ FRISTOE C C - B FEDERAL NCT-2 #15
JUSTIS BLINE TUBB DRINK; 24S-37E-35; ne ne nw, 330 fnl 2200 fwl, 5 mi NE of Jal. EL: 3180 GR. Obj: 7100 (Drinkard). NL: 10/12/95. API# 30-025-33145. ID# T-471281. Spud: 11/10/95. TD: 7100 on 11/26/95 in Abo. PB: 6770. Compl: on 02/27/96 OIL (Last Info: 08/14/96) PZone: 5320-6924 gross interval IP: (5320-6924) P 52 BOPD; 186 MCFGPD; 68 BWPD Casing: 8 5/8 @ 1031 w/525 -- 5 1/2 @ 7100 w/1700
TEXACO EXPL & PROD INC
■ COATES A B - C #15
JUSTIS ABO - PLUG BACK; 25S-37E-24; 2c sw se, 660 fsl 1980 fel PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 3084 KB. Obj: (Abo). NL: 08/14/96. API# 30-025-11728. ID#

COMPLETIONS/13

DEVELOPMENT WELLS

(From 12)

EXXON CO USA
■ VEALMOOR EAST UNIT #69
VEALMOOR EAST- RECOMPLETION; H & T C RY CO sur blk 27 sec 20, 2231 fsl 2872 fwl of sec, 3571 fsl 4984 fel of lse. 3553.24 acre lse. (Rule 37 exception applied for) 19 mi NE of Big Spring. Geomap: 3-20N-11W Summary Original Drill: Oper: GETTY OIL CO IWSummary Deepen: Oper: TEXACO PRODUCING INC CANCELLED on 11/18/87 .PRESENT OPERATIONS: Obj: 7600 test.
RASMUSSEN HAL J OPERG
■ GOOD DOOBIE #1
VEALMOOR; T & P RY CO sur blk 32 twp 3N sec 33, 2415 fsl 1905 fel of sec, 230 fnl 730 fwl of lse. 160 acre lse. (Rule 37 exception applied for) 3 mi SE of Vealmoor. Obj: 8400 test.
RASMUSSEN HAL J OPERG
■ GOOD DOOBIE #2
VEALMOOR; T & P RY CO sur blk 32 twp 3N sec 33, 850 fsl 240 fel of sec, and lse. 160 acre lse. (Rule 37 exception applied for) 3 mi SE of Vealmoor. Obj: 8400 test.

MARTIN COUNTY
STEPHENS AUTRY C
■ KELLY #1
SPRABERRY TREND AREA; T & P RY CO sur blk 36 twp 1S sec 5, 1980 fsl 1980 fel of sec, 1980 fsl 660 fwl of lse. 400 acre lse. 1 mi N of Stanton. EL: 2733 GR. Obj: 10000 test.
WALTER O & G INTL LLC
■ FOLKNER A F #1
BREEDLOVE (SPRABERRY)- PLUG BACK; BORDEN COUNTY SCHOOL LAND sur, 660 fsl 799 fwl of lab 6 lge 262 of sur, and lse. 190.50 acre lse. 16 mi NW of Tarzan. Geomap: 8-21N-17W Summary Original Drill: Oper: AMOCO PRODUCTION CO Well: FOLKNER A F #2. Field: BREEDLOVE (STRAWN). TD: 12008. Compl: on 07/12/86 OIL PZone: 10842-10856 (Strawn) Summary Plug Back: Oper: ESPERANZA ENERGY CORP Well: FOLKNER A F #2. CANCELLED on 12/11/94.PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 2916 GR. Obj: 8500 (Spraberry).

MIDLAND COUNTY
G P II ENERGY INC
■ WINDHAM - SV #1H
WILDCAT; T & P RY CO sur blk 40 twp 3S sec 32, 1811 fnl 2559 fel of sec, and lse. 520 acre lse. 15.5 mi S of Midland. BHLoc: PROPOSED: 2052 fnl 816 fwl of sec. 32 -- and lse. EL: 2861 GR. Obj: 13400 test. Notes: (Operator plans to re-enter & kick off Manzano Oil Corp's existing vertical wellbore reference ID #459021 completed oil well 6/22/94, for horizontal sidetrack #1)
PARKER & PARSLEY DEV LP
■ PRESTON SPRABERRY UNIT #3422A
SPRABERRY TREND AREA; T & P R Y CO sur blk 38 twp 4S sec 25, 660 fsl 1980 fwl of sec, 11279 fsl 1980 fwl of unit. 61256 acre unit. (Located in tract 34) 14 mi SW of Spraberry. EL: 2767 GR. Obj: 8935 test.
PARKER & PARSLEY DEV LP
■ SHACKELFORD SPRABERRY UNIT #160A
SPRABERRY TREND AREA; T & P RY CO sur blk 37 twp 3S sec 34, A-981, 1980 fsl 1980 fwl of sec, 8603 fnl 3288 fel of unit. 28731 acre unit. (A-981 originally known as Charles Roe) (Located in tract 1) 7 mi SW of Spraberry. Obj: 9000 test.
PARKER & PARSLEY DEV LP
■ SHACKELFORD SPRABERRY UNIT #313A
SPRABERRY TREND AREA; T & P RY CO sur blk 37 twp 3S sec 33, A-140, 1980 fsl 1980 fwl of sec, 8596 fnl 8557 fel of unit. 28731 acre unit. (Located in tract 3) 8 mi SW of Spraberry. Obj: 9000 test.
PARKER & PARSLEY DEV LP
■ SHACKELFORD SPRABERRY UNIT #3606A
SPRABERRY TREND AREA; T & P RY CO sur blk 37 twp 3S sec 44, A-926, 660 fsl 660 fwl of sec, 11222 fsl 15132 fel of unit. 28731 acre unit. (A-926 originally known as Joe Haselden) (Located in tract 36) 9 mi SW of Spraberry. Obj: 9500 test.
PARKER & PARSLEY DEV LP
■ SHACKELFORD SPRABERRY UNIT #4112A
SPRABERRY TREND AREA; T & P RY CO sur blk 38 twp 3S sec 38, A-987, 1980 fnl 1980 fel of sec, 9920 fnl 3507 fwl of unit. 28731 acre unit. (A-987 originally known as Wyley Stuart) (Located in tract 41) 13 mi SW of Spraberry. Obj: 9500 test.
PARKER & PARSLEY DEV LP
■ SHACKELFORD SPRABERRY UNIT #4909A
SPRABERRY TREND AREA; T & P RY CO sur blk 37 twp 4S sec 6, A-862, 660 fnl 1980 fwl of sec, 9906 fsl 19077 fel of unit. 28731 acre unit. (A-862 originally known as J S Brown) (Located in tract 49) 10 mi SW of Spraberry. Obj: 9500 test.
PARKER & PARSLEY DEV LP
■ SHACKELFORD SPRABERRY UNIT #4910A
SPRABERRY TREND AREA; T & P RY CO sur blk 37 twp 4S sec 6, A-862, 660 fsl 1980 fel of sec, 5943 fsl 17777 fel of unit. 28731 acre unit. (A-862 originally known as J S Brown) (Located in tract 49) 10.5 mi SW of Spraberry. Obj: 9500 test.
PARKER & PARSLEY DEV LP
■ SHACKELFORD SPRABERRY UNIT #5112A
SPRABERRY TREND AREA; T & P RY CO sur blk 38 twp 4S sec 2, A-864, 1980 fnl 660 fwl of sec, 19169 fsl 8684 fwl of unit. 28731 acre unit. (A-864 originally known as J S Brown) (Located in tract 51) 13 mi SW of Spraberry. Obj: 9500 test.
PARKER & PARSLEY DEV LP
■ SHACKELFORD SPRABERRY UNIT #6214A
SPRABERRY TREND AREA; T & P RY CO sur blk 37 twp 4S sec 8, A-863, 1980 fnl 1980 fwl of sec, 3300 fsl 13821 fel of unit. 28731 acre unit. (A-863 originally known as J S Brown) (Located in tract 62) 11 mi SW of Spraberry. Obj: 9500 test.
STEPHENS AUTRY C
■ PORTER #1
SPRABERRY TREND AREA; J C ABEL #102 sur, A-621, 660 fsl 660 fel of sur, and lse. 640 acre lse. 5 mi SE of Midland. EL: 2711 GR. Obj: 10000 test.
TEXACO EXPL & PROD INC
■ BRYANT - G DEVONIAN UNIT #21H
BRYANT -G- (DEVONIAN); T & P RY CO sur blk 40 twp 2S sec 35, A-269, 1232 fsl 1053 fwl of sec, and unit. 5225.18 acre unit. 10 mi SW of Midland. BHLoc: PROPOSED: 1528 fsl 689 fel of sec. 35 Coord: X= 1439894.000 Y= 811238.000. -- 3770 fnl 689 fel of unit -- N 70.3 deg 00'00" E 3550 ft from surf loc. Obj: 13080 (Devonian). Notes: (Operator plans to kick off & recomplete existing vertical wellbore reference ID #461062 completed gas well 10/25/94, for horizontal sidetrack #1)
TEXACO EXPL & PROD INC
■ BRYANT - G DEVONIAN UNIT #22H
BRYANT -G- (DEVONIAN); T & P RY CO sur blk 40 twp 2S sec 34, A-1088, 590 fnl 1481 fel of sec, 5911 fnl 4003 fwl of unit. 5225.18 acre unit. 10 mi SW of Midland. BHLoc: PROPOSED: 640 fnl 193 fel of sec. 34 -- 5961 fnl 5291 fwl of unit. Obj: 12400 (Devonian). Notes: (Operator plans to kick off existing vertical wellbore reference ID #464259 completed gas well 3/15/95, for two horizontal drainholes; HZ DH #1 reference ID #477448)
TEXACO EXPL & PROD INC
■ BRYANT - G DEVONIAN UNIT #22H
BRYANT -G- (DEVONIAN); T & P RY CO sur blk 40 twp 2S sec 34, A-1088, 590 fnl 1481 fel of sec, 5911 fnl 4003 fwl of unit. 5225.18 acre unit. (A-1088 originall known as Charles Perry) 10 mi SW of Midland. BHLoc: PROPOSED: 215 fsl 689 fwl of sec. 34 Coord: X= 812759.000 Y= 1430150.000. -- 5106 fnl 689 fwl of unit. Obj: 12400 (Devonian). Notes: (Operator plans to kick off existing vertical wellbore reference ID #464259 completed gas well 3/15/95, for two horizontal drainholes; HZ DH #2 reference ID #477450)

PECOS COUNTY
OLSEN ENERGY INC
■ COWDEN J M #1
TIPPETT SW (WOLFCAMP 5200)- RE-ENTRY; H & G N RY CO sur blk 12 sec 22, 2175 fsl 467 fwl of sec, 467 fnl 467 fwl of lse. 80 acre lse. 12 mi S of McCamey. PRESENT OPERATIONS: Obj: 5600 (Wolfcamp 5200). Notes: (RRC District 7C has jurisdiction over Tippett SW (Wolfcamp 5200) field;Cowden J M #1)
VALLEY RESOURCES INC
■ OATES J S #33
OATES; T & P RY CO sur blk 3 sec 204, 2162 fsl 2155 fwl of sec, and lse. 639.28 acre lse. 1.5 mi N of Chancellor. EL: 3587 GR. Obj: 900 test.
VALLEY RESOURCES INC
■ OATES J S #43
OATES; T & P RY CO sur blk 3 sec 204, 2117 fsl 1451 fwl of sec, and lse. 639.28 acre lse. 1.5 mi N of Chancellor. EL: 3593 GR. Obj: 900 test.

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BORDEN COUNTY
FAGADAU ENERGY CORP
■ CLAYTON RANCH NORTH SPRABERRY #12
CLAYTON RANCH NORTH (SPARBERRY); T & P RY CO sur blk 31 sec 22, 1350 fnl 1880 fel of sec, 1350 fr N'ly nl 1880 fr W'ly el of unit. 855.5 acre unit. 13.5 mi N of Gail. Obj: 6700 (Spraberry).
PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO
■ JO-MILL WEST UNIT #205
JO-MILL (SPRABERRY); T & P RY CO sur blk 33 twp 4N sec 9, 660 fnl 660 fel of sec, 660 fnl 5804 fel of unit. 3620 acre unit. 12 mi SW of Gail. Obj: 8000 (Spraberry).
PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO
■ JO-MILL WEST UNIT #206
JO-MILL (SPRABERRY); T & P RY CO sur blk 33 twp 4N sec 9, 1299 fsl 660 fwl of sec, 3985 fnl 3300 fwl of unit. 3620 acre unit. 12 mi SW of Gail. Obj: 8000 (Spraberry).
PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO
■ JO-MILL WEST UNIT #910
JO-MILL (SPRABERRY); T & P RY CO sur blk 33 twp 4N sec 21, 660 fnl 2046 fel of sec, 4621 fsl 2046 fel of unit. 3620 acre unit. 14 mi SW of Gail. Obj: 8000 (Spraberry).

COTTLE COUNTY
BURNETT OIL CO INC
■ WINDFOHR A B 10 #6
RHOMBOCHASM; A FORSYTHE sur blk L sec 1, A-660, 500 fnl 2180 fwl of sec, 4780 fsl 2180 fwl of lse. 2587 acre lse. 8.5 mi ESE of Paducah. EL: 1621 GR. Obj: 8600 test.
BURNETT OIL CO INC
■ WINDFORH A B 10 #7
RHOMBOCHASM; R M THOMPSON sur blk K sec 25, A-799, 933 fsl 933 fwl of sec, and lse. 2587 acre lse. 8.5 mi ESE of Paducah. EL: 1632 GR. Obj: 9000 test.

DAWSON COUNTY
HENRY PETROLEUM INC
■ ACKERLY DEAN EAST UNIT #84
ACKERLY (DEAN SS); T & P RY CO sur blk 34 twp 4N sec 41, 1980 fnl 660 fel of sec, 3303 fnl 5932 fwl of unit. 4780 acre unit. 3 mi NW of Ackerly. EL: 2840 GR. Obj: 8800 (Dean ss).
HENRY PETROLEUM INC
■ ACKERLY DEAN EAST UNIT #91
ACKERLY (DEAN SS); T & P RY CO sur blk 34 twp 4N sec 44, 1050 fnl 735 fel of sec, 6885 fsl 6007 fel of unit. 4780 acre unit. 3 mi NW of Ackerly. EL: 2833 GR. Obj: 8800 (Dean ss).
HENRY PETROLEUM INC
■ ACKERLY DEAN EAST UNIT #94
ACKERLY (DEAN SS); T & P RY CO sur blk 34 twp 4N sec 43, 2300 fsl 1980 fel of sec, 4948 fsl 1974 fwl of unit. 4780 acre unit. 3 mi NW of Ackerly. EL: 2779 GR. Obj: 8800 (Dean ss).
HENRY PETROLEUM INC
■ ACKERLY DEAN EAST UNIT #95
ACKERLY (DEAN SS); T & P RY CO sur blk 34 twp

DEVELOPMENTS/15

COMPLETIONS

(From 12)

T-477590. Contr: Pride. Resume: 02/26/96. TD: 8125. PB: 6625. Recomp: on 07/17/96 GAS (Last Info: 08/14/96) PZone: 6193-6543 (Abo) IP: (Abo 6193-6543) F 650 MCFGPD on 30/64 ck; no oil; 13 BWPD; FTP 15

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COKE COUNTY
PITTENCRIEFF AMERICA INC
■ FORT CHADBOURNE WEST GRAY SD UN #19
FORT CHADBOURNE WEST- PLUG BACK; SETH CLARK #475 sur, A-48, 1286 fsl 1337 fel of sur, 2456 fsl 2781 fel of lse. 975.6 acre lse. (Rule 37 exception granted) 8 mi N of Bronte. Summary Original Drill: Field: FORT CHADBOURNE WEST DEEP. PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 2038 GR. Obj: 5320 test. NL: 08/12/96. Permit# 450924. API# 42-081-31361. ID# T-477526. TD: 5629. PB: 5470. Recomp: on 08/05/96 OIL (Last Info: 08/14/96) PZone: 5320-5360 (Gray ss) gross interval IP: (Gray ss 5320-5360) P 46 BOPD grav 47.5; 50 MCFGPD; 9 BWPD

CROCKETT COUNTY
UNION PACIFIC RESOURCES
■ HENDERSON 2 #2
HENDERSON (CANYON); G C & S F RY CO sur blk IJ sec 2, A-5116, 880 fnl 667 fel of sec, and lse. 300 acre lse. (A-5116 originally known as L E Henderson) 9.2 mi SE of Ozona. EL: 2310 GR. Obj: 9800 (Strawn). NL: 03/11/96. Permit# 445717. API# 42-105-37228. ID# T-474218. Contr: Wes Tex #1. Spud: 04/09/96. TD: 9059 on 04/24/96. PB: 8120. Compl: on 06/28/96 GAS (Last Info: 08/12/96) PZone: 7664-7760 (Canyon) IP: (Canyon 7664-7760) CAOF 112 MCFGPD -- F 1.45 BCPD grav 61.3; 109 MCFGPD grav .680 on 47/64 ck; 6.34 BWPD; FTP 335, SITP 2515, BHSIP 3221, BHT 174 F @ 7712, SLOPE 1.000 Notes: (Left fish in hole @ 8768-9058 and 8276-8509) Casing: 8 5/8 @ 1208 w/381 -- 4 1/2 @ 8211

REAGAN COUNTY
BROWER OIL & GAS CO INC
■ UNIVERSITY - AA #1
BIG LAKE NORTH (FUSSELMAN)- PLUG BACK; UNIVERSITY LAND sur blk 11 sec 7, 2173 fnl 467 fwl of sec, 467 fsl 467 fwl of lse. 164.225 acre lse. 1 mi W of Big Lake. Summary Original Drill: Field: BIG LAKE NORTH (ELLENBURGER). PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 2890 KB. Obj: 9600 test. NL: 04/18/96. Permit# 446769. API# 42-383-10104. ID# T-475060. Resume: 04/01/96. TD: 9410. PB: 9100. Recomp: on 05/21/96 OIL (Last Info: 08/09/96) PZone: 8692-9088 (Strawn/Fusselman/Simpson) gross interval IP: (Strawn/Fusselman/Simpson 8692-9088) P 3.5 BOPD grav 43.3; 15 BWPD
PARKER & PARSLEY DEV LP
■ PEMBROOK NORTH UNIT #9002A
SPRABERRY TREND AREA; L & S V RY CO sur blk C sec 5, A-842, 660 fsl 660 fel of sec, and lse. 22080 acre lse. (Located in tract 90) 16 mi NW of Stiles. EL: 2709 KB. Obj: 8680 test. NL: 03/18/96. Permit# 445958. API# 42-383-34551. ID# T-474329. Contr: FWA #17. Spud: 05/29/96 Mud drlg. TD: 8680 on 06/09/96. PB: 8650. Compl: on 08/01/96 OIL (Last Info: 08/12/96) PZone: 8895-8572 (Spraberry/Dean) gross interval IP: (Spraberry/Dean 8895-8572) P 60 BOPD grav 39.9; 36 MCFGPD; 295 BWPD Casing: 12 3/4 @ 470 w/345 -- 4 1/2 @ 8680 w/1700

SCHLEICHER COUNTY
TEXACO EXPL & PROD INC
■ WEST - A #3
CODY BELL (CANYON); T C RY CO sur blk TT sec 41, A-564, 2300 fsl 1994 fwl of sec, 2300 fsl 660 fel of lse. 320 acre lse. 10 mi NW of Eldorado. EL: 2373 KB. Obj: 6600 (Canyon). NL: 04/22/96. Permit# 447314. API# 42-413-31969. ID# T-475145. Contr: Wes Tex. Spud: 08/15/96. TD: 6600 on 08/23/96. PB: 6515. Compl: on 07/29/96 OIL (Last Info: 08/09/96) PZone: 6390-6401 (Canyon) IP: (Canyon 6390-6401) GL 2.7 BOPD; 30 MCFGPD; 3.5 BWPD Casing: 8 5/8 @ 724 w/552 -- 4 1/2 @ 6600 w/225

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ANDREWS COUNTY
KAISER FRANCIS OIL CO
■ LINEBERRY 15B #3
FULLERTON (SAN ANDRES); PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND sur blk A-26 sec 15, A-2128, 1980 fnl 660 fwl of sec, and lse. 80 acre lse. (A-2128 originally known as W F Scarborough) 22.5 mi NW of Andrews. EL: 3385 GR. Obj: 4900 (San Andres). NL: 04/02/96. Permit# 446300. API# 42-003-37831. ID# T-474681. Contr: Capstar #7. Spud: 04/30/96 Mud drlg. TD: 4788 on 05/08/96 in San Andres. PB: 4773. Compl: on 07/12/96 OIL (Last Info: 08/08/96) PZone: 4574-4699 (San Andres) IP: (San Andres 4574-4699) P 29 BOPD grav 35; 1 MCFGPD; 143 BWPD Casing: 8 5/8 @ 415 w/225 -- 5 1/2 @ 4788
MARIAH ENERGY CORP
■ MAGUTEX QUEEN UNIT #117
MAGUTEX (QUEEN); UNIVERSITY LAND sur blk 5 sec 17, 1481 fsl 99 fwl of sec, 3799 fnl 2573 fel of lse. 2144 acre lse. 15 mi NE of Andrews. EL: 3052 GR. Obj: 5000 (Queen). NL: 06/18/96. Permit# 449295. API# 42-003-37884. ID# T-476365. Contr: ROD RIC #9. Spud: 07/18/96. TD: 4995 on 07/23/96. Compl: on 08/09/96 OIL (Last Info: 08/14/96) PZone: 4826-4873 gross interval IP: (4826-4873) 89 BOPD; 43 BWPD Casing: 8 5/8 @ 1793 w/700 -- 5 1/2 @ 4995 w/600
TEXAS HYDROGEN ENERGY
■ WINTER WEST #1
MARTIN (MONTOYA)- RE-ENTRY; W A MEADOR #112 sur blk P, A-1719, 74 fnl 20653 fel of sur, 74 fnl 467 fwl of lse. 41.88 acre lse. (Scrap File 11592) (Rule 37 exception granted) 15 mi SW of Andrews. Summary Original Drill: Well: LOWE RALPH-LOCKHART & BROWN - B #1. Summary Re-entry: Field: MARTIN (CLEAR FORK). Recomp: on 10/10/94 OIL PZone: 5512-6444 (Clear Fork) PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 3280 GR. Obj: 8150 (Montoya). NL: 04/08/94. Permit# 436248. API# 42- 003-00609. ID# T-460365. Contr: Andrews. Resume: 07/03/95. TD: 8801. PB: 8000. Recomp: on 02/21/96 (Last Info: 08/14/96) PZone: 5800-6500 (Clear Fork) -- 6900-6930 (Wichita Albany) IP: (Clr Fork/Wichita Albany 5800-6930) P 60 BOPD; 115 MCFGPD; WTSTM Notes: (Left previous zone open for future commingling) Casing: 4 @ 3877-8758

CRANE COUNTY
COSTILLA PETROLEUM CORP
■ EDWARDS 12 #1
BUFFALO RIDGE- DEEPEN; MARY LOU REID sur twp 4S, A-289, 172 fsl 1784 fel of sur, 950 fsl 925 fwl of lse. 160 acre lse, (Mary Lou Reid sur also known as T & P Ry Co blk 43 sec 12) 17 mi N of Crane. Summary Original Drill: Field: BUFFALO RIDGE (WOLFCAMP). TD: 8402 in Wolfcamp reef. Compl: on 02/06/95 OIL PZone: 8351-8395 (Wolfcamp reef) PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 2940 GR. Obj: 9500 test. NL: 12/30/94. Permit# 448559. API# 42-103-34286. ID# T-465460. TD: 8455 on 05/31/96 in Wolfcamp reef. Recomp: on 08/10/96 OIL (Last Info: 08/13/96) PZone: 8400-8455 (Wolfcamp reef) IP: (Wolfcamp reef 8400-8455) P 15 BOPD grav 39; 25 MCFGPD; 3 BWPD Notes: (Possible new pool discovery)
MERIDIAN OIL INC
■ WADDELL W N #1212
DUNE; PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND sur blk B-24 sec 11, A-1171, 1607 fnl 330 fwl of sec, 3747 fsl 330 fwl of lse. 31146.50 acre lse. (A-1171 originally known as W N Waddell) 12 mi NW of Crane. EL: 2687 GR. Obj: 3500 test. NL: 04/22/96. Permit# 447090. API# 42-103-34418. ID# T-475138. Contr: B R W #1. Spud: 04/25/96. TD: 3487 on 04/30/96. PB: 3477. Compl: on 06/30/96 OIL (Last Info: 08/09/96) PZone: 3255-3460 IP: (3255-3460) P 18 BOPD grav 36.0; 12 MCFGPD; 249 BWPD Casing: 8 5/8 @ 964 w/542 -- 5 1/2 @ 3487 w/650

ECTOR COUNTY
PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO
■ MILLARD - E #2
PENWELL (CLEAR FORK 5100)- PLUG BACK; PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND sur blk B-15 sec 16, 1980 fnl 1667 fwl of sec, 660 fsl 1170 fel of lse. 172.04 acre lse. 1 mi NW of Penwell. Summary Original Drill: Field: PENWELL (ELLENBURGER). EL: 2926 GR. TD: 8625 in Ellenburger PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 2939 KB. Obj: 9100 (Queen). NL: 02/21/95. Permit# 433080. API# 42-135-07285. ID# T-466573. Resume: 05/21/96. TD: 8625. PB: 5302. Recomp: on 07/16/96 OIL (Last Info: 08/12/96) PZone: 5018-5266 (Clear Fork 5100) gross interval IP: (Clear Fork 5100 5018-5266) P 5 BOPD; no gas; 12 BWPD

GLASSCOCK COUNTY
MEWBOURNE OIL CO
■ CALVERLEY - A #4
GARDEN CITY WEST (WOLFCAMP 7880); T & P RY CO sur blk 34 twp 3S sec 43, A-238, 716 fnl 2279 fel of sec, and lse. 640 acre lse. 6 mi NW of Garden City. EL: 2723 KB. Obj: 8200 test. NL: 04/19/96. Permit# 447149. API# 42-173-32620. ID# T-475107. Contr: J S M #5. Spud: 05/19/96. TD: 8252 on 06/03/96. PB: 8195. Compl: on 08/05/96 OIL (Last Info: 08/14/96) PZone: 7902-7928 (Wollcamp 7880) gross interval IP: (Wollcamp 7880 7902-7928) P 24 BOPD grav 42; 70 MCFGPD; 25 BWPD Casing: 13 3/8 @ 400 w/450 -- 8 5/8 @ 3000 w/835 -- 5 1/2 @ 8250 w/1275
PARKER & PARSLEY DEV LP
■ SPRABERRY DRIVER UNIT #241A
SPRABERRY TREND AREA; T & P RY CO sur blk 36 twp 4S sec 47, A-438, 660 fnl 860 fel of sec, 660 fnl 6168 fel of unit. 61256 acre unit. (Located in tract 24) 7 mi NW of St Lawrence. EL: 2715 KB. Obj: 8400 test. NL: 05/17/96. Permit# 448074. API# 42-173-32627. ID# T-475726. Contr: FWA #4. Spud: 05/26/96 Mud drlg. TD: 8400 on 06/04/96. PB: 8353. Compl: on 07/19/96 OIL (Last Info: 08/09/96) PZone: 6688-8246 (Spraberry/Dean) gross interval IP: (Spraberry/Dean 6688-8246) P 45 BOPD grav 39.9; 78 MCFGPD; 228 BWPD Casing: 12 3/4 @ 413 w/330 -- 4 1/2 @ 8400

LOVING COUNTY
WISER OIL CO
■ JOHNSON W D - F #2
DIMMITT NE (DELAWARE SS)- PLUG BACK; T & P RY CO sur blk 53 twp 2 sec 40, A-1081, 1980 fsl 660 fel of sec, 679 fnl 660 fel of lse. 320 acre lse. (A-1081 originally known as W D Johnson) 6 mi NE of Mentone. Summary Original Drill: Field: DIMMITT (CHERRY CANYON). PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 2850 GR. Obj: 6326 (Delaware ss). NL: 07/10/96. Permit# 450113. API# 42-301-30382. ID# T-476794. Resume: 08/25/96. TD: 6400. PB: 5910. Recomp: on 07/27/96 OIL (Last Info: 08/08/96) PZone: 4584-4742 (Ramsey) gross interval IP: (Ramsey 4584-4742) P 31 BOPD grav 40; 48 MCFGPD; 340 BWPD

MIDLAND COUNTY
OXY U S A INC
■ T X L - L #1
VIREY (CONSOLIDATED)- PLUG BACK; T & P RY CO sur blk 41 twp 3S sec 23, 660 fsl 660 fwl of sec, and lse. 322 acre lse. 10 mi SE of Odessa. Summary Original Drill: Field: DORA ROBERTS (DEVONIAN). PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 2904 GR. Obj: 9620 test. NL: 07/08/96. Permit# 450132. API# 42-329-00299. ID# T-476729. Resume: 06/28/96. TD: 13193. PB: 10250. Recomp: on 06/22/96 OIL (Last Info: 08/12/96) PZone: 9620-10195 (Consolidated) gross interval IP: (Consolidated 9620-10195) F 116 BOPD grav 44.7; 275 MCFGPD on 11/64 ck;no wtr; FTP 660

MITCHELL COUNTY
BAYTECH INC
■ NAIL 10 #2
LITTLE PIG (STRAWN); H & T C RY CO sur blk 12 sec 10, A-910, 2632 fsl 2169 fwl of sec, 1354 fnl 480 fel of lse. 280 acre lse. (A-910 originally known as C H McGinnis) 6 mi NW'LY of Silver. EL: 2223 KB. Obj: 7400 (Strawn). NL: 04/18/96. Permit# 447010. API# 42-335- 33797. ID# T-475074. Contr: Patterson #12. Spud: 05/11/96. TD: 7246 on 05/26/96 in Strawn. PB: 7188. Compl: on 07/01/96 OIL (Last Info: 08/08/96) PZone: 6942-6963 (Strawn ls) IP: (Strawn ls 6942-6963) F 78 BOPD; 620 MCFGPD on 12/64 ck; no wtr; FTP 1520 Casing: 8 5/8 @ 763 w/350 -- 5 1/2 @ 7246 w/775
FINA OIL & CHEMICAL CO
■ WESTBROOK SOUTHEAST UNIT #535
WESTBROOK; T & P RY CO sur blk 28 twp 1N sec 28, A-1541, 1900 fsl 490 fel of sec, 3427 fnl 4830 fwl of lse. 4700 arce lse. (A-1541 originally known as E C Morrison) 3 mi NW of Westbrook. EL: 2129 KB. Obj: 3300 test. NL: 01/31/96. Permit# 443981. API# 42-335-33781. ID# T-473367. Contr: Riley #1. Spud: 02/01/96 Mud drlg. TD: 3166 on 02/20/96 in Clear Fork. PB: 3145. Compl: on 03/10/96 OIL (Last Info: 08/09/96) PZone: 2980-3105 (Clear Fork) IP: (Clear Fork 2980-3105) P 21 BOPD grav 26; 136 BWPD Casing: 8 5/8 @ 526 w/400 -- 5 1/2 @ 3166 w/1600

WARD COUNTY
CHEVRON U S A INC
■ HUTCHINGS STOCK ASSOCIATION #1548
W A ESTES (HOLT); G & M M B & A sur blk N sec 82, A-118, 467 fsl 2464 fel of sec, 467 fsl 13376 fwl of lse. 30450 acre lse. 4 mi SW of Monahans. EL: 2610 KB. Obj: 8300 (Pennsylvanian). NL: 11/27/95. Permit# 442169. API# 42-475-34315. ID# T-472108. Contr: Rod Ric #9. Spud: 12/22/95 Mud drlg. TD: 5401 on 03/31/96. PB: 5359. Compl: on 06/10/96 OIL(Last Info: 08/09/96) PZone: 4294-4318 (San Andres) - Well #1548 - Oil -- 4634-4845 (Holt) gross interval - Well #1548 - Oil IP: (San Andres 4294-4318) P 17 BOPD grav 31.4; 13 MCFGPD; 23 BWPD -- (Holt 4634-4845) P 10 BOPD grav 34.2; 20 MCFGPD; 24 BWPD Notes: (Dually completed with H S A (San Andres) field, Lse ID #25599) Casing: 9 5/8 @ 2310 w/1535 - - 7 @ 5401 w/725

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CROSBY COUNTY
ANADARKO PETROLEUM CORP
■ FORBES UNIT #402
FORBES (GLORIETA); K AYCOCK sur sec 1, A-428, 1750 fnl 500 fwl of sec, 4653 fnl 3273 fel of lse. 2260 acre lse. (Rule 37 exception granted) 21 mi SSW of Crosbyton. EL: 2724 GR. Obj: 3800 (Glorieta). NL: 03/08/96. Permit# 445661. API# 42-107-30955. ID# T-474181. Contr: B R W #2. Spud: 04/29/96 Mud drlg. TD: 3778 on 05/07/96 in Glorieta. PB: 3775. Compl: on 08/06/96 OIL (Last Info: 08/09/96) PZone: 3698-3770 (Glorieta) gross interval IP: (Glorieta 3698-3770) P 32 BOPD; GNM; 79 BWPD Casing: 8 5/8 @ 126 w/100 -- 5 1/2 @ 3773 w/850
ANADARKO PETROLEUM CORP
■ FORBES UNIT #706
FORBES (GLORIETA); E L & R R RY CO sur blk B9 sec 19, A-242, 225 fnl 375 fel of sec, 4886 fnl 4216 fel of lse. 2260 acre lse. 21 mi SSW of Crosbyton. EL: 2740 GR. Obj: 3800 (Glorieta). NL: 03/08/96. Permit# 445679. API# 42-107-30961. ID# T-474162. Contr: B R W Drlg #2. Spud: 04/09/96 Mud drlg. TD: 3792 on 04/29/96 in Clear Fork. PB: 3792. Compl: on 08/06/96 OIL (Last Info: 08/09/96) PZone: 3714-3784 (Glorieta) gross interval IP: (Glorieta 3714-3784) P 35 BOPD; GNM; 164 BWPD Casing: 8 5/8 @ 205 w/110 -- 5 1/2 @ 3792 w/1000

GARZA COUNTY
PRIMROSE OPERATING CO
■ FULLER M A #177
DORWARD; H & G N RY CO sur blk 5 sec 111, A-78, 2262 fnl 1054 fwl of sec, and lse. 3803 acre lse. 9 mi SE of Justiceburg. EL: 2317 GR. Obj: 4000 test. NL: 03/21/95. Permit# 434048. API# 42-169-33316. ID# T-467129. Contr: Glorieta. Spud: 06/11/96. TD: 2690 on 06/17/96. PB: 2670. Compl: on 07/05/96 OIL (Last Info: 08/09/96) PZone: 1928-2542 (San Andres/Glorieta) gross interval IP: (San Andres/Glorieta 1928-2542) P 26 BOPD grav 35.0; 3 MCFGPD; 88 BWPD Casing: 8 5/8 @ 276 w/160 -- 5 1/2 @ 2677

HOCKLEY COUNTY
WHEELER OPERATING CORP
■ SLAUGHTER A A ESTATE #5029
LEEPER (GLORIETA)- RE-ENTRY; ZAVALLA COUNTY SCHOOL LAND sur, A-160, 1450 fnl 1330 fel of lab 29 lge 35 of sur, 4350 fnl 1330 fwl of lse. 7616.3 acre lse. 2.5 mi SW of Clauene. Geomap: 5-28N-20W Summary Original Drill: Oper: WHEELER PROPERTIES Well: SLAUGHTER A A EST #5029. TD: 8849. Compl: on 12/07/91 OIL PZone: 7634-7742 (Glorieta) PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 3499 GR. Obj: 8000 (Glorieta). NL: 09/10/91. Permit# 449107. API# 42-219-35802. ID# T-443220. Contr: Norton. Resume: 06/16/96. TD: 7880 on 06/25/96. Recomp: on 07/10/96 OIL (Last Info: 08/08/96) PZone: 7634-7742 (Glorieta) IP: (Glorieta 7634-7742) P 15 BOPD grav 29; 6 MCFGPD; 35 BWPD

KENT COUNTY
SHARP IMAGE ENERGY
■ SALT CREEK NORTH #1
WILDCAT; H & G N RY CO sur blk 1 sec 65, A-38, 2104 fnl 891 fel of sec, 544 fsl 891 fel of lse. 80 acre lse. 22 mi NW of Jayton. EL: 2157 GR. Obj: 7500 test. NL: 05/21/96. Permit# 448239. API# 42-263-31584. ID# T-475791. Contr: Wes Tex. Spud: 05/29/96. TD: 7170 on 07/04/96. PB: 7127. Compl: on 07/07/96 OIL (Last Info: 08/12/96) PZone: 6734-6738 (lwr Canyon) IP: (lwr Canyon 6734-6738) P 104 BOPD grav 36; 112 MCFGPD; 84 BWPD Notes: (Possible new field discovery, operator requests S I E North Salt Creek (lwr Canyon) field) Casing: 12 3/4 @ 216 w/265 -- 8 5/8 @ 1442 w/450 -- 5 1/2 @ 7169 w/270

MOTLEY COUNTY
MCDANIEL CO INC THE
■ COGDELL RANCH - A #2
GUPTON (CANYON); D & P RY CO sur blk S5 sec 208, A-1510, 637 fsl 715 fwl of sec, and lse. 80 acre lse. (A-1510 originally known as J G Humphreys) 9.5 mi W of Northfield. EL: 2221 KB. Obj: 5500 (Canyon). NL: 08/10/96. Permit# 448422. API# 42-345-30286. ID# T-476193. Contr: Goobers #5. Spud: 08/12/96. TD: 5409 on 08/28/96. PB: 5398. Compl: on 07/18/96 OIL (Last Info: 08/09/96) PZone: 5362-5384 (Canyon) gross interval IP: (Canyon 5362-5384) F 66 BOPD grav 41 on 10/64 ck; GTSTM; no wtr; FTP 115 Casing: 13 3/8 @ 298 w/540 -- 9 5/8 @ 2259 w/200 - - 5 1/2 @ 5409 w/125

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HENRY PETROLEUM INC

■ ACKERLY DEAN EAST UNIT #96

ACKERLY (DEAN SS); T & P RY CO sur blk 34 twp 4N sec 45, 1780 fsl 1980 fel of sec, 7066 fsl 1980 fel of unit. 4780 acre unit. 3 mi NW of Ackerly. EL: 2846 GR. Obj: 8800 (Dean ss).

HENRY PETROLEUM INC

■ ACKERLY DEAN EAST UNIT #97

ACKERLY (DEAN SS); T & P RY CO sur blk 34 twp 4N sec 43, 660 fsl 1980 fwl of sec, 660 fsl 662 fwl of unit. 4780 acre unit. 3 mi NW of Ackerly. EL: 2796 GR. Obj: 8800 (Dean ss).

HENRY PETROLEUM INC

■ ACKERLY DEAN EAST UNIT #98

ACKERLY (DEAN SS); T & P RY CO sur blk 34 twp 4N sec 43, 760 fsl 660 fel of sec, 3408 fsl 3294 fwl of unit. 4780 acre unit. 3 mi NW of Ackerly. EL: 2810 GR. Obj: 8800 (Dean ss).

HENRY PETROLEUM INC

■ ACKERLY DEAN EAST UNIT #99

ACKERLY (DEAN SS); T & P RY CO sur blk 34 twp 4N sec 45, 510 fsl 660 fel of sec, 5795 fsl 660 fel of unit. 4780 acre unit. 3 mi NW of Ackerly. EL: 2838 GR. Obj: 8800 (Dean ss).

HENRY PETROLEUM INC

■ ACKERLY EAST DEAN UNIT #100

ACKERLY (DEAN SS); T & P RY CO sur blk 34 twp 3N sec 4, 510 fnl 1980 fel of sec, 4776 fsl 1980 fel of unit. 4780 acre unit. 3 mi NW of Ackerly. EL: 2835 GR. Obj: 8800 (Dean ss).

HENRY PETROLEUM INC

■ ACKERLY EAST DEAN UNIT #101

ACKERLY (DEAN SS); T & P RY CO sur blk 34 twp 3N sec 5, 1855 fnl 585 fel of sec, 790 fsl 5873 fel of unit. 4780 acre unit. 3 mi NW of Ackerly. EL: 2819 GR. Obj: 8800 (Dean ss).

HENRY PETROLEUM INC

■ ACKERLY EAST DEAN UNIT #102

ACKERLY (DEAN SS); T & P RY CO sur blk 34 twp 3N sec 4, 2115 fnl 1980 fwl of sec, 3173 fsl 3308 fel of unit. 4780 acre unit. 3 mi NW of Ackerly. EL: 2823 GR. Obj: 8800 (Dean ss).

HENRY PETROLEUM INC

■ ACKERLY EAST DEAN UNIT #85

ACKERLY (DEAN SS); T & P RY CO sur blk 34 twp 4N sec 40, 2600 fsl 1980 fwl of sec, 5333 fnl 4610 fel of unit. 4780 acre unit. 3 mi NW of Ackerly. EL: 2741 GR. Obj: 8800 (Dean ss).

HENRY PETROLEUM INC

■ ACKERLY EAST DEAN UNIT #88

ACKERLY (DEAN SS); T & P RY CO sur blk 34 twp 4N sec 40, 1855 fsl 660 fwl of sec, 6079 fnl 5930 fel of unit. 4780 acre unit. 3 mi NW of Ackerly. EL: 2847 GR. Obj: 8800 (Dean ss).

TARA OPERATING CO

■ CLAY WILLIAM JR FOUNDATION #1

PATRICIA (SPRABERRY)- PLUG BACK; MOORE COUNTY SCHOOL LAND sur, 330 fsl 660 fwl of lab 6 lge 268 of sur, and lse. 88.568 acre lse. (Rule 37 exception applied for) 15 mi SW of Lamesa. PRESENT OPERATIONS: Obj: 8350 (Spraberry).

GAINES COUNTY

AMERADA HESS CORP

■ SEMINOLE SAN ANDRES UNIT #5515R

SEMINOLE (SAN ANDRES); W T RY CO sur blk G sec 195, 1994 fnl 714 fel of sec, 9914 fnl 4674 fel of unit. 17220.59 acre unit. 1.5 mi NW of Seminole. EL: 3329 GR. Obj: 5600 (San Andres).

SNOW OIL & GAS INC

■ FLANAGAN #1

HARRIS- PLUG BACK; PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND sur blk A-23 sec 9, A-743, 853 fnl 660 fel of sec, and lse. 640 acre lse. (A-743 originally known as Emmett Flanagan) 11 mi SW of Seminole. Summary Original Drill: Well: FLANAGAN EST #1. Field: ROBERTSON (SAN ANDRES). EL: 3319 KB. TD: 5000 in San Andres. Compl: on 05/21/95 OIL PZone: 4745-4885 (San Andres) PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 3306 GR. Obj: 3122 test.

HOCKLEY COUNTY

WHEELER OPERATING CORP

■ CADDELL #111R

LINKER (CLEAR FORK); BAYLOR COUNTY SCHOOL LAND sur, 517 fnl 467 fwl of lab 11 lge 31 of sur, and lse. 97.1 acre lse. 4 mi S of Levelland. Obj: 8260 (Clear Fork).

KING COUNTY

BURNETT OIL CO INC

■ A W M #10

WILD HOG; SAMUEL LAZARUS sur blk 2 sec 12, A-564, 2729 fsl 1700 fel of sec, 2729 fsl 3347 fwl of lse. 2600 acre lse. 8 mi NE of Guthrie. Obj: 4500 test.

BURNETT OIL CO INC

■ A W M #9

WILD HOG; SAMUEL LAZARUS sur blk 2 sec 12, A-564, 2750 fsl 500 fel of sec, 2750 fsl 2301 fel of lse. 2600 acre lse. 8 mi NE of Guthrie. Obj: 4500 test.

CLEAR FORK INC

■ MASTERSON RANCH - B #1

TOM B; D & W RY CO #18 sur, A-607, 1023 fnl 2173 fel of sur, 750 fsl 467 fwl of lse. 120 acre lse. (A-607 originally known as Samuel Lazarus) 16 mi N'LY of Guthrie. EL: 1805 GR. Obj: 6300 (Conglomerate).

PRIMROSE OPERATING CO

■ BATEMAN TRUST EST ACCT 1 #52

BATEMAN RANCH (C ZONE)- DEEPEN; J B RECTOR sur blk A sec 117, 5310 fnl 1058 fwl of sec, 4200 fsl 3680 fwl of lse. 2436 acre lse. 10 mi E of Guthrie. Summary Original Drill: TD: 3649. PRESENT OPERATIONS: Obj: 6500 (Strawn C).

SCURRY COUNTY

SPALDING ENERGY INC

■ FULLER #9

CORAZON (SAN ANDRES); H & G N RY CO sur blk 5 sec 88, 3140 fnl 2693 fel of sec, 658 fnl 1408 fwl of lse. 240 acre lse. 2 mi NW of Fullerville. EL: 2398 GR. Obj: 2500 (San Andres).

YOAKUM COUNTY

SHELL WESTERN E&P INC

■ DENVER UNIT #2951

WASSON; JOHN H GIBSON sur blk D sec 825, A-492, 1550 fnl 2570 fel of sec, and lse. 27848 acre lse. (A-492 originally known as J S Weber) 4.3 mi NE of Denver City. EL: 3558 GR. Obj: 5400 test.

SHELL WESTERN E&P INC

■ DENVER UNIT #3844

WASSON; JOHN H GIBSON sur blk D sec 867, A-489, 1420 fnl 550 fel of sec, 6700 fnl 5830 fel of lse. 27848 acre lse. (A-489 originally known as J S Weber) 3.1 mi NE of Denver City. EL: 3542 GR. Obj: 5400 test.

SHELL WESTERN E&P INC

■ DENVER UNIT #4852

WASSON; JOHN H GIBSON sur blk D sec 890, A-573, 2115 fsl 1734 fel of sec, 13725 fnl 7014 fel of unit. 27848 acre unit. (A-573 originally known as F L Phenix) 2.2 mi NE of Denver City. Obj: 5400 test.

Grant Geophysical awarded contracts in South America

HOUSTON — Grant Geophysical Inc. announced the award of two seismic data acquisition contracts in South America valued at just under $20 million. One of the contracts will be conducted in Venezuela and marks Grant's reentry into this significant seismic acquisition market. Both contracts, in the northern part of South America, will be commenced in the fourth quarter of 1996 and extend into the first half of 1997.

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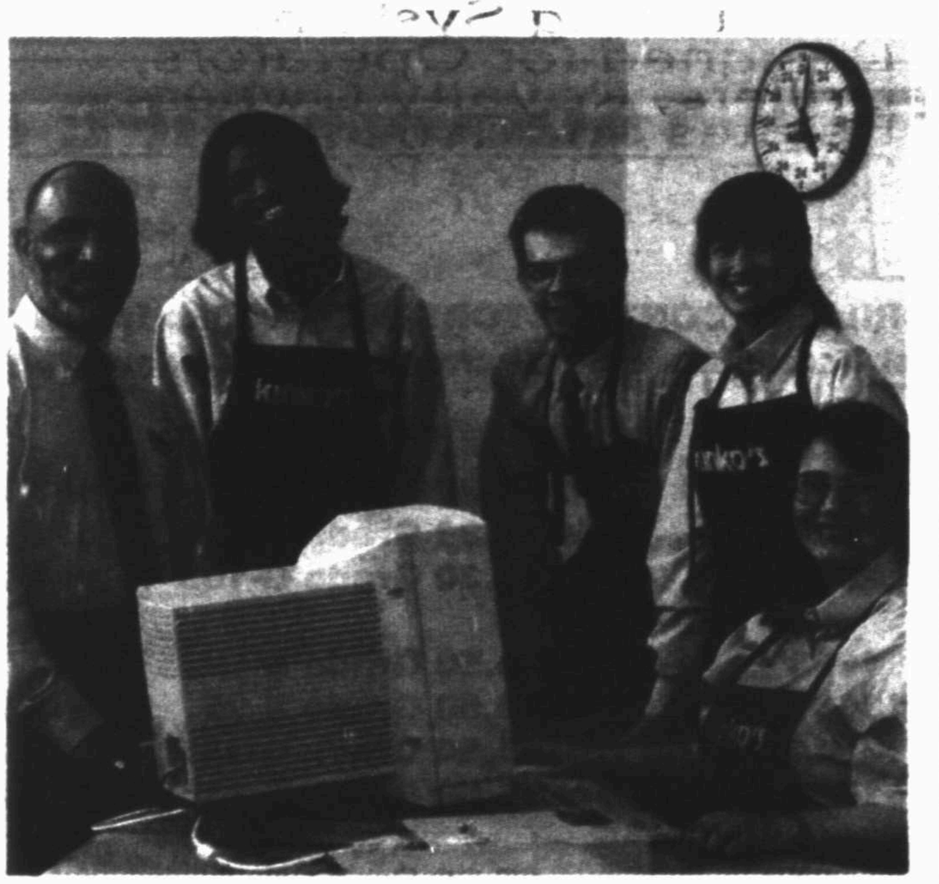
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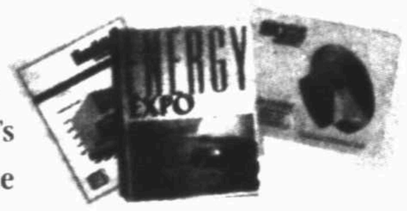
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BP Exploration to sell North Sea fields

CLEVELAND — BP Exploration has reached agreement with Talisman Energy regarding the sale for an undisclosed sum of BP's stakes in the United Kingdom's North Sea fields Beatrice, Buchan and Clyde.

Subject to the approval of the regulatory authorities and licence partners. Talisman will assume operatorship of these fields on January 1, 1997.

A BP spokesman said: "We received a number of bids for our interest in these fields and they were reviewed against BP's criteria of the bidders' financial strength, technical capability and Health, Safety and Environmental performance.

"Talisman's offer fully met our expectations and we will now begin an intensive transition period to ensure a safe handover of Operatorship."

BP's intention to offer for sale its share in the MAST fields was announced on March 14, 1996.

The Beatrice, Buchan and Clyde fields currently produce around 37,000 barrels a day, of which BP's share is almost 20,000 barrels a day.

The Beatrice field is located on block 11/30a and BP owns 43 per cent of both the field and the associated oil terminal at Nigg. Other partners in Beatrice are Deminex UK Oil & Gas Ltd, Kerr McGee Oil (U.K.) plc and International Hunt Oil Company.

The Buchan field is located on blocks 20/5 and 21/1 and BP owns 65 per cent of the field. Other partners in Buchan are Talisman Energy (U.K.) Ltd, Brabant Petroleum Ltd and Tuskar Resources.

The Clyde field, plus satellites Leven and Medwin, is located on block 30/17b and BP owns 51 per cent of the field. Other partners in Clyde are Shell U.K. Ltd and Esso Exploration and Production (U.K.) Ltd.

TransTexas completes Bob North gas producers

HOUSTON — TransTexas Gas Corp. reported the successful drilling of its sixth prolific well in the Bob West North development area, at a total estimated cost to completion of $1.9 million.

The Palmyra No. 7 in Zapata County, South Texas, was drilled to a measured depth of 13,850 feet and logged 146 net feet of pay in a producing interval between 10,060 and 10,620 feet in the L-1, L-2 and L-3 sands of the Lopeno formation. The company is currently completing this well and anticipates commencing production by the end of this month. The Palmyra No. 7 is located approximately 4,700 feet South of the Alvarez No. 1 and 3,700 feet West of the Palmyra B No. 1.

Two earlier wells, the Alvarez No. 2 and Palmyra No. 6, were also recently completed and are now flowing to sales. The Alvarez No. 2 is currently producing at 36.3 million cubic feet of natural gas per day (MMcfd) and although production from the Palmyra No. 6 is still increasing as it comes on stream, production is now at 27.6 MMcfd and continues to rise.

These two wells are the fourth and fifth of a series of highly productive wells, in a new fault block in the northwestern sector of this field, that has added 210 MMcfd of production over the last five months.

The Palmyra No. 7 is expected to add similar incremental wellhead production by the end of August, simultaneously with completion of the 24-inch diameter, 400,000 MMcfd capacity pipeline. TransTexas is developing the field using three of its company-owned rigs, two of which are now drilling additional wells in this same fault block, the Palmyra No. 9 and the Palmyra No. 10, that are expected to be producing by the end of September.

MEETINGS

Gas producers to get gas outlook from energy analyst

David Garcia will be the guest speaker at Wednesday's luncheon meeting of the Natural Gas Producers Association. The meeting will be at the Petroleum Club beginning at 11:45 a.m.

Garcia's presentation will be on the "Outlook for Natural Gas." He has been an energy analyst for 17 years and currently works as a senior vice president in the research department of Principal Financial Securities.

Reservations should be made by noon Monday by calling 563-1170, Extension 206.

Surface seismic to be topic for Basin geophysicists

The Permian Basin Geophysical Society will meet Wednesday at 11:30 a.m. at the Midland Center.

Guest speaker will be Fred J. Barr, a distinguished lecturer for the Society of Economic Geophysicists. His topic will be "Surface Seismic Data Acquisition: Current Technology, Trends and Issues."

Reservations should be made by noon Monday by calling 682-7936.

Gas Association to hold annual meeting in Cleveland

The American Gas Conference,the annual meeting of the American Gas Association, will be held in Cleveland Oct. 20-21 at the Renaissance Cleveland Hotel. Theme of the meeting will be "Rebuilding in Cleveland."

Speakers will include Jeane J. Kirkpatrick, former U.S. ambassador to the United Nations; syndicated columnist and TV host Christopher Matthews, Washington bureau chief for the San Francisco Examiner; Philip Howard, author of "The Death of Common Sense;" Johannes Bauer, Institute of Public Utilities; Michael R. White, Cleveland mayor; AGA Chairman George A Davidson Jr., chairman and chief executive of Consolidated Natural Gas Co.; incoming AGA Chairman Thomas L. Fisher, president and CEO of Northern Illinois Gas Co.; and Michael Baly II, president and CEO of AGA.

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Toreador Royalty reports net income in quarter

DALLAS - Toreador Royalty announced that its net income from operations for the second quarter of 1996 was $50,792 or 1 cent per share versus a net loss of $41,197 or 8 cents per share for the second quarter of 1995. Including $251,702 from the sale of securities, total net income for the second quarter of 1996 was $302,494 or 6 cents per share.

Total revenues were $579,219, up from 4365,503 for the same period a year ago. Oil and gas revenues were $523,642 in 1996, up 74.9 percent from $299,387 a year ago. Oil prices averaged $20.56 per barrel, up 16.2 percent as compared with $17.70 per barrel in 1995. Gas prices rose 90.8 percent to $2.08 per Mcf as compared to depressed market prices of $1.09 per Mcf a year ago. Oil and gas volumes increased 26.9 percent and 38 percent respectively, reflecting acquisitions of producing properties, new well completions, and the absence of gas curtailments which were prevalent in 1995.

Discretionary cash flow from operations before exploration expenses was $161,100 in 1996 as compared with a loss of $282,232 a year ago.

Cross Timbers directors declare quarterly cash dividend

FORT WORTH —The Board of Directors of Cross Timbers Oil Co. declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 7.5 cents per share on the company's outstanding Common Stock payable Oct. 15, 1996, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 30, 1996.

Cross Timbers Oil Company, one of the nation's fastest growing independents, is engaged in the acquisition, exploitation and development of quality, long-lived producing oil and gas properties. The firm, whose predecessor companies were established in 1986, completed its initial public offering in May 1993.

San Juan Basin Royalty Trust sets quarterly distribution

FORT WORTH — Bank One, Texas, N.A., as Trustee of the San Juan Basin Royalty Trust declared a cash distribution to the holders of its units of beneficial interest of $.008565 per unit, payable Sept. 16, 1996, to unit holders of record on Aug. 30, 1996.

Production for the properties from which the royalty was carved totaled approximately 3,390,521 Mcf. The Coal Seam Volume was 1,326,940 MMBtu. The average gas price was $1.12 per Mcf. Capital Costs for the month were $1,113,362.23.

Permian Basin Royalty Trust trustee sets distribution

FORT WORTH — NationsBank of Texas, N.A., Fort Worth, Texas, as Trustee of the Permian Basin Royalty Trust, today declared a cash distribution to the holders of its units of beneficial interest of $.046154 per unit payable Sept. 16, 1996, to unit holders of record on Aug. 30, 1996.

NationsBank sets Cross Timbers Royalty distribution

FORT WORTH — NationsBank of Texas, N.A., Fort Worth, Texas, as Trustee of the Cross Timbers Royalty Trust declared a cash distribution to the holders of its units of beneficial interest of $0.106646 per unit, payable on Sept. 16, 1996 to unit holders of record on Aug. 8, 1996.

Mallon Resources reports net loss in second quarter

DENVER - Mallon Resources Corp. announced a second quarter 1996 net loss after payment of preferred dividends of $616,000 or 8 cents per share on revenues of $1,530,000.

Comparable amounts for the second quarter 1995 were a net loss of $352,000 or 5 cents per share on revenues of $1,660,000.

Oil and gas sales decreased by $66,000 from the second quarter of 1995 due primarily to decreased oil production and a lower oil price in 1996. The oil decrease was offset by increased gas production and gas prices. Primarily contributing to the increased 1996 second quarter loss over the 1995 second quarter loss were increased mine operating and administration expenses due to the increased activities of Laguna Gold Co. Interest expense was also higher in 1996 due to higher outstanding loan balances.

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Araxas Energy acquires Gulfland Industries

THE WOODLANDS, Texas — Araxas Energy Corp. announced the acquisition of Gulfland Industries, Inc. and substantially all of the assets of Gulfland Resources, Inc. which include a 70% working interest in Main Pass 35 located in the Louisiana State Waters.

Araxas also announced the acquisition from unnamed sellers of additional interests in Main Pass 35 and High Island 30L and contiguous tracts located in the Texas State Waters.

Gulfland Industries is a contract operator of offshore oil and gas production platforms and presently operates 22 platforms in the Gulf of Mexico. Alan Romine the former president of the Gulfland companies, is now vice-president of Gulfland. Mr. Romine will continue to be responsible for the day to day management of Gulfland. Also joining Araxas from Gulfland are 6 Houston employees and 55 field personnel.

The acquisitions have proved reserves totaling 3.4 MMBOE with an estimated acquisition price of just over $4 per BOE. Araxas will operate both acquisitions. Both properties have been shot with 3-D seismic and have enhancement opportunities.

W. E. Rowsey, President of Araxas Energy, explains how these acquisitions fit into the company's long term strategy. "Our move into the offshore arena represents another expansion of our current business plan which focuses in the Gulf Coast area and on 3-D projects."

These acquisitions follow the recent establishment by Araxas of a $42.5 million credit facility with Stratum Group LP, New York and Houston. Araxas Energy, founded in 1987 by W. E. Rowsey, is a technology-based exploration and production company focused in the Gulf Coast area.

Noble Drilling jackup rig damaged in Venezuela

HOUSTON — Noble Drilling Corp. reported that its rig, the Carl Norberg, a 250 foot independent leg cantilevered jackup, currently located in Lake Maracaibo, Venezuela and contracted to Lagoven S.A., sustained damage on Aug. 13, 1996. One Noble employee received burn injuries and has subsequently been released from the hospital.

The cause of the damage was due to operations carried on by third party personnel on board the rig.

Based on a preliminary estimate of the damages, Noble believes that the downtime for the unit should be between 90 and 120 days. The company carries insurance against rig damages, subject to a $1 million retention, and insurance against injuries to its employees.

James C. Day, chairman, president and chief executive officer, said, "Obviously we are proud of the professionalism demonstrated by Noble staff in their safe evacuation of personnel and the minimization of damage to the unit."

Noble Drilling Corporation is a major drilling contractor with offshore and land operations in the United States, Canada, Mexico, the North Sea, Africa, the Middle East, South America and India.

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Kerr-McGee offshore field exceeding expectations

OKLAHOMA CITY — The South Timbalier 265 field in the Gulf of Mexico, operated and 100 percent-owned by Kerr-McGee Corp., is currently producing 130 million cubic feet of natural gas per day (MMCFD) and 7,500 barrels of liquids per day (BOPD), exceeding expectations of 125 MMCFD and 6,800 BOPD.

The field is located 100 miles southeast of Morgan City, La., in about 200 feet of water. The field includes four wells that access reserves under blocks 265, 266 and 278, producing through two platforms on block 265.

"We're excited about the performance of the South Timbalier 265 field. This project illustrates Kerr-McGee's focus on teamwork and reduced development time," said Bob Scharp, senior vice president, oil and gas production operations. "Employees, contractors and vendors worked as a team to meet the fast-track development schedule, bringing the field from project approval to first production in 15 months."

"Kerr-McGee has also recorded several additional successes in the Gulf of Mexico this year. Four exploration/exploitation wells drilled during the first six months of 1996 are already on production, adding approximately 18 MMCFD and 500 BOPD net. This brings Kerr-McGee's Gulf of Mexico net working interest production to 249 MMCFD and 28,000 BOPD as of mid-August, up from 116 MMCFD and 19,200 BOPD in January," said Kenneth Crouch, senior vice president of North America and international exploration.

Successful drilling operations were concluded at:

■ Ship Shoal 239 No. 5 (46.2 percent), producing at 26.3 MMCFD and 1,030 BOPD gross.

■ Ship Shoal 218 No. B-7 (80 percent), producing a gross 6.4 MMCFD and 24 BOPD. A subsequent exploitation well, Ship Shoal 218 No. B-5, is also on production at 3 MMCFD and 29 BOPD gross.

■ Ship Shoal 232 No. B2ST2 (90 percent), on production at 2.4 MMCFD and 130 BOPD gross.

"We are encouraged with the results to date of our 3-D seismic-based exploration and exploitation program in the Gulf of Mexico, and we anticipate continued positive results. Recent additions to production should allow us to meet our expected average 300 MMCFD and 70,000 BOPD worldwide production budgeted for 1996," stated Mike Webb, senior vice president, exploration.

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NorAm Energy to locate lines for eight Arkansas utilities

HOUSTON — NorAm Energy Corp. announced that its subsidiary, NorAm Damage Prevention, has been awarded a three-year contract to locate underground utility lines for eight Arkansas utilities in the natural gas, electric and telephone industries. The agreement, valued at about $12 million, covers more than 80 percent of all utility line locating in the state.

"NorAm Damage Prevention is known for its speed, accuracy and ability to cost-effectively locate lines for several utilities at one location," said Gary Petersen, president of NorAm Damage Prevention. "Our computerized dispatch system provides a competitive edge, enabling us to receive multiple locate requests electronically from the computer at the One-Call center."

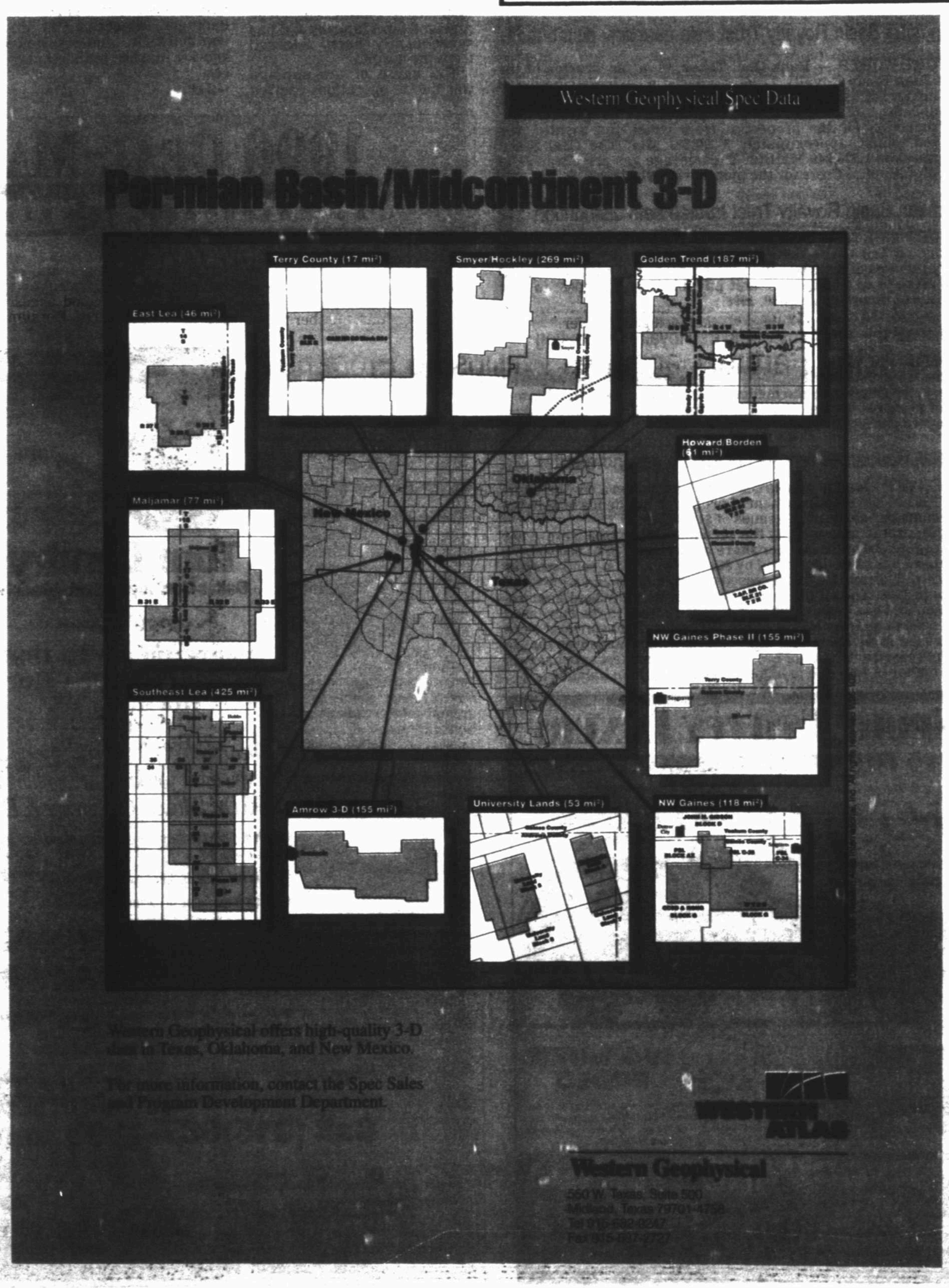
Customers or businesses who plan to dig underground notify utilities through their local One-Call Center 48 hours in advance. Utilities must quickly locate and mark their underground facilities. NorAm Damage Prevention helps consolidate the process, speeding up response time for customers.

When NorAm Damage Prevention is the authorized locator, its dispatcher transmits the line locating requests to specialists in their computer-equipped vans. Specialists arrive at the site quickly and can mark the lines for several utilities using electronic locating equipment and specialized maps.

Located lines are then marked above ground with paint and flags to assure visibility. The line locating service helps utility companies prevent damage to underground delivery systems and provide safe, reliable, uninterrupted service to customers.

NorAm Damage Prevention's paperless system is fast and accurate, enabling utilities to save time and money with efficient customer service.

NorAm Damage Prevention is headquartered in Minnesota with offices in Arkansas, Texas and Lou iana. NorAm Damage Prevention is a subsidiary of NorAm Energy Corp. NorAm Energy Corp., headquartered in Houston, is the nation's third largest natural gas distribution company and is a major natural gas pipeline and energy marketer, providing both wholesale and retail energy-related services.



Petroleum Intelligence Weekly, like OPEC, faces rivals

N.Y. Times News Service

New York — Like the OPEC oil cartel it built its reputation covering, Petroleum Intelligence Weekly, the oil industry's premier newsletter, is being buffeted by rivals.

Both can trace their origins to Wanda Jablonski, who founded PIW in 1961 and turned it into a newsletter that "no one in a position of power or responsibility in the oil industry could easily do without," as Daniel Yergin wrote in his oil history, "The Prize."

Two years earlier, Jablonski introduced Saudi Arabia's oil minister to his Venezuelan counterpart, matching the two men who forged the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries in 1960.

Today, soaring output from the rest of the world has weakened the would-be cartel, best known for an embargo that shocked the world 23 years ago. Similarly, Jablonski's "baby," as she called PIW, is finding its influence waning amid competition from other oil publications and a boom in wire services carrying oil news instantly to traders and executives around the world.

"It may not be considered 'the bible' it once was because there are so many more publications and wire services now," said John Lichtblau, chairman of Petroleum Industry Research Foundation, a research firm in New York he began in the 1950s, adding that "people who want to be informed still read PIW."

Greater competition and a shrinking oil industry are changing PIW. In June, its owners sold the weekly for an undisclosed sum to Oil Daily Co., a daily newsletter founded in 1951 whose owner also publishes Energy Compass, a rival weekly.

"We want to give it a new glamour," said Raja Sidawi, Oil Daily's Paris-based chairman, chief executive and majority owner.

Meanwhile, a wave of departures — including PIW's senior editor and lead writer, Amy Myers Jaffe, and its three-man editorial staff in Singapore — has left it with an altered character. Absent several of its superstars, can PIW still shine?

Edward Morse, PIW's publisher, who bought it from the late Jablonski in 1988 and presided over its sale to Oil Daily, said the newsletter is adapting to changing times.

PIW's sale came after Morse and his partners, Robin West and their Petroleum Finance Co. consulting firm in Washington, decided early this year that they'd "be poised for better growth if we moved in separate directions," Morse said.

West declined repeated requests to be interviewed.

During their ownership, PIW grew to seven publications from two and "doubled the revenue base," while investors got "better than a money-market return," he said.

Morse denied speculation that West's departure left PIW too strapped to meet its payroll, not to mention pay bank loans. "It wasn't that bank obligations couldn't be met, it was how," he said. "There were tangible choices. None included going under."

Whether PIW can attract people with the same depth and access - particularly when wire services pay higher salaries - will play a critical role in keeping readers.

Morse, 54, who's expected to stay on as president and publisher, now owns an equity stake in Oil Daily. Neither he nor Oil Daily's Sidawi would divulge its size.

Sidawi, 57, member of a Syrian publishing family, still sees room for growth in oil newsletters, given the industry's consolidation, technological changes and a short-sighted "complacency" about world oil supplies that may backfire.

The PIW acquisition, he hopes, will create "critical mass to expand ... to cover the universe of energy."

Sidawi's considering new publications on the Middle East and electricity markets to add to PIW-Oil Daily's stable of about 10 publications on oil, natural gas, jet fuel, the politics and finances of the oil business and the energy industry of the former Soviet Union. There are no plans to shut any publications.

"Newsletters have to change," Morse said, to keep up with changes in electronic publishing and an oil industry that's shed more than 500,000 jobs in the U.S. alone since 1982.

The publication guards its circulation figures as jealously as Coca-Cola Co. guards Coke's formula Similar industry news-letters typically have circulation that numbers several thousand.

While the number of potential subscribers was falling, the field of rivals ballooned. PIW now competes with weeklies such as Petroleum Argus, Middle East Economic Survey, Energy Compass and Bloomberg Oil Buyers' Guide, dailies such as Oil Daily, Platt's Oilgram News and London Oil Report and up-to-the-minute wires including Bloomberg Business News, Dow Jones, KRF/Global News, Platt's Global Alert and Reuters.

To compensate for its status as a weekly in a world of instant news, PIW has to fill its onion-paper pages with the kind of "petroleum intelligence" Jablonski made her name uncovering. That may be more difficult given the recent staff defections of reporters who shaped PIW's identity during the past decade.

None may prove as big a blow as Jaffe, who came to PIW in 1988 from Dow Jones, where three years before, she broke the story that Saudi Arabia arranged a new pricing method with international oil companies. That method turned into an OPEC price war that drove oil prices below $10 a barrel. Reminiscent of Jablonski for her tenacity, Jaffe won a loyal following.

"She had very good access to Middle Eastern, Persian Gulf sources," said Petroleum Industry Research's Lichtblau.

Jaffe, 38, left PIW officially in July to coordinate energy research projects at the James A. Baker Institute for Public Policy at Rice University in Texas. She declined comment.

Whether PIW can attract people with the same depth and access — particularly when wire services pay higher salaries —will play a critical role in keeping readers. Cost-cutting pressures at oil companies have sensitized managers to every expenditure, including PIW's annual subscription fee of $1,575. Platt's Oilgram, a daily publication, fetches $1700 a year.

"In budget-conscious times, how many $1500-a-year publications can you subscribe to?" said John Saucer, oil market analyst at Smith Barney in Houston and a former editor at Petroleum Argus. "There's a lot of products out there."

To Liz Gall, head of crude marketing at Enterprise Oil Plc, the U.K.'s biggest independent oil company, PIW's appeal may be fading. "PIW has an odd niche between short term (trading) needs that wire services fill and the long-term, in-depth views" reflected in other publications, she said. "It fills a gap, but quite a vulnerable gap."

Morse knows PIW, like OPEC, doesn't dominate its market as it once did. "We have to take a stodgy, conservative publication and make it more exciting," he said. And he's optimistic PIW will be around for a long time. "Institutions survive."

AmeriGas Partners acquires Phillips 66 Propane

VALLEY FORGE, Pa. — AmeriGas Propane, Inc., general partner of AmeriGas Partners, L.P., the nation's largest propane marketer, and Phillips Petroleum Company (NYSE: P) announced that AmeriGas Partners has acquired Phillips 66 Propane Company. Terms were not disclosed.

Phillips 66 Propane Company is Phillips' retail propane marketing subsidiary. Phillips' wholesale subsidiary, Philgas, is not included in the transaction.

The acquisition will add approximately 10,850 customers to AmeriGas Partners' customer base and 12.4 million gallons to its annual sales volume. Phillips retail marketing business is centered in the Rocky Mountain and St. Louis, Mo., areas, each with approximately 6 million gallons of sales.

Rocky Mountain area operations consist of three district locations: Commerce City (Denver) and Fort Collins, Colo., and Laramie, Wyo. St. Louis operations include two districts, Barnhart and Flint Hill, Mo. The locations will be converted to the AmeriGas brand name.

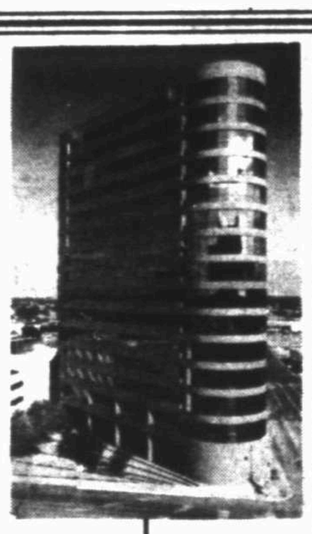
Lon R. Greenberg, chairman and chief executive officer of AmeriGas Propane, said, "Phillips 66 Propane Company's emphasis on quality and service makes the business a very good fit for AmeriGas."

Separately, AmeriGas Propane announced the partnership's acquisition of the assets of Golden Propane, Inc., Yuma, Ariz., from Kenneth and Patricia Ford. The acquisition will add approximately 600,000 gallons to AmeriGas Partners' annual sales volume. The business will be combined with AmeriGas' existing Yuma business.

The Phillips and Golden Propane acquisitions raise the total number of gallons acquired by AmeriGas Partners during the current fiscal year to more than 22.5 million gallons. AmeriGas Partners operates in 44 states, has 950,000 customers and annual sales of more than 1 billion gallons. UGI Corp. owns 58 percent of the partnership and individual unitholders own the remaining 42 percent.

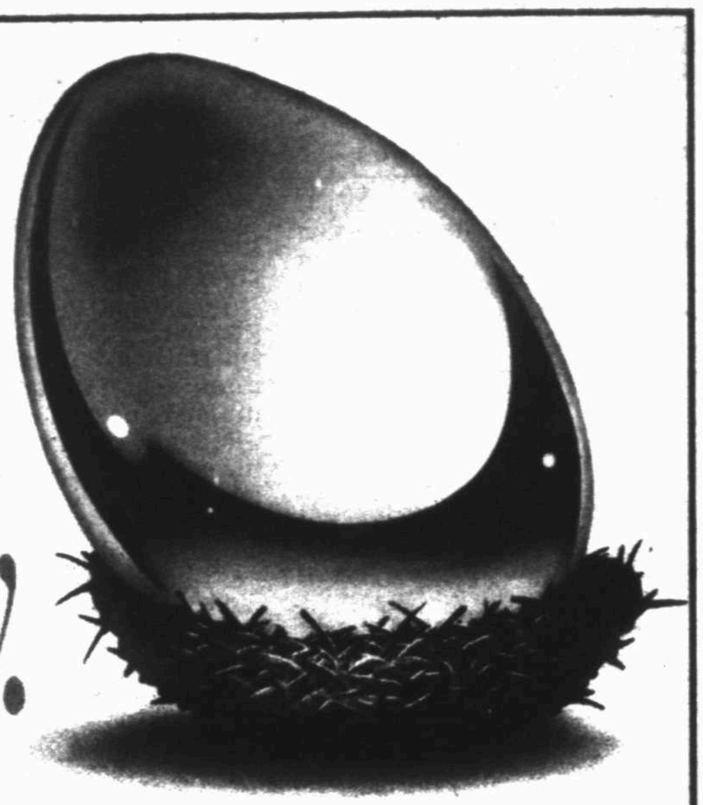
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