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As Hollywood prepares for the 72nd annual Academy Awards, Midlanders recall some of their favorite winning movie moments. 1B



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## City aims to trim sports complex costs

By Ian Heald  
Staff Writer

When the Midland City Council reduced the planned Scharbauer Sports Complex bond issuance from \$38.95 million to \$35.9 million Tuesday, City Manager Rick Menchaca was given the responsibility of trimming the costs of the project by roughly \$3 million.

Parkhill, Smith and Cooper (PS&C), the architectural firm designing the complex, will analyze the project and submit a list to Menchaca of items that could be eliminated to reduce costs. He said that list won't be available for at least another two weeks.

But there are some options available.

For example, Menchaca said:

- Landscaping could be cut back.
- Concrete (or other materials) instead of brick could be used in some areas.
- An additional 1,000-space parking lot could be eliminated. That would leave 3,500 parking places.

Menchaca said PS&C will provide a list of expendable complex features that could be eliminated to save money within the next two to three weeks.

"It's going to take some time to go back and look at other options out there," Menchaca said. "We've got to look at the entire scope of the project. We need to look at eliminating expenses in as many areas as possible outside of the stadiums without compromising features and usage."

This past week Mayor Bobby Burns, Councilman Jose Cuevas, and sports complex supporters Ken Marks and Bill Williams suggested the city try to trim costs. Cuevas said the new overall goal for project costs would be \$42 million. That \$42 million would include items such as roads and sewer lines that would be paid for from city funds other than the quarter-cent sales tax approved by voters in November.

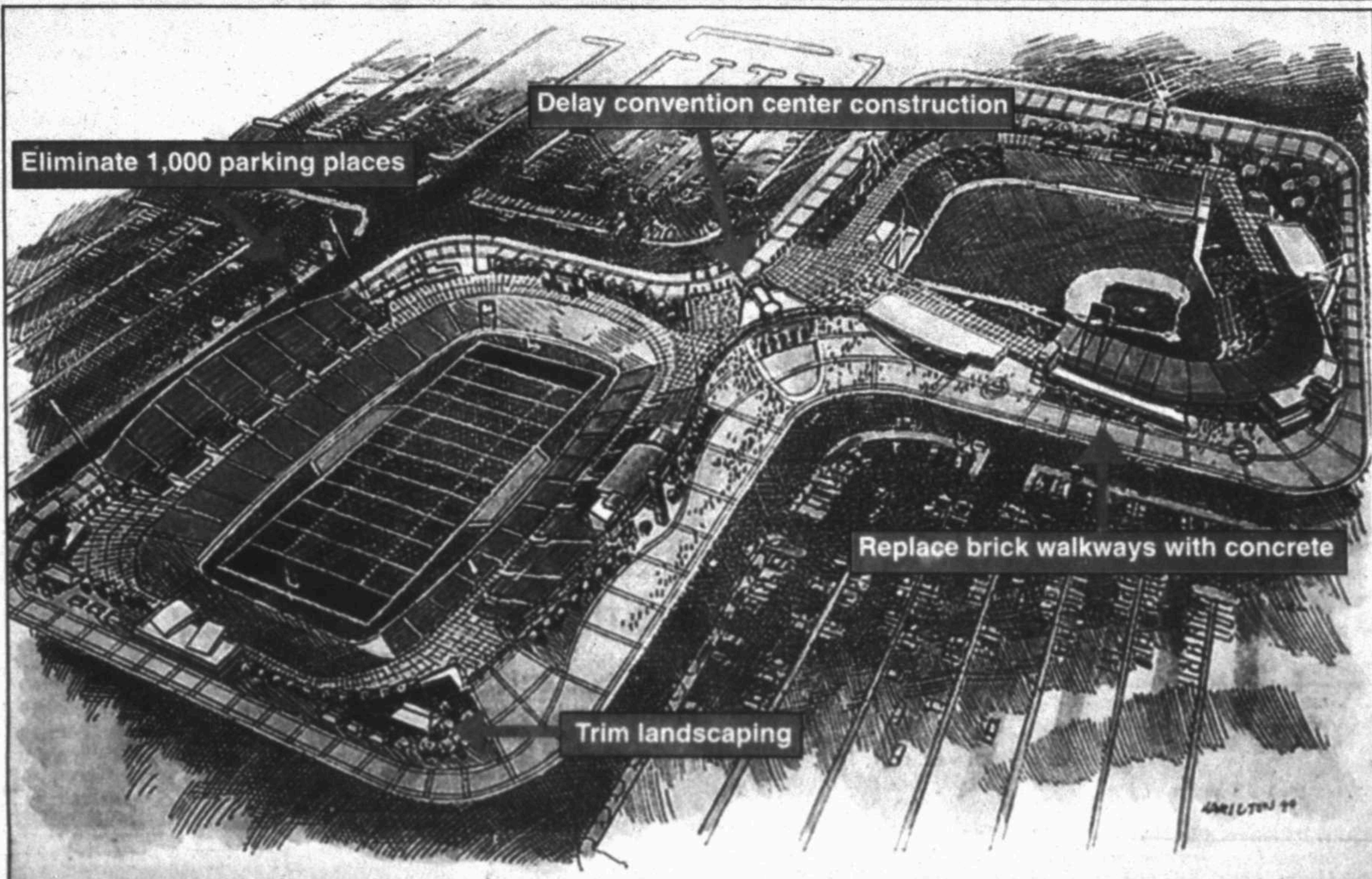
"We need to reduce the cost and keep it close to the number we're shooting for," Burns said. "The problem is we're still dealing with estimates and plans at this stage."

"We didn't recommend that specific things be cut," Cuevas added. "Of course, the most obvious was the additional parking lot — just drop it. The best advice we gave them was (they) need to go back to the RockHounds and school district to see what they need to have and what they can leave out. If this architect firm can't do it, maybe another firm needs to be brought in."

Cuevas said when he, the mayor, Burns and Williams advised the city manager to do draw up a list of possible cuts, they cautioned that any final decisions on cost-cutting measures will be determined by the entire City Council.

At the council meeting, public concern was expressed over a "community center" that was itemized by Parkhill, Smith and Cooper as being

### Possible changes to sports complex



part of the project. Menchaca tried to assure the public that wasn't true. He said the community center was not part of the stadium construction but could be built some time after the complex' completion in 2002.

Menchaca said the proposed site of a community center would be somewhere along a walkway between the baseball and football/soccer stadiums.

Menchaca said the city will begin accepting requests for proposals in June for the relocation of current water lines, relocation of an Energas line and construction of off-site utilities. The grading work — moving dirt, digging the bowl, cutting streets — will go out for bids in early July, he said.

"We have a challenge ahead of us and the staff and architecture firm understand that," Menchaca said. "We want to have a complex that Midlanders are going to be proud of."

## Sales tax rebate jumps 16.98 percent

By Ian Heald  
Staff Writer

This month's sales tax receipts are up 16.98 percent from March 1999, according to an online report by the Texas Comptroller's office. Odessa's numbers were up 21.56 percent.

Comptroller sales tax reports are based on numbers from two months ago. This month's report is based on January sales tax receipts.

An argument could be made for a tale of Jekyll and Hyde in comparing the month of January in both 1999 and 2000.

To many, January 1999 exposed Midland to worst-case-scenario economic conditions as oil prices dipped down to the \$10-per-barrel range.

It's a period most Midlanders would just as soon forget.

What a difference a year makes. This past January oil prices had nearly tripled over a year ago, and of late have approached the mid-\$30 price range.

City Manager Rick Menchaca said this month's sales tax numbers were a positive indication of the increasing spillover of higher oil prices.

"We're pleased to see the increase," Menchaca said. "We always believed the number was going to rebound."

An added bonus, Menchaca said, is this is the first quarter in a year and a half where the current quarter exceeded revenues of the previous quarter. Please see **REBATE/4A**

## And they're off: Bush, Gore begin general election fight

By Robert Salladay  
Hearst News Service

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Even though voters across the nation picked two mainstream presidential candidates with traditional messages, enough wounds were opened during the past few weeks to make the battle between Vice President Al Gore and Texas Gov. George W. Bush as nasty and suspenseful as the unexpectedly tough primaries.

With former Sen. Bill Bradley of New Jersey quitting the Democratic race Thursday, and with Arizona Sen. John McCain suspending his campaign for the Republican nomination, voters will have more time to compare the parties' certain nominees — Gore for the Democrats, Bush for the Republicans.

Gore and Bush are already developing attack plans on education, the environment, social issues, character, morality, campaign finance abuses, the legacy of President Clinton and other issues.

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## Higher gas prices don't create skips

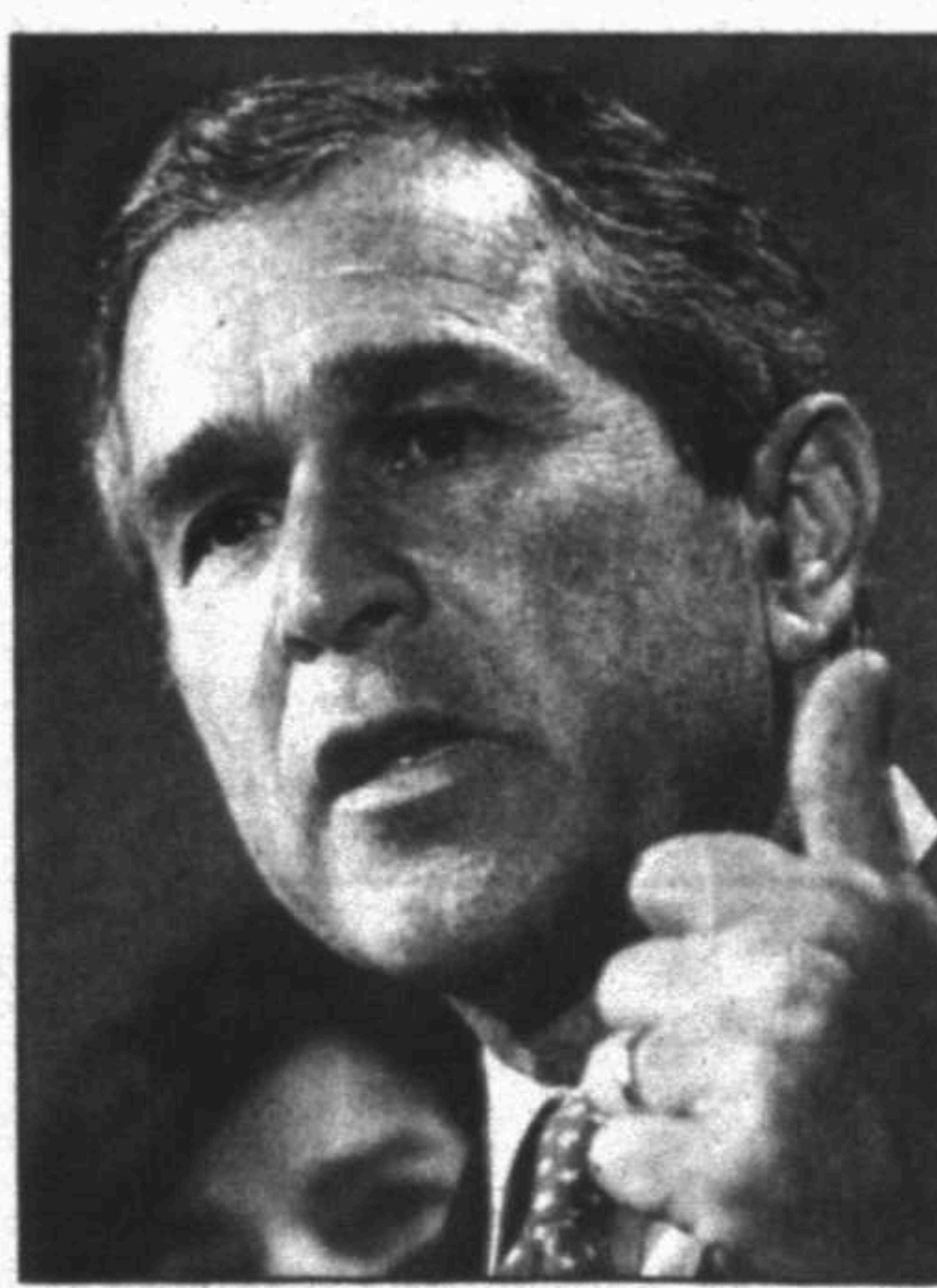
By Rick McLaughlin  
Staff Writer

With the price of crude oil around \$34 a barrel, a tank of gas at a local gas station often can cost \$34 or more. Compare that to a fill-up that may have cost only \$20 or less just a year ago when a barrel of oil was around \$10.

That would seem to make stealing gas at the pump, called skips, drive-always or drive-offs, more attractive.

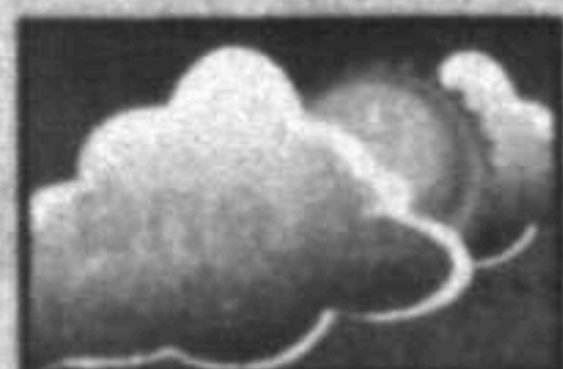
But there doesn't seem to be an increase in the number of gas skips or drive-offs in Midland, even though the value of the gasoline has increased from less than \$1 a gallon in some places last year to more

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### Fire shooting



■ Courtney Blakemore, 19, reacts as she remembers her father, a firefighter who was shot and killed Wednesday while responding to a fire in Memphis. 12A

## Bush backer Don Evans takes his licks at roast

By Bill Modisett  
Staff Writer

It was "Don Evans on the Spit" Thursday at the Petroleum Club as the Midland Texas Exes held their annual Texas Independence Day Celebration Roast & Toast Luncheon, celebrated a week after the actual March 2 observance.

When all was said and done, the man best known of late for his record-breaking fund-raising efforts for the presidential campaign of Gov. George W. Bush told the capacity crowd in the Petroleum Club Ballroom that "it has been an incredible honor to serve on the University of Texas Board of Regents" and an honor "having friends like you."

It was obvious that Evans was among friends and that they respected what he had accomplished. There were accolades galore for Evans, president and chief executive officer of Tom Brown Inc.

who, in addition to serving as chairman of the UT Board of Regents and as head of Tom Brown, is serving in Gov. Bush's presidential campaign.

During the luncheon the Midland Chapter of the Texas Exes announced the Don Evans Scholarship, to which \$21,000 had been contributed and which Abell-Hanger Foundation committed matching funds for up to a maximum of \$50,000. It was also revealed that Mayor Bobby Burns had signed a proclamation making Thursday "Don Evans Day" in Midland.

But sprinkled throughout the luncheon, amid the glowing accolades about Evans' work in the interest of Tom Brown Inc., the University of Texas, and Gov. Bush's presidential campaign, was a full roasting of Evans — including remarks from UTPB President Charles Sorber about how Evans has been a "great friend of the University of Texas." Please see **ROAST/4A**



Don Evans laughs at jokes made at his expense at his roast/luncheon Thursday.

Brian Adamcik  
Reporter-Telegram



## OBITUARIES

**Ben Wiseman Jr.**

Ben W. Wiseman, Jr., long time Midland oilman, died at his home on March 8, 2000, after a lengthy

and heroic battle with cancer. Ben was born in Weatherford, Texas, in 1923, to Ben W. Wiseman Sr. and Ruby Sessions Wiseman. As a youth, he attended Highland Park Methodist Church, and then went on to Highland Park High School in Dallas, where his father was Principal for many years. Ben received his B.B.A. from Cox School of Business, Southern Methodist University, in 1944, where he was also a member of Phi Delta Theta Fraternity. After Midshipman school, Ben served in the United States Navy during World War II as Executive Officer and later Captain of amphibious landing vessels in several Pacific Theater campaigns. After the war, he joined Tex Harvey Oil Co. as an accountant, landman and "occasional" roughneck.

As Ben would tell it, he was given the responsibility at age 24, "by default", for the drilling and completion of the Tex Harvey #1 Floyd, the first commercial oil producer in Midland County, confirming the extension of the Sprayberry Trend and giving rise to the "Sprayberry Boom". Ben became an independent oilman in 1949 and was instrumental in the discovery and development of numerous other oil and gas fields in the Permian Basin. Always ahead of his time, since the late 1970s Ben has been active in tertiary CO<sub>2</sub> recovery processes and received several patents, principally for his CO<sub>2</sub> SOAK process, widely used in the industry.

Ben was especially proud of his twenty years as an active member

of Alcoholics Anonymous. In addition to faithful attendance and service work, he was instrumental in the founding of two new AA groups in Midland.

Survivors include a sister, Mary Elizabeth "Bibba" Brosseau of Dallas; a daughter, Pamela Ann Wiseman of Albuquerque, New Mexico; a step-daughter, Candace Reed of Austin; a stepson, E. Don Poage of Midland; and nephews, Charles Brosseau of Fort Worth, and Phillip Brosseau and Thomas Brosseau, both of Dallas.

A memorial service will be held at First United Methodist Church, Main and Ohio St., Midland, TX on Monday, March 13, 2000, at 11:00 a.m. with the Rev. James Bell presiding and the Rev. Lane Boyd assisting.

In lieu of flowers, memorials

may be made to the Gatehouse Corporation, P.O. Box 5915, Midland, TX 79704-5915; Hospice of Midland, P.O. Box 2621, Midland, TX 79702; or a charity of one's choice.

**Mary Pardue**

Mary Ellen Hamilton Pardue died Tuesday, March 7, 2000, at her home.

She was born December 3, 1913 in Houston, Texas to Wiley Ade Hamilton and Cora Whitley Hamilton. She was raised in Houston. On May 31, 1940, she married James L. Pardue. They lived in Houston and Longview before moving to Midland in 1959. They were married 59 years.

She is survived by her husband, James L. Pardue, and their four children, Eugenia Senft von Pil-sach and husband, Paco, of Oldenburg, Germany; Katherine Shapira and husband, Michael, of Midland; Martha Basler and husband, George, of Houston; James Lee Pardue, Jr. and wife, Denise, of Houston; five grandchildren, Jill and Laine Wetzel, Jeffrey and Corby Pardue, and Elizabeth Basler; one sister, Eugenia Stewart of Corsicana; and two sisters-in-law, Eloise Pardue Grace of Menlo Park, California and Mary Alice Hamilton of Houston.

A private family service will be held today. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials be made to First Presbyterian Church or the charity of one's choice.

## DEATHS

**Pablo Jara**

BIG SPRING — Pablo F. Jara, 69, died Wednesday, March 8, at a local hospital.

Services are pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

**Dan Rodgers**

Dan V. Rodgers died Thursday, March 9, at his home.

Funeral services will be 1 p.m. Monday, March 13, at First Presbyterian Church with the Rev. Richard Braun officiating. Burial will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

He was born Jan. 31, 1923 in Post.

He lived in Big Spring, then moved to Midland in 1948. He was an oil scout for Texaco, and a landman for TXL; then in 1956 became an independent landman, retiring in the late 1980s. He was a member of First Presbyterian Church, American Association of Professional Landmen, and the Permian Basin Landmen's Association.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Novis Rodgers.

Survivors include his wife, Dorothy Looper Rodgers of Midland; a son, Van N. Rodgers of Midland; two daughters, Susan R. Gust of Bellevue, Neb., and Beth Rodgers of Johnson City, Tenn.; a sister, Rose J. Griffith of Lubbock; five grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the First Presbyterian Church, 800 W. Texas, Midland, TX 79701; Hospice of Midland, P.O. Box 2621, Midland, TX 79702; or the charity of your choice.

**Norma McClendon**

SAN FRANCISCO — Former Midlander Norma Jean McClendon, 61, died Monday, March 6, in San Francisco. Services will be 11 a.m. Wednesday, March 15, at the Bayview Mortuary Chapel in San Francisco. Visitation will be 3 p.m. Tuesday at the mortuary.

She was born March 23, 1938 in Waco.

She was a Midland resident for 12 years.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Harvey McClendon Jr.

Survivors include four children, Clayton E. Cooper, Vanard A. Goodman, Renee Y. Johnson and Lavelle A. McClendon, all of San Francisco; her parents, Eula Mae Armstead Howell of Midland, and Harvey McClendon of San Francisco; four sisters, Evelyn Johnson, Helen Edwards, Velma Mackey and Margaret Cooks, all of Midland; and six brothers, Charles McClendon, L.D. Howell Jr., Wallace Howell, Ricky Howell and Tony Howell, all of Midland, and Eddie Howell of Houston; and nine grandchildren.

**Dalton Hamby**

BIG SPRING — Dalton C. Hamby, 95, died Wednesday, March 8, in a local hospital.

Graveside services will be 2 p.m. Friday, March 10, at Trinity Memorial Park Mausoleum with the Rev. Monroe Teeters officiating under the direction of

Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

He was born July 31, 1904 in Floral, Ark.

He moved to Howard County in 1921, settling in the Luther Community. He was a welder for over 30 years, then worked in maintenance and as a bus driver for the Big Spring Independent School District for 10 years, retiring in 1972. He was a member of Berea Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Mamie Morris Hamby, on July 30, 1994; two sisters, four brothers, and one grandchild.

Survivors include five daughters, Marie White of Big Lake, Edith Mandry of Fredricksburg, Winona Fincher of Midland, Eunetta McAnally of Big Spring, and Myrna Unbehend of Lutz, Fla.; two sons, Elton Hamby of Truth or Consequences, N.M. and Darel Hamby of Hamilton; 36 grandchildren. 57 great-grandchildren, several great-great-grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews.

## Girl Scouts to honor 'Women of Distinction' on Saturday

**Staff Reports**

The Girl Scouts of the Permian Basin will hold its annual scholarship banquet Saturday at the Petroleum Club. This year's edition is called "Women of Distinction 2000."

Guest speaker will be Heloise, the columnist known for her "Hints From Heloise" column.

Teresa Johnson, director of development for the Permian Basin Girl Scout Council explained that the "Women of Distinction" banquet was begun for two reasons.

"It was started to honor women in the Permian Basin who make good role models for girls," she

said. "You don't have to be a movie star or a rocket scientist. They're strong women, whether they're a housewife or lawyer or administrative assistant. They're good at their job, they're respected in the community."

The 12 women being honored Saturday night all have some sort of Girl Scout background, she said, either as Girl Scouts themselves or serving as troop leaders or volun-

teers with the Girl Scouts.

The second purpose of the banquet is to benefit the council's scholarship fund. The council awards three scholarships annually: The Mary Wynn Hinkle Gold Award scholarship; Janice Eleanor Hill Matthews Gold Award scholarship and the Betty Jo Greene Morgan Graduating Senior scholarship.

The 12 women to be honored

include Midlanders Susan Fulfer, Elise Kail, Nancy Shaw, Ava Jane Fuller and Mary Lou King; Odessans Peggy Dean, Connie Nichols, Marcia Cleaver, Rachel Dobbs, Lilly Plummer and Gloria Valdez; and Phoebe Campbell, of Marathon.

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Yet, as the government tries to be "politically correct" and become "all things to all men", our rights are often in question. Case in point. Four students were suspended this week in San Antonio from a private Christian school whose students agree in writing not to attend concerts where music contains "sexually explicit and satanic" lyrics.  
Does a church, school, or organization have the right to enforce existing guidelines? If I voluntarily join and can withdraw at any time, whose rights are violated when a student or member disagrees?  
When God's punishment seemed too severe for Jerusalem, God tells Ezekiel in 21:32, "for I the Lord have spoken it." Paul later reminds us in Romans 13:1, "let every soul be subject to the higher powers." May we always have the right to choose God's way of righteousness!

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# Midland artists and businessmen to visit English sister city

By Ian Heald  
Staff Writer

After establishing realtionships with sister cities in Asia, South America and Mexico, Midland this weekend will dispatch a delegation to its newest relative, Wirral, England.

As early as this Sunday Midland businessmen, including Mayor Bobby Burns and his family, will board the plane for Wirral, a trip that for some will last up to two weeks.

No taxpayer dollars will be used.

Burns said the purpose of the upcoming trip is to formalize the sister-city relationship with Wirral.

According to the city's official Web site, Wirral has a population of 326,000 and is the eighth largest metropolitan district in the country and comprises a series of boroughs, small English towns. Wirral lies next door to the city of Liverpool.

Wirral could offer Midland some lessons in diversifying its economy.

A coastal community, Wirral had been renowned for its ship-building tradition since the 1820s, according to its official web site.

But as demand for ships shifted the local economy adapted to change. Mobil, E.R. Squibb and Sons Ltd and Candy are

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— Shura Lindgren,  
director of convention and visitor development

some companies that have entered Wirral and helped diversify its economy.

Shura Lindgren, director of convention and visitor development, said she'll be concentrating on various tourism and business relationship possibilities between Wirral and Midland.

"We think that there are a lot

of opportunities to establishing business relationships between the two areas and that's why I'm going," Ms. Lindgren said. "Included in the group is one of our local travel agencies, will also be traveling with us. One topic to be explored is enhancing local tourism."

Ms. Lindgren said Europe's

fascination with the Southwest and cowboys could lead to a series of travel packages to draw tourists to West Texas.

Linda Bond, executive director of the Arts Assembly of Midland, said the nine Midland artists scheduled to go won't be departing until March 18. "The arts group is going over to London then to Wirral for the opening of the gallery," Ms. Bond said.

The exhibit by the Midland artists at the Blackthorn Galleries in Wirral opens March 18 and stays up through April 9.

Last Friday a representative from an art gallery in Wirral came to Midland to help open a

British themed exhibit called "The British are Coming!" A fringe exhibit, "Where in the World is Wirral?" opened last Saturday. Both exhibits will be at the two locations through March 26.

Ms. Bond said most of the travelers will be returning March 23, barring any extra personal vacation plans.

Last year Midlanders embarked on a similar trip to the sister city of New Amsterdam, Guyana.

Midland's first sister city relationship was established in 1986 with Dong Ying, China. Midland's sister city in Mexico is Chihuahua.

## Constable endorses candidate

From staff reports

Midland County Precinct 1 Constable Lynn Pope has endorsed Republican Party candidate Mitch Swan for constable in the precinct's two-way race in Tuesday's primary elections.

"Mitch (Swan) is very knowledgeable," said Ms. Pope, who is not seeking re-election. Swan is a 30-year-old support counselor for the Midland Court Residential Treatment Center.

"He deals with detention people already," Ms. Pope noted. "He knows pretty much how to handle things" and has accompanied Ms. Pope in her work.

"I think he will make a fantastic constable," she said.

In turn, Swan said that he is "happy about" the endorsement. Ms. Pope, he said, is "doing a great job."

Swan in opposed for the \$24,000-salaried job by James E. "Gene" Smith, a 42-year-old maintenance man who in 1996 was a write-in candidate for constable and who has 20 years experience in security and law-enforcement work.

## Sharp: People most valuable resource

By Matt Josefy  
Staff Writer

John Sharp, former Texas State Comptroller, joined with the Midland Association of Retarded Citizens (MARC) Thursday night to put on the first-ever "Employer Appreciation Banquet."

The event was not only for local companies that employ MARC clients, but for the workers themselves.

"There are two purposes — to bring public awareness and to honor businesses in Midland who employ people with disabilities," Jean Jones, marketing director of MARC said.

"This is a special deal for me," Sharp said. For 30 days when he was working with the legislative budget, he worked as a volunteer at a Texas school for the mentally handicapped.

His personal beliefs, Sharp said, are the real reason he believes it is important to volunteer and to accept people with disabilities.

"If you're not going to accept those reasons, you better accept them for economics," he said.

His speech, entitled "Spindletops," addressed the idea of these people still being viable human resources.

"You wouldn't shut down a whole well for a little sputter. Some people are geniuses, but the rest of us are not. Oil wells aren't forever, but people do," Sharp said.

Bob Rose, the executive director of MARC, said getting Sharp to come address the crowd of 140 topped off a "special celebration."

"We let the employers here in Midland know that what they're doing is very special. We don't realize how much we identify ourselves as individuals with our jobs, and these employers are taking a risk by giving them a special opportunity. But, everybody has to go to somebody for assistance on the job. The employers eventually recognize that it's not that big of a challenge," Rose said.

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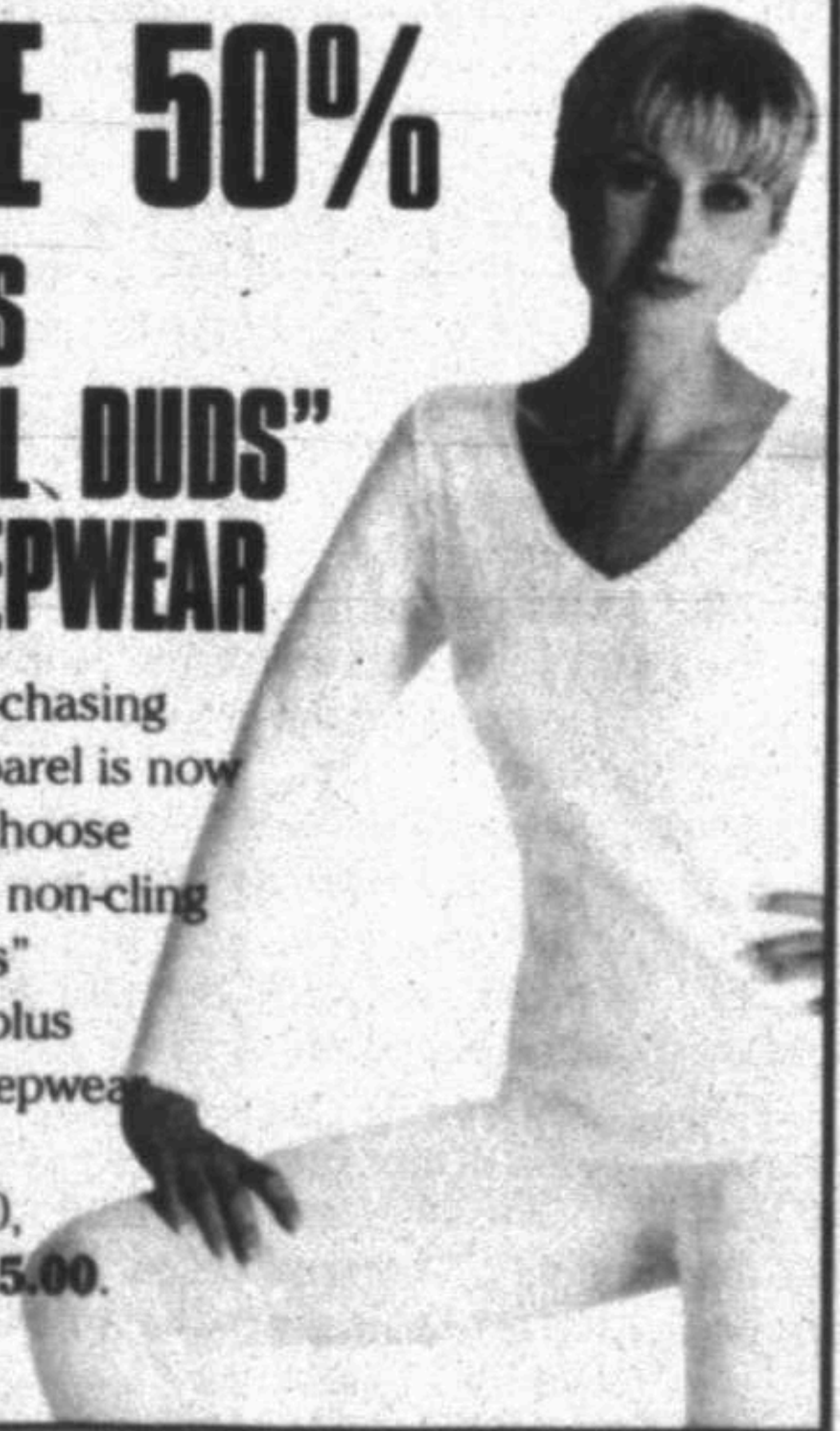
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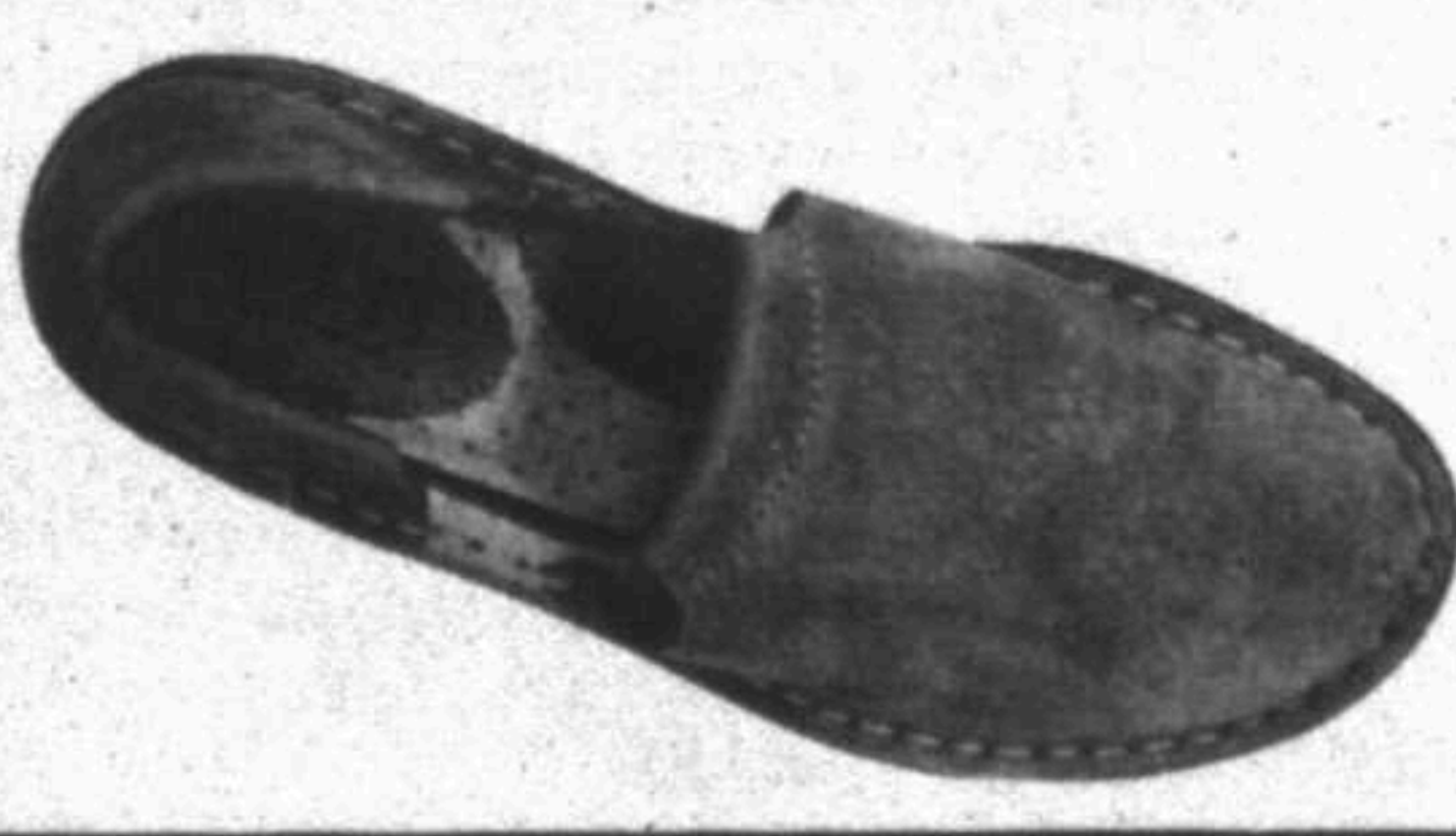
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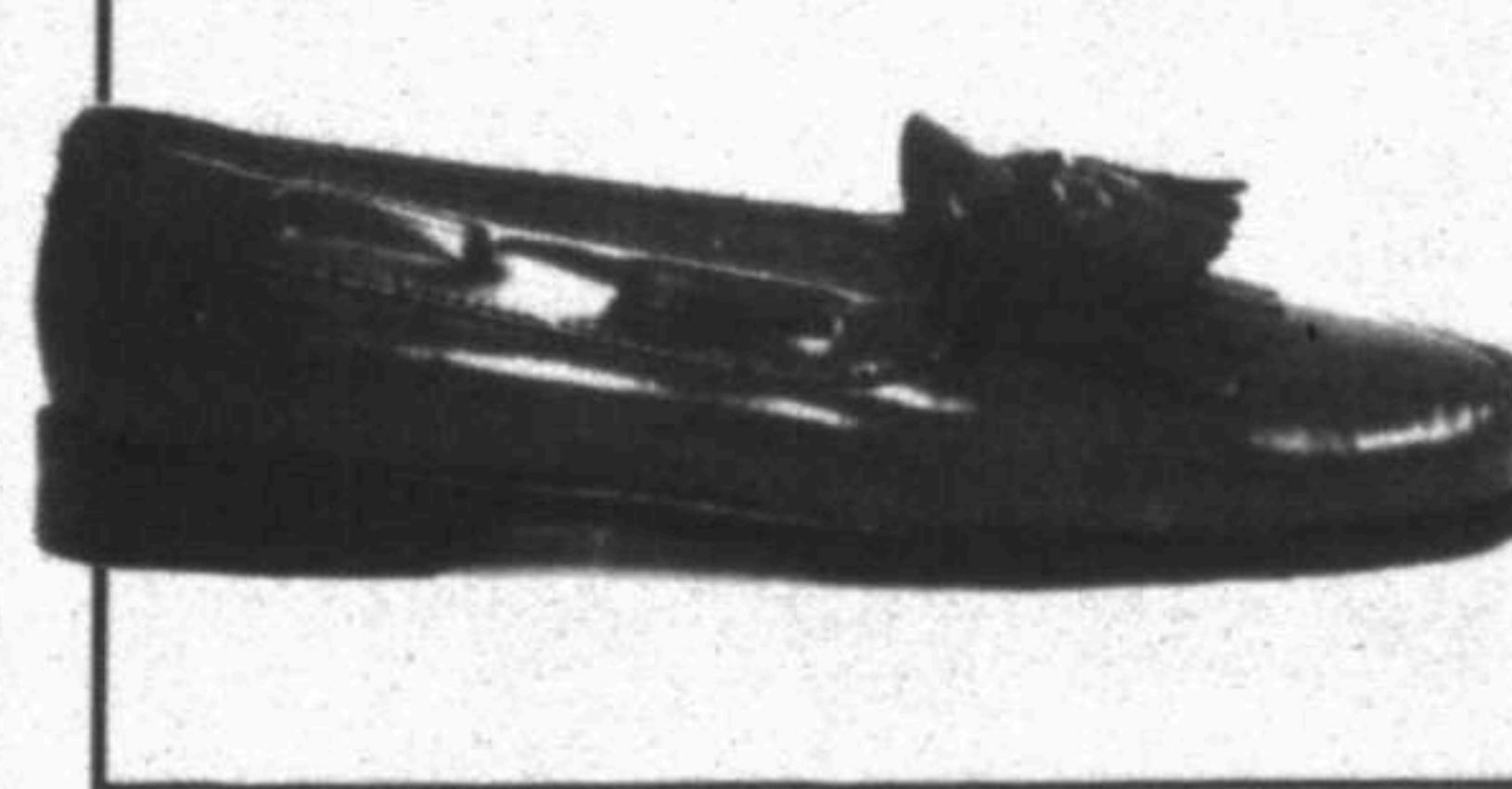
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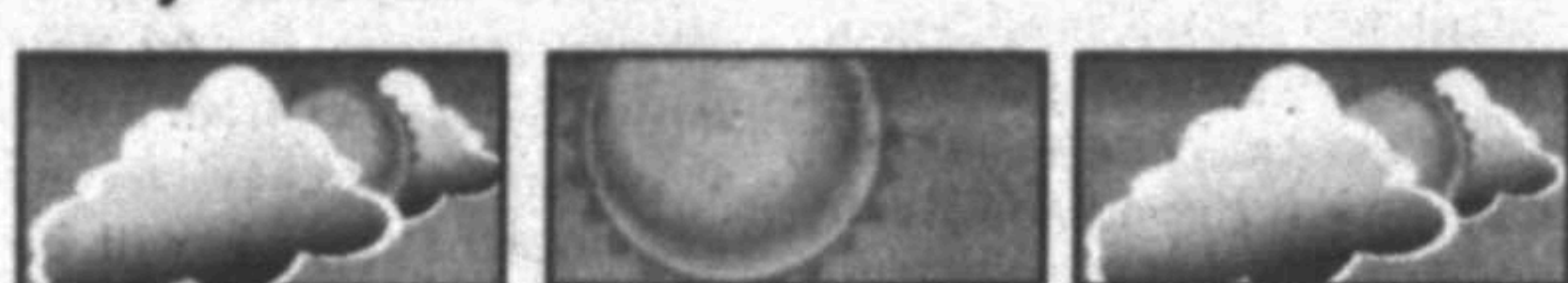
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# WEATHER

## Midland forecast

### 3-day forecast



**Today**  
Partly cloudy  
High 69  
Low 34

**Saturday**  
Mostly sunny  
High 68  
Low 36

**Sunday**  
Partly cloudy  
High 72  
Low 37

Today will be partly cloudy and windy with areas of blowing dust during the afternoon. The high will be in the upper 60s with the wind becoming northwesterly and increasing to 20-30 mph and gusty by late morning. Friday night will be fair with the low in the lower 30s. Saturday night will be mostly sunny with the high in the mid-60s. Sunday night will be mostly clear with the low in the upper 30s. Sunday through Tuesday will be partly cloudy with lows from the upper 30s to mid 40s. Highs will be in the 70s.

After an overnight low of 32, Thursday's high was 69, compared to the record high for that date of 86, set in 1989. The record low of 4 was set in 1948.

### Yesterday's precipitation

Rainfall Thursday ..... 0.00 in.  
Rainfall Wednesday ..... 0.10 in.  
Total for month ..... 0.30 in.  
Total for year ..... 0.35 in.  
Normal total (year to date) ..... 1.50 in.

### Yesterday's temperatures

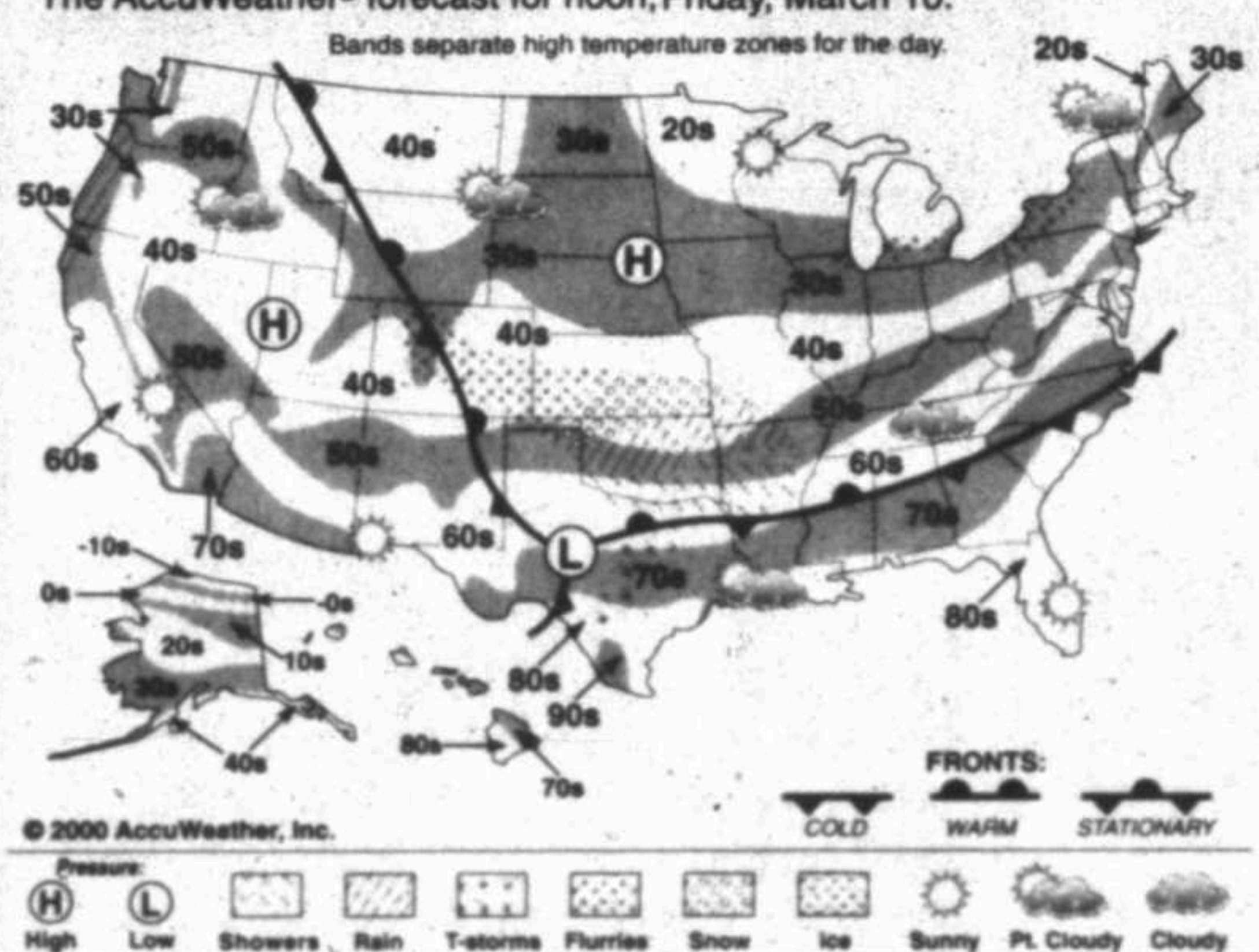
High ..... 69  
Low ..... 32  
Normal high ..... 64  
Normal low ..... 34

Sunrise ... 7:04 a.m.

Sunset ... 6:50 p.m.

## National forecast

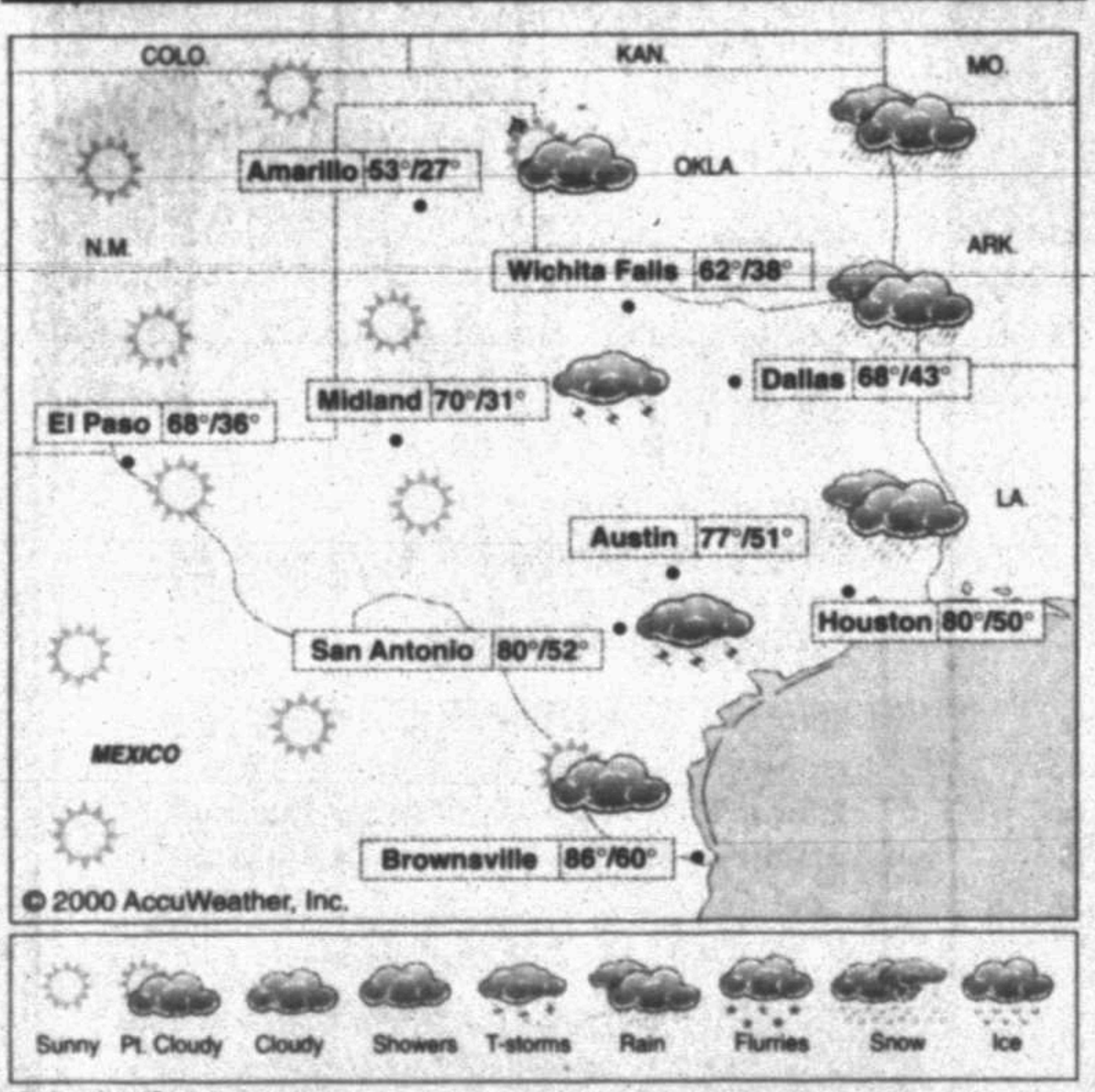
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## United States temperatures

| Temperatures indicate Thursday's high and overnight low to 5 p.m. Eastern Time. |      |     |         |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|-----|---------|
| City                                                                            | High | Low | Precip. |
| Atlanta                                                                         | 74   | 55  | city    |
| Atlanta City                                                                    | 78   | 47  | city    |
| Baltimore                                                                       | 78   | 43  | city    |
| Boston                                                                          | 63   | 66  | city    |
| Boston                                                                          | 72   | 40  | city    |
| Casper                                                                          | 34   | 24  | city    |
| Cheynne                                                                         | 33   | 22  | city    |
| Chicago                                                                         | 53   | 32  | city    |
| Cincinnati                                                                      | 70   | 58  | city    |
| Cleveland                                                                       | 70   | 62  | city    |
| Daytona Beach                                                                   | 80   | 52  | city    |
| Denver                                                                          | 37   | 24  | city    |
| Detroit                                                                         | 65   | 60  | city    |
| Fargo                                                                           | 21   | 12  | city    |
| Flint                                                                           | 63   | 56  | city    |
| Green Bay                                                                       | 32   | 17  | city    |
| Honolulu                                                                        | 79   | 67  | city    |
| Houston                                                                         | 88   | 68  | city    |
| Indianapolis                                                                    | 60   | 60  | city    |
| Jackson, Miss.                                                                  | 81   | 64  | city    |
| Jacksonville                                                                    | 82   | 53  | city    |
| Juneau                                                                          | 37   | 20  | city    |
| Kansas City                                                                     | 44   | 33  | city    |
| Knobsville                                                                      | 81   | 56  | city    |
| Lake Charles                                                                    | 61   | 69  | city    |
| Lansing                                                                         | 60   | 58  | city    |
| Las Vegas                                                                       | 58   | 44  | city    |
| Lexington                                                                       | 60   | 49  | city    |
| Lincoln                                                                         | 40   | 29  | city    |
| Little Rock                                                                     | 81   | 51  | city    |
| Los Angeles                                                                     | 82   | 47  | city    |
| Louisville                                                                      | 74   | 65  | city    |
| Macon                                                                           | 77   | 51  | city    |
| Madison                                                                         | 46   | 46  | city    |
| Medford                                                                         | 50   | 37  | city    |
| Memphis                                                                         | 79   | 63  | city    |
| Miami Beach                                                                     | 79   | 66  | city    |
| Milwaukee                                                                       | 53   | 53  | city    |
| Minneapolis                                                                     | 29   | 26  | city    |
| Mobile                                                                          | 82   | 63  | city    |
| Montgomery                                                                      | 78   | 58  | city    |
| Nashville                                                                       | 81   | 61  | city    |
| New Orleans                                                                     | 83   | 67  | city    |
| New York City                                                                   | 75   | 41  | city    |
| Newark                                                                          | 81   | 47  | city    |
| Norfolk, Va.                                                                    | 82   | 54  | city    |
| North Platte                                                                    | 39   | 21  | city    |
| Oklahoma City                                                                   | 56   | 41  | city    |
| Omaha                                                                           | 50   | 33  | city    |
| Orlando                                                                         | 83   | 53  | city    |
| Peoria                                                                          | 45   | 45  | city    |
| Philadelphia                                                                    | 73   | 42  | city    |
| Phoenix                                                                         | 67   | 50  | city    |
| Pittsburgh                                                                      | 74   | 63  | city    |
| Pocatello                                                                       | 42   | 29  | city    |
| Portland, Maine                                                                 | 54   | 37  | city    |
| Portland, Ore.                                                                  | 56   | 35  | city    |
| Providence                                                                      | 65   | 37  | city    |
| Pueblo                                                                          | 56   | 28  | city    |
| Raleigh-Durham                                                                  | 80   | 54  | city    |
| Rapid City                                                                      | 21   | 11  | city    |
| San Jose                                                                        | 50   | 45  | city    |
| San Jose, Calif.                                                                | 82   | 54  | city    |
| Roanoke                                                                         | 77   | 58  | city    |
| Rochester                                                                       | 73   | 58  | city    |
| Rockford                                                                        | 45   | 45  | city    |
| Sacramento                                                                      | 58   | 45  | city    |
| St. Louis                                                                       | 50   | 49  | city    |
| St. Thomas                                                                      | 81   | 73  | city    |
| Salem, Ore.                                                                     | 56   | 33  | city    |
| Salt Lake City                                                                  | 44   | 37  | city    |
| San Diego                                                                       | 61   | 47  | city    |
| San Francisco                                                                   | 58   | 46  | city    |
| San Jose                                                                        | 80   | 46  | city    |
| San Juan, P.R.                                                                  | 81   | 72  | city    |
| Santa Fe                                                                        | 52   | 22  | city    |
| St. Marie                                                                       | 26   | 26  | city    |
| Savannah                                                                        | 82   | 56  | city    |
| Seattle                                                                         | 51   | 42  | city    |
| Shreveport                                                                      | 85   | 68  | city    |
| Sioux City                                                                      | 28   | 22  | city    |
| Sioux Falls                                                                     | 28   | 19  | city    |
| South Bend                                                                      | 58   | 58  | city    |
| Spokane                                                                         | 42   | 35  | city    |
| Springfield, Ill.                                                               | 51   | 50  | city    |
| Springfield, Mo.                                                                | 53   | 28  | city    |
| Syracuse                                                                        | 78   | 46  | city    |
| Tallahassee                                                                     | 81   | 50  | city    |
| Tampa-St. Petersburg                                                            | 63   | 63  | city    |
| Toledo                                                                          | 80   | 57  | city    |
| Topeka                                                                          | 47   | 32  | city    |
| Tucson                                                                          | 86   | 41  | city    |
| Tulsa                                                                           | 57   | 41  | city    |
| Tupelo                                                                          | 61   | 63  | city    |
| Washington, D.C.                                                                | 79   | 32  | city    |
| W. Palm Beach                                                                   | 80   | 59  | city    |
| Wichita                                                                         | 47   | 33  | city    |

## State forecast



## Texas temperatures

| Highest temperature last 12 hours, lowest past 18 hours and precipitation for 24 hours at 6 p.m. |      |     |      |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|-----|------|
| City                                                                                             | High | Low | Pcp. |
| Abilene                                                                                          | 71   | 44  |      |
| Alice                                                                                            | 90   | 72  |      |
| Amarillo                                                                                         | 66   | 27  |      |
| Arlington                                                                                        | 72   | 45  |      |
| Austin                                                                                           | 85   | 54  |      |
| Austin Mabry                                                                                     | 90   | 80  |      |
| Beaumont                                                                                         | 82   | 70  |      |
| Brownsville                                                                                      | 87   | 73  |      |
| Burnet                                                                                           | 81   | 48  |      |
| Childress                                                                                        | 81   | 38  |      |
| College Station                                                                                  | 87   | 67  |      |
| Comstock                                                                                         | 87   | 65  |      |
| Corpus Christi                                                                                   | 87   | 70  |      |
| Corpus Christi                                                                                   | 81   | 53  |      |
| Dalhousie                                                                                        | 65   | 28  |      |
| Dallas Love Field                                                                                | 72   | 50  |      |
| Del Rio                                                                                          | 85   | 51  |      |
| Denton                                                                                           | 89   | 48  |      |
| El Paso                                                                                          | 69   | 33  |      |
| Fort Stockton                                                                                    | 78   | 44  |      |
| Fort Worth-Mecham                                                                                | 71   | 50  |      |
| Georgetown                                                                                       | 77   | 67  |      |
| Georgetown                                                                                       | 82   | 50  |      |
| Guadalupe Pass                                                                                   | 66   | 38  |      |
| Hartgen                                                                                          | 90   | 69  |      |
| Hondo                                                                                            | 84   | 55  |      |
| Houston Intercontinental                                                                         | 88   | 66  |      |
| Huntsville                                                                                       | 85   | 39  |      |
| Junction                                                                                         | 85   | 39  |      |
| Kingville                                                                                        | 85   | 74  |      |
| Laredo                                                                                           | 83   | 66  |      |
| Longview                                                                                         | 85   | 66  |      |
| Lubbock                                                                                          | 89   | 62  |      |
| Lufkin                                                                                           | 87   | 64  |      |
| Marfa                                                                                            | 73   | 30  |      |
| McAllen                                                                                          | 91   | 72  |      |
| McKinney                                                                                         | 89   | 43  |      |
| Mineral Wells                                                                                    | 73   | 43  |      |
| Navy Corpus                                                                                      | 71   | 71  |      |
| New                                                                                              | 85   | 58  |      |
| Paris                                                                                            | 73   | 46  |      |
| San Angelo                                                                                       | 82   | 39  |      |
| San Antonio                                                                                      | 84   | 62  |      |
| San Marcos                                                                                       | 90   | 59  |      |
| Tarleton                                                                                         | 76   | 46  |      |
| Texasville, Ar.                                                                                  | 83   | 59  |      |
| Tyler                                                                                            | 83   | 59  |      |
| Waco                                                                                             | 82   | 50  |      |
| Wichita Falls                                                                                    | 63   | 42  |      |
| Wink                                                                                             | 81   | 36  |      |

## FIGHT: Bush campaign will paint Gore as Clintonesque

(From 1A)

er topics.

Many political analysts believe Bush suffered the most during the short-lived primary season. Bradley's campaign fizzled as Gore gained steam, but it was dog-eat-dog for the Republicans.

McCain said he would clean up the "iron triangle" of lobbyists, legislation and money in Washington. McCain pushed Bush to the right and opened up distracting problems for him.

McCain appeared to have nearly committed a political murder-suicide by attacking the religious conservatives as the primary reached a critical point two weeks ago. His attacks consolidated Bush's support from the right. That will shadow Bush just when he needs a more moderate message for the general election.

Bush also refused to demand that South Carolina take down the Confederate battle flag that flies over the state Capitol. Democratic consultants in California already believe that issue will damage Bush here, where the non-white population is nearly 50 percent.

"McCain was speaking to a constituency in the Republican Party that is disaffected from the religious right and much of the congressional Republican leadership," said veteran Democratic consultant Bill Carrick. "I have trouble figuring out how Bush gets them. ... Bush had to move further to the right than Gore had to move to the left on his issues. There was some real damage done to Bush."

But Gore has his vulnerabilities as well. Bush, in his victory speech Tuesday night from Austin, got a huge cheer from the audience when he said the country would reject a White House that had "no controlling legal authority."

This was a slap at a phrase Gore used to explain fund-raising calls the vice president made from the White House, which Republicans blasted as an infraction of the law.

Then there are the Buddhist monks. Even before the votes were counted, Bush was sniping at Gore for holding a 1996 re-election fund-raiser at a Southern California Buddhist temple where monks had taken a vow of poverty. A Gore associate was recently convicted of violating campaign laws in the scandal.

The Bush campaign does not believe that Gore will suffer because of President Clinton's personal problems, but they will nevertheless try to paint Gore as Clintonesque when he claimed to have invented the Internet and was the subject of the book and acclaimed movie "Love Story."

"I don't think the election will be a look back at the personal transgressions of President Clinton," said Karen Hughes, Bush's national communications director. "People are sick of that. That was an embarrassing chapter in our history, and people want to put it behind us. But they do want a president they can trust, and so I would point to some of candidate Gore's own statements."

The Bush campaign also thinks it has an edge over Gore on education and among Silicon Valley executives.

Bush and Bradley raised far more money than Gore among the high-tech crowd. Bush believes his plan to increase tax deductions for charitable contributions — to attract the wealthy technology crowd — and protect Silicon Valley businesses from securities litigation will keep high-tech executives on his side, although Democrats have traditionally wooed the high-tech crowd.

"We're going to talk about the fact that on tort reform, Al Gore stands with the trial lawyers, who are anathema to Silicon Val-

ley entrepreneurs," said Republican state Sen. Jim Brulte, a Bush adviser in California.

The Democrats are up for a few punches against Bush.

Gore, in his victory speech Tuesday, started off the general election campaign by telling his audience that Republican administrations in the 1980s had increased the federal deficit and sparked a recession in the early 1990s.

Under Clinton, the country since 1992 has seen crime rates drop, abortion rates plummet and the economy take off, Gore will remind voters.

"We need to build on our record of prosperity," Gore said Tuesday. "We don't need to go back to where we were eight years ago."

Democrats also feel they need to rip into Bush's record in Texas and statements he made on the campaign trail as he battled McCain.

"Oh, there are plenty of things," said Democratic party strategist Bob Mulholland, mentioning Bush's opposition to abortion and "irresponsible tax cut proposal."

Carrick, the Democratic consultant, said the fights between McCain and Bush over personality and campaign tactics meant Bush remained untested on the national stage on many important policy issues. Voters are going to be hearing for the first time his positions on abortion and the environment, for example.

"The most amazing thing is we still haven't defined what this election is about," said Henry Brady, a political scientist at the University of California at Berkeley. "We still can't write a one-sentence description about the 2000 election. In 1992, it was, 'It's the economy stupid.' It's hard to get real issues on people's plates when the economy is doing so well."

## GAS: Improved security in sales may deter theft

(From 1A)

than \$1.50 per gallon for regular unleaded today.

Some current reports even show fewer drive-offs, but that may be because of improved security in gasoline sales.

Midland County Sheriff Gary Painter said Tuesday that his department had no indication there are any more gasoline skippers than usual. A theft of \$34.21 in gas from the Town and Country on East State Highway 158 was reported Monday to the Sheriff's Office, the only report of the day.

One theft totaling \$11.30 was reported Thursday, but there were no others in the period from Tuesday through Thursday evening.

Laurie Lindsey, claims manager for Southwest Convenience Stores, said the percentage of gas drive-offs is down 50 percent at 7-Eleven stores from

this time last year.

"We think the reason is because it goes hand-in-hand with the other programs we have done," she said. "Police substations, the wanted posters program."

"We pay a lot of attention to the customer at the pump," she said, noting that employees greet customers over the fuel island intercom. "They know that we know they're there."

"We know it's the same people who steal your beer who steal your gas. You know — free beer, free gas," she said.

On the other hand, the Midland Police Department has seen an increase in the number of reported gasoline drive-offs in January and February of this year, compared to the same months of 1999, according to Tina Jauz, of the Midland Department of Public Relations.

Ms. Jauz said 581 drive-offs

were reported in January and February of 1999. The figure rose 154 percent to 895 reported skips in January and February of this year.

However, Jauz, noted, a police officer was assigned to work with convenience stores and gas stations to encourage more reporting of gas thefts well after the January-February 1999 statistics. Therefore, Ms. Jauz said, the higher drive-off figures may be a result of better reporting instead of more incidents.

William Parum, a clerk at the 7-Eleven store at 3300 W. Illinois doesn't see any increase at all, noting that even the value of an ordinary gasoline skip is only \$5 or \$6. "If I were going to do that, I'd at least make it worthwhile," he said, "but there has been no increase in the number of skips, at least not yet, anyway."

Ann Green, an assistant manager at a Texaco store on Front

Street said she saw no increase in drive-offs, and neither has Sonia Arteaga, an assistant manager at the E Z Mart at 908 W. Indiana. "But we really don't have a problem," she noted. "We never leave the pump on at night and we turn it on only for our regulars during the day."

Ector County Sheriff's Office Sgt. Roy Gladden said he has seen no increase in drive-offs in Ector County. That was echoed by Officer Sherrie Thompson of the Odessa Police Department. "There have been no increases in Odessa, but that may be because the 7-Eleven stores have a campaign to cut gas thefts, including cameras at the pumps and prepaying," she said.

Odessa does not have a statistical breakdown with gas thefts as a category, unlike Midland, Ms. Thompson noted.

## ROAST: Woodman says Evans broke 11th Commandment

(From 1A)

of the Permian Basin."

Then Sorber presented Evans with a list of items needed at UTPB including a thinly veiled comment that "there is some discussion in Midland of you wanting to put a museum on the campus." That comment, which brought a laugh from the audience, referred to a legislative duel between State Rep. Tom Craddock of Midland and State Rep. Buddy West of Odessa over plans to build a Presidential Museum on the UTPB campus.

Dr. Charles Younger also roasted his friend Evans, giving the ingredients for a concoction he called "Willard Stew" referring of course to Evans. He noted that one ingredient in it was

a "big, old Texas Longhorn heart" and that Evans had earned the love and respect of his parents, in-laws, siblings and numerous friends and acquaintances.

"Our community, the University of Texas, the state, and the nation have been enriched by Willard," Younger said.

A former Midlander, Woody Woodman, toasted Evans by noting he had "broken the 11th Commandment — believing thy own B.S."

Then, said Woodman, "For all that you've done for all of us through the years Donald Louis Evans, you're the goddest one."

Patrick Oxford, a University of Texas System regent who lives in Houston, proudly told the hundreds of Midlanders present for the event, "Your boy Donny has

done you proud."

Oxford said that during the past year the university has faced stupefying problems throughout the state, but that, "Your Don Evans provided us with character-based leadership as true as the North Star."

Midland radio personality Ed Clements, who now lives and works in Austin, served as master of ceremonies.

Joan Baskin, a community leader in Midland and former president of the Midland Chamber of Commerce, said that Evans "has done a splendid job" heading up the UT Board of Regents. "He is a very calm, reasonable, thoughtful man. We appreciate him."

## Reform Party supporters pressure Perot to run

WASHINGTON (AP) — Supporters of Reform Party founder Ross Perot are turning up the pressure on him to run for president to help boost his besieged party's credibility, but the Texas billionaire is showing no interest in a third bid for the White House.

"I am not optimistic Ross is going to make another run ... If he wanted it he would be doing the preparatory work," said his top aide, Russell Verney. "It would take something of a miracle to get him to run for office again."

At sparsely attended news conferences in more than a dozen cities Thursday, Reform Party members who say a Perot candidacy will help boost the party's stature argued that his silence was reason enough to go forward with efforts to draft him into the race.

"He hasn't said to stop," said supporter Pat Muth of Tallahassee, Fla., who helped organize the events with national party secretary Jim Mangia. Pat Buchanan, a former Republican, is seeking the presidential nomination, which comes with \$12.6 million in federal campaign subsidies.

"Reform is going to lose its credibility unless Perot gets back in the race," said Morgan Erlanson, 39, from Orange, Calif., about 40 miles southeast of Los Angeles.

Minnesota Gov. Jesse Ventura had been Reform's highest elected officeholder and one of the party's most public faces until he cut his ties to the national organization last month, saying it was "hopelessly dysfunctional."

## REBATE: Menchaca credits oil prices with increase

(From 1A)

quarter.

"The oil being priced at \$30 always helps," Menchaca said. "But, it takes about four to six months before we see the benefits of having higher priced oil. With the oil prices increasing in the early fall of last year, we're starting to benefit from

that. Our monthly sales tax revenue will start showing some

gains throughout the rest of the year."

## Pick 3 Texas

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

7-1-0

## Cash Five

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

14-26-27-34-38

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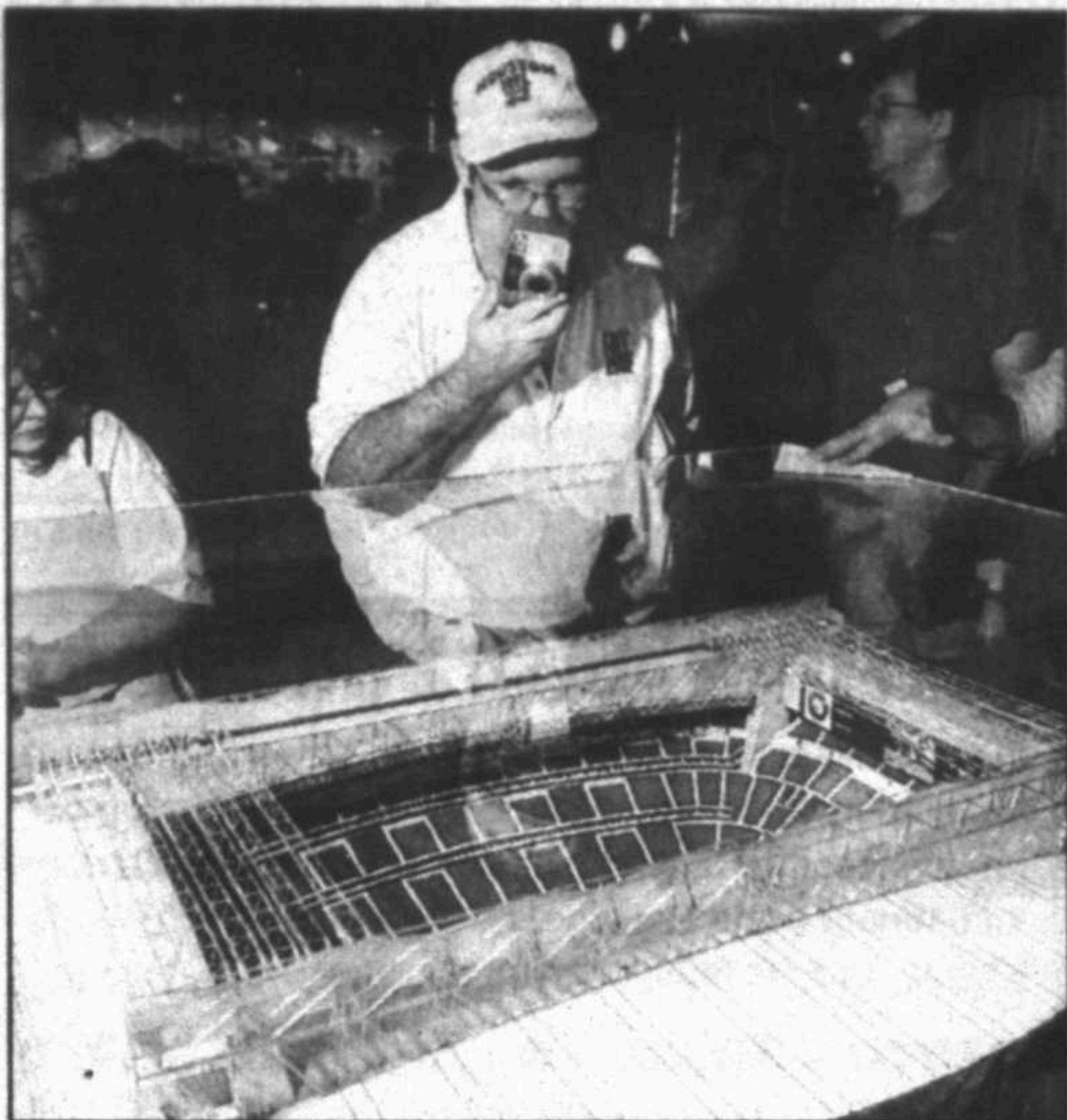
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AP Photo  
Chris Lockridge takes a photograph of a model of the new Houston NFL franchise football stadium before the start of a groundbreaking ceremony Thursday

## Dyess AFB puzzled by bomber fire

ABILENE (AP) — Air Force officials are trying to determine what caused an engine fire that forced a B-1 Bomber from Dyess Air Force Base to cut short a training flight and return to the base.

Maj. John Boyle, public affairs officer at Dyess, said Thursday that there was no indication as to what caused the fire a day earlier.

"We will conduct a mishap investigation, and... see what caused the engine to do that," Boyle said. "We don't have any answers yet."

About 15 small brush fires, most of them on base property, were apparently started by molten

material that dripped from the aircraft before it landed. All of the fires were extinguished quickly, preventing any major property damage.

"It is assumed that hot material from the engine area of the aircraft did fall and ignite those fires," Boyle said. "But it was not large pieces of metal or flaming tires... it was small pieces of material."

About 600 students returned to Dyess Elementary School on Thursday, after getting an early dismissal from school Wednesday. The school was evacuated as a safety precaution because of the dry conditions in the area where the brush fires started.

## Ground breaking marks return of NFL football

By Megan K. Stack  
Associated Press

HOUSTON — With a pile of dirt and dreams of days to come, the National Football League began to rise again here Thursday on the same land where indoor baseball was born.

Sinking shovels into a mound of earth in the middle of what is now the Astrodome parking lot, officials broke ground on the Harris County Stadium.

When built, the arena will be home to Houston's brand new football team.

"Houston was missing something," said Houston team owner Bob McNair, who spoke over the roar of hundreds of eager fans. McNair joined NFL commissioner Paul Tagliabue, former Oilers and city officials at the morning rally.

The \$367 million, retractable roof stadium is slated to be finished in 2002, just in time for the

team's first season.

Thursday's groundbreaking was sweet vindication for fans who never quite recovered from the loss of the Houston Oilers after the 1996 season.

"It means everything," said Scott Smith, 35. The Houston man let his 11-year-old stepson, Travis Luchak, skip school to watch the groundbreaking. "We should have never let the team go in the first place."

The arena will "bring the outdoors indoors," according to McNair. Plans call for glass walls, natural turf and an illuminated, retractable roof.

Work on the stadium is barely under way, but Houston already is spinning heady dreams of spectacular events to come.

Momentum picked up last week, when NFL vice president for special events Jim Steeg said Houston stands a "very, very good" chance of hosting the

2004 Super Bowl. Houston also has its eye on the 2012 Olympics, city officials said Thursday.

Even Bill Lamza, president of the Dallas Cowboys Fan Club, turned out to celebrate professional football's return to Houston.

"I go back with the Cowboys," Lamza said. "But the state needs this rivalry. It's healthy."

The league's 32nd team remains nameless — a nickname is expected to be picked from five choices by April.

Money to erect the 69,500-seat stadium comes from rental car and hotel taxes.

The rest of the tab will be picked up by McNair and the Houston Livestock and Rodeo Show.

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## Jailed former basketball player hopes for lighter sentence

By Kelley Shannon  
Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO — A former high school basketball player sentenced to five years in prison for hitting an opponent during a game hopes a judge will reduce his jail term.

If the judge doesn't change the sentence by a Friday legal deadline — and defense lawyers doubt he will — it could be weeks or months before 18-year-old Tony Limon learns whether the five-year prison term will stand.

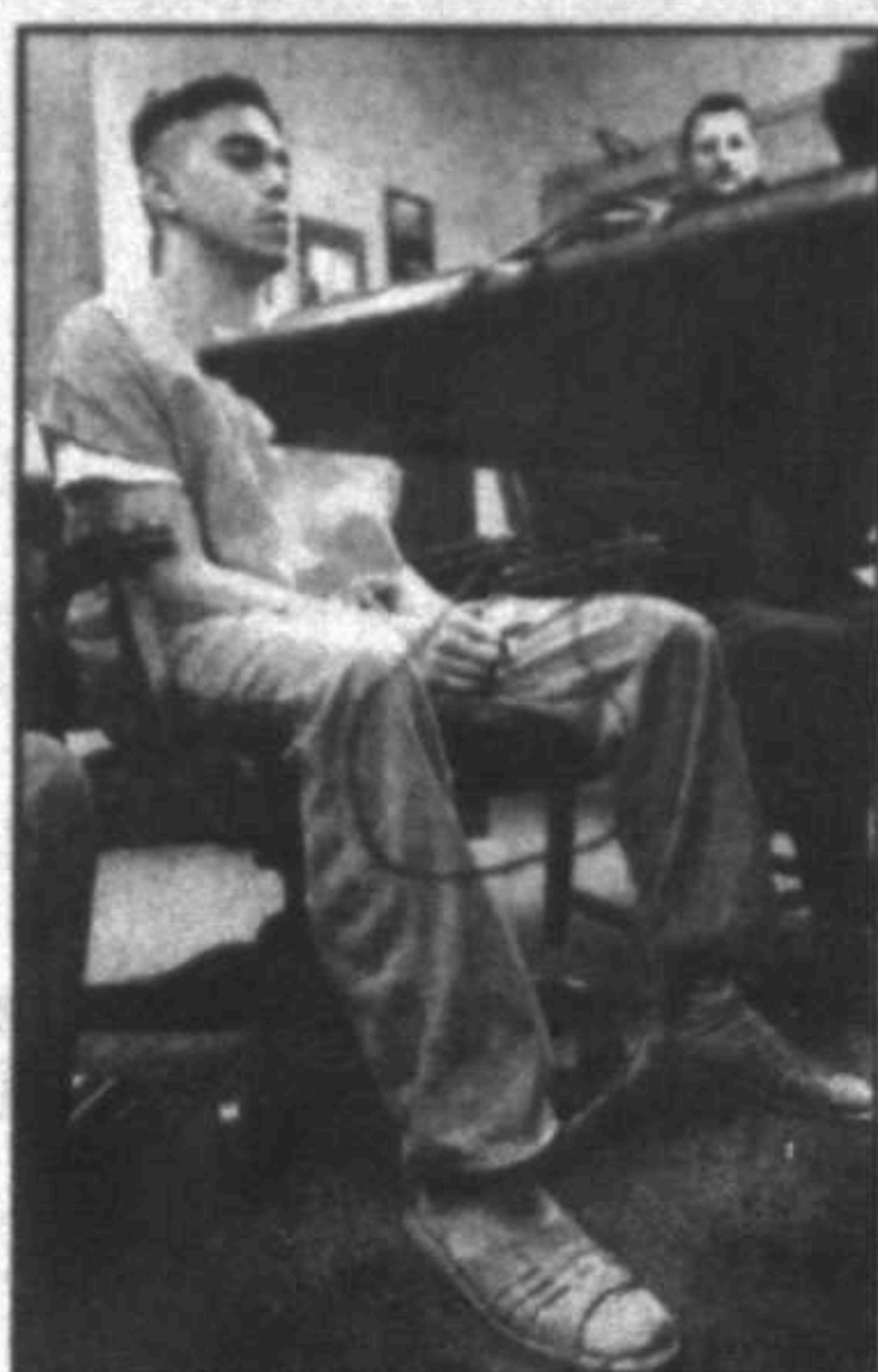
Limon's lawyers plan to ask Judge Mark Luitjen for "shock probation" after Limon has served more time. That means Limon would spend up to six months in jail, then go on probation.

They also plan to appeal to a higher court.

The aggravated assault charge stems from a January 1999 basketball game between South San Antonio and East Central High School.

As Limon and East Central player Brent Holmes were running on the court, Limon hit Holmes in the head with his forearm, knocking him down. Holmes suffered cuts, a broken nose and a concussion, requiring immediate hospital treatment and, ultimately, surgery.

Though Limon takes responsibility for his action and publicly has apologized, he did not intend to harm Holmes, said Carlos Uresti, one of Limon's attorneys.



AP Photo  
Tony Limon wearing jail garb and chains listens as his attorneys, Jack McGinnis and Carlos Uresti, answer questions during an interview March 1 at the Bexar County Jail, in San Antonio.

"Tony just used poor judgment, and, I guess, got frustrated. He had no idea he was going to break the kid's nose," Uresti said. A spectator captured the episode on videotape.

No foul was called for the hit, and Limon played the rest of the game, which South San Antonio lost. School officials later suspended Limon for the rest of the season.

That spring he graduated from South San Antonio High School, where his classmates voted him "Most Popular."

Last June, a Bexar County grand jury indicted Limon on an aggravated assault-serious bodily injury charge. He agreed to plead no contest to the charge in exchange for a sentence that could range from probation to six years in prison. Limon applied for and expected probation.

But at sentencing Feb. 7, Luitjen gave him five years behind bars, citing the fact that Limon was already on probation for an

attempted burglary. The judge has until Friday, 30 days after sentencing, to change his mind about the punishment.

At the Bexar County Jail last week, Limon — wearing an orange jail jumpsuit, handcuffs and leg shackles — told reporters that South San Antonio coach Gary Durbon approved of his hitting Holmes.

"He told me it's about time someone shed blood," Limon said.

Durbon disputes that statement. "I totally deny the accusation," Durbon said Thursday. He declined to say anything further without his lawyer's approval.

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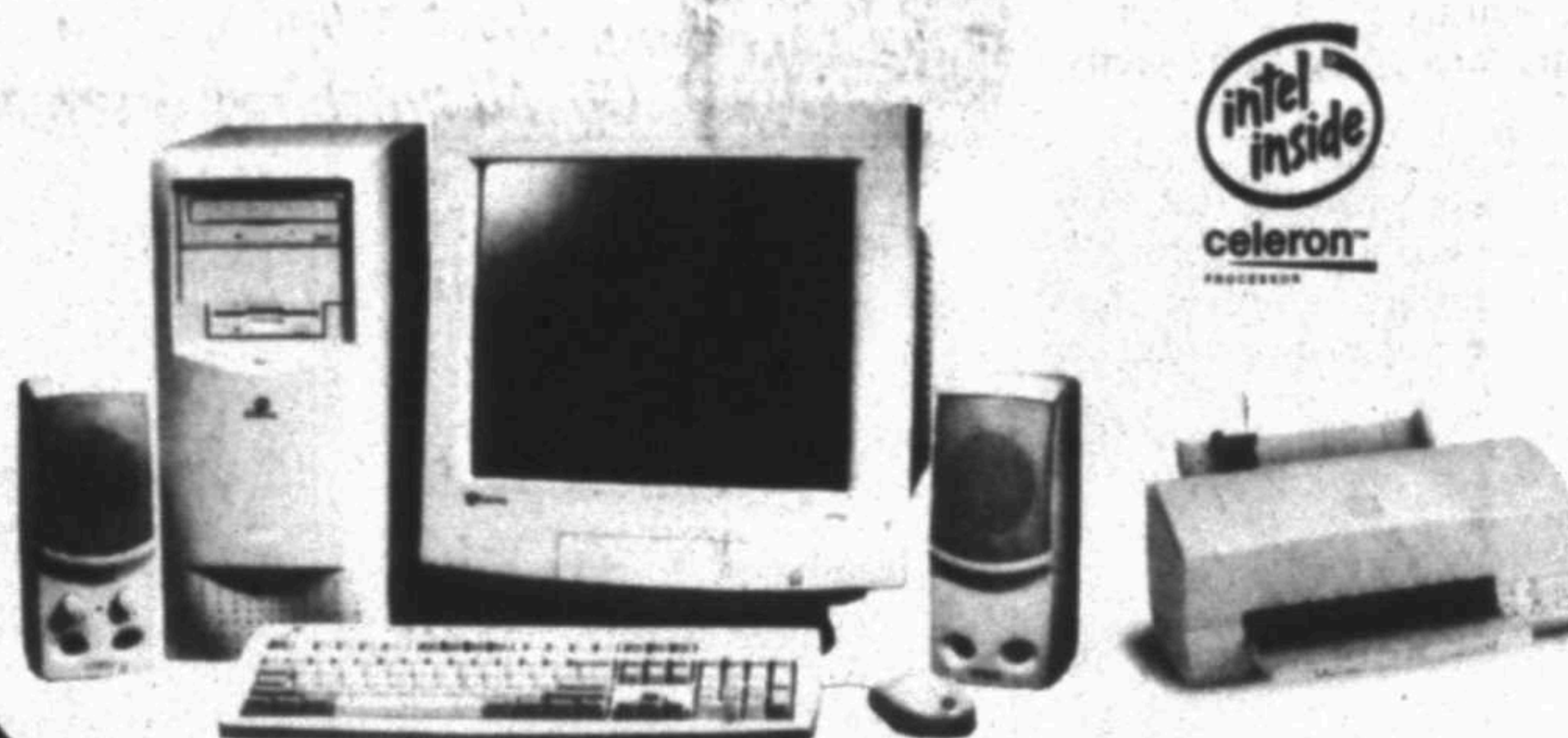
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## Dell, F

By Connie Mal  
Associated Press

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## Dell, Rather to appear at first high-tech awards

By Connie Mabin  
Associated Press

AUSTIN — It's an awards show with all the flash of a Hollywood event: big names, live music and a swank stage.

But with all the attitude of Austin: The red carpet will be rolled out for high-tech heavy hitters Friday as part of opening night festivities for the South by Southwest music, film and multimedia festival.

"This fits under the 'City of Ideas' umbrella, which is Austin's theme," said Gary Thompson, executive director of Texas Electronic Commerce Association, or Texas eComm.

"We thought, 'You know, what would be the intersection of e-commerce and business that would be kind of hip and thought wouldn't the first Friday of South by Southwest be fun?'"

The first-ever Texas eComm Ten Awards to recognize Texas' Internet pioneers is sponsored by Thompson's newly-formed high-tech trade group of the same name.

Dell Computer Corp. head honcho Michael Dell is scheduled to deliver the keynote speech and CBS anchor Dan Rather will host the event at the Four Seasons Hotel.

Other notables include Austin Mayor Kirk Watson and Vision Master CEO Andrew "Flip" Filipowski.

"It is to recognize the people behind e-commerce," Thompson said Thursday. "Other ones tend to be company focused, but we realized for as intricate as e-commerce is, we needed to have an event that anchors it, that realizes behind all of these Web sites and all of those businesses is all of those people."

Austin software company Vignette Corp. co-founder Neil Webber will pull double duty Friday night — he's scheduled to perform with his band, Monkey on the Bed.

The awards show is an example of what South by Southwest co-founder Roland Swenson calls the "convergence factor" and the festival's attempt to keep up with it.

"We felt that filmmaking, music and interactive technology were all kind of heading towards this merger where the difference between the film industry and the music industry and the interactive industry was going to be pretty hard to detect," Swenson said.

"We felt like that by launching those events when we did, that would position us in the future to kind of reflect whatever that occurrence was going to be," he said.

Though names won't be

**'We felt that filmmaking, music and interactive technology were all kind of heading towards this merger ...'**

— Roland Swenson, founder of South by Southwest

released until Friday night, Thompson said the first winners of the statewide award are a

precedent-setting symbol of Texas' burgeoning high-tech connection.

"You really see why Austin and Texas is sort of ground zero for the new economy. We're not trying to catch up with Silicon Valley. Austin and the state is redefining itself as the heart of the new economy," he said.

The 50-member and growing Texas Electronic Commerce Association began last year in Austin as a way for members to discuss the industry, develop public policy and offer resources to prospective businesses. The group expanded this year by adding

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South by Southwest, which began in 1986 as a way to link local musicians with industry professionals, starts Friday and runs through March 19. It features more than 800 bands, 150 film screenings, multimedia trade shows and educational panels.

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# U.S. helicopters deliver aid to Mozambican flood victims

BEIRA, Mozambique (AP) — After several days of waiting in neighboring South Africa for the go-ahead, U.S. helicopters touched down Thursday and began speedily delivering thousands of pounds of rice to hungry flood victims. But heavy rains kept aid from most of the country.

With aid agencies unable to reach scores of muddy, squalid makeshift camps in southern Mozambique, food could run out soon, said Lindsey Davies, spokeswoman for the World Food Program. More than a quarter-million people were jammed into camps there.

Thursday's daylight downpour "just made a bad situation worse," said Davies. Forecasters said the rains were expected to continue through Sunday.

The shipment by the U.S. Air Force of 15,000 pounds of rice and other aid went smoothly, and forces were able to deliv-

er sacks to villages along the hard-hit Save River valley in central Mozambique, where the sun was shining. U.S. aid had intended to focus on central Mozambique.

Continued rain was a nightmare outside of destitute Mozambique, as well. Aid agencies Thursday rushed food, medicine and blankets to more than 700,000 flood victims in the nearby Indian Ocean island of Madagascar. Flooding in recent weeks has killed 130 people.

The U.S. military's relief mission had stalled Wednesday in South Africa as commanders waited for a go-ahead from aid agencies over when and where to deliver aid. Air Force Col. Steve Eddy, head of air operations for the U.S. mission, said lingering problems were resolved in meetings with agency representatives late Wednesday and early Thursday.

Air Force troops and aid workers aboard the three U.S. Air Force Blackhawk helicopters that landed in the steamy, Mozambican port city of Beira witnessed firsthand the destruction wrought by two cyclones and nearly four weeks of constant rain that began in early February.

Up to a million Mozambicans were made homeless or lost their livelihood as the result of the floods. Aid agency officials expect the death toll to soar into the thousands.

"There was massive destruction — water still up to the rooftops, trees down, dead animals in the water," said Abby Spring, a WFP spokeswoman who was aboard one of the helicopters.

Soldiers from other countries already transporting aid were unimpressed by the launch of the U.S. military's relief effort.

"The Hollywood show is here," said one German military pilot as the commander of the U.S. relief mission, Air Force Maj. Gen. Joseph Wehrle, arrived in Beira aboard a specially equipped C-130 cargo plane. Greeting him were 30 journalists and a wall of television cameras.

Several U.S. airmen said they understood that the troops already in place might resent the high-profile arrival of the American forces.

"I understand where they're coming from," said Staff Sgt. T.P. Smith, of Pomeroy, Ohio. "They've been busting their rears. But it's the luck of the draw."

Smith said his 41st Rescue Squadron had postponed its return home to Moody Air Force Base in Georgia after serving for two months in Turkey to participate in the relief mission, dubbed "Operation Atlas Reponse."

Soon after the Americans arrived in Beira Thursday Mozambican Prime Minister Pascoal Mocumbi flew in and reassured the helicopter crews they had arrived in time.

"We need aircraft because there are still lives to be saved," Mocumbi said. "If there is one life to be saved, you're never late."

Still, Mocumbi said he took pride that during the most critical phase of the flooding, nearby African states had borne the bulk of the aid operation.

South African helicopters plucked more than 14,000 Mozambicans to safety from the floodwaters while Malawi, one of the world's poorest countries, rescued another 1,100. The tiny kingdom of Lesotho flew in aid supplies.

## Russian jet crash kills nine, raises fears of terrorism

MOSCOW (AP) — Investigators examined the data recorders of a wrecked passenger jet Thursday for clues to a crash that killed all nine people aboard, including a prominent journalist and a top oil executive.

The Thursday morning crash of the private Yak-40 jet at Moscow's Sheremetyevo airport dominated Russian television news programs. The extensive coverage included speculation that the crash was a terrorist act.

The capital's nerves have been on edge since apartment bombings blamed on Chechen rebels killed some 300 people in Moscow and two other Russian cities last fall.

One of the crash victims, oil executive Ziya Bazhayev, was a Chechen. Bazhayev had been pressured by Chechen separatists to help finance their war and he "was often threatened," Alexander Zdanovich, a spokesman for the Federal Security Service, told the RTR television channel.

But officials said no evidence of foul play had surfaced. RTR cited airport officials as rejecting the possibility that the crash was a terrorist act.

The plane veered sharply to the left after taking off and then crashed from a height of about 150 feet. It was carrying five crew members and four passengers, including well-known Moscow journalist Artyom Borovik, the Emergency Situations Ministry said.

The plane was headed for Kiev, the capital of Ukraine. Borovik was en route there to work on a story about a Ukrainian plant that reportedly is being taken over by a Russian financial group, the ITAR-Tass news agency said, citing a source in Borovik's publishing company, Top Secret.

The company publishes a newspaper by that name that includes investigative reports. It also produced a television program.

Along with his work in Russia, Borovik was widely recognized overseas. He was a special correspondent and interpreter in Moscow for CBS' "60 Minutes" news program. He began his career as a war correspondent in Afghanistan, and in 1992 he became the first Russian journalist to win the U.S.-based Overseas Press Club's prestigious Edward R. Murrow Award.

Journalists who worked for Borovik's newspaper promised Thursday to conduct an independent investigation into the crash, NTV television reported.

The Yak-40 is a medium-range Soviet-era aircraft that carries 20 to 30 people. Police said the aircraft's flight data recorder had been recovered and was being examined, the ITAR-Tass news agency reported.

So far, investigators are studying "technical aspects of the tragedy," the news agency said.

The jet was not equipped with a cockpit voice recorder, NTV reported. It had been in operation for 24 years and was to be taken out of service next year, the news agency Interfax reported.

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## Putin dominates presidential race with 'non-campaign'

IVANOVO, Russia (AP) — For a candidate who insists he's too busy being president to campaign, Vladimir Putin is spending a lot of time on the road, running one of the slickest election campaigns Russians have ever seen.

Crisscrossing the vast country on trips described as official business, the acting president has reached out to interest groups, building support for the March 26 presidential election — and giving himself an apparently unbeatable lead.

"People in the executive must prove their worth by their concrete deeds, not advertising," Putin told reporters, insisting that he was not campaigning on a visit this week to Ivanovo.

It seems to be working with Russia's disillusioned voters, who are tired of empty promises after a decade of democracy following the Soviet collapse. Putin's image as a tough leader who can get things done goes down well with voters, even though he rarely offers specific policies.

"He's a master of his word, who doesn't give empty promises," said Lyuba Belova, 34, a worker at the New Ivanovo weaving plant, which Putin visited. "So what if he's a former KGB man? That means he's a well-disciplined person, and discipline is

what our country needs most of all."

Putin's 11 rivals seem almost invisible. The acting president has the support of about 60 percent of voters, with Communist leader Gennady Zyuganov in second place with 20 percent, opinion polls say.

Apart from the daily TV accounts of Putin's activities as president and his trips to the provinces, there are few signs that Russia is less than three weeks from a critical election. Putin has not accepted Zyuganov's challenge to debate him and issues have barely surfaced.

Unlike the 1996 election, when Boris Yeltsin defeated Zyuganov by dwelling on fears of a Communist comeback, few people take the Communists seriously anymore. Yeltsin resigned Dec. 31 and named Putin acting president, giving him a big edge at winning a full four-year term.

"Only elderly people nostalgic of the old times will vote for Zyuganov," said Yelena Rusova, another worker at the weaving plant.

The candidates' platforms are vague, with Putin and his rivals all pledging to ensure economic growth, improve miserable living standards, combat corruption and crime, and restore Russia as a great power.

Zyuganov talks about rolling back market reforms and reviving Soviet-era economic controls. Putin says he will go on with market reform, while boosting state economic oversight to ensure everyone gets a fair break.

"The choice isn't between Putin and Zyuganov. It's a question of to be or not to be for Russia," the Communist chief said recently, adding that Putin's program "is murderous for Russia."

A group of economic experts, including reformers, has been working out an economic program for Putin, but it's not clear when it will be unveiled.

"I think that it would be offered to the public even before the election," Putin said on a recent trip, then quickly added: "Surely, before the election."

Putin has focused on reaching out to the country's various interest groups, such as local government officials, farm workers and factory crews, showing interest in the problems each segment faces.

In Ivanovo, a major textile center 190 miles east of Moscow, Putin was targeting two groups at once — industrial workers and women. So many women work in the city that it is known as "The City of Brides."

The visit coincided with International Women's Day on Wednesday — a national holiday

when women traditionally receive gifts and flowers. Putin spoke about reviving the textile industry, then complimented his mostly female audience.

"The official purpose of this trip is to attend an official meeting dedicated to prospects of light industries, but the real reason is to visit Ivanovo ... the women's capital — on the eve of March 8," he said Tuesday as the hall burst into applause. "We owe everything to women."

But Putin prefers to address big official gatherings and rarely seems comfortable chatting with people, rarely going out to press the flesh. Not that the voters seem to mind.

"He has a lot of work to do, he has no time to lose," Belova said as Putin rushed through her workshop without stopping to talk to any of the admiring workers.

Ed Todd

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## NATO head denies spy leaked Kosovo plans

ANKARA, Turkey (AP) — NATO Secretary-General Lord Robertson on Thursday denied reports that a spy within NATO headquarters passed information to Serbia on planned air strikes during last year's Kosovo campaign.

"We have no knowledge and no evidence that the air tasking order was ever leaked to the Serbs," Robertson told reporters.

The British Broadcasting Corp. released details Thursday of a documentary alleging that a mole supplied information on the allies' strike plans and flight paths in the first two weeks of the air campaign, allowing Serbs to move troops and equipment away

from intended NATO targets.

NATO launched its 78-day bombing campaign of Yugoslavia in March 1999 to force President Slobodan Milosevic to halt his crackdown against ethnic Albanians in the southern province of Kosovo.

Serb forces shot down a U.S. stealth bomber during the conflict.

The BBC program, "Moral Combat: NATO at War," claims that an internal classified report prepared for senior U.S. defense officials concluded that the Serbs had information on air raids and reconnaissance flights. The program is to be broadcast Sunday.

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## Decision now tests voters on Bush, Gore

The bevy of Republican and Democratic candidates seeking their party's nomination for president has now been reduced to two — Texas Gov. George W. Bush, the GOP hopeful, and Vice President Al Gore, who will carry the Democratic banner.

But that doesn't diminish the importance of Tuesday's Texas primaries or the other primaries still to be held. In fact, if anything, those elections may be even more important now because the candidates are competing for a smaller pool of undecided voters.

Over the next few weeks, Bush and Gore will be competing, essentially, for the middle ground: the independent voters that will determine the outcome of this year's presidential election.

Interestingly, while some of those independents see Bush as too conservative for their political tastes, others find Gore too liberal for theirs. Attracting those voters is critical to both campaigns, although most analysts believe that it will be a tougher sell for Bush than for Gore.

At this point in the campaign, voters need to determine the difference between the candidates. One of the important issues remaining is campaign finance reform and getting the facts about how each candidate proposes to deal with reform will be crucial to deciding who to cast a vote for.

But finance reform isn't the only issue in this presidential race and as the year progresses other issues may arise to better define the difference between Gore and Bush. One of the most important issues is always money — where the candidates stand on federal spending and taxation. But other top concerns involve Social Security, environmental laws and military spending.

This election is far from over. The Texas primary next week won't end it. Voters need to begin determining which candidate is really addressing their gut concerns.

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## TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Friday, March 10, the 70th day of 2000. There are 296 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On March 10, 1876, the first successful voice transmission over Alexander Graham Bell's telephone took place in Boston as his assistant heard Bell say, "Mr. Watson, come here. I want you."

On this date:

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

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

In 1949, Nazi wartime broadcaster Mildred E. Gillars, also known as "Axis Sally," was convicted in Washington D.C. of treason. (She served 12 years in prison and died in 1988.)

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

In 1969, James Earl Ray pleaded guilty in Memphis, Tenn., to the assassination of Martin Luther King Jr. (Ray later repudiated that plea, maintaining his innocence in prison before being released in January 1993.)

Five years ago: Former Mexican President Carlos Salinas de Gortari fled to the United States.

One year ago: During a visit to Guatemala, President Clinton acknowledged the U.S. role in Central America's "dark and painful period" of civil wars and repression.

## WILLIAM MURCHISON

## What's wrong with liking the Religious Right?

The senior senator from Arizona made some good points in his now-famous Virginia Beach speech: the futility of attempts "to build a wall around our party," and the value of "the fight against pornography, cultural decline, and for life."

So why did John McCain disfigure his remarks with an attack on Pat Robertson and Jerry Falwell, then press the attack still harder next day? Because he wanted votes? Well, yes, there's always that.

But the implication here is that votes are to be had by beating up on some mythic "religious right" that stands ready to strip Americans of their liberties.

There are indeed Americans who believe so. Many others doubt it. We've got a problem here that goes beyond whether John McCain or George Bush snags the GOP presidential nomination; beyond, for that matter, whether Bob Jones U., site of the George Bush speech that provoked the McCain speech, allows interracial dating and disses the Pope.

Once more, hardly for the first time in our comparatively brief national history, we are tackling "transcendent questions," the kind of questions you can't resolve in a voting booth.

Once more, as when Julia Ward Howe tied Jesus Christ and the Union armies together in one neat ideological package ("The Battle Hymn of the Republic"), we are in for the long haul.

Slavery and race are transcendent questions; likewise, to borrow Sen. McCain's formulation,



Murchison

are pornography, cultural decline, and life.

One canard needs knocking in the head before we proceed, that J. Falwell and P. Robertson are the dark generalissimos behind a misbegotten attempt to impose Southern Baptist values on secular life. Ah, not exactly.

What, come to think of it, has poor old Jerry Falwell done lately to get his name in the papers, besides sit through John McCain's bombardment?

As for Robertson, you might think political activism were as much his own right as it is, er, hmmm, Jesse Jackson's right.

The Rev. Jesse can rise up in the name of the Lord and the Democratic Party, and never a word of reproach is uttered by those who cheer Sen. McCain's assaults on Robertson.

Up in New York last Sunday, the noted senatorial candidate, Hillary Rodham Clinton, delivered what the New York Times called "a political address from the pulpit" of the Riverside Church, on crime and race.

Did liberal voices strain with anguish over such a breach of church-state separation? No voice that has penetrated my own ear.

The difference here is worth noting. Race questions, such as the ones Rev. Jesse specializes in and would-be Sen. Clinton exploits, are questions of citizenship: non-arguable and off the table for discussion purposes.

Not so those questions with which the "religious right" wears us, questions of "lifestyle." Citizenship, as liberals tend to see it, puts "lifestyle" questions to the side.

They become no-consequence, none-of-your-business questions that don't bear talking about in political arenas.

The whole point the "religious right" wants

to make is that, yes, these questions do bear talking about, because they affect the quality of the life we lead together.

For that matter, they affect life itself: e.g., when may the state intervene to protect unborn babies?

To let a Bible-walloping Jesse Jackson define "civil rights" for everybody else, and simultaneously disparage attempts (such as Jackson once endorsed) to restrict abortion, it makes no sense.

Wait: It makes a kind of sense. If what you seek is political victory, and you see the chance to embarrass or shut up your political opponents, go ahead.

This is where we have been since, approximately, the moment Jerry Falwell first showed his face outside Lynchburg, VA.

Are the religiously right always right? No more so than other, in suitably religious terms, fallen human beings. Haven't they the right, even so, to put their case without being branded threats to 1) the Republican Party, 2) the nation, and 3) peace on Earth? You might think so.

Bad news, my fellow Americans: We're never going to resolve all these questions. That means continued headaches for politicians.

Good news, at the same time: Democracy provides means of accommodation and reconciliation, provided we listen to others rather than ransack Webster's for names our opponents haven't yet been called.

Our "conservative reformer," John McCain, should know all this. If he does, he isn't showing it. Sigh.

William Murchison's column is distributed by Creators Syndicate, Inc.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Newspaper's coverage should be unbiased, fair

Bobby Burns has been trustworthy, professionally and personally. As elder, he handled church conflict with honor and forbearance.

As mayor, he tries to build bridges and heal conflicts. He turns the other cheek and admits mistakes.

He is a man of honor and integrity, a man who would never lie or intentionally deceive.

Consider, please, the role of our newspaper in recent local controversies.

For years, the Midland Reporter-Telegram was criticized as agent for the chamber and city government. News that would make Midland look bad was omitted.

Recent reporting is aggressively investigative with the public's right-to-know the stated goal. Good, the newspaper should be our "watchdog."

But, readers, beware — writer bias and slant. Printing doesn't establish truth; don't make assumptions based on mere possibilities.

Good reporting reveals facts and presents both sides fairly, without bias.

Reporter Ian Heald inserts suspicions that should be posed to parties involved instead of readers.

In an article reporting stadium costs, Heald paired the new estimates with the off-site costs which caused misunderstanding and much

outrage.

Reporters are to report news, not create it.

Some Midlanders react to newspaper "revelations" like crowds who honored Jesus as a king only to cry "Crucify!" one week later.

While council members are not sinless like Christ, they don't deserve being tarred as deliberate deceivers and liars.

Burns apologized for the council's mistake in presenting the costs of the sports complex, a failure to clarify costs beyond those to be paid with sales tax.

Apparently, the figures were available since some leaders who had access to all the cost estimates have admitted that they failed to read them.

Midlanders should be more forgiving of mistakes and failures and insist on proof not just suspicions.

Perhaps a forgiving, cooperative attitude would facilitate solving other dilemmas, such as school boundaries.

Don't be led by pipers spilling suspicions into the air.

Let's spend our efforts to find ways to work together. Together we can accomplish wonders; divided we will surely fail.

Mina Fitting

## Painter helps comfort Survivors of Homicide

I would like to thank Sheriff Gary Painter for all of his hard work and

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He has been there to write letters to keep the murderers behind bars.

And by giving a helping hand wherever it was needed. I thank him again for all his support, and dedication to the Survivors of Homicide group.

Elishia Garvin  
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## Van Stavern should be county commissioner

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## Senior citizens can't support Sports Complex

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 Leon Freeman

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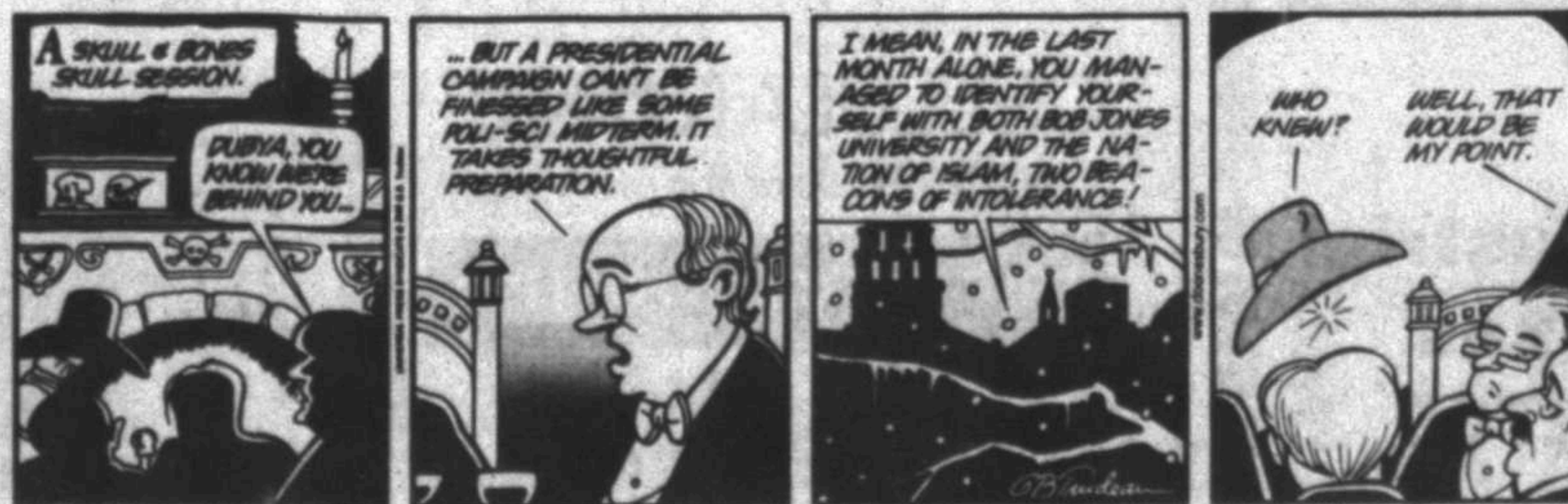
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# House ties \$1 minimum wage boost to \$122 billion tax cut

WASHINGTON (AP) — Overcoming resistance from Republican conservatives but not President Clinton, the House debated legislation Thursday that combines a \$1 boost in the minimum wage with a \$122 billion tax cut intended to soften the wage increase's impact on employers.

Republicans staged the twin votes to prevent Democrats from pushing through their own minimum wage increase, which has strong support from Northeastern Republican moderates who want to defuse it as a campaign issue in the November elections.

"The question is whether we take a thoughtful approach and a balanced approach, or whether we have an ill-conceived bill foisted upon us," said Rep. Rick Lazio, R-N.Y., a main sponsor of the GOP bill. The House planned votes later Thursday on legislation that would increase the \$5.15-an-hour minimum wage by \$1 over two years, or possibly a three-year increase like that in a Senate-passed bill. Votes also were set on the tax legislation, two-thirds of which consists of cuts in estate taxes.

Even if the bill meets Clinton's wish for a two-year wage boost, the president repeated Thursday he would veto the measure if it included large tax cuts. Clinton contends the tax relief disproportionately benefits the wealthy and would consume a chunk of the projected budget surplus that could be used to shore up Social Security and Medicare.

"Once again, the Republican leadership has derailed what should be a simple vote on the minimum wage with a maximum of political maneuvering," Clinton said. "Congress should send me a bill I can sign, not one I have to veto."

Republicans, however, contended the tax package would offset the costs to business of raising the

minimum wage, which many in the GOP view as a job-killer and hindrance to new investment or expansion.

"Our point is simply, let's find some tax relief to cushion the blow," said Rep. Rob Portman, R-Ohio.

Much of the debate centered on the estate tax cuts. Costing \$78.6 billion over 10 years, they were portrayed by Democrats as a giveaway primarily for people with incomes over \$319,000 a year. Democrats were prevented from offering their own, smaller tax package for small business.

"We're not fighting any tax relief. We're fighting for the right kind of tax relief," said Rep. Sander Levin, D-Mich.

GOP sponsors said current estate taxes actually prevent small businesses and family farms from being passed down to heirs and require costly tax

planning simply to ease the impact.

"The real issue is, who are the heirs?" said House Ways and Means Committee Chairman Bill Archer, R-Texas. The tax cut, he added, "is not going to benefit the people who died."

The tax package also would gradually boost 401(k) contribution limits and make other pension changes; make health insurance premiums fully tax deductible for the self-employed sooner than under current law; increase the amount of business meals that can be deducted; and enact other tax breaks for small business.

The floor debate came after two days of intense negotiations between GOP leaders and Republican conservatives who threatened to delay the bill over their desire to allow states to choose whether to implement the wage increase. The measure had already been delayed once from last fall.

## Researchers find way to predict solar disturbances

WASHINGTON (AP) — Solar waves that interfere with satellite transmissions — and were blamed for a power blackout in Canada in 1989 — have long eluded timely detection by scientists. Now, researchers have found telltale ripples from the sun that enable them to predict these disturbances weeks in advance.

Solar physicists analyzing data from the Solar and Heliospheric Observatory (SOHO) said measuring the speed of waves moving through the great gas ball of the sun lets them detect disturbances that start on the far side and then rotate into view.

"This gives a week to two weeks warning," said Douglas Braun, a solar physicist and co-author of a study appearing Friday in the journal *Science*. "Such a prediction could be important because it would give time to warn the crew of a manned mission to Mars, or astronauts working outside the International Space Station."

Powerful bursts of electromagnetic energy and particle radiation can erupt from the sun and send waves toward the Earth. The eruptions can disrupt radio communication and cause surges in electrical power transmissions systems on Earth. Some blackouts have occurred in the past. Unusually large solar flares were believed responsible for a huge blackout in March 1989 that left almost 6 million people in Quebec without heat or electricity.

These energy waves also pose a particular hazard to satellites, to spacewalking astronauts and, perhaps one day, to the crew of spacecraft en route to Mars.

Braun, a researcher with Northwest Research Associates in Boulder, Colo., said that right now, space weather predictions must wait until satellites detect the distinctive markings on the face of the sun that precede an eruption. These markings first appeared on the far side of the sun, but could not be seen. Having to wait until the active region is in view means there could be only a day or two of warning, he said.

With the new technique discovered by Braun and Charles Lindsey, a scientist with Solar Physics Research Corp. of Tucson, Ariz., it may be possible to forecast a solar up to two weeks in advance.

Braun said the SOHO satellite detects waves caused by acoustic pulses racing through the superheated plasma of the sun. He and Lindsey found that some of these waves had a pattern suggesting they were affected by disturbances on the far side of the sun.

"These waves are coming from all over the place," Braun said. "The trick is pick out the ones that have gone all the way to the other side and then bounced back."

"Measuring this travel time indicates if there is an active region on the other side," he said.

Because the sun rotates every 27 days, it could be weeks before a disturbance on the far side rotates into view and becomes a threat to Earth, he said.

The researchers, checking archived data from SOHO, found what could be the signature of waves affected by disturbances and then related this pattern to later views that showed active regions on the front face of the sun. Braun said the timing matched, proving that the ripple pattern they found on the near side was caused by activity on the far side.

Braun said the ripples seen on this side of the sun are caused by sound waves that flash through the center of the sun. Since the sun is, in effect, a dense and torrid ball of gas, he said, "it is a perfect medium for sound waves."

When the sound waves pulse through the sun, they create a visible motion in the plasma seen on this side of the sun. It is this visible motion that the researchers interpret, said Braun.

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## Authorities seeking motive for rampage that left four dead

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — Memphis was a city in mourning Thursday — flags were at half-staff, bouquets of flowers were placed on fire hall steps, and firefighters and law officers wore black bands across their badges.

All were in memory of two firefighters and a sheriff's deputy who were slain Wednesday — allegedly by one of their comrades, firefighter Fred Williams — in a rampage that has angered and saddened this Mississippi River city.

"It's just so shocking," said Pam McFarlin, who took food to firefighters at Fire Station No. 55 and brought a bouquet of flowers to the home where the men were shot. "We all just feel so bad."

Williams, 41, ambushed the firefighters as they arrived to fight a blaze at his home, authorities said. Williams' wife, Stacey, was found shot to death in the garage.

Investigators said they were still looking for a motive. They were trying to determine whether Williams set the fire to lure firefighters to the home, or to cover up his wife's death. It was also unclear whether Williams made the 911 call to report the fire, Police Director Walter Crews said.

Williams, a six-year veteran of the Fire Department, was shot in the groin by a police officer when he refused to put down his weapon, authorities said. Williams was under police guard at a hospital in critical condition. Authorities plan to charge him Friday but did not give specifics.

Witnesses said that when firefighters arrived at the burning home, Williams ran out of the garage firing a shotgun and screaming, "Get away! Get away!"

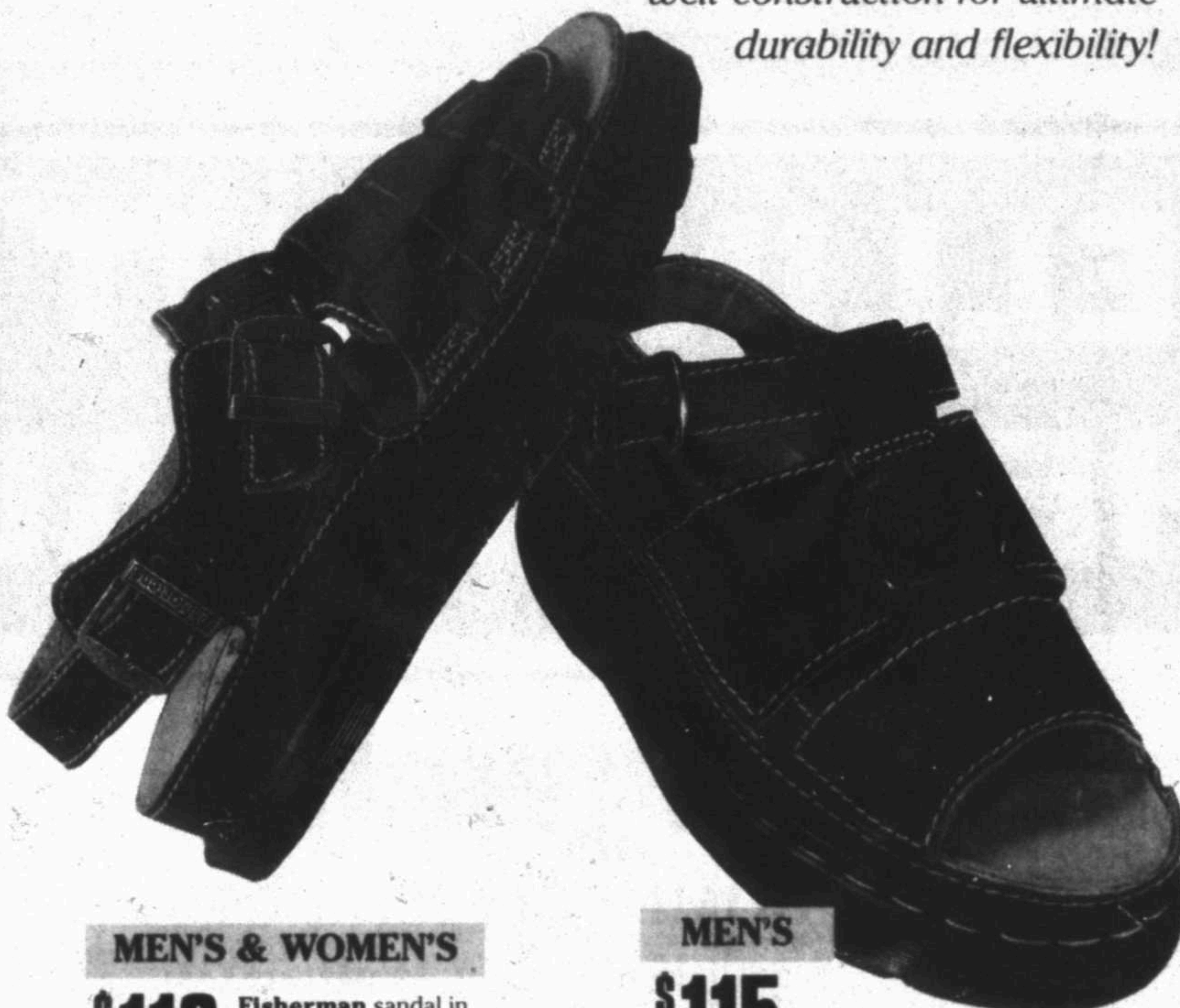
Killed were firefighter Lt. Javier Lerma, 41, the son of a Memphis firefighter who died battling a blaze in 1977, and Pvt. William Blakemore, 48, a firefighter who was working for a sick colleague, possibly Williams, Crews said.

Williams did not work at the same station as the men who were killed, but they probably knew each other. Firefighters often cover shifts of sick comrades at other stations, Fire Chief H.J. Pickett said.



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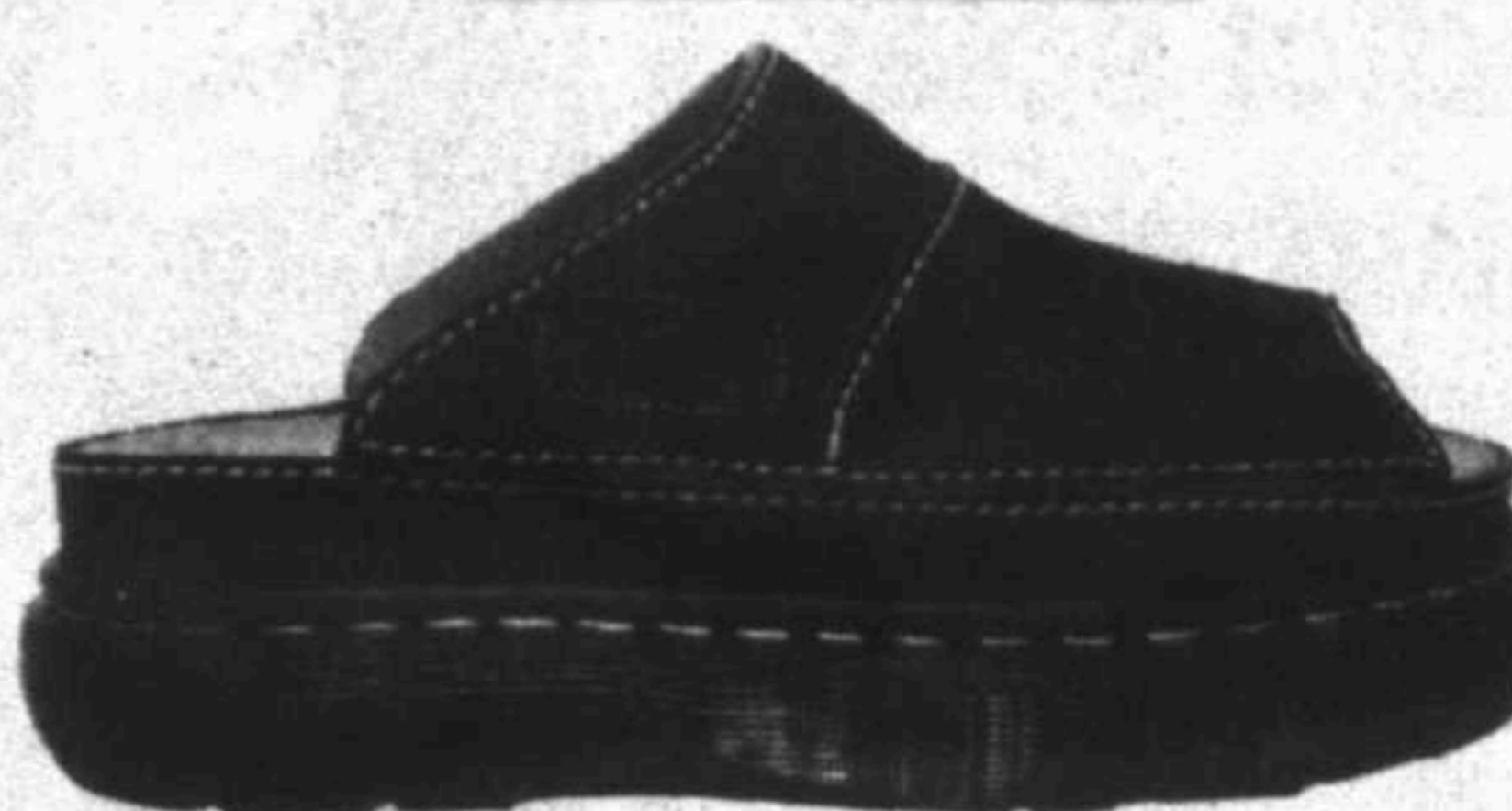
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## Winning Oscar memories

Midlanders recall  
some of their  
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By Georgia Temple

As Hollywood prepares for the 72nd annual Academy Awards, ABC promises to deliver a livelier pre-show than last year. The network has the exclusive right to air live-arrivals coverage in the half hour before the ceremony. Plans are to have three hosts rather than one covering the red carpet outside the Shrine Auditorium.

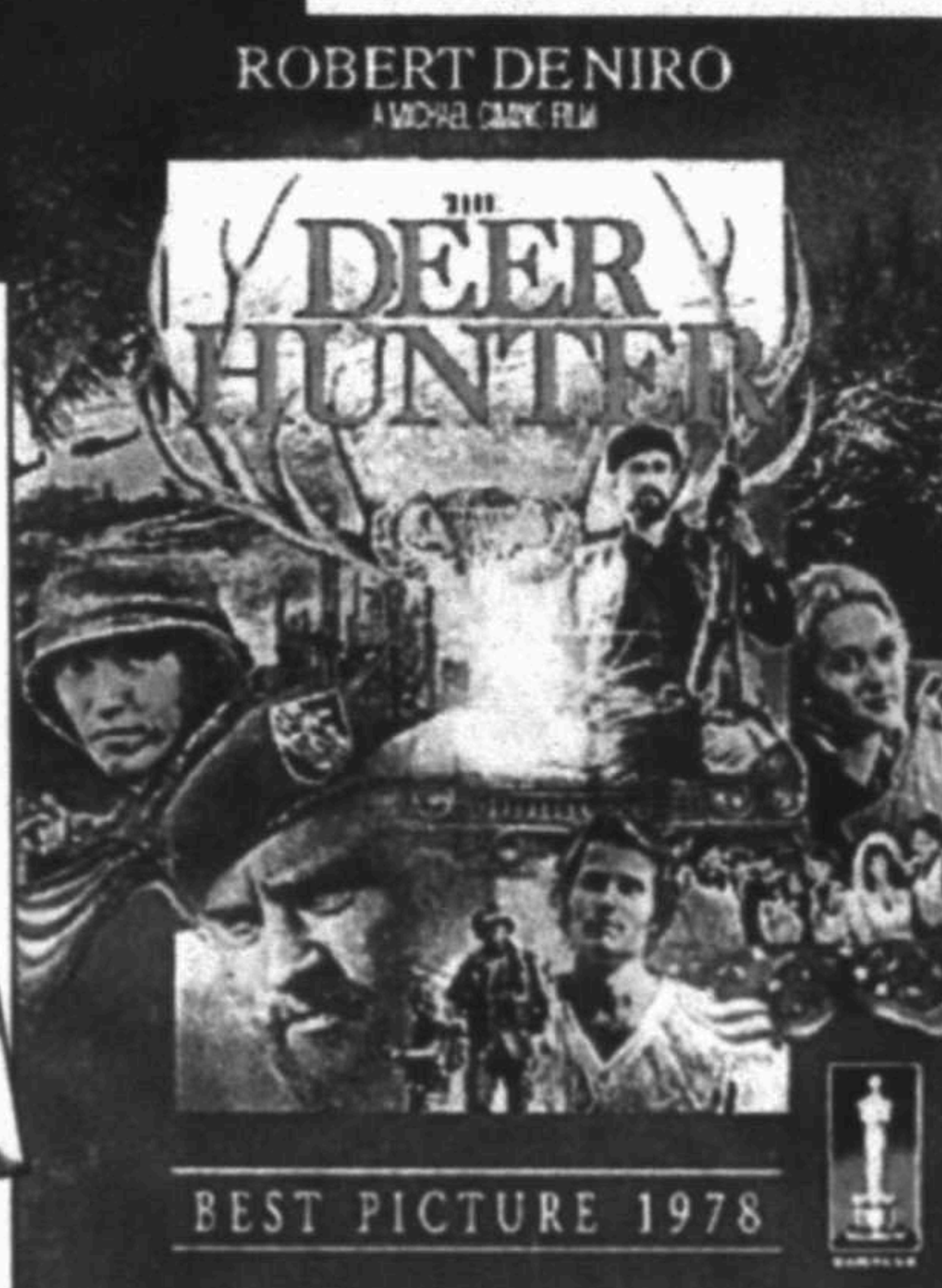
"I think the feeling has been that they wanted it to be more red-carpet oriented," ABC spokesman Dan Doran recently told The Los Angeles Daily News. "There will be pre-taped packages — you can't help that. The idea is to make it very fast-paced, and it will be a seamless transfer right into the regular show."

The red carpet marks nominees' path to an acceptance speech or polite applause for one of the other four contenders in their category.

"I think it's an honor just to be nominated — that's what everyone says," said Midlander J'Nevelyn White, pointing out that being nominated means "they already beat out everyone else" who didn't receive a nod from the Academy. "You get to get all dressed up. Where else could you wear an \$8,000 dress?"

Maybe a presidential inauguration? which appears to be another story that Midlanders may be commenting on in the near future. As for the desire to receive a nod

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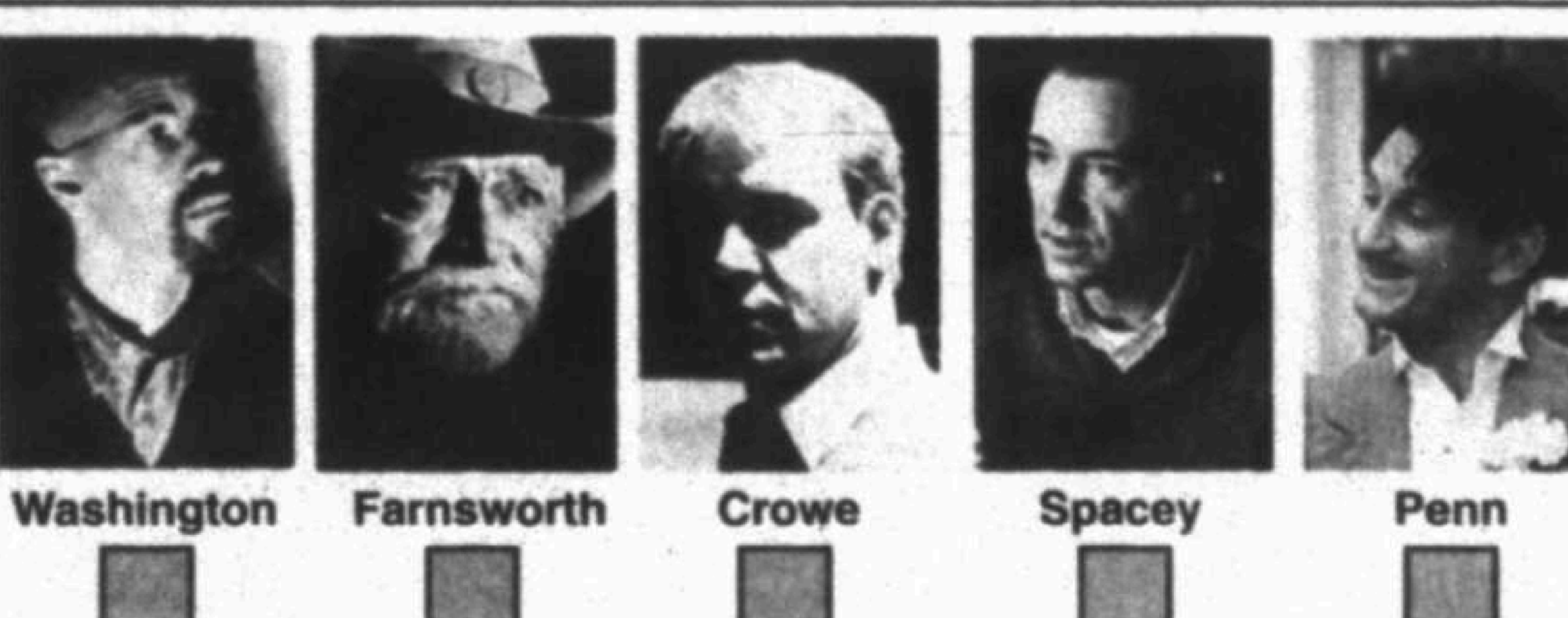


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# MEMORIES: Midlanders think it's honor to be nominated

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from the Academy, most Midlanders agreed that actors and actresses desire such an accolade, and said if they were in the business, they would also.

"I'd want to be nominated because it'd give me recognition that I was a good actor and I was doing a good job," Mike Recknagel said. "And the more times nominated, the closer you are to winning one. Sooner or later you're going to win, and that's going to better your career. No doubt about it, that's a prestigious award."

"I think they all do whether they admit it or not," Henry Drew said. "I remember George C. Scott never went to them or something, but he's doing commercials now."

"There is certainly honor in being recognized by one's peers and since the awards exist, why decline the honor?" asked Odessa Tom Laney. "I can't think of a reason to snub the Academy as some have done. I don't think I would be in the business for the recognition, but at the same time, if one's peers choose to recognize your work, I think it's gracious to accept."

"I would be shocked that anybody would not want to be nominated for something that prestigious that would draw that much attention," said Midlander Bill Chandler.

Ashley Chandler, who is 10, said being nominated is important "because you can be famous."

"Just a nod in itself is enough and a win would be phenomenal," said Midlander Stephen Bitolas. "I love the awards show, the environment that it portrays. I plan on watching the show. I enjoy the show tremendously."

Drew suggested that the nominations and awards are not always about who has done the best job.

"A lot of that is insider stuff, and these big wheels just patting each other on the back,"

## Cast your vote for chance to win movie passes

by Georgia Temple

Hollywood catches its breath on March 26 when the Academy Awards for outstanding film achievements of 1999 are presented at the Los Angeles Shrine Auditorium. During the months before the 72nd annual awards, those in the industry are working to maneuver their nominee into the most favorable light with the Academy voters.

This week, in keeping with this decades-old tradition, DreamWorks ensured that voters have access to "American Beauty" by sending copies of Allan Ball's script to all Academy members after he received the Writers Guild of America's top honor on Sunday.

Stolen ballots delayed this year's mailing to the voters. The Academy has advised that "stuffing the ballot box" is impossible, and ballots have been reissued with new numbers.

The machinations of players in the world of the Academy Awards seem far removed from local interests. Indeed, the

awards themselves perhaps have little impact here. However, the Midland Reporter-Telegram-Wallace Hollywood Theaters "Pick the Winners" contest, brings the two worlds more closer together.

Deadline for the contest is 5 p.m. March 17 (see ballot on 1B). To enter check one entry in each category, fill out the vital statistics and make sure the ballot is received on time. Many Midland moviegoers have not seen some of the films because they have not come to this market. Fill in the category anyway by doing what students have long done in multiple-choice exams — guess.

The contest is not affiliated with or endorsed by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences. The winner will not receive a trophy.

Instead, the "Pick the Winners" contest rewards the winner with a season's worth of passes to any Wallace Hollywood Theaters.

You could be that winner.

Drew said. "It's not always about the best movie. It's being in the loop."

In speaking of the Academy Awards, several of those interviewed recalled specific winners from years past.

"My favorite was 'Chariots of Fire,'" Ms. White said of the film that received the Academy Award for best picture in 1981.

"I was so happy that won because it was up against 'Raiders of the Lost Ark.'"

"Jack Nicholson in 'One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest,'" said Recknagel. "That's one of my favorite movies. And 'Rain Man.' That was a good movie, excellent."

"One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" received the Academy Award for best picture in 1975 and Nicholson received the award for best actor for his role in that movie. "Rain Man" received the award for best picture in 1988.

"I really did enjoy 'Good

Will Hunting,'" said Bitolas. "It received best screen play (1997), but for it to have received best picture would have been wonderful, for me, at least. I enjoyed it all the way around. I thought it was exceptional."

"Forrest Gump (best picture, 1994)," I liked that movie," said Drew. "From time to time I'll watch that because I liked it so much. I've seen it about three or four times."

Drew also praised "Midnight Cowboy (1969)," "Schindler's List (1993)" and "Braveheart (1995)." All three received Academy Awards for best picture.

Of "Titanic," the 1997 recipient for best picture, Drew said, "They spent so much money making it that it was a good movie, but I don't think that was the best movie that year. The acting and stuff was childish in parts."

"I did hear a funny story on

a (radio) talk show. Some girl from Odessa was asked if she could have any fantasy, if she could make any dream come true, what would she wish for. She thought for a minute and said, 'I would like to see 'Titanic' again.'

"And I was thinking that was probably some of the people that thought it was the best movie of the year. I mean she must have thought so, but if that's your best fantasy that you can come up with, I mean after you take that girl to dinner, you're done talking."

Odessa Judy Laney remembered Roberto Benigni's exuberant manner when he received the award for best actor in 1999 for the 1998 film "Life is Beautiful."

"His jubilation standing up on the arms of the chairs," Mrs. Laney said. "It was exciting to see someone thrilled to death where it really seemed like it meant something to him,

and it wasn't a show that he was putting on. And that was a wonderful movie."

Laney recalled his reaction to "The Deer Hunter," which won the 1978 Academy Award for Best Picture. "It's a movie that, to me, produces a visceral reaction. I was stunned and physically nearly paralyzed for a few minutes at the end of that movie, it packed such a shock and punch."

"That's exactly the type of reaction that 'American Beauty' brings to mind. There are some totally unexpected and shocking things in that movie that many will object to, but the similarity for me is the emotional punch that can't be denied."

"I will never forget having seen that movie (The Deer Hunter) and being unable to get up and walk out and go back to my normal life unchanged. And I think many folks will feel the same about 'American Beauty' and 'Magnolia,' and possibly even 'The Green Mile.' And it's not the violence in 'Green Mile'; it's the possibility of everyday miracles that grabs you."

"So what I'm saying is that some nominated movies really have an impact on people. It's not just good entertainment. It's an emotional experience."

"American Beauty," "The Green Mile" and "Magnolia" are among the 1999 films nominated in several categories. The first two are being considered along with "The Insider," "The Cider House Rules" and "The Sixth Sense" for best picture.

And who will win? Movie fans and this year's Academy Award nominees must wait until the red carpet unrolls on March 26 to hear the familiar line: and the winner is...

## Commentary: 'American Beauty' has best bet for Best Picture

By Bob Ivry  
Knight Ridder

Some things are so strange they speak to the existence of a higher power with a teen-ager's predilection for practical jokes.

For proof we need look no further than the case of Tom Cruise.

Cruise appeared in a pair of high-profile movies in 1999. He played the leading role in Stanley Kubrick's swan song, "Eyes Wide Shut," a physician named Bill Harford caught off guard by the erotic fantasies of his wife who tries in vain to have casual sex with a stranger.

In Paul Thomas Anderson's cracklingly energetic, puzzlingly opaque "Magnolia," Cruise played a much smaller part. He was Frank Mackey, a self-help guru whose lucrative shtick was teaching men how to have casual sex with strangers.

The filming, refilming, and re-refilming of "Eyes Wide Shut" hacked two years out of the prime of Cruise's career. "Magnolia" required a couple of weeks. "Eyes Wide Shut" disappeared with nary a whimper. For "Magnolia," Cruise is the odds-on favorite to win his first Academy Award, for best supporting actor, when the Oscars are announced March 26.

Other peculiarities surround the leaders in this year's Oscar races. Hilary Swank is the No. 1 candidate to take home a statuette for best actress. In "Boys Don't Cry," she played a man so convincingly she might as well have been nominated for best actor. At least moviegoers knew she was really a

woman. (Anybody who'd caught her in "Beverly Hills, 90210" could tell, without any doubt, that she was.) In 1983, when Linda Hunt won the Academy Award for best supporting actress, a good deal of the audience was mystified. After all, she'd played a man — an odd, rebellious press photographer in strife-torn Indonesia — in "The Year of Living Dangerously," opposite Mel Gibson and Sigourney Weaver. Hunt had fooled a lot of us. We'd thought she was a man. Hence the Oscar.

Other contests are more straightforward if harder to read. Will Denzel Washington's chances for an Oscar be hurt by the growing perception that "The Hurricane" trafficked in the misleading hagiography of his title character? If so, Washington's current front-runner status will fade away, and look for Russell Crowe, who was so good as another contemporary real-life person, tobacco company whistle-blower Jeffrey Wigand, to win.

Remember three years ago, when everybody and her sister had put all their chips on Lauren Bacall to win best supporting actress for "The Mirror Has Two Faces"? She didn't, and the mirroring of Bacall's face when Juliette Binoche's name was called was a study in barely concealed rage and humiliation.

Supporting actress has traditionally been Oscar night's most volatile category. Mercedes Ruehl (1991), Marisa Tomei (1992), Anna Paquin (1993), Mira Sorvino (1995), and Kim Basinger (1997) were all surprise winners. Picking the best supporting actress is a fool's errand, so here goes. Angelina

Jolie had the flashiest role, as a wild child psychiatric patient in "Girl, Interrupted." Besides, she's got Oscar in her genes; her father, Jon Voigt, was a 1978 winner for "Coming Home." She's the early favorite in a field full of worthies.

For all you movie nerds out there, the original screenplay category offers plenty of drama. Four of the most solid scripts to come down the Oscar pike in a long while are competing this year: "American Beauty" (Allan Ball), "Being John Malkovich" (Charlie Kaufman), "The Sixth Sense" (M. Night Shyamalan), and "Topsy-Turvy" (Mike Leigh). (The fifth nominee is Paul Thomas Anderson's "Magnolia," a film that will require the intensive study of a college of Talmudic-like scholars to one day penetrate its mysteries.) If King Solomon were a voting member of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences, I'm sure he'd suggest slicing the statuette into four and parceling them to the deserving nominees. Better, however, should go with Kaufman.

In the best picture category, "The Insider" is generally acknowledged to be a superior effort, a gripping tale of courage and betrayal featuring compelling performances. But it failed to capture the public's heart or its imagination. "The Cider House Rules" is like the small college hoops team that advances to the NCAA Sweet 16; it's just happy to make it that far. And the director of "The Green Mile," Frank Darabont, was denied a nomination, a sure sign that that film's appeal among Oscar voters goes only so far.

That leaves the two main competitors,

"The Sixth Sense" and "American Beauty." The nomination of "The Sixth Sense" surprised a lot of movie pundits. Movies this popular, with a box office take of more than \$240 million, are mostly popcorn flicks that feature rolling fireballs as their leading performers and whose nominations usually are confined to arcane categories like sound-effects editing. But "The Sixth Sense" was a movie not only well-attended but also beloved by even cold-blooded critics, a horror tale with a beating heart and an out-of-nowhere ending that hornswoggled even the most jaded and savvy moviegoers.

"The Sixth Sense" left a warm, fuzzy feeling in filmgoers' bellies — and more than a few tear-juiced tissues on theater floors — while "American Beauty" perplexed as many people as it exhilarated. Was it a comedy that drew blood, or a drama that was sporadically hilarious? When there was laughter in theaters it was the nervous kind; a lot of folks didn't know what to make of it.

Yet, academy members reached enough of a consensus on "American Beauty" to award it eight nominations, the most for any film this year.

The fact that the higher power in "American Beauty" possessed a razor sharp irony and a sense of humor fueled by the absurd made it the only film of 1999 to come close to nailing the Zeitgeist. If this higher power truly is a teenager with a taste for practical jokes, "American Beauty" is the best bet for best picture.

## So, there's nothing to do in Midland?

Friday, March 10

The Bar: today (9 p.m.) and Sat. (9:30 p.m.), Grindstone 606 W. Missouri Ave. No cover Fri. Cover Sat.: \$5. Call: 685-1757.

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Midland Community Theatre: The Music Man. 8 p.m. Cole Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley Ave. Tickets: \$14 Fri./Sat & \$12 Thurs./Sun. Through March 18. And: "Greater Tuna" through April 9. 8 p.m. Tickets: \$8 Tues. & Thurs. & Sun./\$10 Fri. & Sat. Reservations: 682-4111 or 570-4011.

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Opening: "The Ninth Gate" & "Mission to Mars," Wallace Hollywood Theaters Tall City 10.

### Saturday, March 11

Midland Arts & Crafts Expo: Midland Center. Wall Avenue at Main Street. Sat.: 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Sun.: noon-5 p.m. Free admission.

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45 Plus Dance Club: country western band; Midland Downtown Lions Center. non-smoking/non-alcoholic. 7:30-10 p.m. Cost: \$4. Guest: \$5. Guest welcome without member. Call: 694-8442.

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## Midland Reporter-Musicgram

By Max Howard

Since "Y2K" turned the New Year into a "Yea," I would like to throw out some recorded releases to avoid purchasing before you end up buying them.

Pulling together some leftovers from the past year before they escape into 2000, I want to express some feelings about two "almost new" CDs that are terrible. They are beautifully packaged, and that's all they are.

At the top of the list is "Elvis Costello with Burt Bacharach. Painted with Memory." In theory, and it is nothing more than theory. This should have been a most enjoyable album if for no other reason than the Bacharach music is usually creative and lyrical. And Elvis Costello is not bad in the right environment as represented when he sang with Tony Bennett on the "MTV Un-Plugged" album four years ago.

But "Painted" should have been called "Tainted with Memories." It is that shallow. Sorry fellows, but the liner notes and cover are nice.

Next on our "Don't Bother" list is the movie album, "As Time Goes By" with Neil Diamond and Elmer Bernstein combining musical forces for the first time, and God willing, there won't be a second time. Elmer Bernstein has traditionally been one of the great music forces for the jazz world, especially for background music in movies and television. My first experience with Elmer Bernstein's creativeness was the sound track for "The Man With The Golden Arm" in the '50s. He has assisted many vocalists over the years and, I think, helped some expand their abilities in entertainment. But with Neil Diamond's quality singing and composing abilities and usually good personal interpretation of songs combined with Elmer's arrangements, the result is anything but good music. I don't think you want it. I gave mine away in a Christmas white elephant giveaway, and the person that drew that number kept it as no one else would touch it. Great gag

gift.

On the Positive Tangent Hitchcock media has a new release for Stan Kenton "Die Hards" like me. The new release was recorded in March of 1971, about the time Stan was touring the Permian Basin annually in Big Spring, Lubbock, at Permian High in Odessa and Odessa College. If you saw any of the concerts, then what you hear on this newly released album is a good memory jogger of the Kenton creative world of music and might cause some flashbacks of some great presentations that you saw with us.

The personnel are, basically, the same as we saw and feature "Baron" John Von Ohlen's percussion on all selections. In my mind, the Baron's playing is what punctuates this particular part of Stanley's last years of road tours, and that is not to put Stan's playing in second place. They really complimented each other like a good percussionist is supposed to do, and John really did. Listen to the "MacArthur Park" recording, and it will have you on your feet again saying (something comparable to) "Damn That's Great." The rest of the concert, as I remember it, is on this recording as it includes "What Are You Doing the Rest of Your Life," "Malaga" (one of Stan's later day staples), "Girl Talk," and an abundance of the Kenton standards that you have heard 100 times and know they sound better each time you listen.

This is a nice collection of concert sounds sponsored by WAZE radio in Clearwater, Fla. It is fun and, if you don't have any of the later Kenton era releases, it will add to your appreciation of the creative world of Stan Kenton. If you don't understand this kind of progressive jazz, you might learn something from the offering and grow to an appreciation of Big Band music and/or Big Band Jazz.

Remember: The earth has music for those who listen. I am Max-

Editor's Note: Max Howard Hosts Saturday's "Breakfast in Jazz" from 7 to 10 a.m. on A.M. 1510 and A.M. 1410, KMND in Midland and KRIL in Odessa, and Cox Cable Channel 2. He also co-hosts "Daybreak" weekdays from 6 to 9 a.m. on the same stations.



Howard

## REVIEWS &amp; PREVIEWS

## Best Picture

The Movie Guys wanted to review the potential Best Actor and Best Actress awards, but too many of these movies did not make it to Midland. Thus, our final Academy Award review will focus on our opinions of the Best Picture.

DAVID: There were some excellent movies nominated this year. It is especially nice to see so many "small" films on the list. Except for "The Sixth Sense," with more than \$200 million in revenue and "The Green Mile" with \$130 million in revenue, none of these films struck box office gold. This means that some of these are really nominated for their artistic merit and not their box office appeal alone. This also may make "The Sixth Sense" the Academy's choice, even if it may not be the best artistic choice.

TIM: The past couple of years have seen the Best Picture Oscar turn into a two-horse race. Last year, we saw "Shakespeare in Love" overcome the favorite "Saving Private Ryan" to win Best Picture. This year's race primarily involves "Cider House Rules" and "American Beauty." As David mentioned, both "The Green Mile" and "The Sixth Sense" were financially successful, but neither

will win the award. "The Green Mile" was a fascinating look at life on death row, and the human lives that revolve around this tragic event. However, Frank Darabont never convinced us to look at this movie as anything other than a sequel to "Shawshank Redemption." "The Sixth Sense" was a wonderful and well-written suspense story. Although both of these movies were very entertaining, they did not match my winner in artistic merit. Unfortunately, I never got a chance to see "The Insider."

DAVID: "The Sixth Sense" was a taut drama about a boy, superbly played by Haley Joel Osment, who sees the ghosts of the recently dead. The movie was a fine example of the suspense/thriller/horror genre. It scared me and delighted me, but didn't really move me or make me think. "The Green Mile" on the other hand, was a beautifully photographed, acted, and scripted movie that did move me and make me think. I especially liked the way it humanely treated its characters. The prison guards weren't portrayed as evil nor, necessarily, were the inmates, even when they were doing their worst. I found it to be an inspiring movie, but a bit heavy handed. In the end, however, it never rose to the level of originality

## THE MOVIE GUYS'

## Black Gold Review

A gusher:  
good to  
excellent

Dry well:  
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of another nominated film.

TIM: Unfortunately, "Cider House Rules" is one of my all-time favorite books. This created some strong impressions of the story, and may have influenced my opinion of this film. I left this movie wanting more from the characters and story that are so strongly portrayed in John Irving's book. On the other hand, I will always remember the powerful emotions that accompanied my viewing of "American Beauty." This stunning film carries the viewer into the suburban world of an American family. When judging something to be powerful and artistically excellent, I always remember those books, plays and films that transport me from my real life and into the new world. "American Beauty" made me think, made me laugh, and made me care. After a second viewing this past week, I am completely convinced that "American Beauty" is extremely deserving of the Best Picture award.



By David R. Allen, MC drama instructor, and Tim Leisen, MCT executive director

DAVID: My vote for Best Picture goes to "American Beauty." This superbly crafted film contains a couple of the year's best performances. It also contains some of the best dialogue and plotting of the year, as well as the unique use of a film within the film. The movie's design, especially the metaphorical use of the color red and the rose petals, is outstanding. Adding to all these wonderful elements is the use of the camera to tell the story. Just one example, the slowly roaming camera that captures each character's reaction to a gun shot that melts into the sight of a smiling Lester Burnham (Kevin Spacey) lying in a pool of blood, is so startling and original that it will be spoken of in film classes for years to come. There is no doubt that "American Beauty" was the Best Picture of 1999.

## Reeling: just like day at races

By Charles Ealy

Associated Press

Reeling loves it when the Oscars roll around because the annual event reveals the truth about the movie business: It's just like playing the ponies. And if you're gonna hug the rail, you might as well do it somewhere classy like the MGM Grand Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas.

This year, Rich Baccellieri, the vice president of the race and sports book at the MGM, tells Reeling that the Oscar race is tight. In fact, it's a dead heat in the battle for best picture, with "American Beauty" and "The Cider House Rules" tied for the lead, at 9-to-5. (MGM stresses that it's giving us this information only for entertainment purposes and that it isn't soliciting bets. And if you believe that — and you should, of course! — then you probably need to be told this: a 9-to-5 bet means that if you put down \$5 on "American Beauty" to win best picture, and it

actually does on March 26, then you get about \$9 back from the friendly MGM folks.)

"The Insider" is 6-1 for best picture (i.e., bet \$1 and get \$6 if you win), while "The Green Mile" is 8-1 and "The Sixth Sense" is the long shot, at 10-1.

Kevin Spacey of "American Beauty" is the favorite for best actor, at 8-to-5. Denzel Washington of "The Hurricane" is 3-to-1, followed by Russell Crowe of "The Insider," 4-to-1; Richard Farnsworth of "The Straight Story," 8-to-1; and Sean Penn of "Sweet and Lowdown" at 10-to-1.

The race for best actress is tied, MGM says. Both Annette Bening of "American Beauty" and Hilary Swank of "Boys Don't Cry" are 2-to-1. Meryl Streep of "Music of the Heart" is 5-to-1, followed by Julianne Moore of "The End of the Affair" at 8-to-1 and Janet McTeer of "Tumbleweeds" at 12-to-1.

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Bynum School will host its first St. Patrick's Day Dance 8 p.m.-2 a.m. March 17 at the crown Royal Club, 1110 E. Scharbauer in Midland. Music will be the country/western and Tejano sounds of Borderline.

Tickets are \$7 per person in advance and \$10 per person at the door.

Funds raised will benefit the school, which is a non-profit private school for children and young adults with disabilities. Established in 1984, the school provides educational and vocational training for its students, and services for parents who are seeking educational programs specifically designed to meet the needs of their children.

School officials set a goal that, as long as resources allow, no child will be denied enrollment strictly on the basis of their family's inability to pay full tuition. Proceeds of the dance will be used to replenish these scholarship funds.

For ticket information call 520-0075. Donations accepted...

...REUNIONS FOR several area high schools have been planned for summer.

Permian High School's Class of 1970 will have its 30-year reunion 8 p.m.-midnight June 9 at Dos Amigos and 7:30 p.m.-1 a.m. June 10 at the Radisson Hotel in Odessa.

Odessa High School's Class of 1980 will meet for its 20-year reunion 8 p.m.-midnight June 23 at Graham's Central Station and 7:30 p.m.-1 a.m. June 24 at the Radisson Hotel in Odessa.

Reunion committees from these high schools are looking for alumni for the reunions. For more information call toll-free at 1-877-822-1006 or e-mail [aplusreunions@aol.com](mailto:aplusreunions@aol.com)...

...PERMIAN BASIN Legal Secretaries Association will have a membership meeting at noon March 21 in Conference Room 245 of the Arco Building. Deputy Joe Waters, K-9 officer with Midland County Sheriff's Office, will present the program. Cost, which includes lunch, will be \$9 per person. For reservations call 683-5501 by 5 p.m. March 17. No cancellations after March 20...

...VAN, Serving the Visually Impaired, has two weekly group meetings.

The men's support group will meet 10-11 a.m. March 14 at the VAN House, 2908 W. Ohio. A speaker will present a program. All men with visual impairment are invited to attend. Coffee and refreshments will be served.

The women's group will meet for bingo 10 a.m.-noon March 15 at the VAN House. Those attending are invited to bring sack lunches. All interested people are invited to attend.

For more information about either group call 694-2648...

...PERMIAN AIMEES, auxiliary to SPE, will meet for catered luncheon 11:30 a.m. March 21 at Julian Gold. Spring fashions and wardrobe updating will be featured. To RSVP call 520-7400 by March 17...

...DELTA SIGMA Theta Sorority Inc. will host its 42nd annual Ebony Fashion Fair at 8 p.m. March 21 at Texas Tech University Allen Theater in Lubbock. This traveling fashion show is produced by Ebony magazine and sponsored by Delta Sigma Theta sorority to benefit the Luella Scott Memorial Scholarship Fund.

Fashions from the collections of Bill Blass, Bob Mackie, Givenchy, Christian Dior and other designers will be featured. For ticket information call (806) 794-1256...

...UNIVERSITY GRADUATE Women will meet 11:30 a.m. March 27 at Midland Woman's Club. Debbie Frost will present a program on container gardening. All university graduates are invited to attend. For more information call 684-9944 or 687-1575 ext. 3012...

## FAMILY MATTERS

### Mom seeks help for angry teen

By Jim May, Ph.D.

**DEAR FAMILY:** Is there anything you can do to help an angry teenager?

Our son is 14 and has been mad ever since he turned 13. Nothing makes him happy. He's negative about everything and everyone. He hates his younger brother and I have to constantly break up fights between them. I don't know what's happened to him. He was just a "regular" kid before he went to seventh grade, but he's not any more.

We were tolerating his outbursts until yesterday, when he wanted to stay out past his curfew and we said no. He got very angry at both his father and me, and went screaming to his room. He slammed his door so hard that some pictures fell off the wall in the hall, and then he hit his wall and knocked a hole in it.

My husband went in to talk to him, and then they had a screaming match. My husband got so mad that he had to leave the house to calm down. I tried to talk to our son, and when he started screaming at me, I just left him alone.

Late that evening I went in to check on him and he was crying. He said that he was very sorry and he didn't know why he acted like that. I told my husband and he went and talked to him too. Both of us agree that something is wrong.

What would make our son act like this? We have a normal family with nothing unusual going on. I expected the teen-age years to be hard, but I don't know if we can stand four more years of this. **BEWILDERED AND BAFLED**

**DEAR BEWILDERED:** You and your husband have been doing a good job in your attempts to help your son with his anger. However, it sounds as if it might be more complicated than just

"anger." You did not continue to confront your son when he was enraged; instead you wisely gave him time to settle down. It is never wise to continue an encounter when one person is enraged — usually bad things are said and inappropriate actions often taken.

Most teens survive the adolescent years without too many lasting problems. Your son's behavior is out of the norm and should be addressed. His behavior could have several possible sources.

The most basic task for teenagers is to discover who they are by finding and joining a peer group. Does your son have an appropriate peer group? Does he have friends? Does he have behavior problems — anger — at school too? What do his teachers say about his attitude and behavior? The answers to these and similar questions provide important clues as to what might be troubling your son.

He could be suffering from depression masquerading as anger. Having angry children and adolescents evaluated by a pediatrician or psychologist is advisable to find out if the anger has possible biological causes.

If depression is the underlying problem, many options are available. Substance abuse could also be a potential explanation, but the professional evaluation should address this issue too.

In managing his anger, you son might want to consider these ideas:

■ Negotiate an agreement with your son that all name-calling, shouting and screaming, and physical aggression is wrong and will not be used by parent or teen.

■ If your son does not like the way he is expressing his anger, can he agree to let parents and other adults help him deal with it more appropriately?

■ Assuming that he agrees, help him interrupt his angry response before it gets out of control. This means early behavioral intervention.

■ Choose a key phrase, such as "time out," to signify the end of the present encounter. Like time-outs in sports, the time-out must be taken; each person

involved goes to a neutral place to calm down.

■ Some children and teens need to express their anger more physically, so it may be beneficial for your son to go on a fast walk around the block. Consider providing your son with a punching bag or pillow to hit. On the other hand, some professionals think it is inappropriate to "feed the anger" through physical expression. Others, including me, have found it helpful to quickly "exhaust the anger."

■ If your son is willing, many people have found it helpful to write a letter to the person or situation that is angering them. While this does not solve the problem, it does afford an acceptable emotional release.

■ After one hour, try to re-initiate discussion on the problem that led to the upset. Try to solve the problem through discussion and negotiation. Take as may time-outs as necessary to keep the anger contained and move to solution.

■ If the parent can demonstrate a respectful style to the teen that leads to a satisfactory solution, the teen will be — theoretically at least — less angry.

If your son cannot do the time-out, perhaps he might prefer to wear a rubber band on his wrist to "pop" whenever he feels himself beginning to get too angry.

Feeling anger is not inappropriate — only if it is expressed in an aggressive, invasive way. Help your son understand that you want to help him in whatever ways you can. Teach him to identify the problem — be it lack of friends, frustration over school work, drugs, depression — and then enlist your aid in developing appropriate solutions. This is a time to calmly help your son develop appropriate ways of dealing with his anger.

Jim May is the director of the Family Wellness Center.

Questions for this column should be addressed to Family Matters, P.O. Box 51638, Midland, 79710-1638.

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## 'Seal of approval' important

By Nick Harder

The Orange County Register (KRT)

How often have you heard the recommendation "Make sure it has the UL label?"

Of course, you probably know that UL refers to Underwriters Laboratories. But what is this organization and why is it important that appliances, tools and all kinds of products get this seal of approval?

Underwriters Laboratories is an independent not-for-profit organization that tests and certifies products to determine if they meet nationally recognized safety standards. The folks there have been testing things for more than 100 years.

It began in 1893 when the Chicago Board of Underwriters asked famous electrical investigator William Henry Merrill to find the cause of fires at the Columbian Exposition Palace of Electricity. Working out of a fire station in Chicago, Merrill made the first scientific evaluation of electrical insulating material.

From that humble beginning, Underwriters Laboratories has grown tremendously. It now tests almost 80,000 products every year.

And the testing isn't done just in the United States. Among other countries UL serves are Canada and Mexico.

In fact, UL now has more than 200 inspection centers around the world.

And it isn't just testing how products are used. The people at UL also misuse products intentionally, to discover if there are safety problems with how products are tested in the real world. (I think my 6-year-old son could do a good job for them in the misuse-and-abuse category.)

Beyond use and misuse testing, UL also does a lot of follow-up. Once it leaves the factory, is the refrigerator UL has certified working properly and safely? Does it not only work the way it was supposed to work, but does it work safely?

Is the lamp that a company wants to be UL certified work properly and safely? In one particular case you may have heard about recently, the halogen torchiere lamp got a thumbs-down from UL. The lamp was a

fire hazard because of its open-top design and its tendency to tip.

Who are the people who actually do the testing? They come from all walks of life. There are experts in computers; physicists and geologists; and people who hold degrees in electrical, mechanical, civil, chemical, aeronautical, industrial, petroleum, metallurgical and general engineering. There are also experts in business, psychology, communications and home economics.

Many of these people and others hired especially for their language skills, speak several foreign languages. That's because products that are imported that seek UL certification must be tested as well as those made in the United States.

Where are these tests done? There are five main facilities in the United States alone covering

more than 1.5 million square feet of space. In addition, on-site product investigations are done by people from many of UL's engineering offices in this country.

All this testing adds up to around 6 billion UL marks on products each year.

Not every company has its products tested by Underwriters Laboratories, of course. Whether they all should is another question. But, when you do buy and use a product in which safety could be a problem, ask yourself the question that Clint Eastwood did as the movie character Dirty Harry: Do you feel lucky?

Nick Harder is home editor of the Orange County (Calif.) Register. Write to him at The Orange County Register, PO Box 11626, Santa Ana, Calif. 92711.

## DEAR ABBY

### Down syndrome child is person too

By Abigail Van Buren

**DEAR ABBY:** My daughter has Down syndrome. While I was still grieving over this fact, the kindest people were the ones who commented on her beautiful eyes. I didn't know if they knew she had Down's, and I didn't care. She has beautiful eyes, and I was grateful for the compliment.

Now when we go out in public, we are often approached by people who just have to show us how smart they are because they recognize Down syndrome. This is not a kindness! Don't tell me my daughter's wonderful personality is because "they" are "all so sweet." My daughter is a wonderful individual, not part of the great "they." She is also not deaf!

If people want to be kind, they should be kind. But don't tell us about their experiences with individuals who have Down syndrome. I don't tell them my experiences with insensitive jerks. Abby, if you could print this, and if some people become aware of the hurt they cause, my daughter, other people with disabilities and I might all have less trouble navigating the stream of well-meaning, but hurtful, people. Thank you. — HURT IN PENNSYLVANIA

**DEAR HURT:** You have said it very well. Thank you for a great letter.

**DEAR ABBY:** I have been seeing a terrific woman for about a year. She's a musician, divorced and the mother of three. We're dance partners. She and I have had an up-and-down relationship, with occasional breakups over our age difference. I am 29 and she is 15 years older. She wants me to get to know her family. I want the freedom to see other women. Each time we have gotten back together, it has been because I want to dance only with her. However, one thing usually leads to another, and after a month of dancing, we are lovers again. She's taught me more about love and life than all the women I had dated before put together.

She's after me again to spend some time with her children. This is one of the issues that led us to break up before. After our last breakup, I have never come to grips with the age and lifestyle difference. Abby, the bond I feel with her is very strong, but I feel that a more traditional relationship with another woman would be better for me in the long run. We can never have a family of our own, and although I don't want one right now, it still bothers me.

Am I right to continue exploring this relationship knowing that there may be someone younger out there for me? — DOING THE TEXAS TWO-STEP

**DEAR DOING THE TWO-STEP:** Since you do not see a future with this woman, do her a favor and level with her. Feeling as you do, it's time to change partners and move on before you waste any more of her time — or yours.

**DEAR ABBY:** I, too, am of the old-fashioned mind-set when it comes to manners. However, it is not easy to remain so.

Just the other day I opened a door for a woman about to enter. With a caustic look, she remarked, "Are you opening the door just because I'm a woman?" Taken somewhat aback, I was compelled to say, "No — it was because of your age!" She didn't say another word. — STILL OPENING DOORS, 29 PALMS, CALIF.

**DEAR STILL OPENING DOORS:** Funny — but naughty. I hope you don't leave ALL women speechless.

**DEAR ABBY:** You receive many letters from people telling you they are taken advantage of — by friends, relatives, neighbors, etc. Why don't these "victims" assert themselves and refuse to do that which makes them uncomfortable?

The people who drop in unannounced, or the out-of-towners who freeloard, are not friends. They have their own agendas and don't stop for one second to consider the other person's feelings.

I used to have a close friend until she asked me if she could borrow \$50,000. Her request occurred less than three months after my husband was downsized from a corporation after 19 years. The friendship was never the same after I had to refuse.

My formula is simple: Choose people who treat you the way you treat them — with consideration and respect. Perhaps some people say yes too often because they want the whole world to love them, and that's why they end up frustrated and resentful. People need to be stronger and simply speak up and just say no. — BARBARA IN THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST

**DEAR BARBARA:** I agree that if people were more assertive, fewer would be taken advantage of. It's impossible for anyone to be loved by everyone — and giving beyond one's means does not guarantee that the giver will receive respect and affection in return.

Classes in assertiveness training are offered by community colleges, community centers and some seniors centers. Books on assertiveness are also available at public libraries and bookstores.

Abigail Van Buren's column is distributed by Universal Press Syndicate.

## Spotlight on Hispanic Businesses

### Networking Breakfast

**Tuesday  
Mar. 21**

**7:30 - 8:30 a.m.  
Midland College  
Student Center**

**\$5, paid at the door**

**Who should attend?**  
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Any restaurant interested in participating, please call  
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## CASA DE AMIGOS

Casa de Amigos is located at 1101 E. Garden Lane. Call 682-9701.

## Activities include:

- Monday: 9 a.m. billiards/bowling; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10:15 a.m. crafts; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. games.
- Tuesday: 9 a.m. billiards; 9:45 a.m. gem and mineral; 10:15 a.m. sing-a-long; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. bingo.
- Wednesday: 9 a.m. billiards; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10:15 a.m. advisory meeting; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. table games.
- Thursday: 9 a.m. billiards; 9:45 a.m. adult classes; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. games.
- Friday: 9 a.m. billiards; 10:15 a.m. crafts; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. Bible study.

## MIDLAND YMCA

Midland YMCA has many activities scheduled for Prime Time adults. Contact Central YMCA 682-2551. Scheduled activities are:

- Low impact aerobics: 8:15 a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday; 6 p.m. Monday and Wednesday.
- YMCARDIAC (YCT) Therapy, call for appointment before beginning class.
- Senior water aerobics, 8-8:45 a.m. Monday through Friday.
- Water arthritis classes, 10:15 a.m., 2 p.m. and 5:15 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday.
- Deep water aerobics, 6:30 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday.
- Hydro-fit and water aerobics, 9 a.m. Monday through Saturday.
- Hydro-fit aerobics, 6 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday.
- Lap swim/water walking, 5:30-8 a.m. and 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Monday through Friday; 6-8:30 p.m. Monday and Wednesday; 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday; 10 a.m.-1:45 p.m. Saturday; and 1:15-4 p.m. Sunday. **Certified lifeguard is on duty during lap/open swim times and water classes.**

## SOUTHEAST SENIOR CENTER

Southeast Senior Center, 1803 E. Indiana, is open 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday. Call 685-7231. Activities include:

- Monday: 9:30 a.m. singing; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10 a.m. ceramics, needlework and billiards; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. table games.
- Tuesday: 9:30 a.m. singing; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10 a.m. quilting, crafts and billiards; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. table games.
- Wednesday: 9:30 a.m. singing; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10 a.m. ceramics, choir and billiards; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. table games.
- Thursday: 9:30 a.m. singing; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10 a.m. ceramics and table games; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. table games.
- Friday: 9 a.m. singing; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10 a.m. Bible class and table games; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. movie and center bingo.

## MIDLAND SENIOR CENTER

Midland Senior Center is located in Kingsway Mall, 3303 W. Illinois, Space #18. Call 681-7636. Activities for March 13-17 include:

- Monday: 9 a.m. billiards, exercise, cards and dominoes; 9:30 a.m. art class; 10 a.m. Kitchenettes; 11:30 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. bridge, cards and dominoes.
- Tuesday: 8:30 a.m. 9 a.m. billiards, exercise, cards, dominoes and ceramics; 9:30 a.m. line dancing for fun; 11:30 a.m. lunch; 12:30 p.m. art class and AARP income tax help; 1 p.m. bridge, dominoes and cards.
- Wednesday: 9 a.m. billiards, cards, dominoes, ceramics class and exercise; 10 a.m. Gospel singing; 11:30 a.m. lunch and March birthday party; 1 p.m. bridge, dominoes and cards.
- Thursday: 9 a.m. prescription help, billiards, exercise, cards, dominoes; 9:30 a.m. country and western dancing and Tall City Dancers; 11:30 a.m. lunch; 12:30 p.m. art for fun and AARP income tax help; 1 p.m. bridge, cards and dominoes.
- Friday: 9 a.m. billiards, exercise, cards, dominoes; 11:30 a.m. lunch and St. Patrick's Day party; 12:30 p.m. partners' bridge tournament; 1 p.m. bridge, cards, dominoes.

The crafts/fashion vests class previously scheduled for March 16 has been cancelled and will be rescheduled.

## MISSION ADULT DAY CARE CENTER

Mission Adult Day Care Center of Midland is open 6:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday at 5212 Sinclair. The center is closed for major holidays. Call 522-1221. Weekday schedule includes:

- 8 a.m. light breakfast or snacks; 9 a.m. visitation, special events; 10 a.m. exercise, R.O.M., singing or live music; noon lunch; 12:30 p.m. rest period; 2:30 p.m. snacks.
- Activities include visits from Gospel groups, line dancers and country groups, and golfing.
- Skilled nursing services with registered nurse director and certified activity director. Medicaid licensed, with adequate, caring skilled staff and transportation available.

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul assists Midland's poor with rent, utilities, food and clothing. Volunteers are needed to work one to four hours each week in the agency's Thrift Store, 701 N. Fort Worth. Store hours are 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday. Call 687-2343. Meetings are 6:30 p.m. each Thursday at St. Ann's Catholic Church parish office, Texas at M Streets. Call 688-3999 for more information.

## COM AQUATICS SENIORS AND THERAPEUTIC EXERCISE

City of Midland Aquatics has programs of water exercise for seniors. The schedule is:

- Monday: 7:30-11:30 a.m. water walking; 10:15-11 a.m. therapeutic aerobics (deep pool); noon-12:45 p.m. and 1-1:45 p.m. arthritis exercise.
- Tuesday: 7:30-9:30 a.m. water walking; 9:30-10:30 a.m. arthritis plus; 12:15-1 p.m. therapeutic aerobics (deep pool); 12:30-1:30 p.m. arthritis plus.
- Wednesday: 7:30-11:30 a.m. water walking; 10:15-11 a.m. therapeutic aerobics (deep pool); noon-12:45 p.m. and 1-1:45 p.m. arthritis exercise.
- Thursday: 7:30-9:30 a.m. water walking; 9:30-10:30 a.m. arthritis plus; 12:15-1 p.m. therapeutic aerobics (deep pool); 12:30-1:30 p.m. arthritis plus.
- Friday: 7:30-11:30 a.m. water walking; 10:15-11 a.m. therapeutic aerobics (deep pool); noon-12:45 p.m. and 1-1:45 p.m. arthritis exercise.
- Saturday: 10:30 a.m.-noon water walking.

## CITY OF MIDLAND HOUSING AUTHORITY

Recreation and leisure activities at Hillcrest Manor, Langtry Village and Parker Place are managed by City of Midland Housing Authority and coordinated through Community and Senior Services. The schedule is:

- Tuesday: 9 a.m. wellness clinic at Hillcrest Manor; 10 a.m. exercise at Parker Place; 2 p.m. exercise at Hillcrest Manor; 2:30 p.m. exercise at Langtry Village.
- Wednesday: 9 a.m. wellness clinic at Langtry Village; 10 a.m. crafts at Parker Place; 2 p.m. bingo at Hillcrest Manor; 3:30 p.m. crafts at Langtry Village.
- Thursday: 10 a.m. exercise at Parker Place; 2 p.m. exercise at Hillcrest Manor; 2:30 p.m. exercise at Langtry Village; 3 p.m. bingo at Langtry Village.

## RSVP

Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) is recruiting persons 55 years and older to volunteer with non-profit agencies. RSVP will match volunteers' skills and interests to community agencies' needs. The program is sponsored by Community and Senior Services, 3301 Sinclair. Call 689-6693. Current opportunities include:

- Big Brothers/Big Sisters needs youth mentors to volunteer six to eight hours per month. Volunteers spend one-on-one time with children from single parents homes.
- Midland SPCA Thrift Store needs volunteers to assist customers, sort merchandise and check out items. Shifts are 10 a.m.-1 p.m. or 1-3 p.m. one day a week, Monday through Friday. Instructions provided.
- Campfire Boys & Girls needs a volunteer to instruct seniors on basic computer usage. Shift is one hour one morning weekly, Monday through Friday. Instructor may also provide information on using the Internet. Support and guidance provided.

By Marsha King  
The Seattle Times (KRT)

SEATTLE — Renee Simpkins never thought her biggest worry at work would turn out to be caring for her mother.

But since last summer, she has tried frantically to juggle her full-time job as a program administrator with Boeing with helping her sister take care of their 78-year-old mother, who has suffered from stomach problems and cancer, emphysema and a life-threatening bout of flu.

Simpkins has used all her sick leave and four of her five weeks' of vacation time. She occasionally has to leave work early and make up the time at odd hours. While on the job, she makes phone calls checking up on her mother's care. During Christmas vacation, instead of taking time to recharge, she drove three hours round trip every day to visit her mom in a Bremerton hospital.

"There've been a lot of days over the last several months when it's taken every bit of effort I have to get out of bed and come to work," says Simpkins, who lives in Kent.

Welcome to the most pressing workplace and family issue since child care.

During the next decade, the National Alliance of Caregiving estimates, 11 million to 15.6 million people — or about one in 10 workers — will need to provide informal, unpaid care for their aging parents or other elderly loved ones while holding down a job.

Experts say many of those workers will endure serious financial setbacks and stress-related health problems as a result.

Businesses also face losses estimated at \$11.4 billion to \$29 billion annually from absenteeism, work interruptions and replacing employees who quit to care for an older adult, according to a 1997 study sponsored by MetLife, the insurance company.

AND THE NEED for relatives to provide elder care is expected to grow as baby boomers age. "People are living longer with chronic illness. Instead of dropping dead at 65 with a heart attack, they're living to 90 with arthritis and chronic diabetes," says Gail Hunt, executive director of the National Alliance for Caregiving.

Congress is considering several bills to support caregivers. Some of the more popular ideas would provide tax incentives encouraging people to purchase insurance for long-

term care and encouraging corporations to offer long-term care insurance to employees.

A few government agencies and most Fortune 500 companies have begun offering elder-care benefits, occasionally at union insistence, right along with child care, health insurance and a 401(k).

Simpkins works for one of those companies. Boeing offers special elder-care services that have helped her, including counseling, research on long-term-care options and financial advice.

Her boss understands. "If she needs 10 minutes to cry in my office, that's OK," says Becky Evans, manager of employee services.

"Through all of the budget cuts we've been through, we've learned that this is an essential piece of our business," Evans says. Supporting employees who are providing elder care "keeps them productive, satisfied and happy. It helps in our recruiting efforts, in our turnover and with morale."

More than 22.4 million households — nearly one in four — have a member caring for someone age 50 or older, according to studies done by the National Alliance of Caregivers and AARP.

And nearly two-thirds of Americans under age 60 think they'll be responsible for elder care in the next 10 years, according to a 1998 poll conducted for the National Partnership for Women & Families.

Care needs run the gamut: quick drop-in social calls, visits to the grocery or pharmacy, transportation to the doctor, managing a loved one's legal affairs. Sometimes more personal tasks are required, such as feeding, bathing and diapering.

Caregivers may get up extra early to get Mom to adult day care or to visit her in a nursing home. They may come in late to work and use work time to take care of their loved ones' financial or medical business on the phone. And if they have to take care of Mom or Dad long-distance, it often makes matters more complex. To squeeze such responsibilities into an already jam-packed life, caregiving workers may burn the candle at both ends, according to the 1999 "MetLife Juggling Act Study," conducted for the insurance company by the Alliance for Caregiving and the National Center on Women and Aging at Brandeis University.

Caregiving often is viewed as a women's issue, and more than 70 percent of people who care for older adults are middle-aged women.

But more men are participating because of high divorce rates, the growing number of women in the work force and changing attitudes about men sharing such responsibilities.

No matter who is involved, the study says, caregivers often underestimate the extent of the obligation and how it will affect their work. Some cut back hours, take unpaid leave, miss out on skills training or promotions, and eventually quit work altogether or retire early. The "Juggling Act" report estimates that the study's respondents lost an average of \$659,139 in total wealth over their lifetime — including lost wages, Social Security and pension benefits — because of caregiving obligations.

THE NEED for elder care began cropping up about 10 years ago in corporate surveys.

"At the time, in 1989, the dual-income family was growing as well as the divorce rate. Many issues were being raised all at once. Employees just couldn't handle it all," says Becky Evans at Boeing.

But elder-care benefits still are the exception rather than the rule. For example, only 23 percent of companies with 100 employees or more offer basic resource and referral services on elder care, according to a 1998 study by the Families and Work Institute.

"If you just go at this as good for our employees, you're missing the point. It's good for the bottom line too," says Tom Pugh, project officer for dependent care with the Social Security Administration in Baltimore.

Most commonly, a business will contract with a "work-life benefits" vendor to provide information and referrals to help employees sort through options such as home health care, assisted living and nursing homes. Some companies also offer flexible work hours and the ability to use paid sick leave to take care of a parent.

Many sponsor brown-bag lunches to educate employees on everything from how Medicare and Medicaid work to how to draft legal documents such as living wills and powers of attorney.

The employee-activities association at the Social Security Administration in Baltimore has joined other community partners to open a nearby adult day-care center.

The partners include a nonprofit charity, a hospital and the county department on aging. The Social Security Administration also has on-site child care.

## DR. PAGE

## Retirement communities offer continuing care

By Henry F. Page, M.D.

Deciding to send a loved one to a continuing care retirement community understandably can create concern for the already severely stressed caregivers, and requires explanation.

The up-to-date management of Alzheimer's disease or Alzheimer's related diseases demonstrates a prime example of this dilemma. Until a few years ago, nursing homes were developing into near-disaster areas because of overloads of people with minimal physical and organic disabilities, but gross mental deterioration, which made them a danger to themselves and those around them.

These individuals were not suffering from a true psychosis, but rather from Alzheimer's disease or Alzheimer's related diseases, a medical condition now assuming almost epidemic proportions.

The answer to this problem is the development of centers to fill the middle of the spectrum of care necessary for its management in the absence of specific therapy.

The disease runs a slow, progressive, relentless course, requiring several stages for control, beginning with home care, then day care — where the patient receives partial custodial care during the weekday daylight hours — and then total specific custodial care.

The final stage is full nursing care, when the patient is confined to bed or requires total care.

It is the custodial phase where advances in care have updated the standard of care. This environment should incorporate the patients' need for touch, smell and visual stimulation. The area

must be spacious with a quietly pleasing decor for a warm, intimate atmosphere compatible with that most-essential therapeutic tool — hugging.

Since a desire to walk constitutes a prime symptom, plenty of space for loop-walking (no confusing dead ends) must be easily available, along with space for physical activity. The "Eden" aspect — trees, bushes, indoor plants, pets, birds — has proven to be a real boon to both patients and attendants.

The staff must be specifically trained to give compassionate care at a level commensurate to

each patient's affliction.

Unfortunately, as time goes on, the aging process results in a general physical breakdown, ultimately rendering all the above niceties meaningless, and the patient needs to be transferred to a nursing area equipped to meet all his or her needs.

This more businesslike environment becomes a necessity as the patient descends into total care. By that point, he or she is unable to comprehend so it is the surviving family who does the suffering.

The beauty of a continuing care retirement community is the fact

that care provided over the years falls under one supportive umbrella and is handled by knowledgeable personnel who have learned to know each individual over time, and vice versa. It does indeed smooth out a situation that otherwise might be hellish to all concerned.

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## Clinton administration to announce new plan to reduce air traffic delays

WASHINGTON (AP) — "Ground stop." Pilots seeking clearance to take off heard these two words all too often last summer as thunderstorms and computer glitches snarled air traffic nationwide. Taxiways were clogged. Idling planes wasted fuel. Angry passengers missed flights.

To avoid a repeat of last year's delays, the Clinton administration is preparing to announce a plan to ease the gridlock during inclement weather. People in the industry say the plan aims to take a national, not just a regional, approach to managing air traffic and rerouting planes around storms.

Traffic planners at the Federal Aviation Administration's air traffic control system command center in Herndon, Va., will be given more authority to make decisions that keep traffic moving — a strategy that takes on new urgency in light of forecasts that commercial airplanes flying in U.S. airspace will carry more than 1 billion passengers a year by 2010. That's up from 650 million last year.

"Last summer, the standard ground stop during severe weather was two hours," said Paul McCarthy, an airline pilot who often flies between Boston and Washington. "It was agony in the extreme. You'd push back from the gate on time, taxi to a remote part of the airport and set your parking brake. Passengers were packed in the back and they started sweating."

Often, airport control towers didn't have timely information. "Decisions were being made in a vacuum and we can't do that if we're going to have an integrated national transportation system," said McCarthy, who declined to identify his employer.

There were 197,531 air traffic control delays between April and August last year, agency figures show. That was 36 percent higher than the same five-month period in 1998. Delays in July 1999 alone were up 76 percent over the year before.

"We had the worst summer last year in terms of delays. It's not a good record for us,"

FAA Administrator Jane Garvey said Wednesday. "This is not the silver bullet. We're taking, I think, some immediate, short-term steps. Our long-range answer, clearly, is modernizing the system. That's why getting the resources to see that through is so important."

Garvey said representatives from the airlines, labor unions, controllers and regulators have met every Tuesday since last fall to find a way to deal with weather problems that were exacerbated last year by computer problems at a few of the FAA's 20 control centers.

As a plane flies across the sky, air traffic controllers in these centers transfer responsibility for the aircraft like a baton in a relay race. But these controllers can't see the big picture like FAA traffic planners in Herndon can — they sit at giant screens that show weather patterns and track all flights from takeoff to landing.

Duane Woerth, president of the Air Line Pilots Association, is eager to see if the new plan will reduce delays, but he emphasized that it is no substitute for the FAA's \$13 billion project to modernize the air traffic control system. And he said it will only work if the airlines are disciplined enough not to clog taxiways by letting planes leave gates out-of-turn.

"Everybody is going to have to play by the rules and not say 'Whoops, I guess I'm now blocking you, United (airplane), but I really needed to clear that gate,'" Woerth said. "The amount of cooperation to make this plan work is going to be extraordinary. Nobody should be looking for a delay-free summer."

The Air Transport Association, the airlines' trade group, expects delays will be down this summer, but said the long-term solution is a modern air traffic control system that can handle an expanding fleet of planes.

"The FAA's system is broken," the group said in a report in October. "If it is not fixed, the resulting delays will virtually eliminate the dependability of airline schedules and the system will descend into gridlock."

## Law enforcement officials need new tools to police Internet, study finds

WASHINGTON (AP) — A Clinton administration study group reported Thursday that law enforcement needs new tools to police the Internet but called for further advice from the private sector before endorsing specific legislation.

Industry executives hailed the cautious approach, but civil libertarians called the report a threat to privacy in cyberspace.

"The Internet has provided our world with unparalleled opportunities," said Attorney General Janet Reno, who chaired the interagency Working Group on Unlawful Conduct on the Internet. "At the same time, the Internet is providing criminals a vast, inexpensive and potentially anonymous way to commit crime."

Reno told a news conference the Internet poses law enforcement problems like "the inability to trace criminals who hide their identities online, difficulty in finding criminals ... in other jurisdictions," and a need for

more trained personnel. "The working group identified several areas where legal authorities and tools needed to combat cybercrime are insufficient."

But she quickly added: "I don't want to make specific proposals. I want to ... sit down with industry, with the privacy sector, and figure out how we deal with those issues."

The report said some private Internet companies keep insufficient records to trace criminal activity. Commerce Secretary William M. Daley, appearing with Reno, said businesses must step up their efforts to make the Internet secure and cooperate more with law enforcement.

"We're not asking businesses to be online cops, but we want them to be online neighborhood watch groups," Daley said.

In the next two months, the Justice Department will hold an East Coast and a West Coast conference with industry and privacy groups to discuss prospective legislation.

## Poll: Many women work different shift from spouses

WASHINGTON (AP) — Until recently, Bettie Ridgley and three women co-workers at Bethlehem Steel were feeling the strain of rotating hours so they devised a way to split up round-the-clock shifts so that each could have more time with loved ones.

A poll commissioned by the AFL-CIO finds nearly half of working women — 46 percent — work a different shift than their significant other, sometimes by choice. The labor federation released on Thursday the Jan. 6-11 telephone survey of 765 working women over age 18.

Ridgley, 52, a crane operator who has worked for Bethlehem outside Baltimore for nearly 25 years said families and friendships can be strained when work schedules impose separation.

"It caused relationships to suffer.... We'd become depressed, less motivated," she said. Her own marriage failed, but she has grandchildren and her new schedule means she can help care for them more easily.

The poll is part of the AFL-CIO's effort to keep tabs on the priorities of working Americans and mobilize them to vote in this fall's elections.

The labor federation has endorsed Vice President Al Gore and is mounting a vigorous campaign on behalf of pro-labor congressional candidates, mostly Democrats. Gore is scheduled to address an AFL-CIO-organized gathering of female union members in Chicago this weekend.

The poll found that working women share some concerns men have raised in other surveys, including improved health care and retirement security.

But women also highly ranked better

equal pay laws, improvements in child care and getting family and medical leave laws expanded to guarantee paid time off.

Karen Nussbaum, director of the AFL-CIO's working women's department, said those concerns seem to be "directly related to the strains of balancing their work and family" that are evident in the reasons many women give for working different shifts from their spouses.

In households with children under age 18, women were even more likely to say their work hours differed from their spouses — 51 percent, compared with 41 percent of those who don't have young children, the poll found.

"If you can't afford child care, then you work a different schedule than your husband," Nussbaum said.

Jennifer Dorsey, 31, an assistant produce manager at a Kroger supermarket in Cincinnati, is on maternity leave after giving birth to her first child. She used to work days and spend evenings with her husband, a carpenter whose outdoor jobs require daylight.

However, when she goes back to work, she said she plans to request some evening shifts, likely 4 p.m. to midnight.

"I think that a couple of days a week we're going to have to play the ... parents where one comes and one goes because day care is so expensive," said Dorsey.

Some parents who can afford childcare choose to work different schedules anyway because they want their children to spend time with them, not day-care providers. Other women make the tradeoff to pursue an attractive career.

"I'm not the kind of person who can really sit still," said Debora Sutor, 39, a Chicago-based flight attendant who sometimes goes several days without seeing her husband, a dayshift concrete company superintendent, and their two sons, aged 12 and 16.

Still other women have no choice in the matter; 34 percent of those surveyed said they have no say in their working hours.

Chamber of Commerce spokesman Frank Coleman said the recent tight labor markets have prompted more employers to offer flexibility in schedules to keep workers happy.

"Business groups also have been strongly supporting legislation to provide more flexible working environments," Coleman said. That includes comp-time and flextime proposals unions have opposed because of concerns for workers' rights to overtime pay.

Few statistics are available comparing men's and women's work schedules.

The most recent Labor Department data, from 1997, showed 14 percent of American women and 19 percent of men working shifts other than the most common daytime, week-day hours. But it did not compare shifts of men and women living in the same household.

Although the AFL-CIO poll used a much smaller sample of the population than the Labor Department did, its findings suggest that evening and weekend shift work by women may be on the rise: 28 percent of women polled said they work shifts that include some weekend and evening hours.

The AFL-CIO survey was conducted by pollsters Lake Snell Perry and Associates Inc. and has a margin of error rate of plus or minus 3.5 percentage points.

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## Host Greenwood stumbles in 1st-round tourney action

By Lee Passmore  
Sports Writer

If there are any advantages to hosting your own tournament, the Greenwood High baseball team certainly didn't enjoy them Thursday night.

After taking a lead with an unearned run in the first inning of their first game in the West Texas March Classic at Christensen Stadium, the Rangers saw everything go downhill. Colorado City appeared to be able to do anything it wanted to, while Greenwood seemed unable to do anything right, and it led to the Rangers suffering a 12-1 spanking which ended after five innings due to the 10-run rule.

In terms of everything going

wrong, Greenwood (2-6-1) hit the trifecta against Colorado City. The Rangers had trouble getting the Wolves out, committed four errors and couldn't deliver at the plate with runners on base.

"Nothing was working tonight," said Greenwood coach Tony Pallanez. "I think the harder we tried the worse it got for us."

Maybe it was appropriate that it appeared the Rangers didn't have to try much to take a 1-0 lead in the first inning. In the top of the inning, Greenwood starter Sam Catalano survived a two-out double to retire the side. In the bottom of the inning, Greenwood manufactured a run when Dusty Robertson drew a walk from Danny Torrez, stole second, went to third on

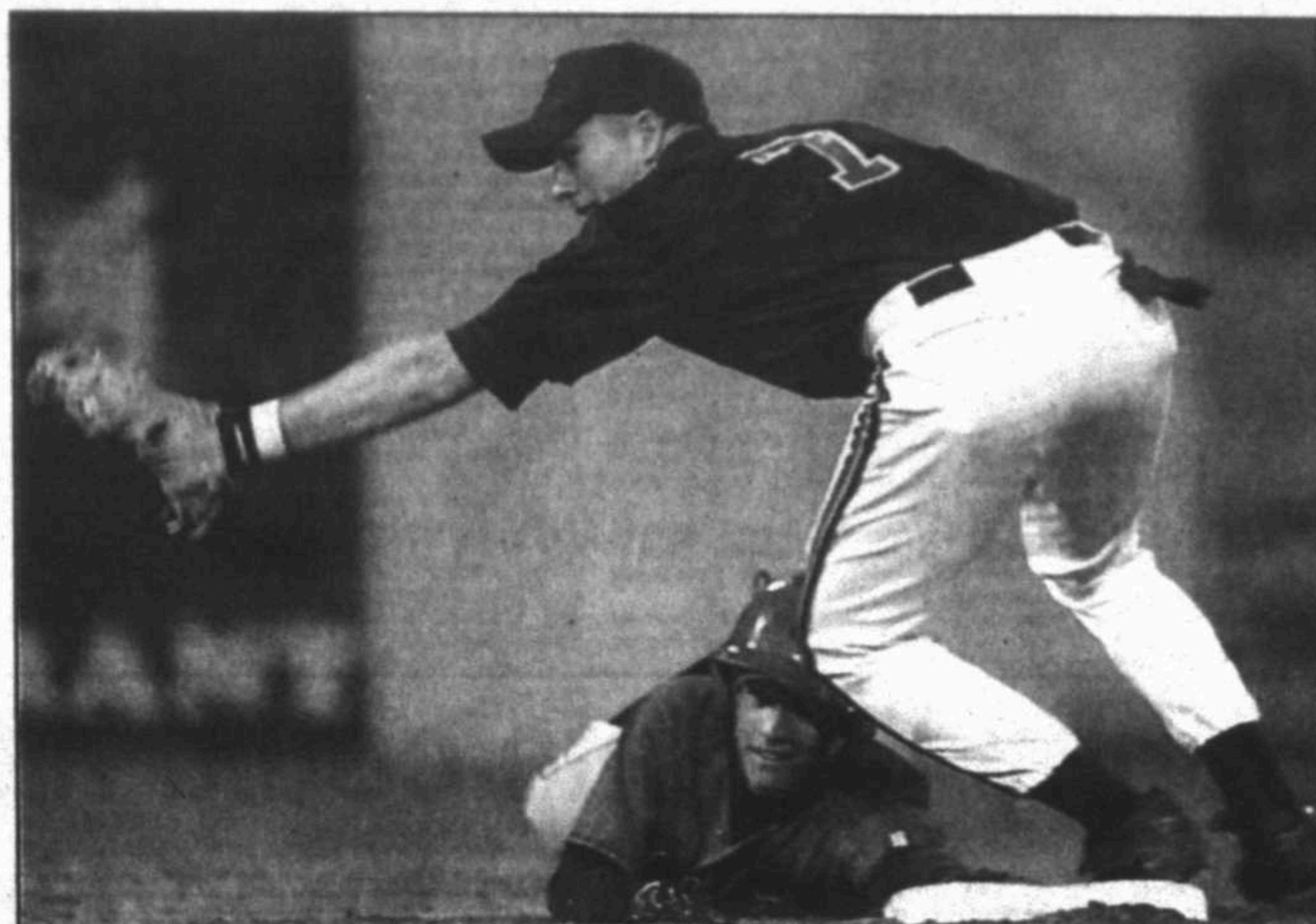
a passed ball then scored when a third strike to Catalano was dropped.

But the first inning was the only positive frame that would show up in Greenwood's highlight reel. In the top of the second, Catalano walked consecutive batters, and eventually gave up a two-run triple to Torrez which gave the Wolves a 3-1 lead they never relinquished.

Catalano balked home Torrez then gave up a single to Andrew Spear before he was pulled, and by the time reliever Zack Belew closed out the inning, Greenwood trailed 5-1.

"(Pitching) was my biggest concern," said Pallanez of what he thought would be his team's weakest link this season. "Our pitching is not

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Greenwood shortstop Wes Smith (7) reaches to save an errant pick-off attempt as Colorado City's Andrew Spear dives back safely into first base. Greenwood lost its first-round game of the West Texas March Classic, 12-1. The tournament resumes today.

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Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Let Texas Tech worry about Edwina Brown. That just opened things up for JoRuth Woods and Brown's other Texas teammates.

Woods scored 17 points Thursday night and three other players reached double figures as sixth-seeded Texas continued its run of upsets in the Big 12 tournament with a 68-50 semifinal victory over No. 6 Texas Tech.

"I think it all comes down to the word 'team,'" said Texas coach Jody Condradt, whose team earned its second victory over a ranked opponent in as many days. "This is what you dream about as a coach."

"I think the thing that I am happiest about is that this team finally believes in themselves," Condradt said. "I have to probably say that there are a lot of other people that believe in them now, too."

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### Mizzou drills Red Raiders

Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Clarence Gilbert pulled the trigger on the 3-pointer again to score 26 points as Missouri beat Texas Tech 80-47 Thursday in the first-round of the Big 12 tournament to stay in contention for an NCAA bid. Gilbert made 6-of-12 3-point attempts, including 4-of-7 tries in the first half to score 14 points, as Missouri (18-11) bids to make the NCAA tournament in coach Quin Snyder's first year.

Gilbert fell one point short of his career-high 27 points set Jan. 22 against Kansas — another night when his 3-pointer just kept falling. Gilbert made seven 3-pointers in that game.

It was the most 3-pointers Gilbert has attempted — he has tried 11 in four different games.

Kareem Rush had 13 points and Keyon Dooling added 12 for Missouri.

James Ware scored 17 for the Red Raiders (12-16).

Rayford Young had 14 points in the first half for Texas Tech, but the Red Raiders made 14 turnovers in the half and consistently had the ball stolen away and seemed to get beat for every loose ball.

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Texas Tech's Katrisa O'Neal, left, drives past Texas' JoRuth Woods in the first half of their semifinal game in the Women's Big 12 basketball tournament Thursday. The Lady Longhorns upset Texas Tech 68-50.

#### Cincy loses Star

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Cincinnati star Kenyon Martin broke his right leg early in the first half, and the top-ranked Bearcats lost their postseason opener 68-58 Thursday to Saint Louis.

#### TCU Prevails

FRESNO, Calif. — Marquis Gainous and Estell Lester each scored 22 points to lead TCU past San Jose State 84-71 in the first round of the Western Athletic Conference Tournament on Thursday.

#### Hoops Notes

##### A&M falls

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Nick Mohr came off the bench early in the first half and hit a pair of 3-pointers to start a 26-2 run that carried Colorado to a 79-53 win over Texas A&M in the first round of the Big 12 tournament Thursday.

##### Baylor wins

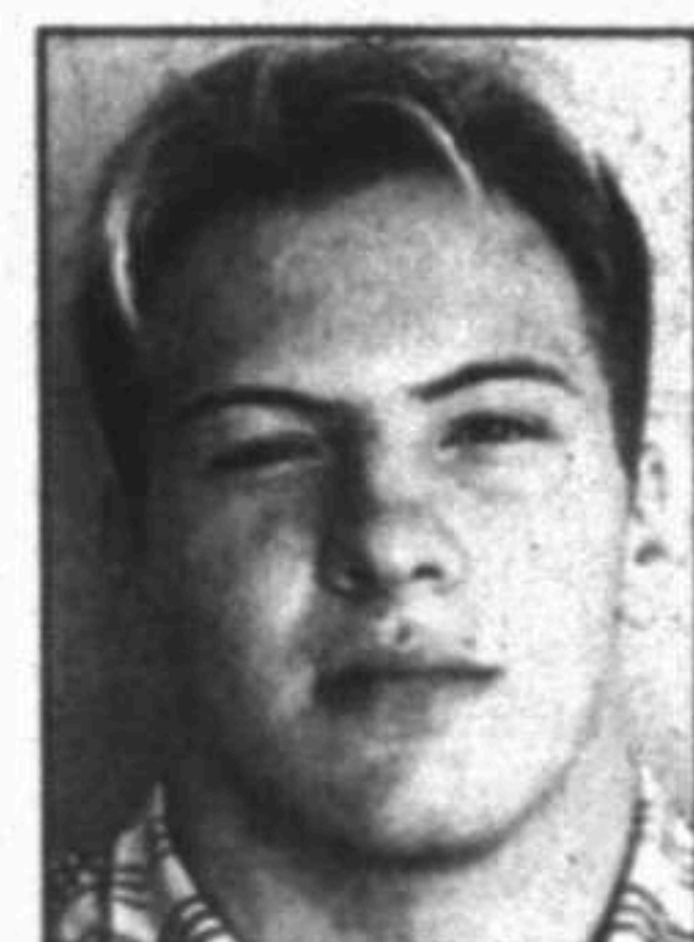
KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Tevis Stukes scored 22

points and had a 4-point play amid a second-half rally as Baylor erased a 14-point deficit and beat Nebraska 63-55 Thursday in the first round of the Big 12 tournament.

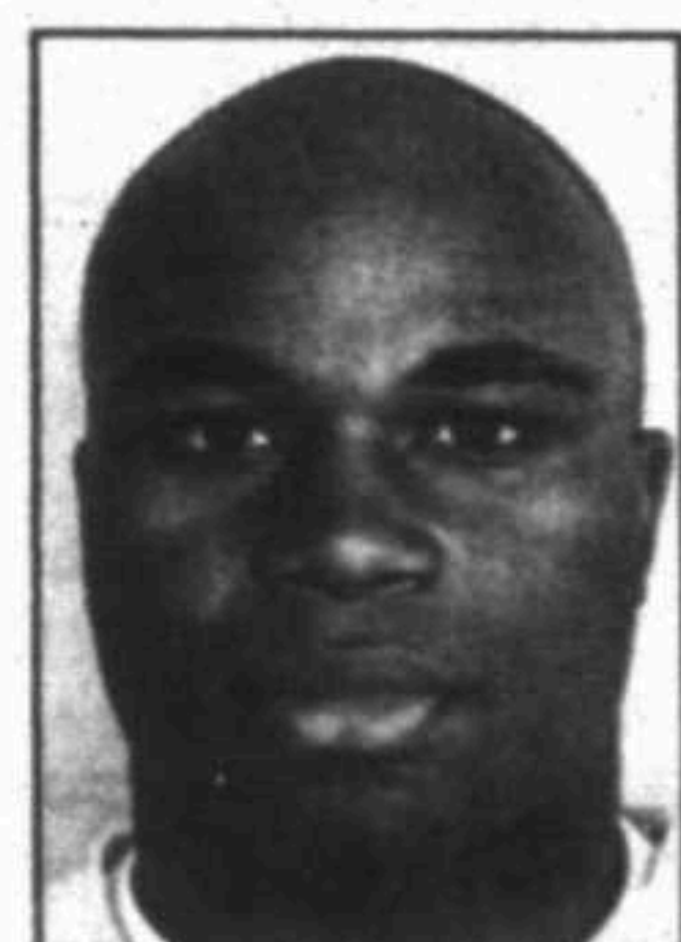
##### Happy is sad

Ramon Williams scored 20 points, 19 in the first half, and Brookeland used an 26-4 second-half run to pull away for a 61-43 win today over Happy in the boys Class 1A state semifinals.

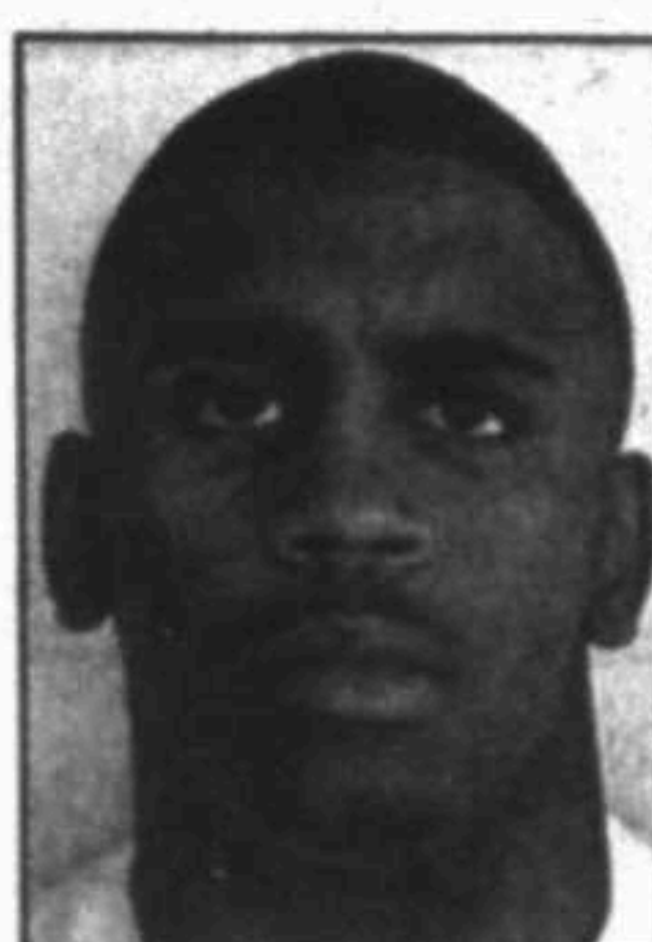
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## Bulldog lifters make regional competition

By Terry Williamson  
Sports Editor

Midland High's powerlifting team has qualified seven participants for the Region I meet in Plainview Saturday.

Coach Dan Swaim, who is in his first year of coaching powerlifting, said that members of the team qualified for the region meet by earning top marks during the season invitational meets. "After the invitational season,

you have to be in the top 10 in your respective weight class to go to the region meet," Swaim said. "On Saturday, the top two in each weight class will go to the state meet."

The state meet is March 25 in Killeen at Fort Hood.

One of the Bulldog lifters already has state experience in powerlifting. Jimmy Smith, a senior, placed eighth last year at the state meet in his weight class and he is again ranked No. 1 in the region in the 198-pound class.

"Smith is lifting even more than he did last season," Swaim said.

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## Odessa hosts 56th West Texas Relays

By Stewart Doreen  
Assistant Sports Editor

Over 1,500 athletes will converge on Odessa's Ratliff Stadium this weekend for the historic West Texas Relays.

Included in the field, which will feature three boys' divisions and one girls' division, will be the track teams from Midland High and Midland Lee.

The Relays begin at 2:30 p.m. Friday with a handful of field events and all running preliminaries.

Saturday, field events begin at 10:30 a.m. Running finals are scheduled to get started around 11:45 a.m. with the 3200 meters.

Even with the 2000 track season in its infancy, teams are looking for a measuring stick for its own runners, and this meet will serve that purpose in many ways.

The West Texas Relays will feature the Odessa schools, giving MHS and Lee an indication of where they stand.

"You get a gauge of where you are," Midland Lee track coach

Kelvin Ratliff said. "You will be able to find out if you can compete at district."

It also brings a top-notch field from all over the region. Again, this gives state contenders a chance to shine.

The meet will also be run at Ratliff Stadium, arguably one of the nicest high school tracks in West Texas. It should translate to many fast times and memorable performances.

"The competition will be great again," said Midland High track coach Wes Cope, whose team won West Texas Relays team title en route to the District 4-5A and Region I-5A team championships last year.

So far this season, it has been an up-and-down season for the Midland track teams. The team which has been the most successful is the boys team at Midland Lee. The Rebels placed second at the Tiger Relays in Wofforth and won their division in Lubbock last week.

Not bad. In fact, Ratliff can't remember the last time one of his teams won a meet. That includes the 1997 team, which had the top-

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### STEWART DOREEN

## Scorpions' coach gives Jackalopes' fans more to do tonight

Like it or not, sports has those characters you can't help but hate.

People who do so much to put themselves spotlight, usually in a negative fashion, that the sight of them brings out the worst in others.

It is rare to come upon those type of individuals in Midland-Odessa. Being filled with predominately high school sports, we cheer for the home team and leave the booing for what we see on the television.

However, once in a while one of the professional teams will attract such a figure.

Knowing that, meet Tony Martino.

He was, at one time, a very talented Western Professional Hockey League goaltender, and now is the first-year head coach of the highly successful New Mexico Scorpions.

Either way, he is a proven winner. This year, New Mexico has racked up a 45-14-3 (before Thursday's night) record, will win the WPHL's Western Division and right now has the most points in the league.

Martino has coached the Scorpions to wins without his best



Doreen

players, and his Scorpions will have everyone's attention come playoff time.

Having said that, Martino has demonstrated the ability to be a big jerk.

Before a January matchup with the Jackalopes, Martino said that his team would build a big lead and turn the dogs on the Jackalopes. Translation to non-hockey fans: Beat the Jacks on the scoreboard and then rough them up on the ice.

True to his word, New Mexico had a three-goal lead in the third period, so it was time for his boys to fight for their coach's vendetta. It was 100 percent class, Martino style.

Then, Martino followed his team's actions by saying, "I hate their (the Jacks') coach," and that he wished New Mexico would have scored 10 goals.

Apparently, Martino held a grudge for a failed trade between he and Jacks head coach Don McKee. The trade failed because Martino was caught tampering with the trading process. The WPHL suspended Martino, and he became bitter.

He didn't like it, and let the Jacks know about it with the goon hockey and the comments.

Although the teams have played since (three times to be exact), Martino has not had to bring his team to the Jack Shack (Ector County Coliseum) until 7:11 tonight. True Jacks fans are sure to

remember his shortcomings. The Jacks players and coach McKee haven't forgotten.

So tonight, go enjoy what should be a competitive and spirited hockey game. And in between cheers for the hometown Jackalopes squad, fulfill your right as a ticket holder and give a little business to a guy who deserves some.

**BEING CHARITABLE:** The Odessa Jackalopes Booster Club is putting together its second Toss For Tots Bunnies For Charity.

You can help by bringing a soft, stuffed bunny and throwing it on the ice (not at Martino) after the Jackalopes score their first goal during this and the remaining five Odessa home games.

For those forgetting to bring toy bunnies to the Jack Shack, the Jack Pack Booster Club will be selling them at both Ector County Coliseum entrances.

Last year, more than 1,100 Easter bunnies were collected and donated along with proceeds from their sale to several local charities for the Easter holiday.

For more information, contact Bobbie Kerrigan at 756-3308.

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## AUTO RACING ROUNDUP

## AARON 312

ATLANTA (AP) — Qualifying results Thursday for Saturday's Aaron's 312 NASCAR Busch Series, Grand National Division race at Atlanta Motor Speedway with start position, driver, make of car, and qualifying speed in mph (Qualifying continues Friday):

1. Matt Kenseth, Chevrolet, 185.704; 2. Chad Chaffin, Ford, 185.127; 3. Hut Stricklin, Pontiac, 184.529; 4. Mark Martin, Ford, 184.409; 5. Anthony Lazaro, Ford, 184.425; 6. Mike Dillon, Chevrolet, 184.378; 7. Todd Bodine, Chevrolet, 184.278; 8. Jason Keller, Chevrolet, 184.076; 9. Jeff Green, Chevrolet, 183.966; 10. Elton Sawyer, Ford, 183.722; 11. Jimmie Johnson, Chevrolet, 183.710; 12. Mike McLaughlin, Chevrolet, 183.698; 13. Joe Nemechek, Chevrolet, 183.613; 14. Kevin Harvick, Chevrolet, 183.613; 15. Adam Petty, Chevrolet, 183.230; 16. Tony Raines, Chevrolet, 183.182; 17. Hank Parker, Jr., Chevrolet, 183.162; 18. David Green, Chevrolet, 183.091; 19. Kevin Lepage, Ford, 183.091; 20. Blake Alexander, Chevrolet, 183.000.

21. Wayne Grubb, Chevrolet, 182.735; 22. Mark Green, Chevrolet, 182.729; 23. Ron Hornaday, Chevrolet, 182.681; 24. Kevin Grubb, Chevrolet, 182.603; 25. Shane Hall, Chevrolet, 182.452.

**Failed to Qualify**  
26. Randy LaJoie, Chevrolet, 182.410; 27. Lyndon Amick, Chevrolet, 182.374; 28. Kenny Wallace, Chevrolet, 182.344.

29. Phil Parsons, Chevrolet, 182.326; 30. P.J. Jones, Chevrolet, 182.266; 31. Kenny Irwin, Chevrolet, 182.261; 32. Buckshot Jones, Pontiac, 182.195; 33. Hermie Sadler, Chevrolet, 182.177; 34. Rich Bickle, Pontiac, 182.159.

35. Mike Skinner, Chevrolet, 181.985; 36. Tim Fedewa, Chevrolet, 181.973; 37. Jeff Purvis, Pontiac, 181.776; 38. Bobby Hamilton, Jr., Chevrolet, 181.729; 39. Gus Wesson, Chevrolet, 181.461; 40. Dick Trickle, Chevrolet, 181.449.

41. Bobby Hill, Chevrolet, 181.259; 42. Terry Labonte, Chevrolet, 181.242; 43. Michael Ritz, Ford, 181.147; 44. Jay Sauter, Chevrolet, 181.076; 45. Derrick Gilchrist, Chevrolet, 180.840; 46. Dave Steele, Chevrolet, 180.510.

47. Casey Atwood, Chevrolet, 179.872; 48. Jason Jarrett, Pontiac, 179.833; 49. Jason Leffler, Pontiac, 179.845; 50. Gary Bradberry, Chevrolet, 179.104; 51. Tony Roper, Chevrolet, 178.155; 52. Ron Young, Chevrolet, 175.755; 53. Mike Borkowski, Pontiac, DNS.

## AMA Daytona

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Qualifying results Thursday for Sunday's Daytona 200 Superbike Championship race on the 3.56-mile road course at Daytona International Speedway:

1. Troy Bayless, Ducati, 117.497; 2. Mat Mladin, Suzuki, 117.489; 3. Nicky Hayden, Honda, 117.041; 4. Larry Pegram, Ducati, 116.629; 5. Doug Chandler, Kawasaki, 116.463; 6. Eric Bostrom, Kawasaki, 115.790.

7. Miguel Duhamel, Honda, 115.695; 8. Steve Rapp, Ducati, 115.504; 9. Tommy Hayden, Yamaha, 115.264; 10. Aaron Yates, Suzuki, 115.217.

11. Jason Pridmore, Suzuki, 114.411; 12. Jamie Hacking, Yamaha, 114.242; 13. Scott Russell, Harley-Davidson, 114.189; 14. Pascal Picotte, Harley-Davidson, 113.883; 15. Damon Buckmaster, Suzuki, 111.376; 16. Jeff Williams, Kawasaki, 111.083.

17. Jimmy Moore, Suzuki, 110.519; 18. Oddgeir Havnem, Yamaha, 110.175; 19. Mark Cicotto, Suzuki, 110.061; 20. Jamie Bowman, Suzuki, 109.976; 21. Thomas Hauri, Ducati, 109.007; 22. Roger Lee Hayden, Suzuki, 108.963; 23. Mark Ledesma, Kawasaki, 108.872.

24. Shane Clarke, Suzuki, 108.691; 25. Mike Harth, Suzuki, 108.646; 26. Ricky Orlando, Suzuki, 108.488; 27. James Romero III, Suzuki, 107.794; 28. Rich Conicelli, Suzuki, 107.762; 29. Brandon Bashore, Suzuki, 107.157; 30. Mike Walsh, Yamaha, 107.074.

31. Randall Menenga, Suzuki, 107.042; 32. Akhuru Shigeno, Suzuki, 106.719; 33. Tripp Nobles, Harley-Davidson, 106.704; 34. John Ashmead, Kawasaki, 106.703; 35. Dean Mizdal, Suzuki, 106.381; 36. Frank Aragaki, Suzuki, 106.181.

37. Chad Simons, Suzuki, 106.167; 38. Shawn Conrad, Ducati, 106.129; 39. Tommy Wagner, Ducati, 106.108; 40. Rick Narup, Kawasaki, 106.075.

41. David Smith, Suzuki, 105.994; 42. Luis Noriega, Suzuki, 105.902; 43. Shane Gonyea, Suzuki, 105.771; 44. Richard Shaw, Yamaha, 105.750.

## TRACK: MHS, Lee head to Odessa

(From 1C)

quality performers to place second at state.

"We haven't won in a while, so when you win, you say, 'thank you,'" Ratliff said. "I can't tell you when we last actually won a meet."

Lee is getting good production from its field event stars. Steve Subia and T.J. Glover have not lost on their respective marquee events — Subia's in the shot put and Glover's in the triple jump. Ratliff is also getting big points from Justin Painter in the shot and discus.

Also expected to make strides this weekend is Sam Sheard, a senior 400-meter runner. Ratliff says he could be a darkhorse for a region spot down the line.

The Midland High boys, who won its first district title since 1955 last season, has to replace a stellar senior class. So far, it hasn't been easy. Cope has yet to see his whole team together at one meet. This week won't be any different. However, there are some performers to look out for.

Anrae Taylor will be a contender in the hurdles events. Roget King could contend in the 400. Others include Jerry Morgan in the pole vault and Randy Gardner in the high jump.

"Getting the basketball guys will really help," Cope said. "We still have to go over there and compete. We have young guys who have to get better at competing."

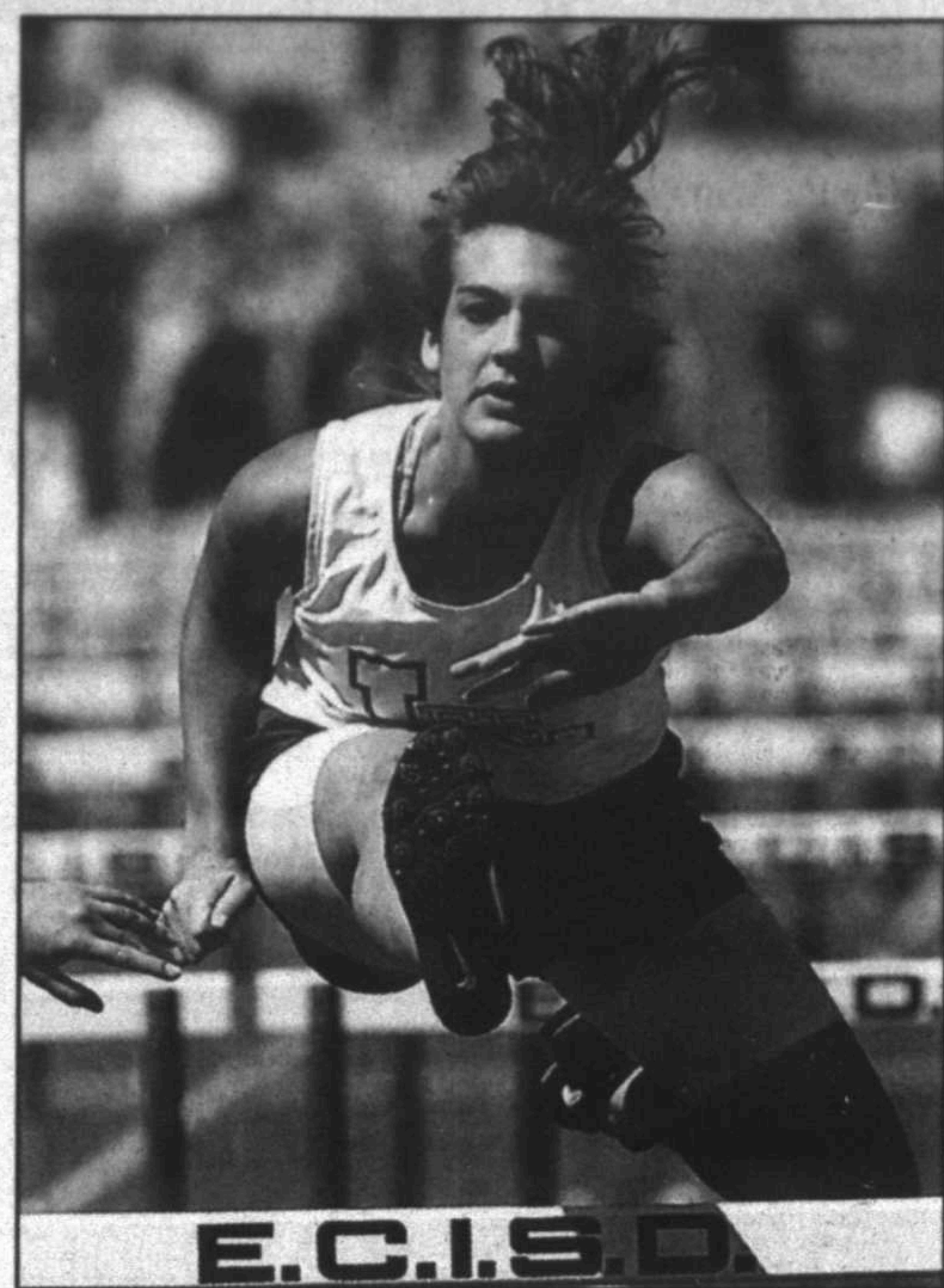
The Midland High and Midland Lee girls are both young, but there is talent to be found.

Midland High's top performer is sophomore Tara Burns. Burns has come on this season and collected wins and a whole bunch of team points in the jumping events. She is expected to be a factor in the long and triple jumps this weekend.

"She had talent as a freshman," MHS girls track coach Susan Nix said. "This year, she has added leadership and responsibility."

Nix will use this meet to develop her relays and to see more kids continue to run personal-best times.

This is not the same Midland Lee team, which won the district title on the Ratliff Stadium track two years ago, but that will not



Midland Lee's Julie Jay and the rest of the Midland Lee track team will be among the participants this weekend in Odessa at the West Texas Relays. The meet starts today at Ratliff Stadium.

stop Lee coach Randy Smith from getting all he has out of a young team. Lee's top performer should be Julie Jay in the hurdles events.

## Relays Schedule

The following is a schedule for the preliminary and final for the West Texas Relays which will be held this weekend at Odessa's Ratliff Stadium and Odessa High.

**Friday**  
Field Events  
2:30 p.m.: Girls High Jump; 5A High Jump; Girls Discus; 3A Pole Vault; 3A Shot Put; 4A Long Jump; 4A Discus; 3A Triple Jump; 4:20 p.m.: 5A Long Jump; Girls Long Jump; 5A Discus; 3A High Jump; 4A Shot Put; 4A Pole Vault.

**Running Preliminaries**  
(for all divisions unless otherwise indicated)  
2:30 p.m.: 400-meter relay; 3200 meters (at Odessa High School); 400 meters; 100 meters; 3A, 4A, 5A 110-meter hurdles; girls 100-meter hurdles; 800 meters (at Odessa High); 400 meters; 1600 meters (at Odessa High).

5:50 p.m.: Girls 800-meter relay; 300-meter hurdles; 200 meters; 1600-meter relay.  
**Saturday**  
Field Events  
10:30 a.m.: 4A Triple Jump; 11 a.m.: 5A Triple Jump; 5A Pole Vault; 11:45 a.m.: Girls Triple Jump.

5A Discus; 4A High Jump; Girls Shot Put; 12:30 p.m.: 3A Long Jump.

**Running Finals**  
11:45 a.m.: 3200 meters  
1 p.m. to 4:55 p.m.: 400-meter relay; 800 meters; girls 100-meter hurdles; 3A, 4A, 5A boys 110-meter hurdles; 100 meters; Girls 800-meter relay; 400 meters; 300-meter hurdles; 200 meters; 1600 meters; 1600-meter relay.

## 2000 Participants

**Girls Teams**  
One Division  
Odessa Permian, Odessa High, Midland Lee, El Paso Coronado, Midland High, Lubbock Monterey, Midland Lee, El Paso Hanks, El Paso Franklin, El Paso Irvin, Hedley Hobbs (N.M.), Monahans, El Paso Bel Air, El Paso Del Valle, El Paso Eastwood.

**Boys Teams**  
Division 5A  
Odessa Permian, Odessa High, El Paso Bel Air, El Paso Coronado, Midland High, Lubbock Monterey, Midland Lee, El Paso Hanks, El Paso Franklin, El Paso Irvin, Hedley Hobbs (N.M.), Monahans, El Paso Bel Air, El Paso Del Valle, El Paso Eastwood.

**Division 4A**  
Ruidoso (N.M.), Pecos, Artesia (N.M.), Harford, El Paso Burges, Canyon Randall, Fort Stockton, Perryton.

**Division 1A-3A**  
Permian JV, OHS JV, Seminole, Jackboro, Monahans, Muleshoe, Greenwood, Midland Christian, Abilene Wylie, Borden County, Crane, Denver City, Hadley, Kermit, McCamey, Olney, Ozona, Presidio, Tahoka.

## Bobby Labonte could have edge at Atlanta speedway

## Associated Press

HAMPTON, Ga. — Crew chief Jimmy Makar is convinced that his driver, Bobby Labonte, is the reason for the team's recent success at Atlanta Motor Speedway.

Heading into the Cracker Barrel 500 on Sunday, Labonte has won four of the last seven races and finished fourth or better in all but one of them on the 1.54-mile tri-oval.

Atlanta, with top speeds about 195-mph, is the fastest track in NASCAR because carburetor restrictor plates are not needed to slow the cars down in the interest of fan and driver safety.

Makar says that's a factor for Labonte.

"Bobby likes speed," Makar said. "There are certain people that can race comfortably at 150 miles an hour, and that's fine. But you get a little bit faster and it takes a little nerve and a different mindset."

"Every since Bobby has been driving for us, he has never been a person that shies away from speed. Any place we go fast, he enjoys. ... If you are comfortable in a situation, you can adapt and you can excel."

Labonte, who won last month on the much slower oval in Rockingham, N.C., goes into Sunday's race leading Dale Jarrett by four points in the series standings.

Although only three of 34 races have been run, that's significant because it's the first time Jarrett has not led the points in 25 races, dating to last May.

"It's way too early in the season to be worrying about the points," Labonte said. "But we are pretty happy that we've gotten off to a good, strong start."

## ■ Racing Roundup

Nobody wants to put themselves in a hole at the beginning of the season.

Jarrett won the championship going away last year, thanks to consistently running at or near the front.

So far this year, Labonte's Joe Gibbs Racing Pontiac has finishes of sixth, first and fifth.

But Jarrett is close behind with a win and a seventh-place finish. His team has proved it knows how to win a title. He thinks Labonte's team also has figured out the formula.

"It's going to be a dogfight all year, and not just between those two teams," said Jarrett, Makar's brother-in-law and Labonte's predecessor in the Gibbs car.

The 2000 season began with Chevrolet teams complaining that their new Monte Carlo was at an aerodynamic disadvantage to both the partially redesigned Fords and the virtually unchanged Pontiacs.

After two visits to the wind tunnel with each of the three makes, NASCAR has given the Chevys two more inches on the front air dam beginning with the Atlanta race. That change will almost certainly give the Monte Carlos more front downforce, making them faster and more competitive, particularly on fast tracks like Atlanta.

**Series leader Kenseth wins**  
Labonte pole

HAMPTON, Ga. — Matt Kenseth, the NASCAR Winston Cup rookie who leads the Busch Series points standings, took the pole Thursday for the Aaron's 312 at Atlanta Motor Speedway. Kenseth got around the 1.54-

mile tri-oval at 185.704 mph. Chad Chaffin was second at 185.127 to take the outside spot on the front row for Saturday's race.

"I'm very excited about being on the pole," said Kenseth, who won the season-opening race in Daytona Beach, Fla. "We know we can run up front with the other cars. I got through turns one and two good, but I got a little loose in turns three and four. I was able to carry enough momentum through the turn to give us a good run."

Hut Stricklin was third at 184.529, followed by Mark Martin at 184.499 and rookie Anthony Lazaro at 184.425.

Roush Racing drivers have won all three Busch Series events so far this year, with Martin following Kenseth's Daytona win with a victory in Rockingham, N.C., and Jeff Burton winning Saturday in Las Vegas.

**More prize money at stake at Texas Motor Speedway**  
FORT WORTH — The purses for both the NASCAR Winston Cup and Busch races at Texas Motor Speedway have increased over last year.

The total prize money for the DIRECTV 500 on April 2 has increased nearly \$270,000 from last year, to more than \$4.3 million. The winner's share for the Winston Cup race will be \$362,275.

Drivers in the Busch race on April 1 will share in nearly \$1.1 million in prize money, a \$64,000 increase over last year. The first-place finisher gets \$62,700.

The Busch race will be known as the Albertson's 300 presented by Pop Secret, named for the two new sponsors announced Thursday.

## Golfers take advantage of lack of wind during Honda Classic

## Associated Press

CORAL SPRINGS, Fla. — Heron Bay's lone defender took a day off Thursday.

With little or no wind during the opening round of the Honda Classic, the Tournament Players Club at Heron Bay — known for its strong, steady winds — gave way to low scoring.

Only 18 of the 144 players finished over par, with Mike Brisky, Brian Gay, Matt Gogel, Dudley Hart, J.P. Hayes, Brian Henninger, Skip Kendall and Paraguay's Carlos Franco shooting 7-under-par 65s to share the lead.

"I was surprised that the wind didn't come up a little bit more," Kendall said. "Our 18th hole played a bit into the wind, but virtually nothing compared to what it usually is. It's usually blowing 25, 30 mph here."

Eight players shot 66s, including Casey Martin, the first player to use a cart on tour. Martin has a rare circulatory condition in his right leg that makes it difficult for him to walk 18 holes.

He missed a 20-foot putt for birdie on No. 18 that would have put him in a tie for lead. Nonetheless, it was his lowest-scoring round on tour.

"There is not a hill around, and that was about as pain-free a round as I've had in a long time," Martin said. "I played great. I really did. I just hit a lot of fairways, a lot of greens and made some putts. It was as solid a round as I've played in a long time."

His lawsuit against the PGA Tour was upheld in appellate court this week, possibly ending his two-year dispute with the tour.

"I'd much rather talk about good golf than how I get around," he said.

Only three of the top 10 players in the world rankings — Davis Love III (4), defending champion Vijay Singh (5) and Jim Furyk (9) — are participating in the Honda.

Love (69), Singh (70) and Furyk (68) are lurking just behind the leaders.

Australian sensation Aaron Baddeley, 18, chipped in from 25 feet away on No. 18 for birdie. Baddeley, the only amateur in the field, shot a 3-under 69.

The Australian Open winner would have had a lower round but was even on the four par 5s.

Baddeley got a warm welcome from the galleries. On No. 10, someone shouted "Second Tiger" after he ripped his tee shot.

"I don't know about that," Baddeley said.

Kerr's two-eagle first round good for two-shot lead

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. — Eagles had never come in pairs before for Cristie Kerr, especially on the same side of a golf course.



Casey Martin drives a cart during the first round at the Honda Classic Thursday. Martin's lawsuit against the PGA to use a cart due to a rare circulatory disease in his right leg was upheld in appellate court Monday.

eagled two of the last seven holes. She holed out from the fairway on the last to open a two-shot after one round of the Welch's-Circle K Championship.

The 138-yard shot landed left and about 6 feet short of a difficult pin placement on the right side of the green, hopped once and rolled in for an eagle-2. Kerr pumped her fist a la Tiger Woods, embraced caddy Donna Earley and threw her 8-iron into the air.

"It's the kind of funky stuff that keeps happening to Donna and I," said Kerr, who eagled the last hole of a round in Hawaii three weeks ago. "I didn't know the green went that way. I was trying to hit it left, but not that far. It's one of those things, you aim away from the pin and end up hitting the hole."

"That's a psychology thing, though, because if you try to go at the pin, you'll hit it bad."

The dramatic finish on the 329-yard ninth hole, her finish after starting on the 10th tee, enabled Kerr to match her career-best round of 8-under-par 64.

It also put daylight between her and 1999 Rookie of the Year Mi Hyun Kim, who carded a 66.

Annika Sorenstam, Kristi Albers and Fiona Pike were three shots off the pace, with 10 players at 68.

A nine-player cluster at 69 included 1992 Tucson winner Brandie Burton, a former All-American at Arizona State who missed last season after having shoulder surgery in December 1998.

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## Quarterfinals

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## First Round

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## First Round

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## Big East Conference

## Quarterfinals

Connecticut 70, Seton Hall 54  
Georgetown 78, Syracuse 72

## First Round

Miami 61, Notre Dame 58  
St. John's 75, Villanova 70

## Big Ten Conference

## First Round

Iowa 61, Minnesota 76  
Penn State 76, Michigan 66

## Big West Conference

## First Round

Long Beach 57, Idaho 66  
New Mexico 52, Utah State 51

## Conference USA

## Quarterfinals

DePaul 80, Memphis 76  
N.C. Charlotte 57, Louisville 52

## Mid-Eastern Athletic

## Quarterfinals

Bethune-Cookman 80, Norfolk 75  
Hampson 80, N.C. A&T 80

## First Round

BYU 55, New Mexico 43  
Utah 74, Air Force 65

## NAIA Division II

## First Round

Kansas Newman 62, DePue 78  
New Mexico 52, Utah State 51

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# Cincy's Martin breaks leg as Bearcats lose

Associated Press

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Cincinnati star Kenyon Martin broke his right leg early in the first half, and the top-ranked Bearcats lost their postseason opener 68-58 Thursday to Saint Louis.

The senior watched from the bench as Justin Love scored 25 points in leading ninth-seeded Saint Louis to the upset victory in the Conference USA quarterfinals.

Even without their leading scorer, Cincinnati (28-3) still had a chance to put away a team it routed twice in the regular season. But Saint Louis (17-13) outshot and outrebounded the Bearcats, who had trouble even finding the basket for much of the second half.

Cincinnati led 40-36 with 16:05 left on a jumper by Pete Miceal, but John Redden put Saint Louis ahead to stay with a 15-foot jumper that made it 48-47 with 12:35 remaining.

The Bearcats then went cold and didn't hit a shot from the floor for a nearly 10 minute stretch until Miceal's basket with 1:16 remaining. Cincinnati could have taken the lead but went 6-of-13 at the free throw line in that time.

The 6-foot-9, 240-pound Martin was setting a pick when he got tangled up with Love. Martin's ankle turned underneath him as he fell, breaking his leg and damaging several ligaments.

Martin immediately was taken by ambulance to an orthopedic clinic where doctors put a cast on his leg. He will need surgery, which will take place in Cincinnati.

He returned to The Pyramid midway through the second half with his teammates trailing and drew a standing ovation. But his presence wasn't enough to boost Cincinnati, which wound up with its earliest exit ever in a tournament the Bearcats have dominated over the years.

No. 9 Arizona 86,

No. 2 Stanford 81

TUCSON, Ariz. — Stanford can beat just about anybody in the country — except Arizona.

The ninth-ranked Wildcats used intense pressure defense and a balanced, aggressive offense in the

## ■ Top 25 Men

second half and made it a sweep of No. 2 Stanford 86-81.

Richard Jefferson, who broke his right foot in Arizona's 68-65 victory at Stanford Jan. 8 and was scoreless in his first two games back last week, scored 19 points off the bench for the Wildcats, 13 in the second half.

Michael Wright scored 20 for Arizona (25-6 overall, 14-3 Pac-10). Jason Gardner, named freshman of the year Thursday by the U.S. Basketball Writers Association, gave the Cardinal fits with his quickness and finished with 14 points and seven assists.

No. 3 Duke 94, Clemson 63  
CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Shane Battier scored 19 points and No. 3 Duke opened its quest for its 11th ACC title by dominating Clemson inside and out.

The Blue Devils (25-4) shot 56 percent, including making an Atlantic Coast Conference tournament-record 17 of 29 3-point attempts, and had a 38-28 edge on the boards, helping them defeat Clemson for the ninth straight time.

No. 6 Temple 71,

Virginia Tech 52

PHILADELPHIA — Mark Karcher scored 17 points and Pepe Sanchez added nine points and five assists as No. 6 Temple advanced to the semifinals of the Atlantic 10 Conference tournament with a 71-52 victory.

Lamont Barnes added 12 points for Temple (24-5), which will face Massachusetts in the semifinals.

No. 11 Florida 89,

Mississippi 67

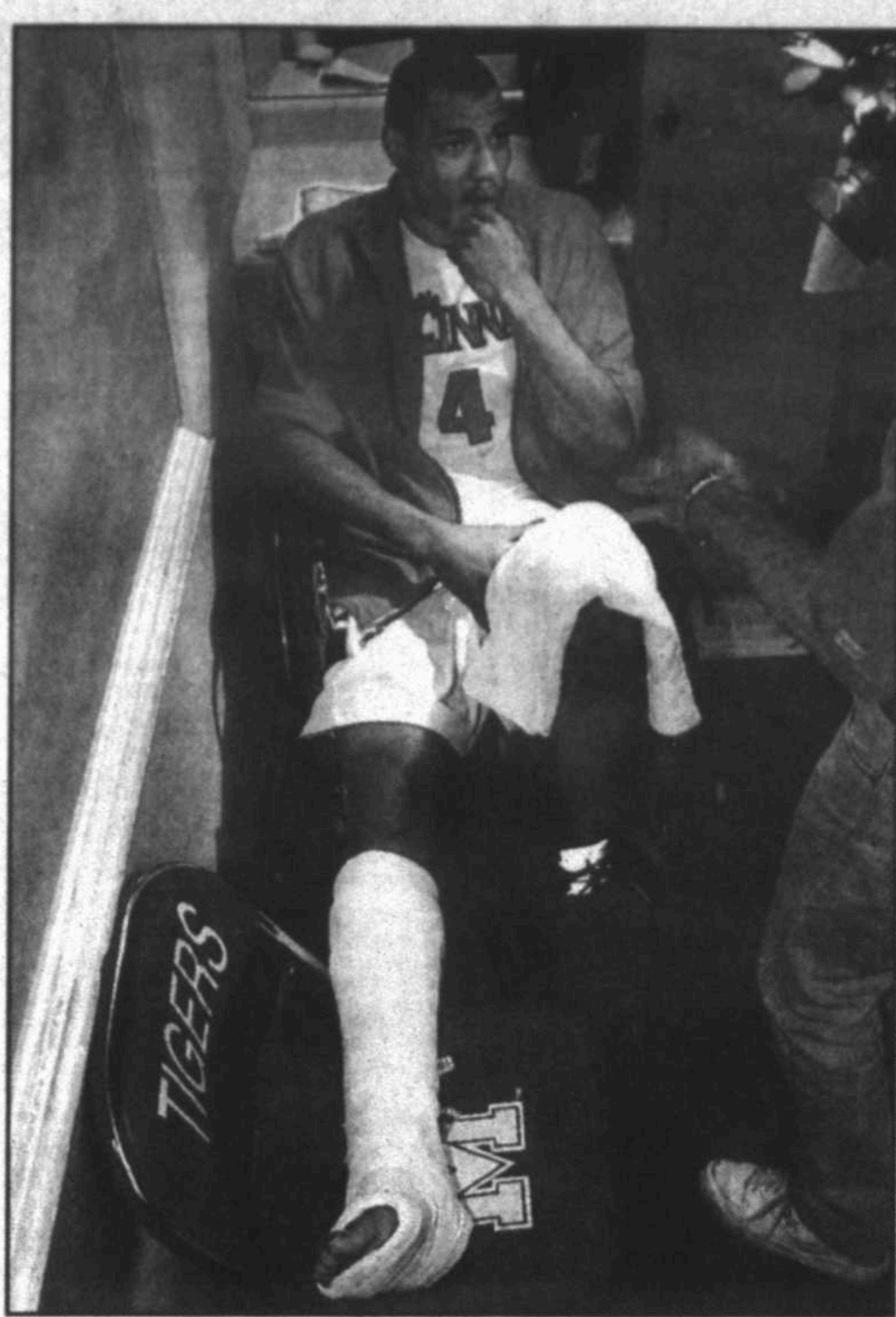
ATLANTA — Kenyan Weaks scored 18 points to lead Florida — one of three teams that shared the Southeastern Conference title — past Mississippi in the first round of the league tournament.

Mike Miller added 15 points for the Gators (24-6), who will face Auburn in the quarterfinals Friday. Jason Harrison led the Rebels (17-13) with 20 points.

Georgetown 76,

No. 12 Syracuse 72

NEW YORK — Kevin



Cincinnati's Kenyon Martin answers questions in the locker room after Cincinnati's 68-58 loss to St. Louis in the Conference USA tournament on Thursday. Martin broke his leg early in the game.

Braswell made nine free throws down the stretch and had a key interception as Georgetown shocked Syracuse 76-72 in the Big East quarterfinals.

It was just the third time in the 21-year history of the tournament that a top seed has been knocked off in the quarterfinals and the second time it has happened to the Orangemen.

Georgetown will face Connecticut in the semifinals.

No. 19 St. John's 75,

Villanova 70

NEW YORK — Boots Thornton scored 21 points and third-seeded St. John's, which blew a 15-point second-half lead, scored the game's final six points for a 75-70 victory over Villanova in the quarterfinals of the Big East tournament.

The 19th-ranked Red Storm (22-7) advanced to Friday night's semifinals against second-seeded Miami (21-9), which beat Notre Dame 61-58 in the quarterfinals.

That will be a rematch of last week's regular-season finale, won by Miami 74-70 in overtime, and of last season's semifinal, won 62-59 by St. John's.

## More Sports/11C

# Texas A&M falls; Baylor advances

Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Nick Mohr came off the bench early in the first half and hit a pair of 3-pointers to start a 26-2 run that carried Colorado to a 79-53 win over Texas A&M in the first round of the Big 12 tournament Thursday.

Jamahl Mosley had 16 points as the Buffs (18-12) advanced to the second round against Texas, which had a first-round bye. Mohr finished with 15 points.

Bernard King, the league's freshman of the year, had a miserable night, making just 3-of-18 shots from the field. King missed all nine of his 3-point attempts to finish with six points.

King had set a Big 12 record for a freshman by scoring 34 points Feb. 11 when the Aggies beat Colorado 74-69 in College Station.

The Aggies shot just 23 percent from the field in the first half while committing 12 turnovers, 11 of them during the Colorado run. At one point, the Aggies inexplicably inbounded the ball to a Colorado player.

The Aggies finished the game shooting 31 percent with 18 turnovers.

Baylor 63, Nebraska 55

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Tevis Stukes scored 22 points and had a 4-point play amid a second-half rally as Baylor erased a 14-point deficit and beat Nebraska 63-55 Thursday in the first round of the Big 12 tournament.

In the final minutes, fans of Nebraska (11-19), which lost nine of its last 10, stood and waved a sarcastic goodbye to coach Danny Nee, who has come under fire in his 14th season.

Baylor (14-14), the No. 9 seed, was trailing 41-27 when Wendell Greenleaf hit a 3-pointer at the 13:56 mark that ignited a 19-0

## ■ Big 12 Men

run. From that point on, the Bears outscored the Huskers 36-14.

Nebraska, a 69-55 winner over Baylor in January, quickly turned a 26-20 halftime lead into what seemed like a comfortable 14-point advantage in the first five minutes of the second half, with Cary Cochran hitting two 3-pointers in the opening spurt.

But then Greenleaf connected on a long 3-pointer and the Bears were off and running on a 19-0 spree that left them with a 46-41 lead. Greenleaf made three 3's in the spurt and Stukes scored eight points.

In the second round Friday, Baylor will meet No. 7 Iowa State, the Big 12's regular season champion.

No. 24 Kansas 84, Kansas

St. 60

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Jeff Boschee hit seven 3-pointers in the first half as No. 24 Kansas routed Kansas State 84-60 on Thursday in the first round of the Big 12 tournament and possibly Tom Asbury's last game as Wildcats' coach.

Boschee, a streaky outside shooter, set the school record for 3-pointers in a half by going 7-for-8. He scored all 21 of his points in the first half as Kansas (23-8) romped to its 19th straight victory over Kansas State (9-19).

Asbury, the object of increasing criticism after finishing last in the regular-season race and never beating Kansas, fell to 0-20 lifetime against the Jayhawks, including three games while he was at Pepperdine.

In Friday's second round, the Jayhawks will play No. 17 Oklahoma State (23-5), which handed them the third-worst loss in school history on Feb. 7, 86-53.

# Madison moves to Class 4A final

Associated Press

AUSTIN — When his outside shot was off, Ellis Kidd Jr. just relied on dunks to get Dallas Madison to the Class 4A state championship game.

Kidd scored 21 points on 9-of-17 shooting with a showcase of 3-pointers and crowd-pleasing one-handed dunks to lead Madison past Port Arthur Jefferson 66-54 Thursday night.

Kidd had three dunks and three 3-pointers as Madison (32-2) advanced to Saturday's final to play Denton Ryan (29-6).

The teams combined for woe-of shooting in the first half. Madison was 11-of-36 and Jefferson 9-of-28 in the first two quarters. The teams combined to go 3-of-18 from the line in the half and 14-of-44 for the game.

Denton Ryan 72,

San Antonio Lanier 59

AUSTIN — San Antonio Lanier's tenacity and vocal crowd support wasn't enough to beat Denton Ryan's muscle.

Dupree Jones scored 21 points as Denton Ryan overpowered undersized Lanier 72-59 in the Class 4A state semifinals.

Ryan (29-6) advances to Saturday's final against Dallas Madison (32-2), a 66-54 winner over Port Arthur Jefferson.

Ryan isn't very big, with just two starters at 6-foot-3 or higher. But Lanier is even smaller and sometimes found itself using three and four players 5-10 or shorter. Outrebounded 48-29, the lanky Voks got few second-chance shots and just didn't have the muscle to keep up.

Class 3A

Gainesville 61, Kountze 59

AUSTIN — Brian Williams scored 23 points and B.J. Banks added 21 as Gainesville edged Kountze 61-59 in the boys Class 3A state semifinals.

Gainesville (29-7) advances to Saturday's final against Waco La Vega (32-4), a 75-62 winner Thursday over Corpus Christi West Oso.

Trey Peters scored 11 points and Curtis Morgan 10 for Kountze (32-7).

## ■ High School Boys

Waco La Vega 75,

CC West Oso 62

AUSTIN — Brothers Donald and Jason Hooks combined for 32 points and Waco La Vega raced to a 20-3 lead on its way to a 75-62 win over Corpus Christi West Oso on in the Class 3A state semifinals.

Donald and Jason Hooks each scored 16 and Wesley Pendley added 15 points and 11 rebounds for La Vega (32-4).

La Vega led 9-0 with an alley-oop layup and 3-pointer by Mario Kinsey before West Oso even got off its first shot. Once it did, the shot was blocked by Pendley, who at 6-foot-5 towered over the quick but small West Oso lineup with three starters 5-8 or shorter.

Class 1A

Moulton 87, Graford 51

AUSTIN — Moulton's Robert Tovar keeps getting better with age and Moulton keeps riding him to 1A state championship games.

Tovar scored 36 points as the two-time defending champion Bobkatz advanced to yet another title game with an 87-51 victory over Graford.

Moulton (36-3) will play Brookeland (38-1), a 61-43 winner over Happy, in Saturday's final. Moulton beat Brookeland 54-49 in the 1999 title game.

Moulton is trying to become just the sixth school in any class to win three straight boys basketball titles. Tovar, the most valuable player of last year's championship game, would be part of all three.

Brookeland 61, Happy 43

AUSTIN — Happy had little to smile about in its first state tournament appearance.

Ramon Williams scored 20 points, 19 in the first half, and Brookeland used an 26-4 second-half run to pull away for a 61-43 win today over Happy in the boys Class 1A state semifinals.

Brookeland (38-1) advances to Saturday's title game against two-time defending champion Moulton (36-3), an 87-51 winner over Graford in today's other semifinal. Moulton beat Brookeland 54-49 in the 1999 title game.

# TCU defeats San Jose State, will play Tulsa; SMU drops first-round contest

Associated Press

FRESNO, Calif. — Marquise Gainous and Estell Laster each scored 22 points to lead TCU past San Jose State 84-71 in the first round of the Western Athletic Conference Tournament on Thursday.

TCU (18-13) trailed by as many as 14 points in the first half before taking control of the game in the second. Ryan Carroll added 19 for TCU, including 13 in the second half.

Cory Powell led San Jose State (15-15) with 19 points and Billy Landram added 18.

TCU was down 38-30 at halftime, but opened the second half with a 15-2 run in the first four minutes. Laster and Thomas McTyler each had three points to start the run before San Jose's Eric Griffin made a pair of free throws.

Derrick Davenport's free throw, followed by a jumper by Laster, started a 9-0 TCU run. Gainous then hit a 3-pointer and after a quick turnover on the press, Carroll hit another.

TCU opened up a 58-47 lead with just less

## ■ WAC — Texas Teams

than 14 minutes left in the game but Landram hit a pair of 3-pointers in a 10-2 Spartan run, cutting the lead to 60-57. But TCU quickly regained control and pulled away for the victory.

No. 14 Tulsa 71, Rice 51

FRESNO, Calif. — Eric Coley and the Tulsa Golden Hurricane made quick work of Rice in the opening game of the Western Athletic Conference tournament.

Coley had a block, assist, steal and reverse layup in an early spurt as No. 14 Tulsa routed Rice 71-51 on Thursday.

Sixth-man David Shelton, who scored 20 points, and Brandon Kurtz, with 14, carried Tulsa most of the way as the Golden Hurricane won their 28th game, breaking the school record of 27 set in 1983-84.

Erik Cooper scored all 14 of his points in the second half as he tried to make it a game for out-matched Rice (5-22). Mike Wilks added 10 points.

Playing before a mostly empty Selland Arena, Coley made a key block on T.J. McKenzie's layup in the first, fed Kurtz for a three-point play, then stole the ball and beat his man on the break for a 7-0 lead.

The Owls never got closer. They were held scoreless for nearly the first six minutes and had trou-

ble finding the basket from just about anywhere but the foul line, scoring eight of their 18 first-half points on free throws.

Tulsa has beaten Rice six straight times.

Hawaii 87, SMU 82

FRESNO, Calif. — Troy Ostler scored 22 points to lead Hawaii to an 87-82 upset of SMU in the first round of the Western Athletic Conference tournament on Thursday.

Hawaii (17-11) squandered most of a 17-point lead before holding off a late SMU rally for the victory. SMU (21-8) was seeded third coming into the tourney. Hawaii was sixth.

SMU closed to within three at 85-82 with just less than two minutes left in the game, but could not score after that. Hawaii's Nerijus Puidia hit two free throws with 22 seconds remaining to seal the victory.

SMU, down by 15 at halftime, got back into the game, scoring 11 straight points to open the second half. Damon Hancock, who finished with 17 points, had a pair of baskets in the run and Quinton Ross, who also ended with 17, added a 3-point play.

Hawaii countered with baskets by Marquette Alexander, who finished with 18, and Ostler. SMU, turning to a full court press, forced Hawaii into 14 second-half turnovers. But every time SMU threatened, Hawaii responded with a big basket.

Jeryl Sasser led SMU with 20 points.

# WOMEN: Lady Longhorns get semifinal victory

(From 1C)

Texas (21-11), which beat No. 18 Oklahoma 71-68 in Wednesday's quarterfinals, plays No. 10 Iowa State in Saturday's championship game. Prior to this year, no sixth seed had even made the semifinals.

The Longhorns are trying to become the first team to win four tournament games since Colorado in 1997, the Big 12's first season. They're also trying for their first conference tournament championship since 1994, when they beat Texas Tech 71-69 for the Southwest Conference title.

"Coming into this game, I thought we might be a little winded or get a little tired, but I

think our adrenaline was going too fast to even think about being tired," forward Tracy Cook said. "That really carried us, and I think it will Saturday."

Brown, who came into the game averaging 21.6 points per game, wasn't shut out Thursday night. She offset eight turnovers with 14 points and nine assists.

"I wouldn't say that I mapped it out this way, but I knew my time had to come and it showed up at a good time," Brown said. "This caps my career."

Tai Dillard added a career-high 13 points and freshman Alisha Sare had 10 for Texas. Dillard also had eight rebounds, another career high, as Texas outrebounded the second-seeded Red

Raiders 41-25.

"It's (rebounding) something we've always relied on," said Keitha Dickerson, who led Texas Tech with 19 points — 13 in the first half — and eight rebounds. "We usually do a better job of boxing out and grabbing rebounds, but they had the edge and it showed."

Texas Tech (25-4), the two-time defending tournament champion, shot just 34 percent (17-for-50) from the floor and managed only one field goal in the final 12 1/2 minutes.

The Longhorns shot 30-for-60, 50 percent.

Woods' 18-footer at the buzzer gave Texas a 40-29 halftime lead, and she added five points in

the first 5 1/2 minutes of the second half as the Longhorns padded that advantage to 51-33.

"We were trying to salvage something positive at the end of the first half, but we didn't get the rebound and they got that last shot off," Texas Tech coach Marsha Sharp said. "That was a big momentum builder for them."

Aleah Johnson's basket with 9:05 left cut the margin to 59-47, but the Red Raiders didn't score again for more than five minutes.

Texas also struggled to score down the stretch but was able to widen the margin to 66-47 before Dickerson hit two free throws to break Texas Tech's drought with 3:36 remaining.

3-pointer.

Young hit a pair of 3-pointers to get the Red Raiders within 33-22 with 3:54 left in the half, but the Tigers were back up 39-24 with 3:15 to play when Gilbert hit a 3-pointer and Brian Grawer made two free throws after Brodney Kennard, who had 10 rebounds, was called for setting an illegal screen.

# MEN: Former Chap Ware scores 17 for Red Raiders

(From 1C)

Young did not score in the second half.

Texas Tech finished with 26 turnovers for the game.

The Tigers led 57-34 with 12:15 left in the game after Dooling and Rush — their two dazzling young players — combined to score six straight points. Dooling, a sophomore, scored

a layup after a stop-and-go move in the lane. Then the freshman Rush hit a jumper and, after yet another Red Raiders turnover, picked up his dribble after driving from the left side to hit another short jumper.

It was 59-34 with 11:34 to play when the Tigers found Rush alone under the basket after Missouri had again stolen the ball.

An alley-oop pass from Rush to Dooling with about 10 1/2 minutes to play made it 61-35.

Texas Tech trailed 24-14 in the first half when Young had a chance to get Texas Tech within eight, but Dooling came out of nowhere to block his layup attempt on a breakaway.

The lead went back to 29-14 with 5:38 left when Gilbert hit a

in double figures as No. 4 seed Tulane (20-9) finally advanced to the semifinals. Tulane will play Saint Louis, an upset winner over No. 1 Cincinnati, on Friday.

Houston (9-22) had four players in double figures led by Chad Hendrick's 18 points.

# Tulane dumps Houston

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — Sterling Davis scored 16 points and Trelle Galloway had 11 of his 13 in the second half Thursday as Tulane beat Houston 76-69 for its first victory ever in the Conference USA tournament.

Davis was among five players



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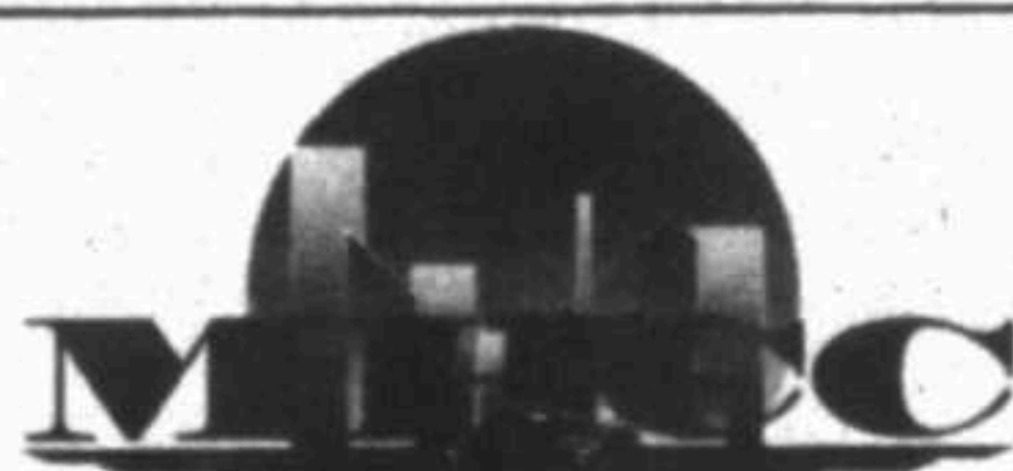
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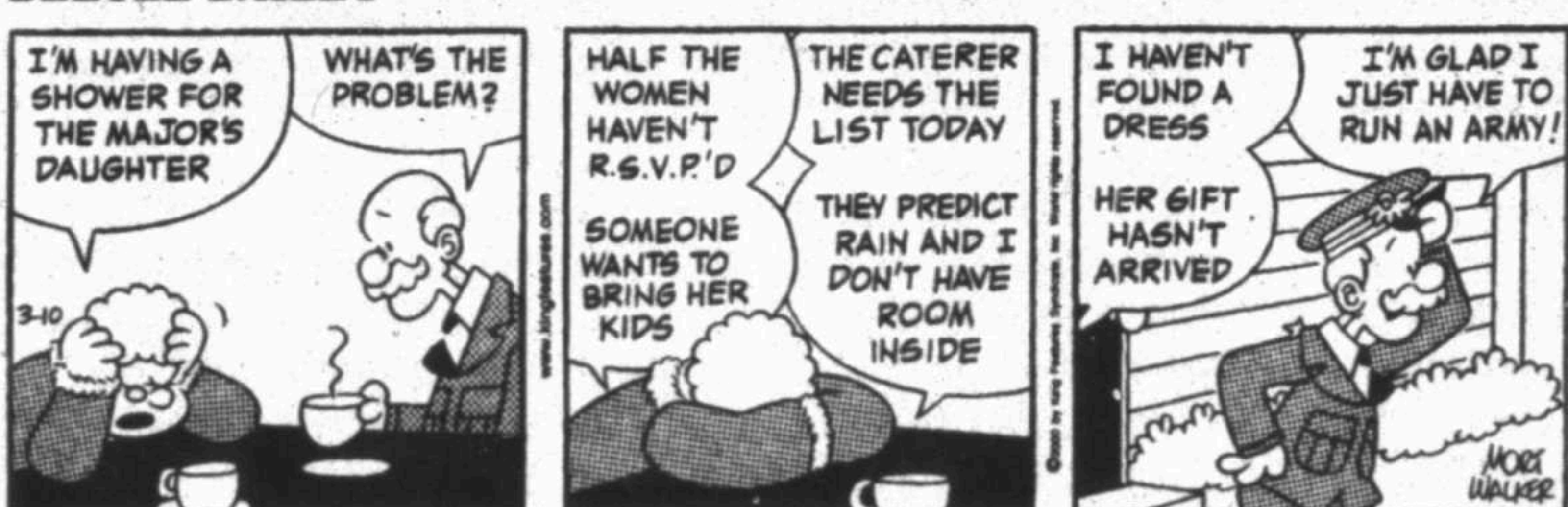
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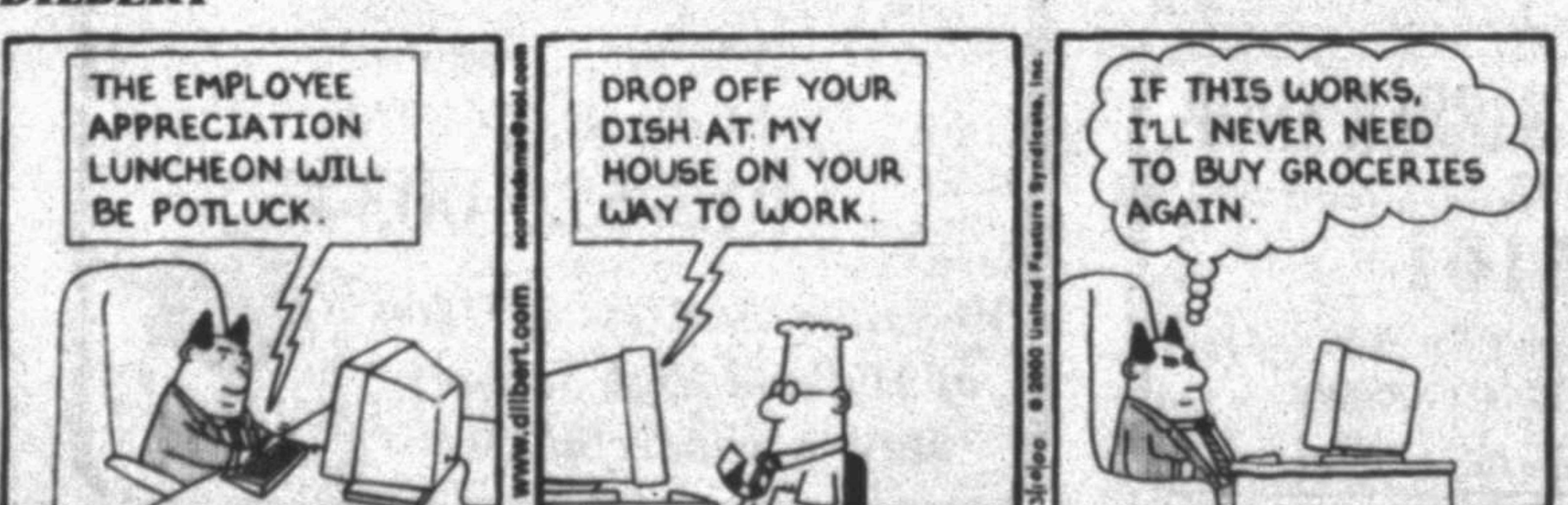
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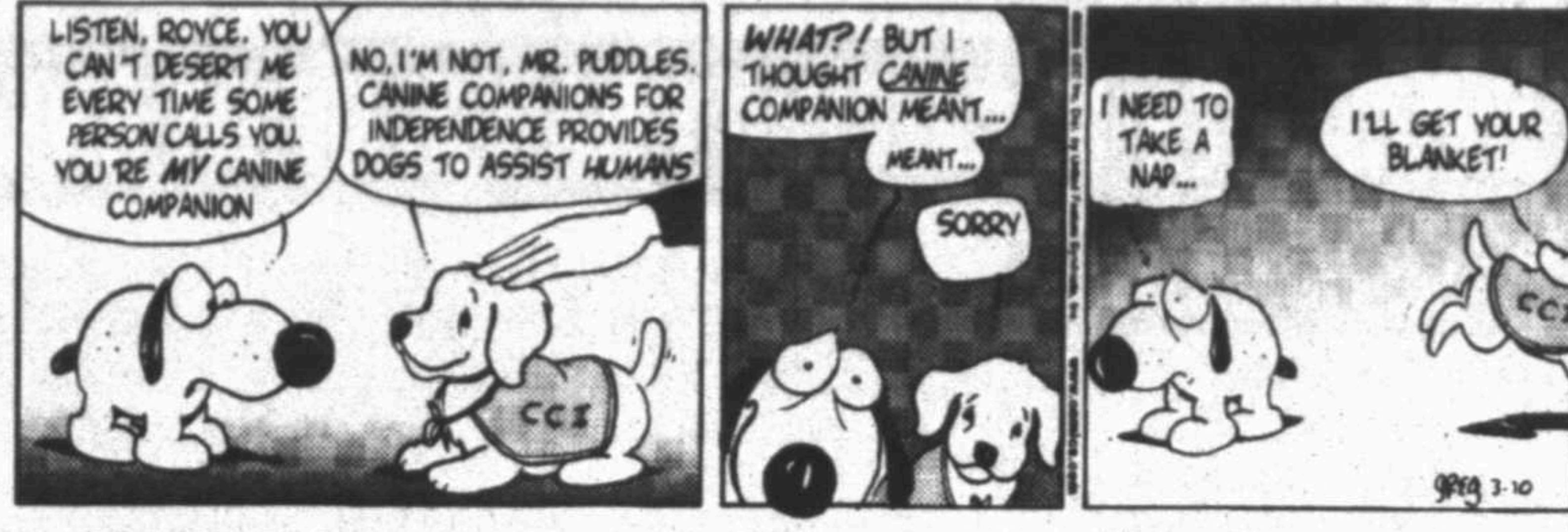
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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** for Friday, March 10, 2000:  
You have much to say, but you often worry about others' reactions. Learn to be your own person. Don't let yourself be intimidated. You are a lot clearer than you realize. Some look to you as an authority. Know when to say "enough is enough." If you are single, you might find the early stages of courting uncomfortable at times. Get to know another very well, so you can be comfortable. Don't move too quickly. If attached, it is important to keep expressing yourself, even when you want to close yourself off. Be aware of a tendency to overreact. TAURUS helps you communicate more effectively.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19)  
Expenses go out of whack. A goal you are about to arrive at seems to disappear from the horizon. Unexpected developments keep you busy evaluating your budget. Say no when you need to. Intuition works with money presently. Tonight: Balance your checkbook first!  
**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20)  
Hold on tight! Others prove to be demanding, and the best-laid plans go up in smoke. Bosses want what they want, when they want it. You have little choice but to be diligent. Clear out problems before fleeing out the door. Remember your long-term resolutions. Tonight: Whatever makes you smile.  
**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20)  
Assume a low profile. Information comes forward that might cause you to regroup and rethink. Others might be startled, but ultimately you feel that the bur-

den has landed in your lap. Recognize when you need to say no. Mobilize self-discipline. Tonight: Head on home.  
**CANCER** (June 21-July 22)  
Never lose sight of the pot of gold that's over the rainbow. You might wonder what you are going to do with an irascible, touchy associate. Explore options but recognize that others might not be as forthcoming as usual. Be sensitive, and you'll come out on top. Tonight: Where your friends are.  
**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)  
Pressure builds. Getting out of the office takes unusual talent and perseverance. An associate's unexpected behavior leads you in a new direction. You feel you have your hands full. Listen to another. Make an effort to work as a team. Tonight: Chill out with a good friend.  
**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)  
Maintaining an overview takes unusual talent and forbearance. Reach out for another; make an effort to break past barriers. Your nerves could be fried from work and the demands you put on yourself. Worry less about completing every detail. Tonight: Catch a movie.  
**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)  
Feedback from a partner could be difficult to hear. Recognize what is happening and take a breather. Another might simply be difficult and cantankerous. Dig into work. Relax and don't let today's flak get to you. Tonight: Mellow out in a hot tub.  
**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)  
Clearly, you don't have the whole story, and you might wonder if you want to know it. Others express defiance and difficulty.

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

Family remains unpredictable. A problem on the home front unnerves you. A touch of romance sparks your energy. Tonight: Let the good times roll.  
**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)  
Your energy sags, possibly because you are so overwhelmed by work and others' needs. Feel free to change plans if need be; you might be better off cutting back for now. Take extra work home if need be. You get a lot done quickly. Tonight: Easy does it.  
**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)  
You mean well, but you might not be able to handle a risk that a child or loved one wants you to take. Firmly stand your ground. You ultimately know what is best for you. Clear your desk, return calls and make plans for the weekend. Tonight: TGIF with friends.  
**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)  
Family proves to be testy and exhausting. Understand more of what you need to do to make another happier. You can't always have the control you think you need. Don't lose your temper in frustration. Indulge a family member. Tonight: Order in.  
**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20)  
Take the initiative and get past an immediate problem. Your sense of humor helps another lighten up. Laughter is contagious. Don't worry so much about how others react. Stay levelheaded and direct with those around you. Completely explain an idea. Tonight: Out. \*\*\*  
**BORN TODAY**  
Actress Sharon Stone (1958), actor Chuck Norris (1940), Prince Edward of Wales (1964)

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With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

## Show and Tell

Neither vulnerable. South deals.

**NORTH**  
♠ 94  
♥ 7642  
♦ 5  
♣ AK 10952

**WEST**  
♠ J 1053  
♥ 10  
♦ J 10864  
♣ Q74

**EAST**  
♠ AK87  
♥ Q83  
♦ AK32  
♣ J3

**SOUTH**  
♠ Q62  
♥ AKJ95  
♦ Q97  
♣ 86

The bidding:  
SOUTH WEST NORTH EAST  
1♥ Pass 4♥ Dbl  
Pass Pass Pass

Opening lead: Jack of ♦

It is rare that the location of a key card is a pure guess. Usually something in the bidding points to its location. But you can try to muddy the waters, as this example shows. The North-South bidding was straightforward enough. And we cannot blame East for doubling. Looking at the best hand at the table, there was a good chance that the opponents were trying to steal the hand.

Sitting South was Pietro Forquet, arguably the best player ever and hardly the sort to have the wool pulled over his eyes. East was the late Sam Fry Jr., one of the great American players. West led the jack of dia-

monds and East did not like the dummy that appeared. There were only three defensive tricks in sight because of the singleton diamond, and declarer would quite likely take the trump finesse.

In an attempt to dissuade declarer from picking up trumps without loss, East elected to show declarer everything he held in the hope that South would play him for a power double. Fry won the first trick with the king of dia-

monds, cashed the ace and king of spades, then shifted to the jack of clubs.

Forquet won in dummy and led a heart to the king, noting West's 10. East was known to have at least 15 high-card points including two ace-king combinations, so, after considerable thought, Forquet decided that the double was sound even without the queen of hearts. Declarer continued with the ace of hearts — down one.

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"We stayed... stayed in bed... when somebo... time you mak... feel restored... I have no con...





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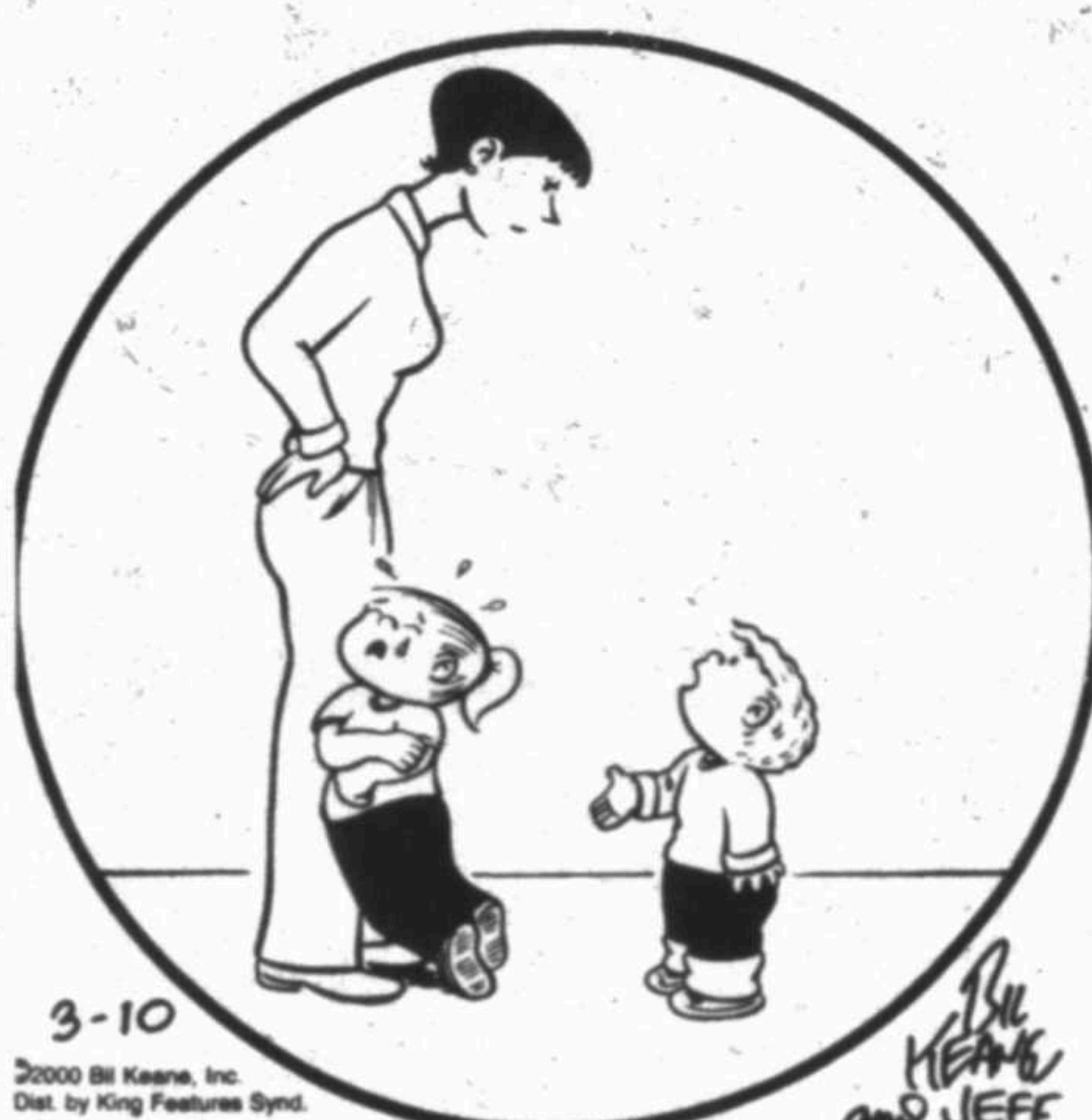


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"I'M GONNA TAKE THAT SHOWER NOW, MOM."

## FAMILY CIRCUS



"I didn't bite her hard. I only took a little taste."

## BABY BLUES



## TV TONIGHT

## FRIDAY EVENING

March 10, 2000

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| 7         | KPEJ  | 24 | 5  | 3   | Home Improvement                                  | Judge Judy 4331                                   | World's Wildest Police Videos 46519                                                | Kid Darkest Things 46519                                                           | Mad About You 91872                               | The Nanny 32403                                   |                                                   | Jerry Springer 38590                                                               | Newsradio 13749                                                                    | Unhappy Ever After 13749                                                           |                                                                                    |
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| 13        | KOCV  | 36 | 13 | 13  | The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer 450818               | Washington Week                                   | Wall Street Journal                                                                | Wall Street Journal                                                                | McLaughlin Group                                  | European Journal                                  | Road to College: Financial Aid Primer             | Telecourse 46554                                                                   | Telecourse 46554                                                                   | Telecourse 46554                                                                   | Telecourse 46554                                                                   |
| 8         | CNBC  | 8  | 27 | 27  | Business Center (6:30)                            | Upright Citizens                                  | National Geographic Explorer: Last Ascent: Avalanche: Landslide: Death Zone 595300 | National Geographic Explorer: Last Ascent: Avalanche: Landslide: Death Zone 595300 | News 269229                                       | News 269229                                       | The News With Brian Williams 4118045              | National Geographic Explorer: Last Ascent: Avalanche: Landslide: Death Zone 595300 | National Geographic Explorer: Last Ascent: Avalanche: Landslide: Death Zone 595300 | National Geographic Explorer: Last Ascent: Avalanche: Landslide: Death Zone 595300 | National Geographic Explorer: Last Ascent: Avalanche: Landslide: Death Zone 595300 |
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## PEOPLE TODAY

### Woman suing Berry for hit-and-run

LOS ANGELES — A woman involved in a hit-and-run crash with Halle Berry is suing the actress, accusing her of negligence.

Authorities believe Berry, 31, ran a red light and collided with Hetal Raythatha's car before speeding off on Feb. 23.

Raythatha, 27, said in her lawsuit that she believes either Berry or other defendants not identified were under the influence of alcohol or drugs during the accident. Raythatha said she is permanently disabled from back injuries and emotional distress. She is seeking unspecified damages.

Berry's spokesman, Allan Mayer, said the actress "intends to do what she can to make things right."

"But that doesn't mean she will allow anyone to take advantage of an unfortunate situation or make slanderous insinuations," Mayer said. "As the police have confirmed, there is absolutely no evidence indicating that drugs or alcohol played any part in the accident."

The sheriff's department has asked prosecutors to file criminal charges. District Attorney Gil Garcetti said the case is under review.

NEW YORK — Are you getting enough sleep, Regis? Kathie Lee is worried about you.

Regis Philbin's soon-to-depart co-host on "Live with Regis and Kathie Lee" says she's worried that he's too busy with his other job, as host of "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire?"

"He comes in some mornings and I just know he's not there," Kathie Lee Gifford told People magazine. "We can both do this in our sleep. That's the bad part. Our audiences deserve better. I worry because I love him. He's tired."

Philbin wasn't available for comment, a spokeswoman said Thursday.

Gifford, who raised her shirt to a People reporter to refute talk she's been going braless, said sex helped her and husband Frank Gifford recover from their affair with a former stewardess.

"We stayed home, we stayed in the word of God, we stayed in bed," she said. "It's the best thing in the world when somebody's truly asked forgiveness. Because each time you make love, that person feels forgiven, and you feel restored and loved again. Let me just smile and say I have no complaints."

WASHINGTON — Miss America Heather French asked Congress on Thursday to commit more money to help homeless veterans.

"It's time to pay them back," she said. "They have seen worse things in their lifetime than we have seen in our nightmares," French told the House Veterans Affairs subcommittee on benefits and health.

French wants Congress to devote \$750,000 from the Department of Housing and Urban Development for homeless veterans. Republicans and Democrats at the hearing expressed support.

Less than 3 percent of the \$1.1 billion HUD spends on homeless projects is targeted towards veterans, according to the National Coalition for Homeless Veterans. Veterans account for 23 percent of the homeless population.

French, the daughter of a disabled Vietnam veteran, has dedicated her reign to helping disabled and homeless veterans.

BERN, Switzerland — The Swiss national mint honored Sophia Loren with a diamond-studded gold coin marking the arrival of the euro and the phasing out of the lira in her native Italy.

The actress was presented Wednesday with the first of six commemorative coins the mint is issuing over introduction of the euro — even though Switzerland is keeping its currency.

The Swiss mint said Sophia Loren is "the ideal image of Italy throughout the world." The lira will be phased out in 2002.

HAVANA — A delegation of American writers, led by Arthur Miller and William Styron, is in Cuba in hopes of increasing contacts between intellectuals from both nations.

The group traveled to the Cuban city of Trinidad on Thursday, and the Cuban news service Prensa Latina reported that the Americans planned to meet in Havana with Foreign Minister Felipe Perez Roque and Ricardo Alarcon, president of Cuba's National Assembly.

The delegation arrived Wednesday as guests of Cuba's Ministry of Culture and plans to meet with Cuban writers, playwrights and actors. The trip ends Sunday.

Compiled from Associated Press wire reports.

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# BUSINESS & OIL

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| Thursday    | \$ 2.786 |
| Previous    | \$ 2.710 |

### Oil bounces

Crude oil prices rebounded somewhat Thursday from a drubbing that raised questions about how much oomph is left in the year-long bull market, reversing course when a refinery shutdown in Texas renewed worries about dwindling supplies.

Gasoline, too, climbed back 4 percent higher as energy commodities increased across the board.

A day after a nearly \$3-a-barrel tumble — the biggest price drop since 1990 and highest one-day percentage decline since December 1998 — crude showed staying power above the \$30 threshold. Light, sweet crude for April delivery rose 43 cents to \$31.69 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

### Dollar lower

NEW YORK — The dollar edged lower against other currencies Thursday, despite another rebound on Wall Street, as relatively tame jobless numbers did little to aggravate interest rate worries.

In late New York trading, the euro was quoted at 96.75 cents, up from 96.11 cents late Wednesday. The dollar also was quoted at 106.46 Japanese yen, down from 107.04.

The dollar failed to get a lift from the stock market, which posted another strong day following its harrowing plunge on Tuesday. Higher prices for Treasury bonds didn't help the dollar either.

### Nasdaq glides

NEW YORK — The Nasdaq composite index soared to its first close above 5,000 today as the technology stocks that dominate its ranks lifted the entire market and pulled the Dow Jones Industrials out of a slump.

According to preliminary calculations, the Nasdaq composite index rose 150.13 to close at 5,047.39.

The Dow Jones industrial average rose 154.20 to 10,010.73, a gain that was largely driven by its technology components.

Broader stock indicators also closed higher.

Surging shares of computer and telecommunications companies powered the Nasdaq today. Investors snapped up shares of the computer networking company Cisco Systems and the name-your-price retailer Priceline.com.

The index briefly crossed 5,000 on Tuesday, but fell back as investors cashed in stocks to capture profits from its stunning rise this year.

The Nasdaq smashed through its latest thousand-point milestone just 46 trading sessions after it first closed above 4,000. By contrast, it took the Dow nearly nine months to rise from 4,000 to 5,000 in 1995.

So far this year, the Nasdaq, dominated by technology stocks, is up 24 percent, while the Dow, which has been depressed by concerns about industrial company profits, is down 13 percent.

Technology stocks that trade on the New York Stock Exchange also rose today. Computer maker Hewlett-Packard soared, driving the Dow into positive territory. America Online also rose.

### Gold falls

LONDON — Gold closed in London at \$288.90 bid per troy ounce, down from \$291.00 on Wednesday. In Zurich the bid price was \$289.05, down from \$290.85. Gold closed at \$289.25 in Hong Kong, down from \$292.625.

Silver closed in London at \$5.07 bid per troy ounce, down from \$5.08.

## Americans fuming over gas prices

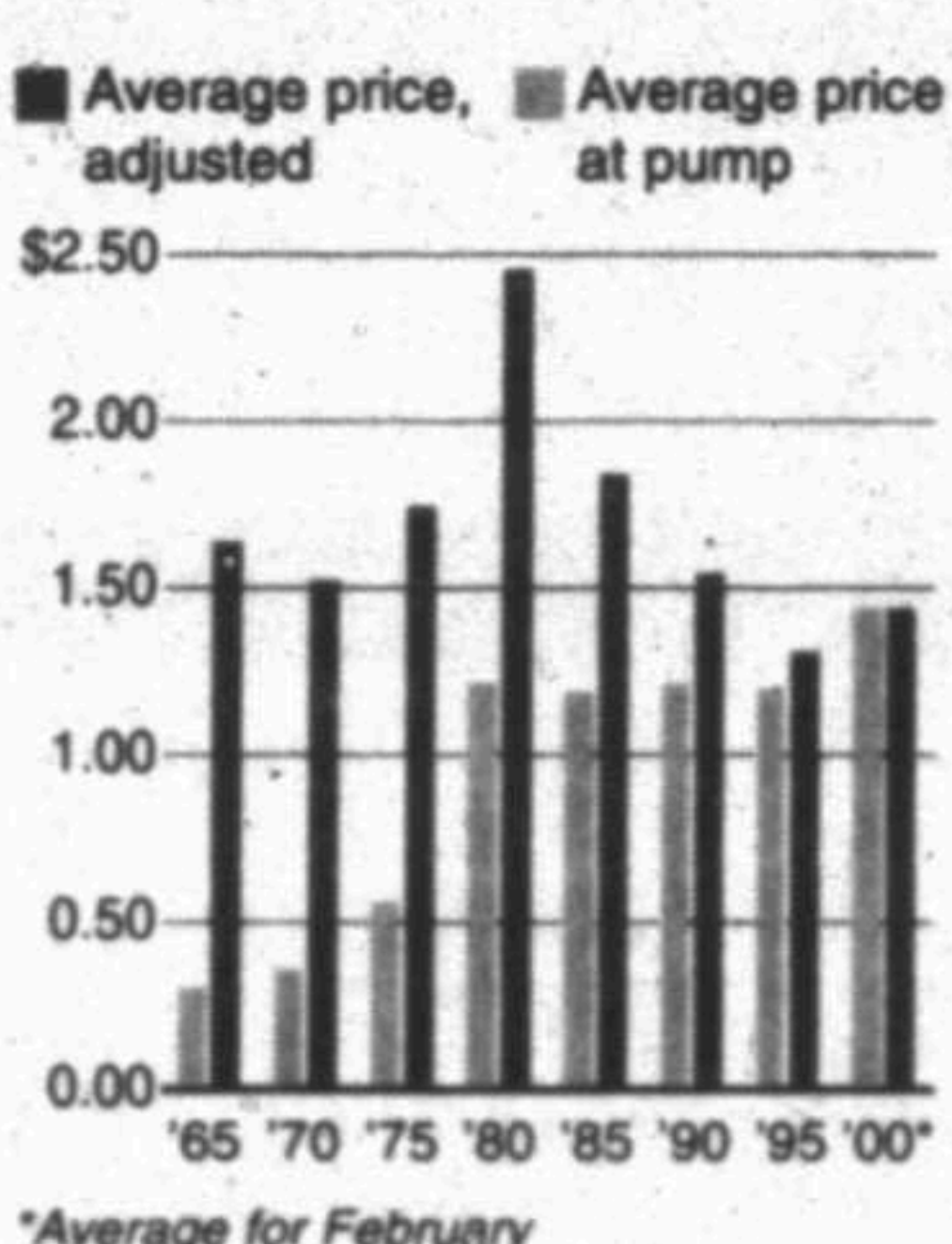
### Country that grumbles loudest about fuel costs pays less than most

By Dirk Beveridge  
Associated Press

When compared to other countries, Americans seem lucky to pay close to \$1.50 per gallon of gasoline...

| Current cost per gallon of regular unleaded gas, in U.S. dollars |        |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|
| Hong Kong                                                        | \$5.40 |
| England                                                          | \$5.00 |
| France                                                           | \$4.50 |
| Italy                                                            | \$4.28 |
| Japan                                                            | \$3.46 |
| Mexico                                                           | \$2.04 |
| United States                                                    | \$1.44 |

...and when adjusted for inflation, the current price isn't the highest they've ever paid.



HONG KONG — Americans who worry about paying as much as \$1.80 per gallon for gasoline are lucky they don't fill up in Hong Kong.

Or Japan, or Britain, or France — just about any of the world's wealthy economies — where such prices would seem like an unbelievable bargain.

Unleaded fuel costs around \$5.40 per gallon in Hong Kong, and there is simply no concept here of a divine right to \$1-a-gallon gas that many Americans cling to.

American motorists are paying about \$1.50 per gallon, an all-time high that has prompted U.S. Energy Secretary Bill Richardson to lobby OPEC to pump more oil and bring the price down.

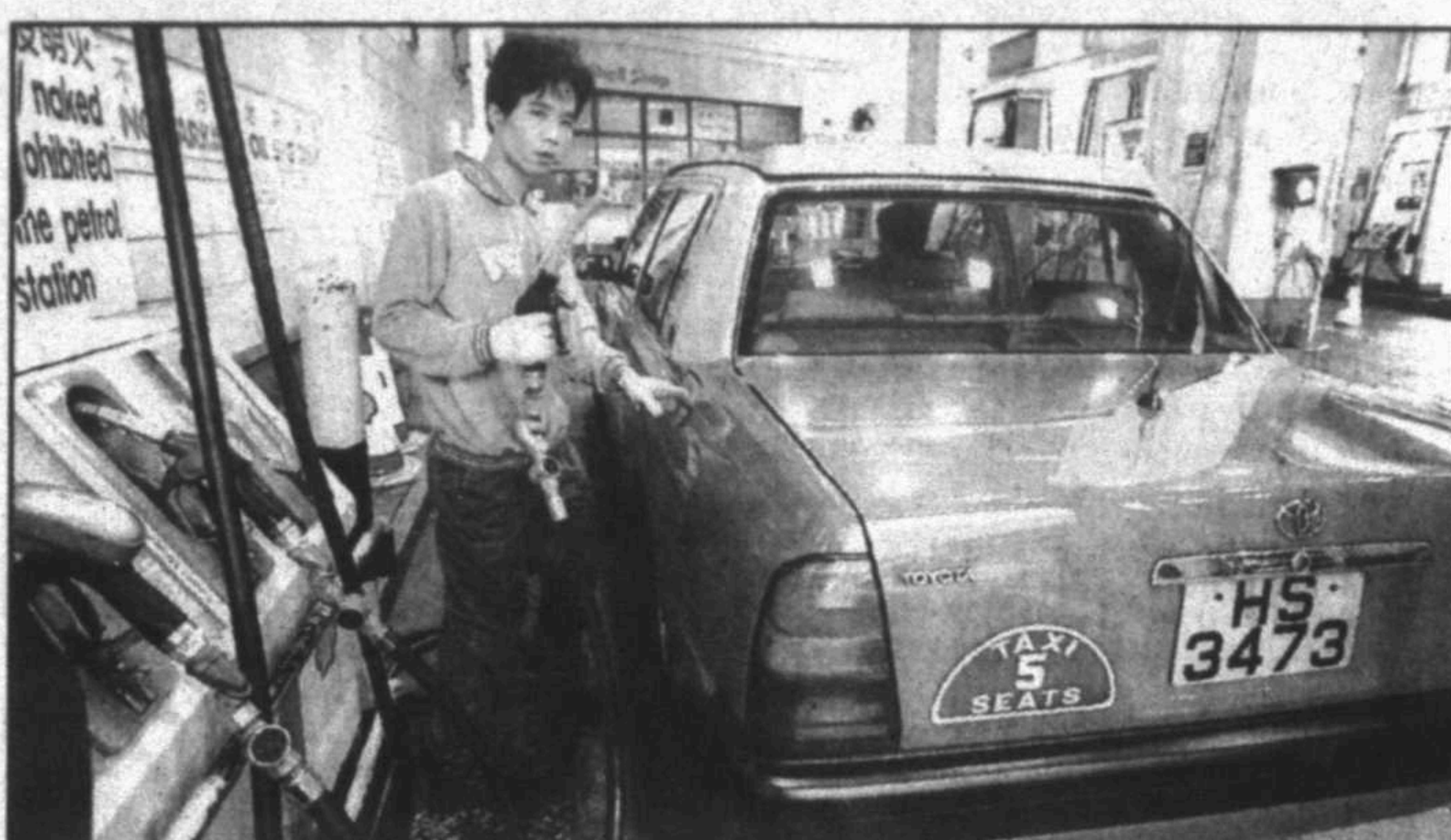
Richardson predicted recently that gasoline could hit \$1.80 when summer vacation time rolls around, although he's hoping to avoid that.

Such grumbling sounds like nonsense to drivers in Hong Kong.

"I'd like to pay what the Americans are paying, even a little more, but not what they charge here," said Raymond Yip, a 28-year-old restaurant manager who spends about \$250 per month to keep his Mercedes 180 fueled up.

"It's totally unreasonable, but we're at their mercy," Yip said.

People in many nations pay far more for gasoline because governments impose steep taxes that keep the prices high and discourage wasteful use of automobiles.



A service station attendant fuels a car Thursday in Hong Kong, where motorists pay around \$5.40 per gallon for fuel. Americans are grumbling about prices that could hit \$1.80 per gallon this summer, following a dramatic increase in global crude oil prices, but motorists elsewhere would consider that a bargain.

Fuel prices have risen quickly in the past year as crude oil prices soared amid a global production cutback, but in nations where the price at the pump is propped up by big taxes, people don't feel the pinch quite as sharply as Americans.

For example, as the price of crude oil virtually tripled to about \$34 a barrel, French retail gasoline prices rose by about 30 percent to the equivalent of \$4.50 per gallon.

Ask the Japanese, who pay about \$3.46 per gallon, about the problem of high gasoline prices in America and you'll likely get some incredulous stares.

"I'm jealous," said Yoichiro Sunagawa, 31, a corporate employee in Tokyo. "If gas

were that cheap, I might buy a car."

In Takely, England, just northeast of London, BMW salesman Nigel Morris said that out of the \$56 he just paid for his "petrol," well more than half was going to Her Majesty's tax collectors.

The English pay about \$5 per gallon, regardless of whether they're driving a beat-up old Ford or sitting back in style as the chauffeur steers the Rolls-Royce down the motorway.

"It's just another way of raising money for the government and we are getting a raw deal," Morris said. "I think the Americans are quite lucky. My family lives there and I keep reminding them that their cost

of living is so much lower."

Judy Gardiner, an English mother who drives a Nissan Prairie, couldn't understand the American concerns over gasoline that still costs well less than \$2 per gallon.

"Are you kidding me?" Gardiner asked. "The Americans have all the luck. We are being ripped off."

In Tokyo, company worker Naohiro Yagawa expressed some sympathy about the higher price, and its effect on the Americans and their auto culture.

"Americans depend more on their cars, so I can understand why it's a problem," Yagawa said.

## Citigroup changes leadership

### Company's search for new top executive begins

By Noelle Knox  
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Citigroup co-chairman John S. Reed, an architect of the merger that created the country's largest financial services company, said Monday he will retire in April. Fellow co-chairman Sanford I. Weill may not be far behind.

Reed and Weill joined forces in 1998 when they combined Citicorp and Travelers Group. Reed, a staid banker, often clashed with Weill, a Wall Street dealmaker.

Weill has been calling the day-to-day shots since July, while Reed has focused on the company's Internet strategy. Now Weill, 66, will become the sole chairman and CEO, but he said he wants the board to find a successor for him within two years.

One of the most likely candidates already has bowed out. Robert Rubin, 61, the former treasury secretary who joined the company in October as chairman of the board's executive committee, said Monday he will not be the CEO.

Shares of Citigroup rose by nearly 3 percent, or by \$1.37 1/2, to \$49.37 1/2 as of the 4 p.m. EST close of the New York Stock Exchange as investors applauded the thinning ranks at the top.

"It's better to have one boss than two," said James Schmidt, head of the financial team at John Hancock Funds, which owns about 1 million shares of Citigroup. "Up to now, the two were sharing power, but one was more equal than the other."

Reed, 61, said Monday he had planned to retire at 60, but stayed to

help shepherd the integration of the companies that now include Citibank, Travelers insurance and the Salomon Smith Barney brokerage and investment banking house.

While Reed's departure was rumored for months, Reed said he first discussed it with Weill in January. The final decision was made Sunday at a board meeting.

"It was pretty clear, I was the one who most wanted to retire," Reed told reporters in a conference call.

Reed, who was named CEO in 1984, ends a 35-year career at the bank. He has seen a complete transformation of the industry, from the toaster-giveaway days to the end to Depression-era prohibitions against the combination of banks, brokerage and insurance companies.

Reed was quick to embrace automated teller machines, credit cards and electronic banking, said Donald G. Ogilvie, executive vice president of the American Bankers Association.

Under Reed's watch, Citigroup has prospered, with earnings from operations soaring almost 57 percent last year to almost \$10 billion.

Weill began his career as a messenger at the investment firm Bear Stearns in 1955. Five years later, he borrowed \$200,000 and with three friends formed a brokerage that, through acquisitions, became Shearson Loeb Rhoades. In 1981, he sold Shearson to American Express. Two years later he was president of American Express.

In 1985, Weill quit as it became clear he would not become CEO. A year later, he started the company that would eventually acquire Travelers.

## 400,000 Dell notebooks may contain faulty memory chips

By Connie Mabin  
Associated Press

AUSTIN — Dell Computer Corp. is warning as many as 400,000 notebook computer customers that their machines may contain defective memory chips.

The Round-Rock-based computer maker this week sent a letter to customers who purchased the Latitude and Inspiron notebooks shipped between Feb. 1 and Nov. 20, 1999, said Dell spokesman Rob Crawley.

Corporate clients that may have purchased multiple machines will receive a letter or are being notified by Dell account executives, who will set up meetings with those customers to explain the possible problem and solutions, he said.

The problem was discovered after Dell analyzed a string of customer service calls reporting similar trouble: computers that freeze following system failures, causing a loss or corruption of data.

Pinning down the defective memory as the cause was hard to do because there are several different reasons systems crash and the problem does not always surface right away, Crawley said.

About 48 percent, or 400,000, of the Latitude and Inspiron portables shipped during the February-November period may have received defective memory, Crawley said. Memory from other manufacturers also was used, so not every unit sold at that time will be affected, he added.

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Crawley said that customers who may have the defective memory should use a diagnostic diskette sent with the letter or download the program from Dell's Web site to test their notebooks.

If the diagnostic test shows faulty memory, Dell will ship new memory, or consumers can send their notebooks back to Dell for memory replacement at the company's expense.

It's not clear yet exactly how much fixing the memory problem will cost the nation's leading personal computer maker, which has reaped \$25.3 billion in revenue over the past four quarters. Affected models include the Latitude CPlA, CPlR, CPl, CPx and CS and Inspiron 3500, 3700, 7000 and 7500.

The phone number for Dell's service and support center is 1-888-560-8324.

On the Net: <http://www.dell.com>

### INVESTORS' GUIDE

## Consolidating mutual funds creates less bookkeeping

BY Eric Tyson

Q: My husband and I are trying to get all our affairs in order. We now have significant amounts invested in two mutual fund companies. We were considering transferring the funds to one mutual fund company to simplify the paperwork. Do you think this is wise?

A: Many of the larger mutual fund companies have discount brokerage divisions through which you can hold, sell and buy shares from many other mutual funds. In addition to receiving a consolidated statement of your holdings, you also get fewer tax statements to deal with as well. When considering where to consolidate

your fund holdings, in addition to reviewing which mutual funds a given discount brokerage division can handle, also examine their fee schedule. When buying or selling most funds from outside fund families, you will pay a modest transaction fee.

Q: I have an acquaintance who works at a brokerage, and we have been discussing mutual fund investing. He argues that "systematic" mutual funds that sock you with a high commission during the first year that gradually works its way down to around 4 percent per year are a better investment than no-load funds. He says that during a market correction, "speculators" jump out of no-load mutual funds. A systematic fund, on the other hand, will have plenty of cash because nobody bails when they have paid a huge commission in the first place. This allows systematic fund managers to buy stocks at discount prices.



Tyson

I'm specifically speaking of Fidelity's Destiny I & II. He's shown me a comparison of Destiny vs. Vanguard Index 500 and has shown that, even accounting for commissions, Destiny has outperformed Vanguard 500 over the long term. What do you think?

A: The Fidelity Destiny funds do have a good long-term track record. However, over the past five years the Destiny funds have underperformed the S&P 500 index.

I would also point out that these funds did better in their earlier years when they had much smaller asset bases to manage.

When investing in funds, the costs you pay are a significant determinant of your long-term performance. Up-front commissions are particularly painful to pay because that money is forever gone and deducted from your original investment and thus not available for long-term compounding.

I don't agree with the notion that no-

load fund investors speculate and are stupid enough to bail out after a major correction. Mutual fund data, which I review, does not confirm this. Overall, fund investors do tend to sell more during a correction and buy more after prices are already well on the way back up. However, this phenomenon happens with both no-load and load funds.

Another flaw in your acquaintance's argument is that load funds like Destiny aren't sitting around with lots of cash waiting to take advantage of cheap stock prices after a correction. Few fund managers have been successful with market timing, and I haven't seen any evidence that Destiny's managers are successful market timers.

Eric Tyson is author of the best sellers "Investing for Dummies" and "Personal Finance for Dummies." His column is distributed by King Features Syndicate/Inc.

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## LOCAL SPORTS

## Jacks logo wins again

The Odessa Jackalopes have scored a hat trick with their logo. The Hockey News, in its annual ranking of minor league professional hockey logos, has named the Jacks logo as the best for the third consecutive year.

"Hats off to the Odessa Jackalopes for turning the hockey hat trick," wrote Hockey News senior editor Brian Costello. "Our panel of judges deemed none of the 10 new logos were impressive enough to usurp the Jackalope, a mythical West Texas male jackrabbit that grows a 12-point rack of antlers for two weeks each year during mating season."

A total of 49 logos were judged from the Western Professional Hockey League, United, Central

and West Coast Hockey Leagues. The WPHL claimed five of the top 8 spots — (1) Odessa, (3) El Paso, (5) Arkansas, (6) Corpus Christi and (8) San Angelo.

"We are tremendously honored and we thank the Hockey News," said Jackalopes general manager Monty Hoppel. "Our players are right, scoring a hat trick does feel great!"

## Hale wins first at OU

Mike Hale, a 1997 graduate of Midland Lee, has picked up his first win for the University of Oklahoma baseball team.

Hale, a 6-foot-3, 190 pound right-hander, pitched four innings Wednesday, giving up three hits and one earned run to defeat the University of Texas-Arlington. It

was Hale's first victory in two starts this season. He is 1-0 with a 5.00 ERA.

Hale, who transferred from Northeastern Oklahoma A&M Junior College, is a junior.

## Tennis

**8th Grade**  
**Alamo 12, Abilene 7**  
**Alamo Winners:** Boys Singles — Reese Lynn-Henricson; Girls Singles — Rosanne Braswell, Mandy Hutchinson, Connie Gonzales, Boys Doubles — Michael Wood, Henderson, Rotan-Burnett, Girls Doubles — Braswell-Henricson, Hutchinson-Ashley Stewart, Mixed Doubles — Mark Tachian-Lyndie Hammon.

**Abilene Winners:** Boys Singles — Kyle Czir, Ray Pemetcha, Girls Singles — Sandra Garcia, Laura Carr, Allison Haggerty, Boys Doubles — Carr-Hamilton Mar, Girls Doubles — Garcia-Haggerty.

**San Jacinto 12, Goddard 7**  
**San Jacinto Winners:** Boys Singles — Drew Peacock, Larry Sanchez, David Gordon, Boys Doubles — Peacock-Sanchez, Girls Singles — Melissa Hooper, Anna Ramsey, Kate Trutt, Jean Moss, Candace Parker, Girls Doubles — Hooper-Ramsey, Trutt-Moss, Mixed Doubles — Gordon-Michelle May.

**Goddard Winners:** Boys Singles — Shawn Buchanan, Joey Colvin, Boys Doubles — Buchanan-Colvin, Girls Singles — Laura Nelson, Girls Doubles — Gupta-Jenny Holzer.

## Rodman criticizes Mavs' decision to release him

By John Marshall  
Associated Press Writer

DALLAS — Dallas Mavericks coach-general manager Don Nelson and owner-to-be Mark Cuban say flamboyant forward Dennis Rodman was released Wednesday because the team was no longer in playoff contention.

The rebellious Rodman, as always, had a different point of view.

In his first comments since being dropped by the only team willing to put up with his antics, Rodman criticized the league, the Mavericks organization and Cuban in an expletive-filled tirade Thursday.

"If it's not a personal thing, then it's the NBA, saying if you don't get rid of Dennis Rodman, then you're not going to be an owner," Rodman said. "I think it's an injustice because I'm me, Dennis Rodman. I haven't done anything wrong. I thought I was doing a good job. I thought I lived up to my expectations. I don't get it. I really don't get it. I get the short end of the stick every ...

time. What am I doing wrong?"

Rodman's comments were made to Fox Sports News.

For Nelson and Cuban, the bottom line was that Rodman did not amount to more wins.

Dallas had won 10 of 13 games before Rodman's Feb. 3 signing. In the 29 days and 13 games of the Rodman era, Dallas managed to win just four games while enduring two ejections and a one-game suspension from the league's most-pierced player.

"There is no question Dennis Rodman would still be here if we were still in the playoff hunt," Nelson said after the Mavericks' first post-Rodman shootaround.

"We had to decide if we wanted to continue to give him 35 minutes a game or if we wanted to play younger guys. We decided to play the younger guys. It was nothing he said or did."

Not that Rodman didn't supply ample ammunition.

Following a loss to Seattle on Tuesday — the Mavericks' fifth in a row — Rodman criticized teammates and lashed out at the

ever-enthusiastic Cuban for being over-zealous.

Cuban and Nelson said the comments had nothing to do with his release. Both said plans to drop the tattooed one began after a loss to Sacramento Monday night.

"Dennis is a passionate, emotional player and he vents verbally," said Cuban, who had Rodman living in his guest house for part of the season. "That's just Dennis. I didn't take it personally at all. If I was thin-skinned, I never would have done it in the first place."

The comments still carried some sting.

"You don't ever want to take shots at your teammates," said Mavericks guard Eric Strickland. "It hurt a little bit, but I can't say it's going to stop me from playing the game tonight."

The outburst capped what Mavericks players knew was coming.

"I think it would have been great if it could have worked out, but it definitely wasn't working out," guard Steve Nash said.

## MARCH: Seminole, Wylie post wins

(From 1C)

as experienced as we'd like it. (Catalano) started off with a bang and couldn't do anything after that."

Belew also started off his stint well. After hitting a batter to open the third, he retired the side in order and seemed to be settling in comfortably. But things fell apart in the fourth, as Belew gave up four hits and batted in two runs as the Wolves went up 8-1.

Catalano and Belew combined for the dubious and unusual feat of balking in three runs, an odd accomplishment considering that the Rangers hadn't committed a balk all season.

"In my coaching career there haven't been that many (runs batted in) in a season," said Pallanez.

Torrez, a left-hander, did the most damage to the Rangers. He gave up only four hits and struck out six, while collecting two hits and driving in four runs to support himself. Tino Silva was 3-for-4 and drove in three runs for the Wolves.

Travis Latham was 2-for-2 for Greenwood. The Rangers are now relegated to the losers' bracket, where they will play at 2 p.m. today at Christensen against the Kermit-Fort Stockton winner.

## Fifth-ranked MHS sweeps; Rebels lose to FM Marcus

## Staff Report

LUBBOCK — The fifth-ranked Midland High baseball team swept through its Thursday pool play games, beating El Paso Andress and Lubbock High at the Cal Segrist Tournament.

Today MHS will play Plainview at 1 p.m. at Westerner Field. The Bulldogs have all but guaranteed a win of their pool. That means, they will meet either Lubbock Coronado or El Paso Franklin at 10 a.m. Saturday in the tournament semifinals. That game and the 4 p.m. championship game will take place at O'Banion Field.

Midland High defeated Andress 10-0 in five innings to open the tournament. Freshman Casey Zachery got the win to improve to 3-0.

The Bulldogs (12-1) had seven hits with Jason South leading the way. South went 2-for-2 with a double. Blake Johnston also added a triple. A highlight of the first game came in the fifth as

Madison Edwards came on as a pinch-hitter and blasted a three-run homer to give MHS the run-rule win.

In the second game, Mark Avila (3-0) earned the win and Jerrell Garibay picked up his second save.

At the plate, MHS had 10 hits, including a two-run homer by Cotey-Joe Cswaykus. The blast was the team's 20th of the season. Last year, MHS had 32. Cswaykus went 3-for-3 with three runs scored and three RBIs. Jeff Brock went 2-for-3 with a run scored. South was 2-for-3 with a double and two RBIs and Laynce Nix scored three runs.

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**Lee falls to Marcus**  
**DUNCANVILLE** — The Midland Lee Rebels had three errors and couldn't get the offense

going until late in the game which resulted in a 4-3 loss to Flower Mound Marcus Thursday in the Duncanville Tournament.

The Rebels (8-5) had just six hits but they all came in the last two innings. Lee scored all of it runs in the seventh. Collin Gilliam doubled to score Joey Guerrero, who was running for Jeff Cramer, who led off with a double. Later, Cedric Benson belted a two-run home run to score Gilliam.

Cramer was the only Rebel with multiple hits as he went 2-for-3 on the day.

Marcus' Tony Harvold kept the Rebels in check early with 12 strikeouts.

Gilliam took the loss for the Rebels as he allowed six hits but only one earned run.

The Rebels play at 2 p.m. today against Denton Ryan, a 4-3 loser to Duncanville on Thursday, in the consolation round.

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## LIFT: Smith, Amato, Harris rank No. 1

(From 1C)

"He has a dead lift of 600 (pounds) this year, and that really turns heads."

But this year, the Bulldogs have two other performers who have been ranked No. 1 in the region. Senior Brandon Amato is No. 1 ranked in the 242-pound class and is seeking his first state trip.

"Brandon's best event is the bench (press)," Swaim said. "All the guys are a little different."

The other No. 1 ranked MHS performer is Cavrine Harris, another senior who competes in the 181-pound class.

"Harris is solid on all three lifts," Swaim said. "He scores well in all three."

The other four region qualifiers are senior Mike Neu (198-pound class), senior George Koehl (220), junior Colter Lange (181) and junior Roland Salgado (198).

"All four of these guys have done well this year," Swaim said. "You have to place in the top two to

go to the state meet, so you will really have to do well to earn that. They may need some help to get into a top two position."

Powerlifting covers three events for each participant. MHS qualifiers will have to compete in the dead lift, bench press and squat. Points are earned in each event on how one places in regards to the other competitors in the meet. The top two point earners will be headed for Fort Hood on March 25.

Powerlifting is not a sport governed by the University Interscholastic League. The region and state meets are not under the UIL umbrella. Gymnastics competition is another high school sport that has state competition that is not under UIL control.

This is only the third year for powerlifting at Midland High. Midland Lee does not compete in powerlifting.

So, the sport is relatively new on the local front, but an impact is already being seen as MHS seeks to land state qualifiers for the second consecutive season.

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## LOCAL BOWLING

Here are recent results from AMF Midland Park Lanes.

**Leading Men's Score:** Roman Harper, Teacher's Mixed, 222-289-257-768.

**Leading Women's Score:** Kaye Kuzmich, Teacher's Mixed, 193-225-215-633.

**Chevron/Marathon:** Charles Kendrick 238-574, Jeff Davis 209-584, Ken Schaeck 187-561, Terry Jackson 183-545, Rick Cairnes 207-516, Tom Ezell 200-471, Robin Foster 168-481, Clarissa Bowers 198-474, Carla Bales 161-451, Laura Keyser 151-429, Stacy Keyser 169-400, Kimberly Jasek 154-392.

**Teacher's Mixed:** Roman Harper 289-768, Ron Leverich 259-697, Tom Kuzmich 253-680, Darren Tryon 238-686, Maurice Ellis 238-645, Jim Guerrier 248-630, Damian Dechant 244-641, Kaye Kuzmich 225-633, Judy Leverich 211-597, Dorothy King 245-604, Lisa Jones 214-582, Kim Tyson 215-552.

**Charlie Louke Seniors:** Coy McLemore 205-582, Jim Wilson 234-573, George Higgins 191-572, Nick Nicholas 200-571, Bob Fielding 214-536, Forrest Riggs 232-524, Joe Vanhook 214-516, Patsy Wallin 211-573, Bobbie Reynolds 202-548, Barbara Hobson 194-540, Gail Amstutz 190-520, W. Neil Darrough 182-498, Lois Graves 205-466, Barbara Russell 202-452.

**Seniors Title:** Wayne Harvey 204-553, Clarence Grant 199-525,

Dieter Kubisch 219-525, Jack Noyes 174-515, Joe Vanhook 181-514, Truman Broughton 189-519, J. Neil Darrough 214-582, Jody Brock 206-550, Freda Prince 183-498, Linda Dearman 178-490, Jean Broughton 175-442, Sue Umphreys 185-398.

**Bentley Prep Youth:** Russell Lee 183-548, Travis Smith 176-457, Lewis Jones 156-443, Cameron Matile 150-427, Matthew Kuzmich 134-380, Colby Pierce 151-306, Joshua Smalley 151-336, Crystal Garcia 148-406, Jamie Turner 145-372, Erin Alexander 135-335, Heather Matile 129-314, Stephanie Sullivan 105-274.

**Maximum Potential Youth:** Shane Wright 221-630, Bobby Martin 201-550, Ramon Lufus 224-540, A.J. Eaton 219-533, Travis Hobbs 205-531, Beth Guzy 256-735, Mandy Martin 189-474, Lauren Schneider 154-411, Susan Vasquez 153-381, Shannon Jackson 132-363, Shawna Teinert 135-347.

**Adult/Youth Extravaganza:** Steve Richey 188-480, Manuel Garcia 159-427, Maurice Ellis 156-366, Randall Gully 124-340, Helen Garcia 156-444, Jana Richey 133-381, Mary Cass 124-340, Alfred Ogilvie 214-493, Norman Hein 153-446, Cooey Mooring 132-366, Shane Mooring 110-313, Patrick Hein 114-272, Crystal Garcia 115-336.

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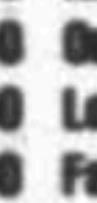
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New tires, headliner, hood, bed, bedliner, phone hook-up. 113K miles. \$13,000. 697-4128.</p> <p>CHEVROLET 1990 454 SS 1/2 Ton pickup, Bow tie heads, Cam, headers, MSD, 6AL, 4V-TBI, Flowmaster, more! Fast! \$11,500. 520-6602</p> | <p><b>222 Suburbans &amp; Vans</b></p> <p>CHEVROLET 1997 Silverado 1500, Extended cab, 3 door, white/grey, Loaded, 62K, miles, extended 75,000 mile warranty. \$19,500. 741-8000, 570-5577.</p> <p>TOYOTA 1998 T100 5-4K Miles, air, standard, factory warranty, excellent condition, good for work or school. \$9,950 make offer. 684-9753.</p> <p>CHEVROLET 1991 CHEYENNE C-1500, Extended Cab, gray, red interior, Long bed, towing package, Bedliner, factory mag wheels, Michelin's. \$7,250. 915-684-8824</p> <p>GMC 1996 SLT- low mileage, everything including leather bucket seats, am/fm, cassette, CD player. \$17,900. Call 694-4534 after 5pm.</p> <p>CHEVROLET 1994 Silverado, extended cab, fully loaded, 12 CD, sprayed in bed liner, 45K. \$19,800. Owner, 570-1099.</p> <p>FORD 1998 RANGER XLT- Super Cab, Forest green, excellent condition. Tonnau cover, 35K miles. \$14,000. Call 689-0440 leave message.</p> <p>CHEVROLET 1998 1/2 ton pickup, 305, long wheel, rebuilt transmission, new tires, tool box, runs good. \$4,500. 4509 Anetta, 520-4503</p> <p>CHEVROLET 1998 271-350 Vortec, power locks and windows CD/Cassette, 59K miles, 41K miles extended warranty. \$19,000. O.B.O. 683-4830.</p> <p>DODGE 1995 RAM Pick-up, Extended cab, very clean, grill guard, tool box, 73K miles, maintenance to a tee. \$13,900. 499-0259.</p> <p>TOYOTA 1998 T100 truck, Automatic, air, cruise, extended cab, theft control system, 35K, new tires, like new. \$14,500. Call 682-9513.</p> <p>CHEVROLET 1990 454 SS 1/2 Ton pickup, Bow tie heads, Cam, headers, MSD, 6AL, 4V-TBI, Flowmaster, more! Fast! \$11,500. 520-6602</p> <p>CHEVROLET 1990 Suburban, Trailmaster, 150K, new tires. Good shape. \$7,500. 683-6365.</p> | <p><b>222 Suburbans &amp; Vans</b></p> <p>OLDMOBILE 1991 Van Silhouette, Air, cruise, leather, Excellent condition. \$4,950. 522-2874.</p> <p>CHEVROLET 1997 Lumina Van, Excellent maintenance record, runs like new, drive to appreciate. \$4,500. Or best offer. 688-0732 after 6PM.</p> <p>CHEVROLET 1998 SUBURBAN LT- 4x4, white/tan leather seat, CD stereo, immaculate condition, towing package, \$26,900. Days/ 686-5321, evenings/ 688-3949.</p> <p>FORD 2000 Excursion, 4 wheel drive limited, black, TV, VCR, brush guard, remote start, alarm, Loaded. Call 520-4584/238-0375 mobile, 3,000 miles.</p> <p>PONTIAC 1991 Trans Sport Van, Loaded, good condition, rebuilt engine, runs great, \$4,800. 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Call 699-6711</p> <p>GMC 1998 SUBURBAN SLT- 4x4, leather, CD, Auto 4WD, rear air heat, 42K miles, power/gray, non-smoker. \$26,900. 683-3071</p> <p>FORD 1994 E150 Conversion van, Excellent condition, 69K miles, captains chairs, rear air, towing package, cassette CD, white, \$9,500. 689-0722.</p> <p>GMC 1992 Suburban SLE, custom conversion, 4x4, new GM motor with 3 year 50,000 warranty. New transmission and tires, fully loaded, green, \$14,800. Call 686-9322.</p> <p>NISSAN 1994 QUEST GXE- V6, 3.0 liter, automatic, power windows/locks, tinted, purple, 44K 7 passenger. Excellent condition. \$13,500. 689-2200</p> <p>FORD 1993 XL F150, Super Cab, 4' lift, offroad, 129K miles. \$10,000 O.B.O. Call 699-1156 or 699-1087.</p> <p>ISUZU 1990 TROOPER, Red/gray interior, five speed, four door, 4 wheel drive, 98K miles. Looks runs good. \$3,800. 686-8109.</p> <p>JEEP 1998 Grand Wagoneer, Must See! Immaculate. 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FORD 1982 F door, runs go 5895. Call 569-5pm.

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1985 VZ KAWASAKI, 1300 Very clean air mileage. \$3,000. 0764.

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1995 HONDA T 4x2, 31,000. Also TRX-300 4x4. Both four wheelers, shape. Bob. 683-7659

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18' GOOSENECK tandem axle, Please call 687-2 information.

5X12' utility trailer, especially for motor or golf carts. 687-2717 for information.

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1986 MUSK sleeps 6, condition, \$2,500 offer. Call 570-066

1998 DUTCHMAN 25', like new, \$2,500. Please call 520-3 inspection.

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31' TERRY bur fiberglass, 1700, extended warranty. 7089.



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TOYOTA 1990 TERCEL. 5 speed, recent tires, brakes, battery, belts and hoses. Excellent school car. 83K miles. \$2,700. 699-7775.

FORD 1970 Winch Truck. 1 ton, dual tires, 390 V8, chrome wheels, power steering, headers, clean, mechanically sound. \$1,700. 682-7587.

CHEVROLET 1985 CONVERSION Van. Dual a/c, CD, power locks/windows, runs good, new shocks, good tires. \$3,000. Firm Call 699-5712.

GMC 1986 SUBURBAN. Sierra Classic, Blue with gray interior, good condition, high mileage. \$2,000. Or best offer. Call 570-7028.

MERCEDES BENZ 1980. Body and interior in good condition, motor needs work. \$1,650 or best cash offer. 586-5946.

### 240 Motorcycles

1995 HONDA CR-250R. Runs and looks good. \$2,200 o.b.o. Call 686-0661.

1985 VOYAGER KAWASAKI, 1300 CC. Very clean and low mileage. \$3,000. Call 685-0764.

1987 HONDA MAGNUM. Clean and low mileage. \$2,100. Call 685-0764 for more information.

YAMAHA 2000 V-STAR Classic. 650 CC, includes saddle bags, two helmets, asking \$5,395. 520-4590.

1999 Harley Davidson Sportster, custom paint (black with candy flames). 5,800 miles, \$8,000 obo. Call 556-5839.

HARLEY DAVIDSON 1981 FLH. Rare, first special edition, green/orange, 9,500. One owner, accessories, seats, bags, leather jacket. \$16,500. 687-3349.

2000 YAMAHA YZ80, less than 3 months old, must sell ASAP, paid \$3,600, asking \$3,100 or best offer. Call 915-268-8468.

HONDA 1998 Valkyrie Tourer, black, 5,800. Excellent condition. \$10,900. Call 664-6800.

1980 GOLDWING Interstate \$2,000 or best offer. Call 697-7844 after 6:00 pm.

1995 HONDA TRX-300 4x2, \$3,100. Also 1994 TRX-300 4x4 \$3,000. Both four wheelers in good shape. Bob. 699-0688. Ricky 684-3759.

1996 HONDA GOLDWING Aspencade, red, 21K miles, side running lights, extra chrome, CB radio, lots more. Excellent condition. \$11,500. 684-6641.

1998 HARLEY DAVIDSON Sportster, custom paint (black with flames) 10K miles, fully chromed, beautiful bike. \$9,500 o.b.o. Call 689-3180.

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18' GOOSENECK trailer, tandem axle, black, 9000. Please call 687-2717 for information.

5X12 utility trailer made especially for motorcycles or golf carts. \$640. 687-2717 for information.

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TWO WHEELER, 8x10, all steel constructed trailer. \$395. 683-6833.

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1986 MUSKETEER, 6 speed, excellent condition. \$2,500 or best offer. Call 570-0663.

1996 DUTCHMAN Tag, 25', like new. \$10,950. Please call 520-2072 for inspection.

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31' TERRY bunkhouse, fiberglass, like new, extended warranty. 263-1709.

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1972 WINNEBAGO, fully functional, sleeps six, \$2,430. Please call 570-0669.

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1999 42' fiberglass fifth wheel. Two slide outs, two bedroom, two central air and heat washer/dryer, microwave, stereo, awning. Loaded. \$27,700. Call 561-5463.

AIRSTREAM 1990 Excella 32', extra nice, recently updated, near new tires, one owner, non-smokers. 689-3131.

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1995 38 FOOT Southwind. Sleeps 6, garaged, 2 TVs, VCR, 3-way refrigerator, generator, 30,000 miles. \$59,000. Call 689-2432.

Avion 1990 32' Rear standard size bed, all accessories. \$15,000. 682-9928 for inspection.

FOURWINDS 1993 26' Tag. Excellent condition, new A/C, includes Rise hitch. \$6,800. Call 688-6924 days or 697-4239 evenings.

VERY NICE Motor home. 1985 34' SouthWind. Like New. Dual air, new tires, rides on air bags. 50K. \$17,300. 915-687-2190.

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1988 MONARCH fish and ski, 150 Mercury, new seats/ carpet, trolling motor, 2 live wells, \$4,500. Call 682-5248 or 686-9429.

1981 CHARGER BASS Boat, 75 HP Johnson, two live wells, trolling motor. \$2,295. Call 520-3997.

1992 CAJUN Bass boat, 16', 88hp Johnson motor, trolling motor, fish finder, Wilson trailer, one owner, like new, \$8,000 will negotiate. 682-1388/ 685-3851.

1987 Phathom Bass Boat 15' 4", 88 horse power Evinrude, trolling, fish finder, two live wells, lake ready. \$4,000. 687-0744.

1998 LARSON SKI-Wake Board boat, 5' wake board pole, been to lake 6X, mint condition, \$10,000. 689-4113, 495-2638 pager.

1994 SEADOO SP and 1989 Kawasaki jet ski 650, on a Big Tex trailer, utility box. Asking \$4,295. Call 689-0722.

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16' ALUMINUM, 40 HP, electric start Mariner outboard, new trolling motor, pedestal seats, carpet. Lake ready. \$3,800. 697-5268 after 5:30pm.

1995 20' SKEETER 2002XD Bass Boat. 200 Mercury, tandem trailer. \$14,800. 915-570-6281 days, 915/699-4928 evenings.

1994 CAJUN 18' 11" fish/ski combination, loaded, 120 Johnson, one owner, well cared for and maintained. \$7,950. Call 699-2451.

1986 MONARCH inboard/outboard, fish/ski, \$4,500 or trade. Excellent condition. 694-4986.

1996 SPRINT 17' fiberglass, 150 HP Johnson Fast Track, 2 depth finders, trolling motor, lake ready! \$12,500. Call 661-6575.

1956 CHRIS CRAFT, 17 foot Sportsman, inboard. Beautiful mahogany boat in perfect condition. \$15,000 or trade for Suburban. 682-1704.

1998 VIPER 2010, 20' 3", 225 HP Johnson, dual console, lots of extras, like new. \$22,500. 685-0979.

1988 SKI SUPREME, 351 Ford, red/gray/white, Barefoot boom, prop guard, cover. Very clean, 353 hours. \$9,500. Call 697-7844 after 6:00 pm.

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1990 SKEETER 18.05 Bass Boat. 150 HP Yamaha Pro-V, 9000. Motor guide, trolling motor. Excellent condition. \$9,500. 570-4131, pager 620-3062.

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1978 PIPER TURBO Arrow. Beautiful fast, efficient new interior. 693 SMOH, 171 STOH, HSI, KNS-80, GX-60, GPS/COM, IFR certified. \$88,000. 806-765-6446. 495-7744-0775 nights.

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31' TERRY bunkhouse, fiberglass, like new, extended warranty. 263-1709.

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BEWARE Of Anyone who tries to sell you information about Government and Postal Job Vacancies. This info. is free. Call 210-805-2402 (24 Hours) or 210-805-2406 (To request application forms). A public service message from the Midland Reporter-Telegram & the ETC.

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CARE GIVER. Mama Bear's Cottage Child Care Center seeking care giver for children infant thru 3 years. Must have previous experience in day care work. Call 684-8270.

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**↓SOLD↓**  
HOT TUB WITH cover, seats 5, redwood surround and steps. Very Good condition. \$950. xxx-xxxx.

**↓SOLD↓**  
FISHER PRICE-3 in 1, Tournament table, (pool, hockey/pingpong) excellent condition. \$75. Cash Please. XXX-XXXX.

DOG HOUSES- \$35-\$45. Porch Swings- \$40. Book Case- \$40. 6 doors- \$10 each. 563-0452.

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LAWN BOY Lawn mower. \$225. Gasoline edger. \$85. Propane bottle. 25 gallon. Full. \$100. Baby bed, bumper pad, etc. \$100. Queen sleeper sofa. \$265. Matching chair. \$60. 915-362-2746.

WANTED DSS Single or dual unit. Will pay \$100. 2000. 684-7183 after 5.

TREADMILL - good condition - low mileage. \$200. 686-7676.

## 410 Miscellaneous Sales

**→NEW TODAY←**  
DESIGNER STRAPLESS Lavender prom dress with coral accents. Full skirt with net underskirt, size 7-8. \$100. Matching shoes 7 1/2 medium. Worn once! 683-2213.

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**↓SOLD↓**  
LITTLE TYKES- Green garden pedal tractor plus trailer for sale. \$15. XXX-XXXX.

HOT SPRINGS Portable Spa. Redwood siding, like new, excellent condition. Includes benches. \$4,750. Negotiable. 694-1815.

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**413 Jewelry & Furs**  
TERRIBLE EX- Husband, excellent taste in jewelry. Diamonds and sapphires galore! Call pager 498-1313.

2.5 CARETS Cocktail ring with 29 diamonds. Appraised at \$3,250. sell for \$1,400. 697-0716.

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**432 Household Furniture**  
GREAT CONDITION- pastels on be- background double rock- recliner sofa and matching double recliner love seat- \$700 or best offer. 699-6890.

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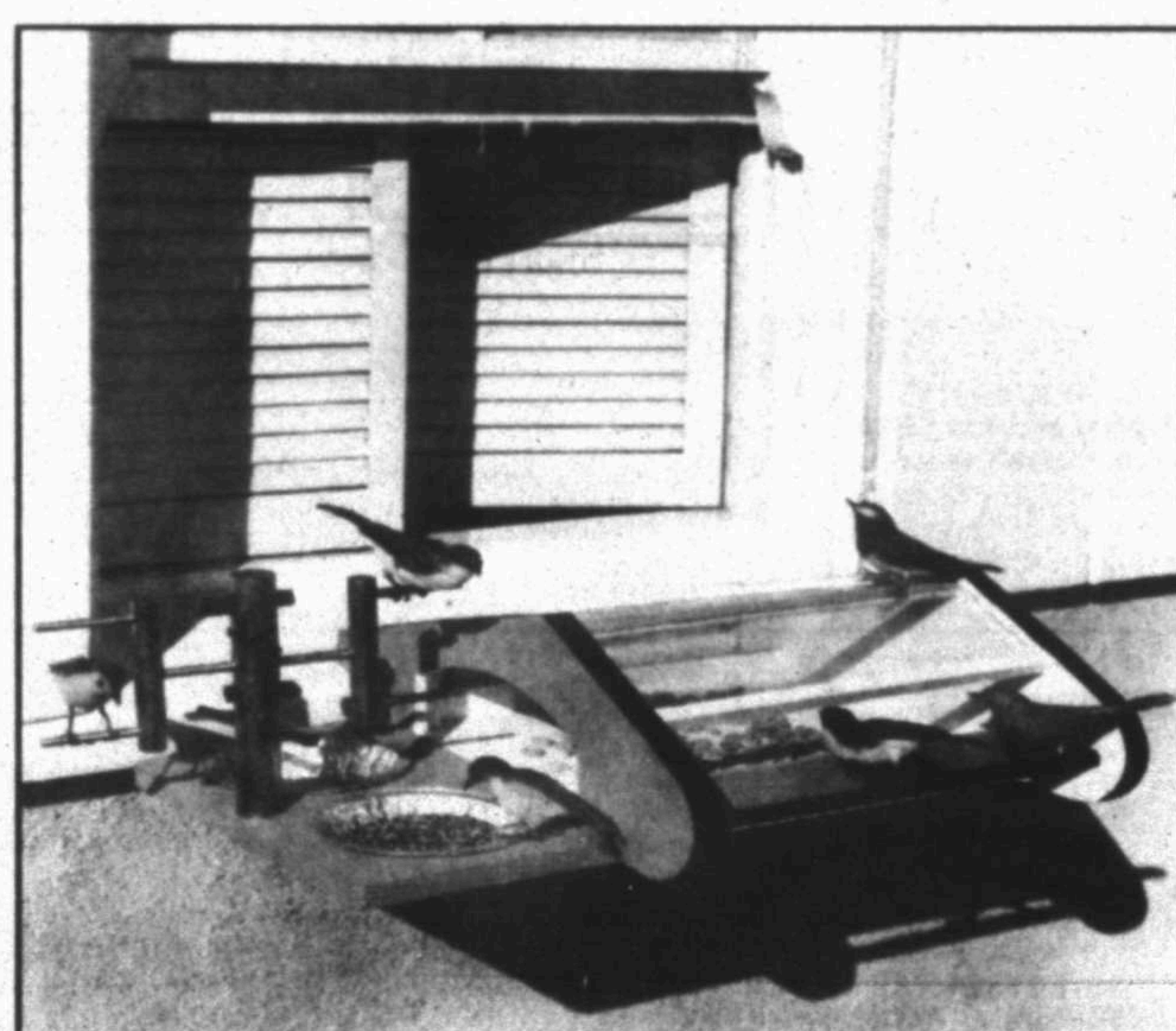
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## 79701

907 NORTH "D". Two family carport sale! Saturday 8-5. Furniture, couch, recliner, chair, TV, pictures, tools, shelves, baby items, double Baby Jogger/ purple, baby clothes and shoes; 18 months-3 toddler and miscellaneous items.

1903 SOUTH LAMESA Rd. Saturday only 8 to 5. Everything priced to sell. 7 family, book case, chair, yard tools, lawn mower, bicycle, boys/ girls clothing, large men/ women clothing, baby furniture, pictures, what not's, and miscellaneous.

505 BALDWIN (behind Dennis the Menace). Thursday- Friday 8-7 Side by side refrigerator, 1980 Toyota lots of miscellaneous!

1301 E. NOBLE. Bedspread, miscellaneous. Little bits of everything. Friday 8 am.

## AND TWO BECOME ONE Getting Married!!! 2907 PRINCETON

Fujitsu Notebook Computer, sofa & love seat, TVs, lots of furniture, dishes, and much more.  
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## 79703

5113 W. ILLINOIS. Friday only open 9 am. Lots of baby and kids clothes and much more!

4400 WEST WALL: Saturday 8:00am. Clothes, toys, gun cabinet, miscellaneous items, more.

3501 CUNNINGHAM: Saturday 7:30 to 1:00. Multi-family, stove with microwave, bicycle, baby bouncer and car seat, clothes to fit newborn to adults. Everything priced to sell and must be sold!

MOVING: Furniture, appliances, tools, books, clothing, too much to list. Saturday, 4602 Anetta (in alley.)

4302 VERSAILLES: FURNITURE, dog house, exercise machine, toys and lots of miscellaneous.

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WAGS TO RICHES, 3314 W. ILL. Benefitting Midland SPCA. Large desk and chair, wheel chair, clothes, headboards, birdcage. Lots of Goodies! Park in Rear!  
 Thursday & Friday 10 - 4

## 79703

2906 McDonald: Saturday only 8 to ?? Furniture, brand new wedding dress and formal, barber equipment, name brand adult and children clothing and shoes, miscellaneous household items and Wicker furniture.

4901 BROWNWOOD DRIVE- Moving Sale! Numerous household items, Triple dresser/ twin mirrors, armoire, large size womens clothes, cook books/ paperbacks. Friday- 8:00- 3:00, Saturday 8:00- ?

4411 MONTY DRIVE- Patio Sale! Saturday 8- 5, Sunday 9-2. Various items including kid's toys, clothes, lots of Knick- Knacks.

109 SOUTH GLENWOOD DRIVE: Friday- Saturday- 8:00 am! Clothes, toys, tools and more! Unusuals galore!

4622 LAURA. Bar Stools, bedding, car seat. Clothing: maternity/ baby/ little boys. Microwave, books, lots of misc. Friday- Saturday 8- ?

## 79705

The Deadline to place an Ad in our Saturday Garage Sale Section is Noon Friday. Call 682-6222 to place your ad today.

404 NEELY. Yard Sale. Baby clothes, dishes and other miscellaneous. Saturday only 8- 1.

## 3113 GOLF COURSE

Living Estate Sale  
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★4904 WHITMAN. Saturday, 8:00 am- 12:00 Noon. Washer/ dryer, toys, playhouse, boys clothes- baby thru 2T, Bronco II car cover and hitch, other miscellaneous!

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2008 SANDS STREET. Electric typewriter, May Kay Makeup and Consultant sample kit, AB Flex, mens' clothing, miscellaneous. Friday- Saturday 9 am.

★3215 SHELL- MIDKIFF Corner Friday & Saturday 8:00 to 5:00. Furniture, Linens, Beautiful 8x11 Aubusson Rug, other rugs, dishes, bedspreads, custom curtains and drapes, pictures, Kirby with attachments, large Tiffany fixture, very nice ladies clothes, shoes, costume jewelry, pretty wicker Settee. DON'T MISS THIS ONE!! No early sales.

## 79706

901 CHUKAR LANE. Saturday only 9 am. Tools, antique furniture, household items, toys.

1605 East County Road 145 (3.5 mile s south of I20 off of FM715): Friday only 7:00am- 5:00pm. Lots of baby items, porta crib, changing table, playpen, car seat, clothes, toys, and more!

## 79707

2102 ROSITA: Multifamily sale. VCR, gum-ball machine, furniture, bookcases, much more. Friday- Saturday 8:00am- 12:00pm.

2207 MARCIE LANE- Saturday only 8- 1. No early birds. Baby stuff, lawn mower, table & chairs and more.

2905 WYDEWOOD. Friday, Saturday & Sunday 9- 6. Gigantic Sale! Sofa & love seat, lots of furniture and miscellaneous.

★3517 WEDGEWOOD (in alley) 5 Family Garage Sale. Name brand mens' ladies and childrens' clothes. Tools, and oil field stuff. Households things, baby things, electronics, furniture and lots more. Thursday and Friday at 8 am.

6401 SEQUOIA: (Greentree). Friday- 3:00 pm, Saturday- 10 am until ? Huge moving sale! Complete bedroom suites, living room suite, desks, credenzas, baby stuff, clothes, miscellaneous!

## GARAGE SALE ZIP CODES



## 79707

4941 RUSTIC TRAIL: Multifamily garage sale. Friday- Saturday 8:00am- 1:00pm. Furniture, toys, car seat, refrigerators, washer, dryer, clothes, miscellaneous. Cash only.

5219 BRAZOS AVENUE: Saturday only 8 to 3. Moving sale, Drexel couch, king size bed, small appliances, no early birds. No holds.

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- 630 Houses Furnished
- 635 Condo/Townhome Furnished
- 640 Condo/Townhome Unfurnished
- 650 Mobile Furnished
- 655 Mobile Unfurnished
- 660 Mobile Home Space for Rent
- 665 Business Office Property for Rent
- 667 Comm'l Prop.
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