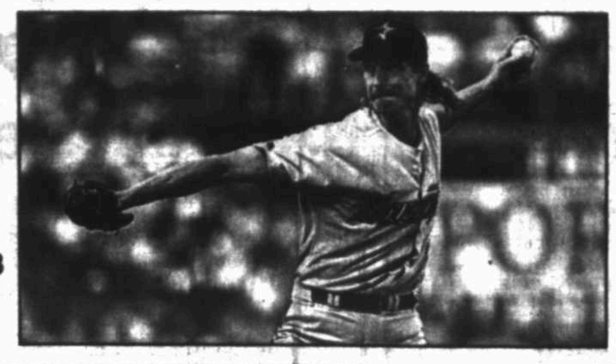


MONDAY MORNING

Reluctant mother

Born three months premature, baby Alek's fist was the size of a thumbnail. His mother, Nicole, never planned on keeping him./1B



SPORTS

Padres advance

A second strong outing by Randy Johnson couldn't make up for the Astros' lack of hitting Sunday. San Diego won 6-1./1C

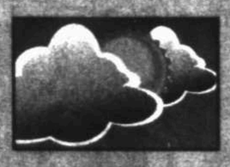
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AP Photo

Pope in Croatia

A young boy peers out from behind a papal and Croat flag on his father's shoulders while waiting for Pope John Paul II to arrive on Sunday in Split. The pope is on the final day of a three-day visit to Croatia.

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Missing secretary

WILMINGTON, Del. — Anne Marie Fahey was so neat she folded dirty laundry. That's why the scene at her apartment made no sense. Groceries left out. The bedspread pulled back, but the sheets unwrinkled. The 30-year-old scheduling secretary to Delaware's governor was missing.

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Traffic fatality

An Odessa woman died and her husband was injured in an early Sunday car accident on Interstate Highway 20, DPS officials said.

Tracey Dickerson, 29, died less than an hour after she was taken to a local hospital for massive injuries. She was pronounced dead at 1:30 a.m. by an emergency room doctor, Department of Public Safety officials said.

Her husband, Robert Dickerson, Jr., 30, was taken to Memorial Hospital and Medical Center, where he was treated for minor injuries and released Sunday morning.

According to DPS reports, the couple was in a late-model pickup that crashed into an unoccupied vehicle parked on the shoulder of the same lane they were using.

The accident occurred at about 1 a.m. near mile marker 130.

Troopers were quoted as saying that Dickerson, the driver of pickup, failed to drive in a single lane and subsequently crashed into the parked vehicle. Citations were not imediately issued, officials said.

Both occupants were wearing seat belts.

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Midland man charged with murder

By Rick López
Staff Writer

Police arrested a Midland man Sunday in connection with the stabbing death of a local mechanic.

Nicholas Martinez Rodriquez, 26, was charged with first-degree murder and taken to the Midland County Detention Center, where bond was set at $50,000 by Justice of the Peace Joe Matlock.

His arrest stems from the early morning slaying of Ovidio Garcia, 39, who suffered stab wounds sustained during a fight with a friend of Rodriquez's. The men were arguing over a woman they had dated, police said.

Midland Police Sgt. B.J. Land said the incident began early Sunday in the backyard of a residence at 408 E. Hickory Ave.

Officers at the scene quoted witnesses as saying that Garcia and another man, who police would only identify as Rodriquez's friend, were fighting outside the woman's house.

At one point, the friend left the house and went to pick up Rodriquez from his house in the 1200 block of Dormard Avenue. They returned to the woman's house and continued their fight with Garcia, who was in the front yard, witnesses told police.

"He (Rodriquez) was recruited to help him fight the victim," Ms. Land said. "He has admitted to stabbing Garcia."

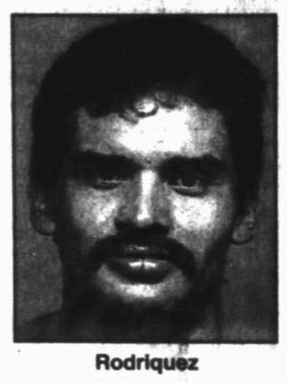
Ms. Land said Rodriquez has been cooperative with detectives handling the case.

Police theorized that at the height of the dispute, Rodriquez picked up a garden tool and stabbed Garcia in the chest and pelvic area, Ms. Land said. Police have not located the weapon, which they suspect is a broken hoe.

Both men left the scene after the alleged stabbing. When police arrived, they found Garcia lying on the driveway in a pool of blood. The man had already died when emergency crews arrived, police said.

Within an hour, detectives were able to

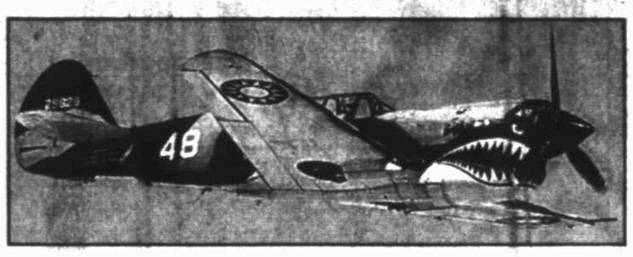
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Rodriquez

TORA! TORA! TORA!







TOP: A Japanese torpedo plane used during a show recreating the Japanes invasion of Pearl Harbor. ABOVE: A Flying Tiger. AT RIGHT: A Japanese fighter appears to just avoid a Japanese torpedo plane. The show was one of the events during the Confederate Air Force's AirSho'98 Sunday at Midland International Airport.

Photos by Tim Fischer

Hyde says not enough votes in Senate for impeachment

By Jim Abrams
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — On the eve of House Judiciary hearings into possible impeachment proceedings against President Clinton, chairman Henry Hyde said Sunday the Senate so far does not have the two-third majority necessary to remove the president from office.

Hyde also said he hopes to finish his impeachment inquiry by year's end but won't accept Democratic demands for limits on the investigation.

"You know how New Year's resolutions sometimes get broken, but it's my hope and prayer that we could finish by New Year's," the Illinois Republican said.

Hyde's committee meets Monday to take up a GOP resolution recommending an open-ended inquiry into whether Clinton's behavior merits impeachment. The Democrats will offer a separate version that would put a deadline on the inquiry and limit it to the Monica Lewinsky affair, but it is likely to be defeated.

On Sunday Hyde again rejected the Democratic demands. He even said he might if necessary be willing to expand the inquiry beyond Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr's report to Congress on the president's relationship with Ms. Lewinsky when she was a White House intern and later.

The Judiciary Committee anticipates no more material from Starr, Hyde said, and "we are not seeking that. We're not out trolling for additional issues. But if they come to our attention we will deal with them."

Hyde, who appeared on NBC's "Meet the Press" and "Fox News Sunday," added: "We don't feel bound by Ken Starr."

Hyde mentioned as possible extensions Whitewater, Filegate, Travelgate and Clinton's relationship with former White House volunteer Kathleen Willey and said his committee will look at a report being put out this week by a different House committee on alleged White

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Trial to start for ROT members accused of plot to kill Clinton

By Madeline Baro
Associated Press

BROWNSVILLE — Jury selection was set to begin Monday in the case of three Republic of Texas members charged with plotting to use poisoned cactus needles to assassinate President Clinton and other government officials.

Johnie Wise, 72, Jack Abbott Grebe Jr., 43, and Oliver Dean Emigh, 63, have been held without bond since their July 1 arrests and are charged with conspiracy to use weapons of mass destruction.

The men are accused of hatching a plot straight out of a spy novel. The idea, investigators say, was to modify a Bic lighter to propel air instead of propane; coat a cactus needle with a biological agent like rabies, anthrax or botulism; insert the needle into the lighter; then shoot the needle at an unsuspecting victim.

People on the trio's hit list allegedly included Attorney General Janet Reno, FBI Director Louis Freeh, and other local, state and federal officials. Federal agents say the suspects drafted and sent an e-mail threat to the targeted officials.

"Your FBI employees and their families have been targeted for destruction by revenge," read the message sent to Freeh. The message was later modified and sent to other officials, authorities say.

Court-appointed attorneys for the accused have argued that the men did not have the ability to pull off such a scheme. They have also tried to shift blame to the government's star witness who, according to court documents, agreed to tape conversations with the three men as plans unfolded.

On Thursday, U.S. District Judge Hilda Tagle ordered prosecutors to turn over the computer allegedly used to send the e-mail messages. The computer, which belonged to the government witness, had remained with the witness. Prosecutors said he needed it for work and personal use.

Grebe, Emigh and Wise apparently belonged to a faction of the Republic of Texas headed by Jesse Enloe. People who call themselves citizens of the Republic of Texas believe Texas was illegally annexed by the United States and is not part of the union.

A month after the arrests, Enloe posted a letter on the group's web site warn-

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AP Photo

Puerto Rican homeless

Yarily Arce seeks shelter from the rain in a "black hawk" helicopter used by the Puerto Rico National Guard in the town of Lares, Puerto Rico, as supplies and water were distributed during the weekend to towns in the central part of the island that were unreachable by roads after Hurricane Georges pounded the U.S. commonwealth Sept. 21. The cost of getting the homeless into homes will be far greater than virtually anyone had imagined, probably well beyond $1 billion.

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Israel, Palestinians each say an accord is up to the other

HEBRON, West Bank (AP) — With new clashes breaking out Sunday in the West Bank, Israel and the Palestinians both said that reaching an accord on an Israeli troop pullback was up to the other side.

Security was tight in advance of a Jewish holiday beginning at sundown Sunday, and the Palestinian lands remained sealed off.

Secretary of State Madeleine Albright is due to arrive Tuesday for talks in advance of a hoped-for summit in Washington later this month, and both sides have been busy staking out positions in advance of her visit.

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, who has repeatedly accused the Palestinians of not doing enough to crack down on Islamic militants, said Israel's security was his paramount concern.

"Israel has shown its willingness to go the distance," he told reporters at a ceremony to usher in the Jewish holiday of Sukkot. "Now it's up to the Palestinians to show their willingness to carry out their part."

Yasser Arafat's Palestinian Authority has said it is working to contain militant groups like Hamas, but that even its best efforts cannot provide an iron-clad guarantee against attacks.

Two days before Albright's scheduled arrival, Palestinian negotiator Saeb Erekat expressed hopes for a speedy accord — but said any movement must come from the Israeli side.

"She has one 'yes' in her pocket. That is Arafat's 'yes,'" Erekat said of Albright. "In order to reach an agreement she needs a second 'yes,' and that is Mr. Netanyahu's."

The Palestinians earlier this year accepted terms of an American-authored initiative on an Israeli troop pullback, but Netanyahu balked, citing security concerns.

Erekat spoke to reporters during a break in talks with Israeli Cabinet Secretary Danny Naveh. The two were mainly discussing secondary issues, including the so-called safe passage that would permit Palestinian travel between the West Bank and Gaza Strip and the status of Palestinian prisoners.

Sunday's West Bank clashes occurred near Hebron, marking the fifth straight day of skirmishing in or near the divided town. Hebron is home to 450 Jewish settlers and 130,000 Palestinians and a frequent flashpoint for violence.

In the latest fighting, a crowd of about 100 Palestinians gathered at the Israeli military checkpoint outside Hebron, and some began throwing stones and bottles at the soldiers.

The troops responded with rubber bullets and tear gas, but witnesses said no one was hurt during the two-hour disturbance.

Later, at the village of Bani Naim outside Hebron, about 100 Palestinians, mainly teen-agers and elderly people, marched to protest what they said was illegal land confiscation by Jewish settlers.

They marched to within 100 yards of a settlement and Israeli troops took up protective positions, but the protest remained peaceful.

Palestinians are angry about the closure of the West Bank and Gaza Strip, which with some brief easings has been in effect since Sept. 20, just before the Jewish New Year holiday.

NATO threatens strikes as Russians, Milosevic meet

NATO is threatening attacks to end seven months of bloodshed in Kosovo — despite signs Serbs may be ready for a compromise on how the province should be governed. After meeting with Russian ministers, Yugoslavian President Slobodan Milosevic warned that strikes would be considered an act of aggression.

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AP) — Sharply opposed to NATO airstrikes on Yugoslavia, Russia sent its foreign and defense ministers Sunday to call on President Slobodan Milosevic, whose generals were preparing to defend the country against an assault.

NATO is threatening attacks to end seven months of bloodshed in Kosovo — despite signs Serbs may be ready for a compromise on how the rebellious Serb province should be governed.

Russian Foreign Minister Igor Ivanov and Defense Minister Igor Sergeyev met with Milosevic, Serbian President Milan Milutinovic, and Yugoslavia's top defense officials.

Kosovo is in southern Serbia, the dominant of two republics remaining in Yugoslavia.

A statement from Milosevic's office issued after the meeting said any NATO strike would be an "act of aggression" and asserted that in Kosovo the overall situation is "improving daily."

Russia is the Serbs' main ally, sharing bonds of religion and joint Slavic roots.

Serbian police and the Yugoslav army have routed separatist Kosovo Albanian rebels during the seven-month crackdown. The conflict has killed hundreds — most of them ethnic Albanian civilians — and driven hundreds of thousands of villagers from their homes.

In Moscow, the ITAR-Tass news agency carried a government statement reiterating its opposition to any NATO intervention in Kosovo without approval from the U.N. Security Council, where Russia wields veto power.

A Yugoslav statement said the leadership wanted the Kosovo dispute solved peacefully, "but in case we are attacked, we shall defend our country with all means."

Preparing for an attack, Yugoslav generals put the nation's air defense on high alert, even as Serbs indicated they were ready for compromise by installing an interim government Saturday in Kosovo.

A Western diplomat said that up to 120 Yugoslav armored vehicles, including tanks, have been pulled out of Kosovo so far. But the West apparently remained unmoved.

Speaking in Denmark, German Foreign Minister Klaus Kinkel said Friday the NATO intervention clock "is at one minute to 12." Although Kinkel stressed that "no ultimatum, no date has been set," he added, "Mr. Milosevic must know that we are serious."

London's Sunday Telegraph reported that Britain is preparing ground troops and armored units for Kosovo to be deployed as peacekeepers after a possible airstrike. The defense ministry refused to confirm the report.

The Yugoslav government said Friday the fighting had ended and blamed continuing violence on ethnic Albanian rebels. The Serb side reported no fighting Sunday, besides two minor attacks on civilian cars by Albanian "terrorists" about 25 miles south of Pristina, Kosovo's capital. Elsewhere, a policeman was killed after stepping on a mine, the Serb Media Center said.

But the Kosovo Information Center, which reports for the Albanian side, said there was heavy fighting between government forces and the guerrillas, 25 miles southwest of Pristina.

Ethnic Albanian political leaders have rejected the new interim government, which was drawn up without their participation. The council is composed of seven Serbs, five ethnic Albanians and the rest Turks and Muslims. It was part of a last-ditch effort to show that Serbs intend to end the conflict.

On Monday, U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan was expected to deliver his own assessment to the Security Council on whether Belgrade is complying with U.N. demands to halt its assault on ethnic Albanians.

If not, Washington has indicated that NATO air attacks will come within two weeks.

Momentum for outside involvement has increased in the past week amid revelations of massacres of ethnic Albanian civilians in the forests of Kosovo.

On Sunday, Human Rights Watch said in a report that both Milosevic's government and Albanian rebels have committed atrocities since the conflict began.

But the New York-based human rights organization said the government's abuses were on a much greater scale and blamed the international community for failing to take serious action to stop the killing of ethnic Albanians.

The report attributes to Milosevic "the primary responsibility for gross government abuses." It says at least 250,000 thousand people have been displaced, many of them women and children now living without shelter in the mountains and forests.

On Saturday, Serb police took reporters to the site of what they say is a mass grave on a mountain top near the village of Volujak, about 40 miles west of Pristina.

They said dogs had unearthed human bones in an area formerly held by the separatist Kosovo Liberation Army.

By Sunday, parts of five skeletons had been found, along with Chinese-made bullet casings and empty casings of hunting rifles at the site — both characteristic ammunition used by the KLA.

Voters stay away in droves from Chiapas elections

SAN CRISTOBAL DE LAS CASAS, Mexico (AP) — Despite calls from authorities and Roman Catholic Church leaders for to go out and vote, people by the thousand stayed away from the polls in Sunday's elections in troubled Chiapas state.

Most of the 3,123 polling stations opened and closed more or less on time, and the turnout among the southern state's 1.9 million registered voters was very low. Aside from one demonstration in an Indian town, there were no big incidents.

First results are expected early Monday.

Francisco Gallardo of the Civic Alliance, a respected observer watchdog group, estimated absenteeism up to 60 percent statewide. "We still haven't heard from our observers in remote regions, but we estimate 50 to 60 percent of people did not show up," he said.

Absentees were a mix of both supporters of the ruling Institutional Revolutionary Party, also known as PRI, and the Zapatista National Liberation Army rebels, who staged a brief revolt in 1994 to demand democracy and better living conditions for the predominantly dirt-poor Indians.

Religious disputes were a factor too.

In the highlands Indian county of San Juan Chamula, angry residents prevented the 59 polling places there from opening to protest the jailing a year ago of five men.

The five were charged with murder in connection with a long-standing dispute between "traditionalist" Catholics who practice a syncretic form of their ancient Maya religion, and neighbors who have converted to Protestantism.

More than 6,000 people milled in the central plaza under hastily painted banners that read, "There will be no vote until our companions are freed," and "Chamula united in one religion, we are all traditional Catholics."

With more than 24,000 voters, the county's refusal to participate in the balloting may cause elections for the local congressional district seat to be invalidated.

Through repression and fraud at the polls, the PRI had kept Chiapas as a bastion of its power through seven decades. But this power has been gradually eroding in recent years, as it has in the rest of Mexico.

Much of this has been due to the wide support for the Zapatistas by Indian communities in the highlands. A lot of it has also been caused by the poverty and violence, and recently by the little and late government help for the hundreds of thousands of victims of last month's devastating rains and floods.

Hundreds have been killed in sporadic violence in sporadic clashes between rebel and government sympathizers since the Zapatista 12-day rebellion started Jan. 1, 1994, including 45 mostly women and children massacred by a pro-government paramilitary group on Dec. 22 in the village of Acteal.

In La Hormiga, a community of some 10,000 near San Cristobal de las Casas, only a score of people lined up to vote when the polling station opened on time Sunday at 8 a.m.

Up for election are all 40 seats of the state legislature and the presidents of 103 of the state's 111 counties. Elections in the other eight counties near the Pacific Coast were postponed until further notice because of flood damage.

The PRI and two other big opposition parties — the conservative National Action Party and the leftist Democratic Revolution Party — and five other small political groups have fielded a total of 477 candidates.

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Pope seeks to heal Croatia wounded by war, totalitarian regime

SPLIT, Croatia (AP) — On a seaside beach packed with pilgrims, Pope John Paul II sought Sunday to heal the wounds left by war and totalitarian rule in Croatia, and urged the international community to provide "timely help" to end the Kosovo conflict.

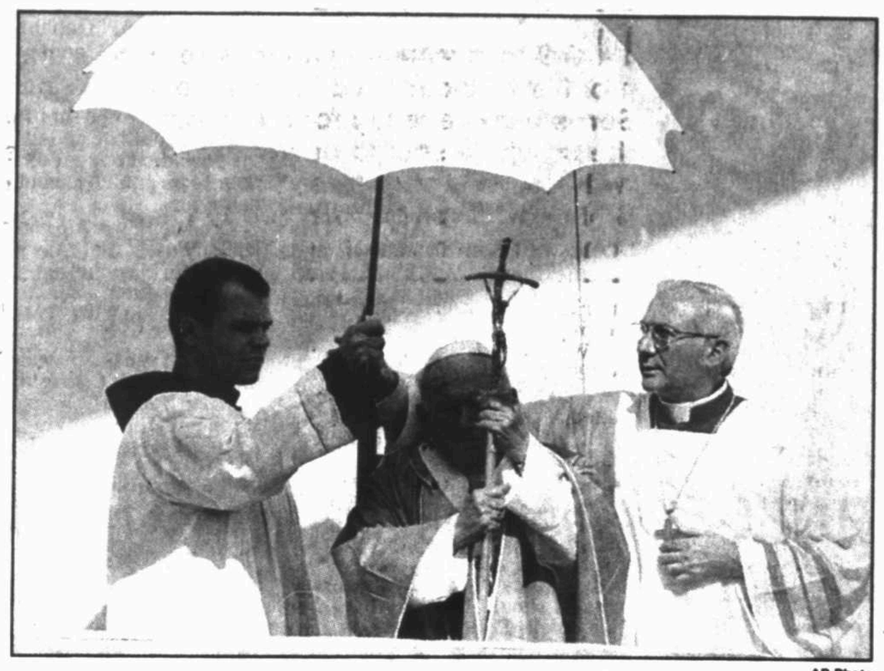
Hundreds of thousands of Roman Catholics jammed a beach outside this Adriatic coastal city for the final Mass of John Paul's three-day trip to Croatia. Scores of fishing and pleasure boats anchored offshore sounded their sirens when the pope arrived from the capital, Zagreb.

Adding to the estimated 500,000 people in attendance were Croat pilgrims from neighboring Montenegro, the smaller of two remaining Yugoslav republics, who streamed in when the border crossing was opened Saturday night for the first time since war ended in 1995, state-run Croatian television reported.

"Croats are today called to give a new face to their country, above all by committing themselves to the renewal in society of the ethical and moral values undermined by past totalitarianism and by the recent violence of war," the pope said.

"It is an urgent task, for without values there can be no true freedom or democracy."

The frail 78-year-old pope appeared in generally good form, but his voice was weak by the end of the nearly three-hour Mass. An aide held up a white umbrella to shield him from the bright sun as he sat on an altar facing the sea. He returned to Rome late Sunday.



AP Photo

Pope John Paul II's master of ceremonies Piero Morini helps a young Croat adjust an umbrella over the pontiff's head Sunday during mass on the beach at Split, Croatia. The pope is on the last day of a three-day visit to Croatia.

'Croats are today called to give a new face to their country, above all by committing themselves to the renewal in society ... for without values there can be no true freedom or democracy.'

— Pope John Paul II, at the final Mass of his trip to Croatia

Reconciliation and the renewal of values were high on the pope's agenda during his stay. The breakup of Yugoslavia sparked a civil war in 1991 that left over 10,000 dead and thousands missing before the 1995 Dayton Accords ended the fighting.

The big crowd was quiet as the pope delivered his homily, but applauded when he spoke of Kosovo.

John Paul said he was following with "anxious concern the continuing tragedy" in the region of Yugoslavia, about 240 miles southeast of Croatia, where Serb forces have staged a bloody crackdown on ethnic Albanian separatists.

He said, "mutual respect, forgiveness and reconciliation" were needed to stop the violence, and said he hoped the international community would "provide its timely help" to achieve those goals.

The pope made no mention of threats by NATO to stage airstrikes if the Serbs continue their aggression against the ethnic Albanians.

John Paul also spoke of the damage inflicted during the civil war on Croatia's Dalmatian coast, and particularly its art and cultural treasures.

"The eye of man can no longer rejoice in them," the pope said of losses to architectural masterpieces. "How can we not feel regret for this?"

About 80 percent of Croatia's 4.7 million people are Catholic, and the Vatican looks at the country as a Catholic bastion in the Balkans, amid Orthodox Christians in Serbia and Muslims in Bosnia.

"It is important to look beyond the trauma of the war, and the pope is here to express his wish that we draw strength from our religion," said Anita Bosnic, a university student.

Orthodox clergymen and a Muslim delegation also attended Sunday's Mass, and the pope greeted them.

For most Croats, the highlight of the pope's three-day visit was Saturday's beatification of the controversial World War II cardinal, Alojzije Stepinac. Roman Catholics hail Stepinac as a martyr, but many Serbs and Jews accuse him of sympathizing with the Nazis.

Beatification is the last step before possible sainthood.

Fears increasing of Turkish invasion of neighbor Syria

ANKARA, Turkey (AP) — With reports of Turkish troops massed on Syria's border, President Suleyman Demirel warned Damascus on Sunday that Turkey would not allow its neighbor to continue sheltering Kurdish rebels.

Ankara has threatened to send forces across the border to eradicate guerrilla bases in Syria, which Turkey accuses of harboring rebels who wage cross-border attacks. Damascus denies the charge.

"I am not only warning Syria, I am warning the world. This cannot continue," the Anatolia news agency quoted Demirel as saying.

"We are in a position of self-defense," he was quoted as saying. "The situation is serious. Turkey has suffered for many years, and it no longer wants to suffer."

In an effort to head off a military conflict, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak held talks Sunday with Syrian President Hafez Assad in Damascus and was due in Turkey later this week.

Mubarak left after the two-hour meeting with Assad without speaking to reporters. But Egyptian Foreign Minister Amr Moussa said Mubarak "backs dialogue for solving disputes and not military power and threats."

Egypt's Middle East News Agency quoted Syrian Foreign Minister Farouq al-Sharaa as saying that Egypt and Syria "agreed on the graveness of the situation and that it should be dealt with diplomatically and not through confrontation or threats."

Turkey long has accused Syria of providing refuge to Kurdish rebels, who have been fighting since 1984 for more autonomy for the Kurdish population in southeastern Turkey. The war has killed more than 37,000 people.

Turkey in the past few days sent about 10,000 soldiers into northern Iraq to attack Kurdish rebel bases there and has indicated it is prepared to undertake a similar operation against Syria.

Turkish newspaper headlines Sunday reflected rising tensions in Turkey.

"Critical Days," wrote daily Turkiye, while the daily Aksam claimed that Turkish forces could reach the Syrian-controlled Bekaa Valley in Lebanon in 30 minutes.

"War is coming," said Kenan Kalelioglu, an engineer in Ankara. "If the Syrians continue to support anarchy, Turkey will have to act. We don't like war, but we are not afraid."

On Saturday, reports said Turkish jets buzzed the Syrian border and Defense Minister Ismet Sezgin said Turkey would soon carry out military exercises near the Syrian border, private television NTV reported.

U.S. taxpayers will pay to rebuild Puerto Rican homes

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico (AP) — At a shelter in Puerto Rico last week, Hillary Rodham Clinton spoke of a $39 million dollar U.S. grant to rebuild hurricane-ravaged homes.

But two weeks after Hurricane Georges pummeled this U.S. territory, thousands still languish in schools, community centers and the homes of family and friends — and her pledge looks like a drop in the bucket.

The cost of getting the homeless into homes will be far greater than virtually anyone had imagined, probably well beyond $1 billion. And U.S. taxpayers are sure to foot most of the bill.

"We're talking megabucks," said Michael Colon, the Caribbean coordinator for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Officials originally estimated overall property damage to the island — including roads, public buildings, parks, beaches — at $2 billion, a figure now believed to be underestimated.

So far, the effort to solve the homeless crisis has been accompanied by confusion. Officials still don't know how many homeless there are — or how to give them homes.

Aside from killing three people on the island, Georges destroyed nearly 30,000 houses and damaged at least another 60,000, the local Housing Department estimates. Those left homeless can receive up to $25,000 from the Federal Emergency Management Agency, as well as $13,500 to buy new appliances and furniture.

Puerto Rico authorities now say the FEMA program, which would allow residents to rebuild their wood and zinc homes, may be ill-advised because it will leave new homes as vulnerable to hurricanes as the old ones.

Gov. Pedro Rosello instead wants federal block grants that, combined with money from Puerto Rico's local budget, would subsidize more expensive cement homes located out of harm's way.

Under his plan, hurricane victims would purchase houses worth $65,000 for $15,000, with mortgage payments of about $100 per month.

"Even though this has been a disaster for Puerto Rico, we should look at this as an opportunity to build something better than what we had before," explained Puerto Rico's Housing Secretary, Ana Carmen Alemany.

The plan was presented to Housing Secretary Andrew Cuomo when he arrived in Puerto Rico last week with Mrs. Clinton.

"We are banking on having Secretary Cuomo going back to President Clinton and (FEMA director) James Lee Witt and expressing to them support for this program," Alemany said.

In the meantime, 15,000 Puerto Rican hurricane victims remain holed up in shelters. More are staying with friends and relatives, though no one knows exactly how many.

Concrete decisions on solving their longterm plight have taken a back seat to the immediate need to restore water and electricity and provide temporary shelter.

"As of now, there is no program yet," admitted Bessie Figueroa, the Puerto Rico Housing Department's liaison to FEMA.

Meanwhile, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is crisscrossing the island to replace damaged roofs. The island's Housing Department is providing $1,000 vouchers to purchase building materials. The city of San Juan is handing out $500 checks for groceries.

"We can't wait for the federal government," said San Juan Mayor Sila Calderon.

At a San Juan shelter last week, Calderon was handing out clothes and checks to hurricane victims when four gunshots rang out.

"Don't panic!" social workers yelled as frightened residents scrambled to their cots.

The sound of guns isn't unusual in this neighborhood of western San Juan, notorious for its gang activity, but the shelter inhabitants were especially on edge after losing their homes and their privacy to Georges.

Sixty-six people were living in this hot community center on rows of cots three feet apart. Toddlers cried in playpens. Clothes, a few toys and food wrappers were strewn about. There was one TV, and a few fans.

A woman asked Calderon how long her family would have to stay in the shelter, and the mayor replied: "I don't know."

A substantial though unknown portion of hurricane victims were squatters who did not have legal title to the property they lost.

It's not clear how these people would be housed. The FEMA program excludes them from eligibility; the governor's plan does not.

Mayor Calderon said most of Georges' homeless represent "the other face of Puerto Rico": unwed mothers, welfare recipients, the unemployed, those in homes most vulnerable to disaster.

"These are people who are still waiting to participate in the development we've had over the past 50 years," she said.

Police pour into Naples after car bombing, attack

NAPLES, Italy (AP) — Hundreds of police reinforcements poured into the Naples on Sunday after a car bombing and a bazooka attack raised fears of escalating warfare among feuding crime clans.

No one was injured when a bazooka was fired Saturday at the gate of a villa owned by a suspected boss of the Camorra crime syndicate. On Friday a car bomb blew up in a crowded quarter of the city, injuring 13 people.

On Saturday night, Italy's state police chief Fernando Masone ordered 365 officers from the state police and from the parmilitary Carabiniere unit to take up posts in Naples.

For years now, the Camorra's clans have been waging turf wars for control of illegal betting rackets, extortion rings, drug and arms smuggling and prostitution.

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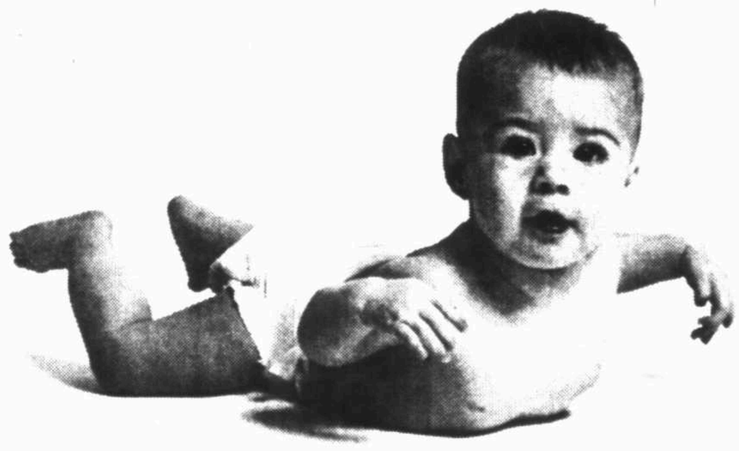
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WEATHER

Midland forecast

3-day forecast



Today	Tuesday	Wednesday
Partly cloudy	Mostly cloudy	Partly cloudy
High 86	High 68	High 78
Low 62	Low 56	Low 47

Today's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies with a high in the mid-80s. Winds will be from the northwest at 10 to 20 mph, according to the National Weather Service in Midland.

Tonight's forecast calls for clear skies with a low near 62 and a 20-percent chance of showers.

Tuesday's forecast calls for mostly cloudy skies with a high in the upper-60s. There is a 20-percent chance of rain.

After an overnight low of 73, Sunday's high reached 95, compared to the record high for that date of 96 set in 1937. The record low was 41 set in 1932.

Yesterday's precipitation

Rainfall Sunday	0.00 in.
Rainfall Saturday	0.00 in.
Total for month	0.00 in.
Total for year	3.13 in.

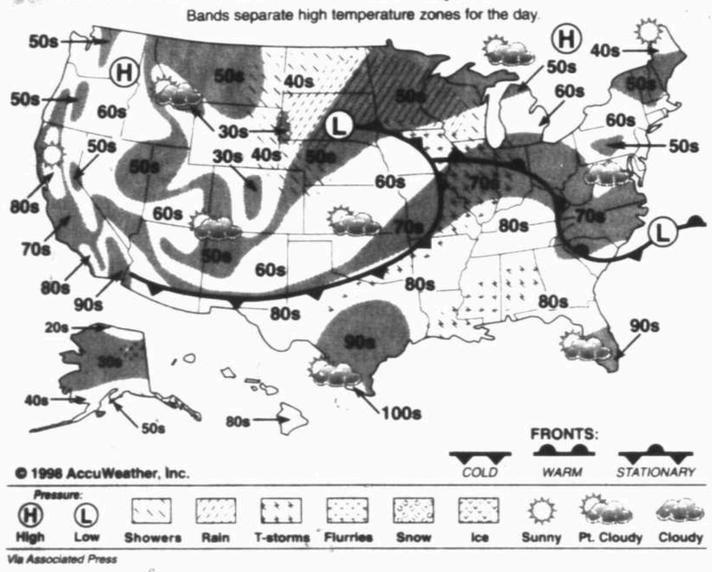
Yesterday's temperatures

High	95
Low	73
Normal high	81
Normal low	55

Sunrise ... 7:45 a.m. **Sunset** ... 7:29 p.m.

National forecast

The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Monday, Oct. 5.



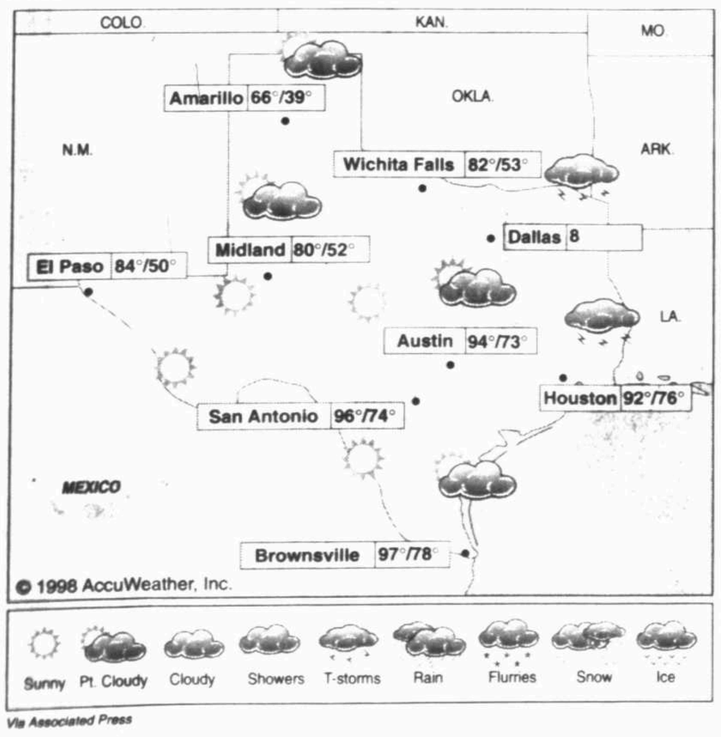
Via Associated Press

United States temperatures

Temperatures indicate previous day's high and overnight low to 8:34 p.m. EDT.

	Hi	Lo	Prc	Otlk
Albuquerque	74	61	cdy	
Atlanta	83	68	cdy	
Atlantic City	59	48	.57	cdy
Baltimore	54	50	.21	cdy
Baton Rouge	86	70	rn	
Billings	55	40	.07	cdy
Birmingham	88	69	.10	cdy
Bismarck	48	46	.54	rn
Boise	58	36	clr	
Boston	64	45	clr	
Buffalo	61	39	clr	
Casper	39	39	.72	clr
Chattanooga	85	67	cdy	
Cheyenne	45	38	.40	clr
Chicago	64	55	.01	rn
Cincinnati	61	51	.01	cdy
Cleveland	56	49	cdy	
Colorado Springs	60	45	.04	cdy
Dayton	61	48	cdy	
Daytona Beach	86	75	.06	cdy
Denver	58	43	.30	cdy
Des Moines	54	50	.21	rn
Detroit	63	45	cdy	
Fairbanks	43	24	sn	
Fargo	52	48	.43	rn
Flint	64	38	cdy	
Grand Junction	56	41	.01	cdy
Grand Rapids	63	42	rn	
Great Falls	57	28	clr	
Green Bay	61	46	.46	rn
Greensboro,N.C.	70	65	.11	cdy
Harrisburg	50	48	.85	cdy
Helena	58	28	clr	
Honolulu	84	77	clr	
Huntsville	90	66	cdy	
Indianapolis	62	51	cdy	
Jackson,Miss.	90	64	rn	
Jacksonville	85	74	1.86	cdy
Juneau	54	39	rn	
Kansas City	67	52	.10	rn
Knoxville	80	64	.19	cdy
Las Vegas	75	65	clr	
Little Rock	89	67	.19	rn
Los Angeles	72	59	clr	
Memphis	88	66	cdy	
Miami Beach	88	76	.06	cdy
Milwaukee	60	53	rn	
Mpls-St Paul	57	48	rn	
Mobile	86	71	cdy	
Montgomery	90	73	cdy	
Nashville	86	66	cdy	
New Orleans	87	74	.31	rn
New York City	60	52	.10	cdy
Newark	58	50	.19	cdy
Oklahoma City	85	71	.86	rn
Omaha	62	51	.36	rn
Orlando	91	72	cdy	
Philadelphia	53	50	.44	cdy
Phoenix	86	71	clr	
Pittsburgh	55	48	.07	cdy
Portland,Maine	62	32	clr	
Portland,Ore.	63	49	.14	cdy
Providence	63	40	clr	
Pueblo	69	48	cdy	
Raleigh-Durham	75	62	.34	cdy
Rapid City	43	43	1.35	clr
Reno	60	37	clr	
Richmond	61	60	.07	cdy
Rochester	59	34	clr	
Rockford	63	52	.02	rn
Sacramento	77	47	clr	
St Louis	77	58	rn	
St Thomas	90	81	clr	
Salem,Ore.	66	50	.06	cdy
Salt Lake City	47	39	.31	cdy
San Diego	71	63	clr	
San Francisco	72	50	clr	
San Jose	76	48	clr	
Santa Fe	67	53	cdy	
St Ste Marie	59	35	cdy	
Savannah	85	69	cdy	
Seattle	60	50	.17	cdy
South Bend	60	48	cdy	
Spokane	57	37	cdy	
Springfield,Ill	63	51	rn	
Springfield,Mo.	79	60	rn	
Syracuse	61	35	clr	
Tallahassee	89	71	.03	cdy
Tampa-St Ptrsbg	88	72	cdy	
Toledo	60	50	cdy	
Topeka	67	53	1.50	rn
Tucson	89	71	clr	
Tulsa	86	69	.02	rn
Tupelo	88	66	cdy	
Washington,D.C.	56	52	.02	cdy

State forecast



Via Associated Press

Texas temperatures

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

	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Abilene	95	75	
Amarillo	83	62	
Arlington	93	77	
Austin Bergstrom	93	77	
Austin Mueller	92	77	
Beaumont	84	73	0.52
Brownsville	92	78	
College Station	89	77	
Conroe	86	75	0.02
Corpus Christi	91	78	
Dallas Love Field	92	77	
Del Rio	92	78	
Denton	91	76	
DFW Airport	92	76	
El Paso	87	69	
Fort Stockton	94	68	
Fort Worth Alliance	92	76	
Fort Worth Meacham	93	77	
Galveston	87	74	0.67
Houston Hobby	87	74	0.07
Houston Intrctnl	87	75	1.22
Huntsville	88	73	0.12
Laredo	95	77	
Longview	89	76	0.01
Lubbock	89	69	
Marfa	86	54	
McAllen	94	77	
McKinney	90	77	
Mineral Wells	95	74	
Navy Corpus	91	81	
San Angelo	91	75	
San Antonio	91	77	
Tyler	87	75	
Waco	96	77	
Wichita Falls	92	74	
Wink	96	65	

HYDE: Democrats skeptical of year-end resolution

(From 1A)

House campaign fund-raising violations. "We don't want to shut our eyes or use tunnel vision," he said.

At the same time, Hyde admitted that if the House votes to impeach, or indict, the president, the 67 votes required in the Senate to remove him from office are not there. "They won't do that until the American people move, and they have to move from where they apparently are if the polls are true," Hyde said.

The ranking Democrat on the Judiciary Committee, John Conyers of Michigan, said on NBC the Democrats want a Thanksgiving deadline on the probe, but he was receptive to Hyde's year-end proposal. "We may be able to work that out," Conyers said.

Democrats generally were skeptical the inquiry could end this year so long as Republicans can introduce additional issues damaging to the president.

"If all you do is Lewinsky, you can't make that last more than a couple of months," Rep. Barney Frank, D-Mass., a committee member, said on ABC's "This Week with Sam Donaldson and Cokie Roberts." "What I am afraid we are going to get is an impeachment in search of a high crime."

House Democratic leader Dick Gephardt of Missouri indicated he will vote against the GOP inquiry resolution when it gets to the floor this week. "I don't want to authorize a two-year, open-ended fishing expedition into everything under the sun," Gephardt said.

Lawmakers generally discounted the proposal former President Ford made Sunday in The New York Times that the Clinton scandal could be ended by having the president appear on the House floor to be publicly rebuked for his behavior.

"You don't want to come up with a punishment that may not be adequate for the action that may have happened," Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., said on ABC.

"I can't see the president standing in the well taking the arrows of disaffected congressmen," Hyde said.

Hyde said it is possible that after the House ends its investigation the Senate could move to end the matter by censuring the president. "Everything is possible," he said. "I wouldn't rule anything out."

He said Starr would have to be involved in any censure negotiations to deal with the issue of whether Clinton could still be indicted for charges in the Starr report, such as perjury and obstruction of justice, after he leaves office.

Conyers said that if impeachment hearings are held, the Democrats might call Starr to testify. "Kenneth Starr has more explaining to do than any independent counsel in history," Conyers said.

CHARGES: Detectives say investigation will remain open

(From 1A)

locate Rodriquez at his residence, where he was arrested on misdemeanor charges of evading arrest. Later that afternoon, police went to the jail and executed a warrant charging him with murder.

The third man involved in the fight was not charged.

According to police reports, the stabbing was reported by a woman identified as Gloria Zepeda, 52, a resident at 408 E. Hickory Ave.

Rodriquez, an employee of DeShaw Landscaping, remained in jail Sunday night, employees said. Officials said he has prior arrests for burglary of a vehicle and sexual assault. None are related to the case, Ms. Land said.

Garcia's body will be sent to a Dallas forensic lab for autopsy, Ms. Land said. Preliminary results should be available later this week. Police have reason to believe that Garcia and Rodriquez were intoxicated, Ms. Land said.

Though police did not charge anyone else in the stabbing Sunday, the case will remain under investigation, she said.

Judith Bell, a neighbor and longtime friend to Ms. Zepeda's, said the woman and Garcia had a serious relationship for "quite a while." Though police said neither Garcia or Rodriguez's friend lived at Ms. Zepeda's house, Ms. Bell said Garcia lived there.

"I've known Gloria since she moved into this neighborhood. Her daughter and I even work together. She's a very sweet, hard-working woman," Ms. Bell said. "As far as I know, they (Ms. Zepeda and Garcia) didn't have any problems like this. It's hard to believe that something like this would transpire."

On occasions that she met Garcia, he seemed to be a "quiet, polite man." She said that based on conversations she had with Ms. Zepeda, she would characterize the alleged assailant as a jealous ex-boyfriend who would not leave Ms. Zepeda alone.

Ms. Bell also spoke to Ms. Zepeda's daughter, who said her mother was heartbroken by the disturbance.

"She said her mom was taking this real hard. She won't eat or sleep. It's a tragedy," Ms. Bell said. "I want to talk to her, but I think she needs a little time to herself."

Ms. Bell thinks she might have heard some of the fight when she got home early Sunday morning.

"I heard a loud crack, like someone was throwing dishes or something. I later found out that it was the sound of a chair breaking. Gloria's boyfriend was using it to defend himself," Ms. Bell said.

The sound, Ms. Bell said, piqued her interest, but she didn't think much of it after it blended with other noises one hears at night. She went to check up on her sleeping daughter and by the time she had a chance to take another peek out the window, police had already arrived at the house and placed Garcia's body in a zipper bag.

Garcia's death is the second slaying reported to Midland police this year.

On Jan. 7, police responded to a shooting at 305 S. Jackson St., where Julius Bowers, 28, and RaDonna Collins, 29 were found in their living room with gunshot wounds to their heads. Police later classified the couple's deaths as a murder-suicide.

Mother appeals for son to get help for malnourished child

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The mother of a man who allegedly kidnapped his malnourished child from a hospital appealed Sunday for him and his wife to surrender before their dangerous ideas about nutrition kill the 20-month-old boy.

Cheryl Gardner worried for the safety of the little boy as temperatures dipped below freezing and snow started to fall in Utah's mountains, where Christopher and Kyndra Fink are believed to have taken their boy last month.

"It's too cold to have that baby out there. He's so hungry," Gardner said at a press conference organized by the FBI.

A security camera showed Fink taking the boy, David, from Primary Children's Medical Center on Sept. 19, five days after Mrs. Fink's family admitted the severely malnourished child.

He weighed 16 pounds, which is about the size of an average 6-month-old, and had been fed only watermelon and lettuce according to a diet his father believed would allow the boy to live forever.

The last confirmed sighting of the family was about 50 miles southeast of Salt Lake on Sept. 25.

Family members have told authorities that Fink, 23, is a skilled survivalist who is capable of living in the wilderness for extended periods. Mrs. Fink, 23, was due to give birth to their second child in the past few days, the FBI said.

Mrs. Gardner and her husband, Rickie, are roving ministers from Altoona, Pa., whom the FBI located Friday in Colorado. She said she has not spoken with her son and daughter-in-law since May 1997, and cannot fathom what would have led them to starve their child.

Mrs. Gardner said that while she and her husband follow a vegetarian diet, they make sure they get protein and other nutrients. She didn't believe the accusations until Saturday, when she saw the photographs and videotapes of the emaciated child.

"It made me cry. It made be sick," she said. "I don't believe in that diet for anyone. ... I'm hoping one of them gets the parenting instinct that says, 'I've got to get help.'"

Mrs. Gardner said her son left the Mormon church two years ago because he opposed all abortion and the church allows abortion under certain circumstances.

"That's why I don't understand this," she said. "He's always believed in God. He loves children. He loves people."

Woman headed to trial for allegedly allowing daughter's murder

DALLAS (AP) — A woman whom authorities say ignored her childrens' screams for help while her boyfriend was abducting them before killing the girl goes on trial Monday.

Schwana Patterson, mother of Cody, then 9, and Sarah, who was 11 when she was raped and murdered, is charged with two counts of injury to a child by omission. Her boyfriend was Bobby Wayne Woods, who was sentenced to death in May for killing Sarah last year.

If convicted, Ms. Patterson faces a sentence ranging from probation to life in prison.

Hood County authorities say Ms. Patterson failed to come to the aid of Cody and Sarah Patterson when they were attacked by Woods on April 30, 1997. Prosecutors also charge that the mother failed to immediately notify authorities about the abductions from her home in Granbury.

"Our thing is, if she would have notified us, we may have been able" to save Sarah, Hood County District Attorney Richard Hattox told The Dallas Morning News. "We think the evidence is going to show that she was in the house and did hear them."

Donna Guion, Ms. Patterson's attorney, agrees with Hattox concerning her client's whereabouts at the time of the kidnapping. But she differs with him as to whether Ms. Patterson was aware of the assault.

"She did not hear the screams that night," Ms. Guion said, adding that her client has passed a polygraph examination. "It's just that simple. She was at home. Schwana was there, and she didn't hear the screams."

Ms. Guion said there is "no doubt in my mind" that Ms. Patterson, 37, would have attempted to help Cody and Sarah if she had heard them. She declined to say why Ms. Patterson did not hear the screams, saying that information would be revealed during the trial.

Like the trial of Woods, which was held in Llano, Texas, Ms. Patterson's case was moved from Hood County to Taylor County because of extensive news coverage. Officials in Taylor County are expected to call a panel of about 60 potential jurors to the Abilene courthouse. Testimony is to begin Tuesday and is expected to last about a week.

Hattox said he expects to call at least 19 witnesses, all but one of whom testified at Woods' trial. One of those prosecution witnesses, Hattox said, will be Cody.

The boy now lives with his father near Houston, and it was his moving testimony that some Llano County jurors said all but sealed Woods' fate.

Cody testified that he was awaken by his sister's screams as Woods was beating the girl in the bed they shared.

Evidence presented at the trial of Woods, who turns 33 on Oct. 11, showed that after he kidnapped the youngsters, he beat Cody unconscious and left him for dead in a Hood County cemetery.

Woods then took Sarah to a wooded area on the shore of Lake Granbury, where he sexually assaulted her and then cut her throat with a butcher knife.

During that trial, Woods took the stand in his own defense. Jurors said he lost any semblance of credibility when he blamed the crime on a deceased cousin and said he was merely trying to help that man out of trouble.

The Llano County jury took less than three hours to convict Woods, then used about the same amount of time days later to return the death sentence for Sarah's murder. The jury sentenced Woods to 40 years for attempted capital murder in the attack on Cody.

Man's feeding tube removed despite protest

MANASSAS, Va. (AP) — The parents of a severely brain-damaged man were among more than 100 people who conducted a vigil Sunday to protest the removal of the man's feeding tube.

Thomas and Joan Finn said they don't support the decision to remove the tube that has kept their son Hugh alive for 3 1/2 years. But they believe there is nothing they can do.

"We had run out of avenues and options," said Joan Finn.

Two of Hugh Finn's seven brothers and sisters and his mother-in-law also took part in the vigil outside the Annaburg Manor Nursing Home where Finn's feeding tube was removed Thursday. Finn is expected to die within a couple of weeks.

The state Supreme Court last week upheld a lower court decision that withholding nutrition from Finn merely allows the natural process of dying and is not a mercy killing, which is illegal under Virginia law.

Doctors say Finn, a 44-year-old former television news anchorman in Louisville, Ky., is in a persistent vegetative state. He was injured in a 1995 traffic accident that left him unable to eat, care for himself or communicate.

His wife, Michele, informed his family this summer that she planned to have the tube removed, saying Finn had told her he would never want to live in such a condition. Some relatives sued to stop her, but she won a court fight to remove the tube.

Greg Murphy, Michele Finn's attorney, said it's understandable that some family members took part in the vigil even though everyone agreed last week to carry out Hugh's wishes.

"It's emotionally very hard to let go of someone you care about," he said.

ROT: Officials say informant had nothing to gain

(From 1A)

ing Republic "citizens" about government informants. The letter specifically mentioned the biological weapons case and blamed the witness for sending the e-mails and then implicating the three men.

"We have a recent example of an informant infiltrating the ranks of the Citizens of the Republic of Texas," the letter read. "We do not know whether he was an informant in the beginning or after he was confronted by the FBI when they traced the e-mails back to him."

The letter concluded: "The problem is that we don't know if these men gave (the informant) any ammunition, by their words or actions, to cause him to point the finger at them. Even if they made inappropriate remarks, however, I personally believe that they have not committed any crime."

Federal officials have said the informant had nothing to gain by assisting FBI agents and was doing what he felt was right.

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Permian Basin Open's success merely a start

Golf is a great sport for those inclined to hit the links on a Saturday morning or a weekday afternoon for pleasure as well as business. But even nongolfers may appreciate the success of this year's Nike Permian Basin Open.

The golf tournament, which is a proving ground for golfers hoping to play on the PGA Tour, attracted 16,000 spectators this year, raised $445,585 in revenue and brought in $106,000 in charitable donations to the Buffalo Trail Council-Boy Scouts of America, and the Boys & Girls Clubs of Midland and Odessa.

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That was a tremendous level of success for the Nike Permian Basin Open, and much of it is attributable to director Bob Glast and others who supported the exciting idea of having a PGA Tour golf tournament in the Midland-Odessa area.

Yet Glast and other organizers are not resting on their laurels, content with the success enjoyed by this year's event. They are planning to install a new board of directors, drum up more sponsors for future years and possibly bring in charities from all over the Permian Basin. If their efforts bear fruit, the golf tournament next year will be even bigger and better which will mean larger attendance, more sponsors, more revenue, more charitable contributions and more prominence on the PGA Tour.

That may be a pipedream, but we don't think so. The Nike Permian Basin Open has been showing its potential all along. With the success of this year's tournament, it looks as though the event has a bright future!

Today in History

Today is Monday, Oct. 5, the 278th day of 1998. There are 87 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 5, 1947, in the first televised White House address, President Truman asked Americans to refrain from eating meat on Tuesdays and poultry on Thursdays to help stockpile grain for starving Europeans.

On this date:

In 1830, the 21st president of the United States, Chester Arthur, was born in Fairfield, Vt.

In 1892, the Dalton Gang, notorious for its train robberies, was almost wiped out while attempting to rob a pair of banks in Coffeyville, Kan.

In 1921, the World Series was broadcast on radio for the first time.

In 1937, warning that "the epidemic of world lawlessness is spreading," President Roosevelt called for a "quarantine" of aggressor nations.

In 1953, Earl Warren was sworn in as the 14th chief justice of the U.S. Supreme Court, succeeding Fred M. Vinson.

In 1962, the Beatles' first hit, "Love Me Do," was released in the United Kingdom.

In 1969, Monty Python's Flying Circus made its debut on BBC Television.

In 1978, author Isaac Bashevis Singer was named winner of the Nobel Prize for literature.

In 1986, American Eugene Hasenfus was captured by Sandinista soldiers after his weapons plane was shot down over southern Nicaragua.

Ten years ago: Republican Dan Quayle and Democrat Lloyd Bentsen clashed in the only vice-presidential debate of the 1988 campaign. In a memorable moment, Bentsen lambasted Quayle, who had suggested a parallel between himself and John F. Kennedy, by telling him, "Senator, you're no Jack Kennedy."

Five years ago: Army Gen. John Shalikashvili was confirmed by the Senate to head the Joint Chiefs of Staff. China set off an underground nuclear blast, ignoring a plea from President Clinton not to do so.

One year ago: The White House released videotapes of President Clinton greeting supporters at 44 coffee klatches. Republicans claimed the tapes as proof that Clinton had raised campaign donations at the White House in violation of the law.

JACK ANDERSON

Even rivers initiative gets partisan response

For a glimpse of how ridiculously partisan the House of Representatives has become, look not at the bickering members of the House Judiciary Committee, who will cast the next stone in the Clinton impeachment battle.

Look instead at an innocuous little program introduced by President Clinton in his 1997 State of the Union address.


Anderson

The American Heritage Rivers initiative sounds like it came straight out of Al Gore's "reinventing government" plan. In fact, it originated in the White House, but not with the vice president. As federal programs go, this one wasn't terribly ambitious. Yet it's provoked a heated battle between the administration and a few arch-conservatives on Capitol Hill.

As usually happens in these situations, the losers are the very people the program was designed to help.

The rivers initiative came about after a few Clinton aides wanted to find a way of streamlining the existing government services available to local communities. Thirteen federal agencies eventually got together and, with the help of the Council on Environmental Quality and the National Park Service, devised the details.

It works like this: Rather than spending new tax dollars, the administration would help communities take advantage of existing programs and services. Local communities would apply for the program by submitting a plan describing in detail what they wanted to do with their local stretch of river — be it preservation, economic development or a combination of the two. But first they had to demonstrate that their plan had local support.

If the plan were approved, the government would appoint a "River Navigator" from one of the 13 federal agencies to work with the local communities. The navigator's job would be just that — to navigate the maze of federal programs and agencies that could help.

"We explained that to meet the criteria, you had to tell us not only what the plan was, but who was supporting it," said Jennifer Pitt of the National Park Service, who is helping to administer the project. "That doesn't mean that just environmentalists, but businesses, local citizens, etc. It's about merging interest groups with concern in the river who don't normally align — the goal is to get them to work together."

Since the program doesn't ask for new funding, the administration launched the river initiative in June of last year via executive order. It wasn't long before all hell broke loose.

A group calling itself Liberty Matters began contacting members of Congress and their staffs to complain about what they saw as overreaching by the administration.

The critics found their champion in Rep. Helen Chenoweth, R-Idaho, who has made headlines as the most outspoken congressional supporter of the anti-government militia movement. Chenoweth quickly introduced a bill designed to kill the program, which so far has gone nowhere.

Several other members soon joined the fray, protesting the program and sending heated letters to the White House demanding it halt the program.

"The Clinton administration has tried to paint this as being without consequences," a Chenoweth spokesman told our reporter Alex Le Fevre. "Frankly, we don't believe them. We've never seen a federal program instituted by Clinton without more bureaucracy, centralization and less local control."

But others say the opponents are being too extreme.

"Liberty Matters has taken credit for informing Chenoweth's office," said Emily Headen, an analyst for the Clearing House On Environmental Advocacy and Research. "(They have) ties with extreme property rights groups. They even say there's a (United Nations) plan to take over the U.S."

An administration official involved with the program had a similar take. "The right wing really took this on as a cause celebre," the official said. "There started spreading an incredible amount of disinformation" about the program.

Nevertheless, applications soon flooded in from communities across the country who wanted their own "river navigator." No fewer than 138 applications were submitted, of which, 14 rivers have been chosen.

But several communities that would have received federal support wound up on the losing end of the application process after their member of Congress opposed it. The administration decided early on to give representatives the right to veto an application if they didn't like the program.

As a result, several rivers that looked like prime targets for new federal support — read: dollars — ended up getting nothing. All because partisanship has managed to intrude on even the most benign of all federal initiatives.

Jack Anderson's and Jan Moller's column is distributed by United Feature Syndicate.



Letters

Y2K crisis presents great technological problems

After completing some research of the Year 2000 Computer Crisis (sometimes call Y2K), I am very concerned that this problem may interfere with the ability of our government and many companies to operate reliably in the few months of the next century.

After December 31, 1999, computer software that uses two digits to identify the year, may misinterpret "00" to be 1900, rather than 2000. Computers that are not corrected in time may either shut down or provide wrong calculations regarding dates. Virtually every business and government agency throughout the world is at risk of disruption, unless every system is fixed before January 1, 2000.

Some experts have calculated that the total cost to fix all of the computers, throughout the world, may exceed $600 billion. However, the ultimate costs of failing to correct these computer systems could be even more expensive. Failure to meet the deadlines may result in the government being unable to collect taxes, pay its employees, or make pension payments. If some banks, insurance companies, or other financial institutions don't correct their computers in time, it may be impossible for their business customers to make purchases or produce their payroll. There is serious danger of widespread disruptions to essential infrastructure including electric power; water; telephones; and even heating systems. The evidence is overwhelming that the Year 2000 computer crisis is the greatest technological challenge that the business world and government have ever faced.

The fact that you have not read much about this problem doesn't mean that it isn't a problem. People assume that someone else is doing something to solve the problem. It is time to begin taking Y2K seriously. It is time to ask yourself: "How will this affect me and what should I do to prepare my family?"

Marcy Tull

Punishment may outweigh crime in zero tolerance policy

Recently, one of Midland's brightest young students made a mistake. His personal shortcoming found him attending an in-town football game after partaking several beers at a local home. By circumstances, he was caught with 'beer on his breath' in the stands, which untimately led to his being expelled from school for the remainder of the semester.

MISD's policy of zero-tolerance allows for no less punishment when alcohol is involved on school property. And, I personally do not condone the actions of this student. However, this student has never created any problems, he is in the top 5 percent of his class, he is well respected and even honored amongst his peers, and yet he is ousted from school for his misbehavior. Given the circumstances, the punishment outweighs the crime. Interestingly enough, perhaps his bigger mistake was admitting he had been drinking prior to attending the game. Otherwise, by either lying or misleading school officials, he probably would have changed to outcome.

But, his parents taught him not to lie. As we all do, we tell our children to always tell the truth. But as the leader of our land proves, there are legal loopholes in every argument and trial and even in definitions of words.

This leader will get away with his misdeeds and untruthfullness while 'telling the truth' leads the student to punishment. It is so obvious that we certainly expect more of our students than we do of our leader. It is a shame that we hold our children to a higher standard than even our President. Creating this kind of conflict in our children's mind is wrong and I must ask the question, "does anyone doubt the longterm consequences of the kind of thinking?"

Mark McCraney

Doonesbury



DAN RATHER

Country may fall apart while Congress fiddles with Clinton mess

Is Washington fiddling while America burns? No. Well, to be precise, Washington IS fiddling, but the country isn't going up in smoke. Not yet anyway.

But there's plenty to worry about. And neither the president nor the Congress seems to be doing anything about it. Elected representatives in Washington, both Republican and Democrat, seem transfixed by the Clinton-Lewinsky-Starr mess.

While they fiddle with that, here is a short list of dangers to the republic that are basically unattended, or at the minimum getting far less than the attention they deserve.


Rather

The continuing deterioration of the global economy. The Asian contagion is spreading like a bad flu. The effects of it are already being felt in American factories and farms, and all along Main Street, U.S.A. Wall Street leaders and America's most influential bankers are more worried than they have publicly acknowledged. That's why they have been and are tied up in so many secret and behind-the-scenes meetings.

Iraq's Saddam Hussein has beaten the United States like a rented mule at one decisive diplomatic moment after another. Indications abound that he is proceeding swiftly with development of nuclear and germ weapons. He has regained much power and influence throughout the Islamic world. His influence among many of America's allies is growing. U.S. and U.N. leaders have been isolated and neutralized, rendered virtually helpless to stop or slow his resurgence.

Iran's strength and influence also is growing. Chinese and Russian experts and suppliers are increasing Iran's missile and nuclear power. When British Petroleum recently announced plans to acquire the giant American oil company Amoco, Iran was a big winner. This is because BP has so much invested with the Iranians that the major pipeline to carry oil from the Caspian Sea to the world now seems likely to be built through Iran. This is a significant step toward Iran's goal of controlling the fabulous Caspian oil wealth. BP's planned merger with Amoco is, along with other factors, forcing unannounced changes in U.S. foreign policy. America's program of sanctions against Iran is in shambles.

Also in shambles are U.S. efforts to halt the tide of Serbian dictatorship in the Balkans. In Bosnia and Kosovo, American interests have suffered major defeats at the polls and on the battlefield in recent weeks.

North Korea has developed and successfully test-fired missiles capable of striking not only Japan but also U.S. territory. The potential ramifications of this for world peace are profound.

This is only a partial list of what Democrats and Republicans in Washington, in the White House and in Congress should be deeply concerned about and acting upon. But the president and congressional leaders are, for the most part, otherwise engaged: Some of their underlings are trying, but with little apparent effect.

Outside of Washington, Americans notice and worry.

Working along the Gulf Coast in Hurricane Georges this week, your reporter was constantly asked, "Does anybody in Washington even know what we're going through? And do any of them care?"

In Biloxi, a mother riding out the storm with her children told me, "We'll all get through this weather somehow, recover and rebuild. But I'm worried sick about our economic future. All of our nation's leaders seem so sex-obsessed and out of touch."

Back in New York, one of America's former top diplomats lamented to me, "In foreign affairs especially, this country's position is in meltdown. It's very dangerous."

Several senators of both parties have expressed privately what one said to this reporter directly: "The government, for many important practical purposes, is broken."

Let's hope it isn't. Or that somehow it gets fixed soon.

Dan Rather's column is distributed by King Features Syndicate.

U.S., allies haggle over details of agreed world economic action

WASHINGTON (AP) — Bickering broke out Sunday between the United States and its rich allies even before the ink was dry on their action plan for combating a widening economic crisis that has already pushed a third of the world into recession.

The disagreements underscored that despite a major Clinton administration effort to project unity and calm turbulent markets, the world's economic powers still disagree strongly over just what they should be doing to restore stability.

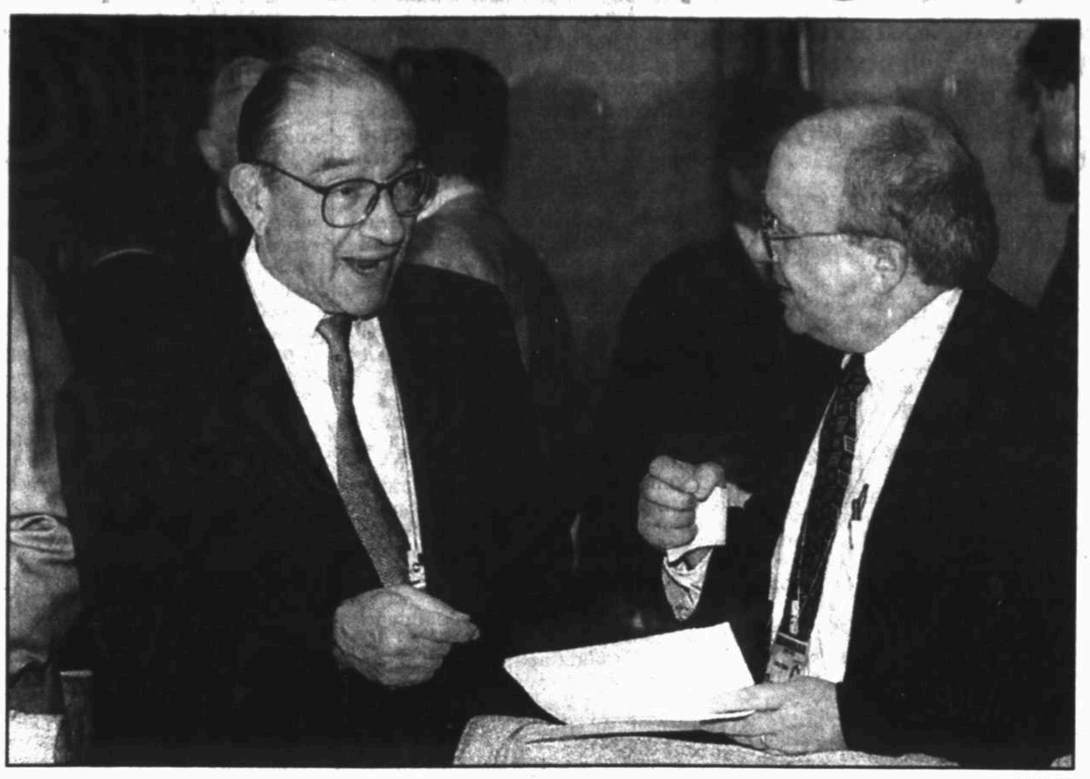
The administration still played down the disagreements and pushed ahead to demonstrate U.S. leadership by assembling a multi-billion-dollar bailout plan for Brazil, the latest country threatened by panicked investors seeking to pull their money out.

Brazilian Finance Minister Pedro Malan expressed satisfaction over progress of the loan negotiations Sunday, saying "I take heart in the words of support" expressed by the United States and other countries.

It was expected that perhaps a $30 billion emergency credit line for Brazil could be announced soon after results of Sunday's presidential elections are known.

While accepting the need for a Brazilian support package, the world's seven largest economies were in major disagreement over proper policies to follow in their own borders.

British and German monetary officials resisted pressures to follow the lead of the Federal Reserve in cutting interest rates to spur growth and make sure that a slowdown in Europe doesn't add further drag to an already weakened global economy.



AP Photo

Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan, left, talks with advisor Edwin Truman prior to the start of the Group of 10 International Monetary Fund meeting Sunday at the IMF in Washington.

More than $100 billion in IMF bailout packages have been put together since the start of the Asian crisis. They provided help only after a country's economy was decimated and its resources depleted by investors seeking to flee.

The currency crises started in Thailand 15 months ago, then struck Indonesia and South Korea. In August, similar conditions triggered a disastrous free fall of the Russian economy, and that in turn raised anxieties that Latin America will be next.

But several nations said Sunday the U.S. proposal would be dead on arrival unless the United States provides $18 billion to replenish depleted IMF resources before Congress' scheduled adjournment this week.

British Chancellor of the Exchequer Gordon Brown told reporters the Group of Seven nations had agreed only to explore the Americans' quick-response proposal. He said a new "IMF facility is dependent on the IMF having the funds, and that is dependent on House approval" of the $18 billion.

All the wrangling was over a five-page communique the world's seven richest countries — the United States, Japan, Germany, France, Britain, Canada and Italy — issued Saturday night. The aim for the document is to serve as a blueprint for discussions in the next five days at the annual meetings of the 182-nation IMF and its sister lending agency, the World Bank.

But finance officials let it be known Sunday that each country has its own interpretations of just what was meant by the vaguely worded document.

Hans Tietmeyer, president of the German central bank, rejected outright suggestions that Germany, as Europe's largest economy, should reduce interest rates to ward off the adverse effects of the Asian and Russian turmoil.

Eddie George, head of the Bank of England, was less blunt but stressed that slower global growth "can't be the only factor" that British monetary authorities consider when they meet Wednesday to decide whether to lower rates.

On the policy front, Britain is pushing proposals last month from Prime Minister Tony Blair for a partial merger of the financial regulation roles of the IMF and the World Bank, while France is promoting an idea opposed by the United States to give the IMF's interim committee a more permanent role in crisis management.

Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin told his colleagues Sunday that continued support in developing countries for the free market system, which has meant so much to the growth of the world economy in recent decades, could hang in the balance.

"The global economy cannot continue to thrive with the kinds of vast and systemic disruptions that have occurred over the last year," Rubin said in remarks to the IMF's policy-setting interim committee.

Clinton, who has made two major speeches in recent weeks on the global financial crisis, will participate personally Monday in a 22-nation conference on the problem.

Efforts to amend environmental bills draw unwanted publicity

WASHINGTON (AP) — It's a common ploy at budget time: Slip controversial measures into big spending bills in hopes they will pass quietly into law.

In the final week of Congress, business lobbyists are working with friendly lawmakers to attach dozens of provisions — "riders" — that would curb environmental regulations on mining, oil companies, developers.

But if these measures become law, it won't be quietly, behind the scenes.

They have triggered an uproar from environmentalists, the Clinton administration, Democratic lawmakers, even some moderate Republicans. The outcry is illuminating brightly what usually is hidden maneuvering.

Two dozen provisions are involved, including measures to increase timber production in Alaska's Tongass National Forest and to change Forest Service plans for removing roads from national forests.

Last week, House and Senate Democrats rallied outside the Capitol against "anti-environmental riders," which were denounced by Vice President Al Gore as "stealth tactics." President Clinton has threatened vetoes of bills carrying the provisions.

Supporters of the riders say they simply seek to pass legislation that would protect jobs and shift decisions back from Washington to local communities.

In the House, moderate Republicans threatened to join with Democrats to block legislation they considered environmentally harmful. So business lobbyists pushing the legislation simply bypassed a House vote and asked senators to attach the items to Senate spending bills.

That automatically puts them on the table when Senate and House members meet to negotiate final budget bills necessary to keep the government running.

"Special interests go to a few of their friends and say, 'Put it in,'" Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., said. "They just worked at where they thought they had their best shot."

Of 26 riders to the Interior Department budget bill opposed by environmentalists, 20 are in the Senate version, only six in the House's.

Moderate Republican Rep. Sherwood Boehlert of New York said he has no doubt that lobbyists did indeed do an end run around the House.

In the Senate, Sen. Pete Domenici, R-N.M., won approval of a provision delaying by one year new rules that could increase by $66 million the royalties oil companies pay for drilling on federal lands. Oil industry officials say time is needed to work out problems in the proposed rules.

"The Senate was just a logical starting place because it had already expressed some interest in it," said David Deal, the American Petroleum Institute's assistant general counsel.

The chairman of the Senate subcommittee that writes the Interior spending bill, Rep. Slade Gorton, R-Wash., added a provision requiring congressional permission to alter or remove federally regulated dams on the Columbia River after hearing from businesses who depend on the waterway.

Environmentalists worry the Senate provisions will prevail during negotiations with the House.

"We have seen a tendency in conference to pick up the worst in both bills," said Gregory Wetstone, legislative director for the Natural Resources Defense Council.

"Sometimes, the public doesn't know these anti-environmental provisions have been included," said Mary Beth Beetham, legislative associate with Defenders of Wildlife.

Legislative candidate draws fire from right wing, gays

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — To Jackie Biskupski, her run for the Utah Legislature is about taxes, crime and growth in the sprawling suburban district she wants to represent.

For almost everyone else, it's about her sexuality.

Biskupski, 32, is the first openly gay candidate to run for Utah's staunchly conservative, overwhelmingly Mormon Legislature. Her candidacy has drawn fire from both the far right, which accuses her of living an "immoral and illegal lifestyle," and some homosexual activists who feel she's turned her back on her own.

"I want to talk about the issues and everybody else wants to talk about this," said Biskupski, a Democrat and insurance adjuster who once wanted to be a police officer. "I'm not trying to hide anything. I just want people to see me as something other than a gay candidate."

That's unlikely.

Her Republican opponent talks about "hidden agendas." The conservative Utah Eagle Forum, which helped "out" Biskupski during her unsuccessful race for a seat on the Salt Lake City Council last year, plans a similar campaign in coming weeks.

"Once we found out about it, we helped get the word out she was living a homosexual lifestyle," said Eagle Forum president Gayle Ruzicka. "Why wouldn't we? It is certainly our business when a candidate is committing sodomy and living a blatantly immoral lifestyle."

The right-wing attacks mirror problems faced by other homosexual candidates around the country. Three lesbians, all Democrats, have won primary races for Congress this year in California, Washington and Wisconsin. A fourth lost in Massachusetts. All were, to one degree or another, targeted by the Christian right.

'I'm not trying to hide anything. I just want people to see me as something other than a gay candidate.'

— Jackie Biskupski, the first openly gay candidate to run for the Utah legislature

But Biskupski faces an additional burden. She's being criticized from within the homosexual community, which fractured when Biskupski defeated lesbian activist Claudia O'Grady in a 1997 city council primary. For O'Grady's supporters, Biskupski seemed reluctant to address the issue in public and simply wasn't "gay enough."

"It caused a lot of dissension. There were and continue to be hard feelings," said David Nelson, chairman of the Utah Democrats' gay and lesbian caucus. "It split the gay vote and certainly played a big factor in Jackie's loss."

O'Grady declined to endorse Biskupski in the general election, which Biskupski lost by 43 votes to a moderate.

"After talking to my campaign workers, what it came down to was the manner in which she chose to use, or not use, her lesbianism," O'Grady said. "Did it suit her at this moment? Fine. Did it not suit her at this moment? Fine again."

O'Grady, Nelson and others agree Biskupski is far more at ease with the topic in this race. In some ways, it has played to her advantage.

"I think people are saddened when someone like Gayle Ruzicka comes along and wants to drive a wedge into a district where there are a lot of minorities, a lot of elderly and a lot of discrimination," Biskupski said. "That hurts the community far more than anything I'm capable of doing."

District 30, about 2 miles southeast of the city center, comprises mostly working-class neighborhoods. The seat has been held for 12 years by Rep. Gene Davis, one of the most liberal Democrats in the Utah House, and Biskupski, a member of the county Democratic Party executive committee, is favored to win regardless of the controversy.

Her moderate Republican opponent is Bryan Irving, a contractor with no political experience. Irving, 33, insists he hasn't made an issue of Biskupski's homosexuality — a claim Biskupski scoffs at — and denies any connection to Ruzicka.

"I will say that I believe in traditional family values. I think homosexuality is a choice and that it causes confusion and is destructive," said Irving, a Mormon and father of four who lives a block down the street from Biskupski.

Attention to the issue seems to have created some backlash to the Eagle Forum's attacks.

"I think it's just the person. I don't think that stuff is anybody's business, do you?" said Quma Anderson, an 88-year-old lifelong Democrat.

"I just don't see how it concerns (Ruzicka)," said 20-year-old Rebecca Roberts, who says she leans Republican. "I can't see how it makes a difference."

Others in the district, however, like Robert Waite, find the whole issue unsettling.

"I guess I'd lean toward voting for someone a little more traditional," he said.

Biskupski acknowledges the issue is likely not to go away even if she's elected to the 75-member Utah House, where she would join a band of Democrats now outnumbered by Republicans 55-20.

The Utah Legislature as a whole has not been friendly to homosexual issues. In 1996, state senators of both parties held an illegal closed caucus to discuss homosexual student clubs in high schools. Lawmakers came close to banning all clubs — including the chess club and Future Farmers of America — to prevent gay students from meeting.

The previous year, lawmakers passed a last-minute bill strengthening Utah's law against same-sex marriage.

Biskupski insists she has no intention of going near any of those issues.

"I believe I'll be able to get along. I'm a good consensus builder," she said. "I don't think people feel threatened by me."

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Lawyer to be tried for murder in case of missing aide

The most damaging evidence against former deputy attorney Thomas Capano will come from another former mistress, who says she gave him a gun, and from his brother Gerard, who says he helped Capano dump a body.

WILMINGTON, Del. (AP) — Anne Marie Fahey was so neat she folded dirty laundry. Her bed was always made — sometimes she put a mint on her own pillow.

That's why the scene at her apartment made no sense. Groceries left out. Shoe boxes scattered across the floor. The bedspread pulled back, but the sheets unwrinkled.

The 30-year-old scheduling secretary to Delaware's governor was missing.

Her family helped search a nearby park, circulated fliers and erected a billboard pleading for information. President Clinton called a distraught Gov. Thomas Carper, offering the FBI's assistance.

Ms. Fahey had last been seen June 27, 1996, dining at a Philadelphia restaurant with Thomas Capano, a handsome, 48-year-old former deputy attorney general from one of the wealthiest, most powerful families in Wilmington. The two had been having a three-year secret affair, which Ms. Fahey was seeking to end, friends told police.

"I finally brought closure to Tom Capano," Ms. Fahey wrote in her diary in April, her last entry. "What a controlling, manipulative, insecure, jealous maniac."

A jury will decide if Capano is a murderer, too.

Jury selection for Capano's trial on charges he killed Ms. Fahey is scheduled to begin Tuesday and is expected to take several weeks. In the trial, expected to last two months, prosecutors will present a mountain of circumstantial evidence, including blood stains in Capano's house the FBI said were almost certainly Ms. Fahey's.

The most damaging evidence will be testimony from another Capano mistress, who says she gave him a gun, and from his brother Gerard, who says he helped Capano dump a body off the New Jersey coast. A prison informant told prosecutors Capano talked about arranging to murder the two witnesses against him.

But even the judge has pointed out the weaknesses of the state's case.

"The state has produced no weapon, no body, no eyewitnesses to the alleged crime," Superior Court Judge William Swain Lee said in a February hearing at which he nevertheless denied bail for Capano.

Investigators have pieced together a picture of a tumultuous relationship. Ms. Fahey accepted Capano's attention and gifts — airline tickets, a television, clothes — but wouldn't consider a life with him, even after he separated from his wife.

Her friends said Capano was obsessed, calling her incessantly and loitering outside her apartment. Once he climbed her fire escape to take back his gifts, a Fahey friend told police.

Still, Ms. Fahey continued dining with Capano and exchanging playful e-mails with him. At the time of her disappearance, even her friends believed the relationship had settled into a stable friendship.

Capano has maintained he took Ms. Fahey home after their dinner and never saw her again.

Capano was considered a suspect early in the case, but it took prosecutors 17 months to get what they needed to arrest him: testimony from Capano's own brothers.

Faced with possible drug and weapons charges after a raid on his home, Gerard Capano, Thomas' younger brother, told authorities a gruesome tale.

Gerard said Thomas came to his home the morning after his dinner with Ms. Fahey and asked to use Gerard's boat in Stone Harbor, N.J., to dispose of a body. They took the boat about 70 miles offshore and tossed a large cooler overboard.

It floated.

Gerard Capano said he fired a deer slug from a 12-gauge shotgun into it. Blood seeped out, he said, but the cooler did not sink. Gerard Capano said he handed Thomas an anchor, turned his back and told him he was on his own.

Turning back around, "I saw a foot sinking into the deep," Gerard Capano testified at his brother's bail hearing.

Gerard also said he helped Thomas put a bloodstained sofa into a trash bin at one of the family's construction sites. A second brother, Louis Jr., a millionaire developer, said Thomas told him he threw a gun in the trash bin.

Searches of landfills uncovered no sofa or gun. A Navy search never found a body.

Defense lawyers are quick to note that Capano's brothers talked to prosecutors when both were threatened with federal charges. Louis Capano reached a deal on a witness tampering charge; Gerard, for hiding the commission of a felony.

But investigators found evidence that appeared to corroborate Gerard's story, including a cooler with a bullet hole through it that a fisherman found floating.

A longtime Capano mistress, Deborah MacIntyre, told prosecutors this winter that she bought a gun in May 1996 and gave it to Capano. Acting as a government witness, Ms. MacIntyre taped Capano's phone calls from prison in which he accused her of betraying him. A judge said the tapes cannot be used at trial.

But prosecutors may be able to use testimony from a prison witness who said Capano talked about arranging the murders of Gerard Capano and Ms. MacIntyre.

Even so, the defense will be able to challenge government witnesses on the grounds each had something to gain by testifying against Capano.

The defense also will offer evidence of Capano's warm relationship with Ms. Fahey.

In one message a few months before Ms. Fahey's disappearance, she told Capano she could offer him only friendship.

"I love you enough to accept that," he wrote back. "I don't want to lose you."

Tobacco trial enters second week

SEATTLE (AP) — There will be two fewer defendants — and a little more money in the state's pocket — when Washington state's multibillion-dollar lawsuit against the tobacco industry resumes Monday.

The state reached an out-of-court settlement Friday with United States Tobacco Co., which markets Skoal and other smokeless tobacco products, and the Smokeless Tobacco Council, a trade group.

Neither were considered major players in the case.

But the $2 million they'll pay toward the state's legal costs — as well as non-economic concessions that include voluntary removal of all billboard and transit advertising as well as an end to mailing free samples to minors — comes at a key point, said John Hough, the senior assistant state attorney general overseeing Washington's case.

"It's got to give the remaining defendants in this case serious pause about continuing with the litigation rather than entering into the global settlement," Hough said.

"It's to our benefit, too, in that it helps replenish our coffers for continuing our lawsuit against the other manufacturers," Hough said. "This (lawsuit) is a very expensive undertaking. Having $2 million added to our war chest is very welcome."

Washington Attorney General Christine Gregoire and attorneys general from seven other states are holding settlement talks with two major tobacco companies, Lorillard Tobacco Co. and Philip Morris Inc. The other states are California, Colorado, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Oklahoma and Pennsylvania.

Gregoire reported progress Friday in their negotiations but said three major issues were unresolved. She said she could not give details, but confirmed they included enforcement of an agreed-upon "code of conduct" with companies that do not sign a proposed settlement.

Four states have already settled suits against the industry for more than $36 billion. Thirty-seven other states, including Washington, have lawsuits pending.

The deal would salvage at least part of the $368.5 billion settlement proposal that the industry reached in June 1997 with the attorneys general and anti-smoking activists. That deal fell apart earlier this year when Congress drove the price over $500 billion, eliminated some industry protections and then failed to approve any bill.

The states have been seeking some industry concessions and at least the $196 billion they would have gotten under the earlier deal in these talks. Any settlement would not require congressional support but would need the backing of a substantial number of states to be effective.

Jim Milliman, a lawyer for Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corp., which recently rejoined the negotiations and is one of the defendants in the Washington state case, told The Associated Press on Sunday that he could not comment on the negotiations.

However, Fred Olson, a spokesman for Gregoire, said Sunday that nothing new had developed and that the three sticking points she referred to on Friday were still unresolved.

DEAR ABBY

Change in name will cause boy to lose his title

DEAR ABBY: I am pregnant and due in November. I want to name my son John Charles Kwiatkowski III. My father-in-law's name is John Kwiatkowski and my husband's name is John Kwiatkowski Jr. Neither of them has a middle name. My sister-in-law says that altering the name, by adding or changing the middle name, negates the title. Don't the royals in England do this all the time? Who is correct? — KELLY-JEAN KWIATKOWSKI, WARMINSTER, PA.



Van Buren

DEAR KELLY-JEAN: I can't speak for the British royals, but your sister-in-law is correct. By giving your son a middle name, you make it different from the name of his father and grandfather; therefore, he will not be third in rank.

Perhaps you might enjoy this little poem to include in your son's baby book:

YOUR NAME
(Author Unknown)
You got it from your father
It was all he had to give
So it's yours to use and cherish
For as long as you may live.
If you lose the watch he gave you
It can always be replaced.
But a black mark on your name, son,
Can never be erased.
It was clean the day you took it
And a worthy name to bear
When he got it from his father,
There was no dishonor there.
So make sure you guard it wisely,
After all is said and done
You'll be glad the name is spotless
When you give it to your son.

DEAR ABBY: Regarding same-sex adults holding hands while walking in public, I was reminded of the orientation we received in the Navy in 1948, prior to going ashore in Istanbul, Turkey.

We were told that it was common for Turkish soldiers to walk in public holding hands, and that unless we wanted to instigate a fight, to simply ignore it. On the other hand, we were warned that men in uniform would be targets of ridicule if they ate an ice-cream cone in public!

Values, values and values — all depends on where you are. — RICHARD J. KLEIN, PHOENIX

DEAR RICHARD: You're right. In our ever-shrinking world, it's to everybody's benefit not only to learn about other cultures, but to keep an open mind as well.

DEAR ABBY: I recently received a wedding invitation from a relative in Oregon. I was surprised to see enclosed with the invitation a bank deposit slip and a request to help pay for the mortgage on their "dream house." Is this a common practice with wedding invitations? This request made no mention of money in lieu of traditional gifts. Am I expected to give a monetary gift along with another gift? The wedding is soon, and I'm waiting for your response before I send money or buy a gift. — STUMPED IN SAN DIEGO

DEAR STUMPED: Send a gift and ignore the request for money ... unless you can send a little toy bird that says "Cheap, cheap!"

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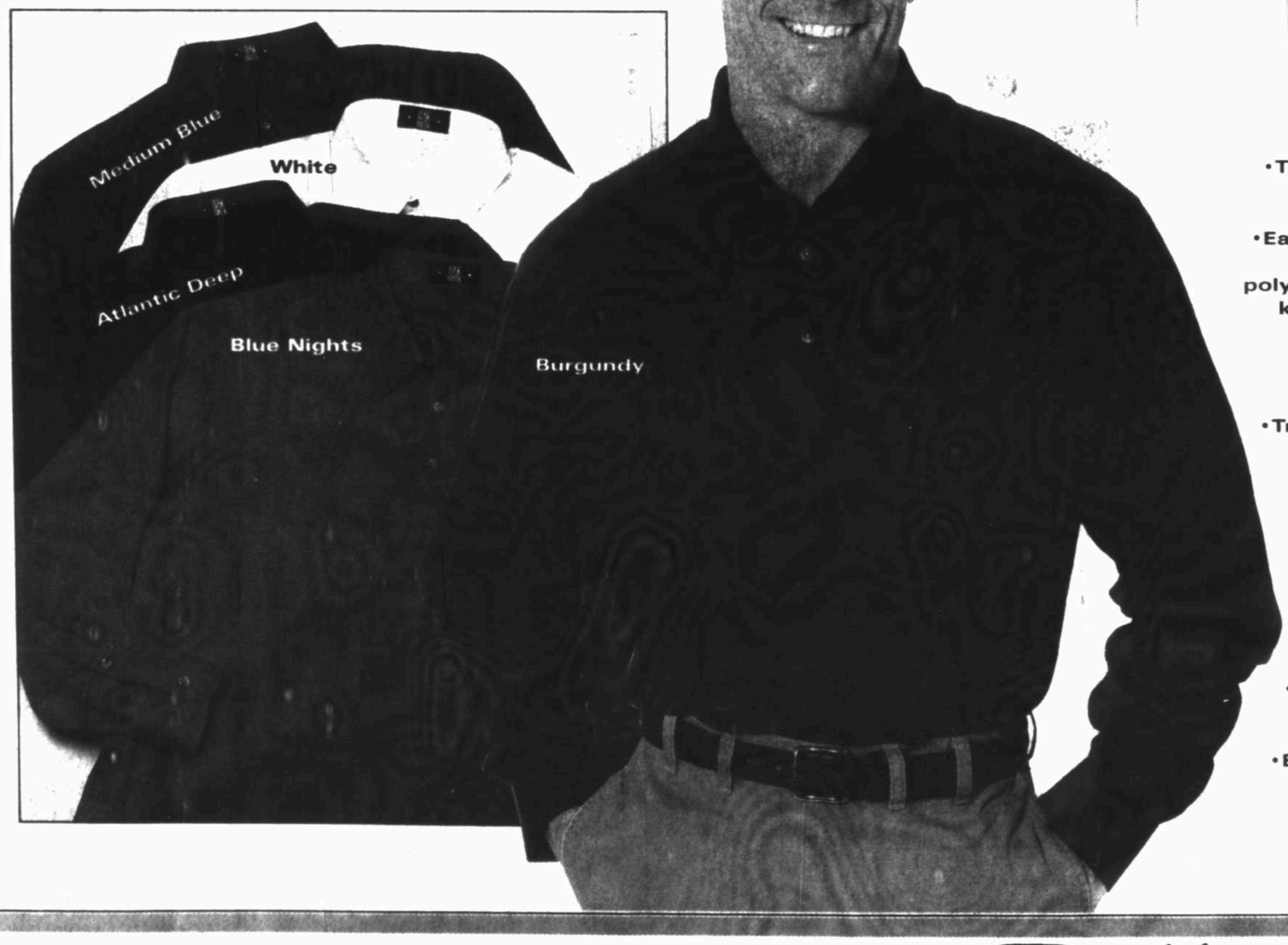
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HUMOR ON THE SIDE

Extended time

'Mr. Clark, I'm afraid I have bad news,' the doctor told his anxious patient. 'You only have six months to live.'

The man sat in stunned silence for the next several minutes. Regaining his composure, he apologetically told his physician that he had no medical insurance.

'I can't possibly pay you in that time.'

'Okay,' the doctor said, 'let's make it nine months.'

Lawyers ... again

An attorney was sitting in his office late one night, when the Devil appeared before him. The Devil told the lawyer, 'I have a proposition for you. You can win every case you try, for the rest of your life. Your clients will adore you, your colleagues will stand in awe of you, and you will make embarrassing sums of money. All I want in exchange is your soul, your wife's soul, your children's souls, the souls of your parents, grandparents, and parents-in-law, and the souls of all of your friends and law partners.'

The lawyer thought about this for a moment, then asked, 'So, what's the catch?'

School Days

The teacher was instructing her students on how she expected them to behave.

'If you have to go to the bathroom, please raise two fingers.' She demonstrated holding her arm straight up. From the back of the room came a tiny voice, 'I don't see how that's going to help anything.'

Thoughts

It's called 'Take Home' pay because you can't afford to go anywhere else with it.

Success is relative; The greater the success, the more relatives.

If you look like your passport picture, you probably need the trip.

It's OK to let your mind go blank, but please turn off the sound.

Yes, I Hate Cats

And God created Cat to be a companion to Adam. And Cat would not obey Adam. And when Adam gazed into Cat's eyes, he was reminded that he was not the supreme being. And Adam learned humility. And God was pleased. And Adam was greatly improved. And Cat did not care one way or the other.

Oldtimer

For the first time in many years, a an old man traveled from his rural town to the city to attend a movie. After buying his ticket, he stopped at the concession stand to purchase some popcorn. Handing the attendant $1.50, he couldn't help but comment, 'The last time I came to the movies, popcorn was only 15 cents.'

'Well, sir,' the attendant replied with a grin, 'You're really going to enjoy yourself. We have sound now.'

Funny tombstones

More funny epitaphs taken from actual tombstones:

In a Silver City, Nevada, cemetery:

Here lays Butch,
We planted him raw.
He was quick on the trigger,
But slow on the draw.

A widow wrote this epitaph in a Vermont cemetery:

Sacred to the memory of
my husband John Barnes
who died January 3, 1803
His comely young widow, aged 23,
has many qualifications of a good
wife, and
yearns to be comforted.

A lawyer's epitaph in England:

Sir John Strange
Here lies an honest lawyer,
And that is Strange.

Lester Moore was a Wells, Fargo Co. station agent for Naco, Arizona in the cowboy days of the 1880's. He's buried in the Boot Hill Cemetery in Tombstone, Arizona:

Here lies Lester Moore
Four slugs from a .44
No Les No More.

In a Georgia cemetery:

"I told you I was sick!"

John Penny's epitaph in the Wimborne, England, cemetery:

If cash thou art
In want of any
Dig 4 feet deep
And thou wilt find a Penny.

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MONDAY MORNING EDITOR
JIMMY PATTERSON

Southwest to again offer 'Home for the Holidays'

■ For 20 years, Southwest Airlines program has made it easier for senior citizens to visit family during the holiday season.

By Mella McEwen
Staff Writer

The final three months of 1998 have arrived, bringing with them the holiday season and visits with family and friends.

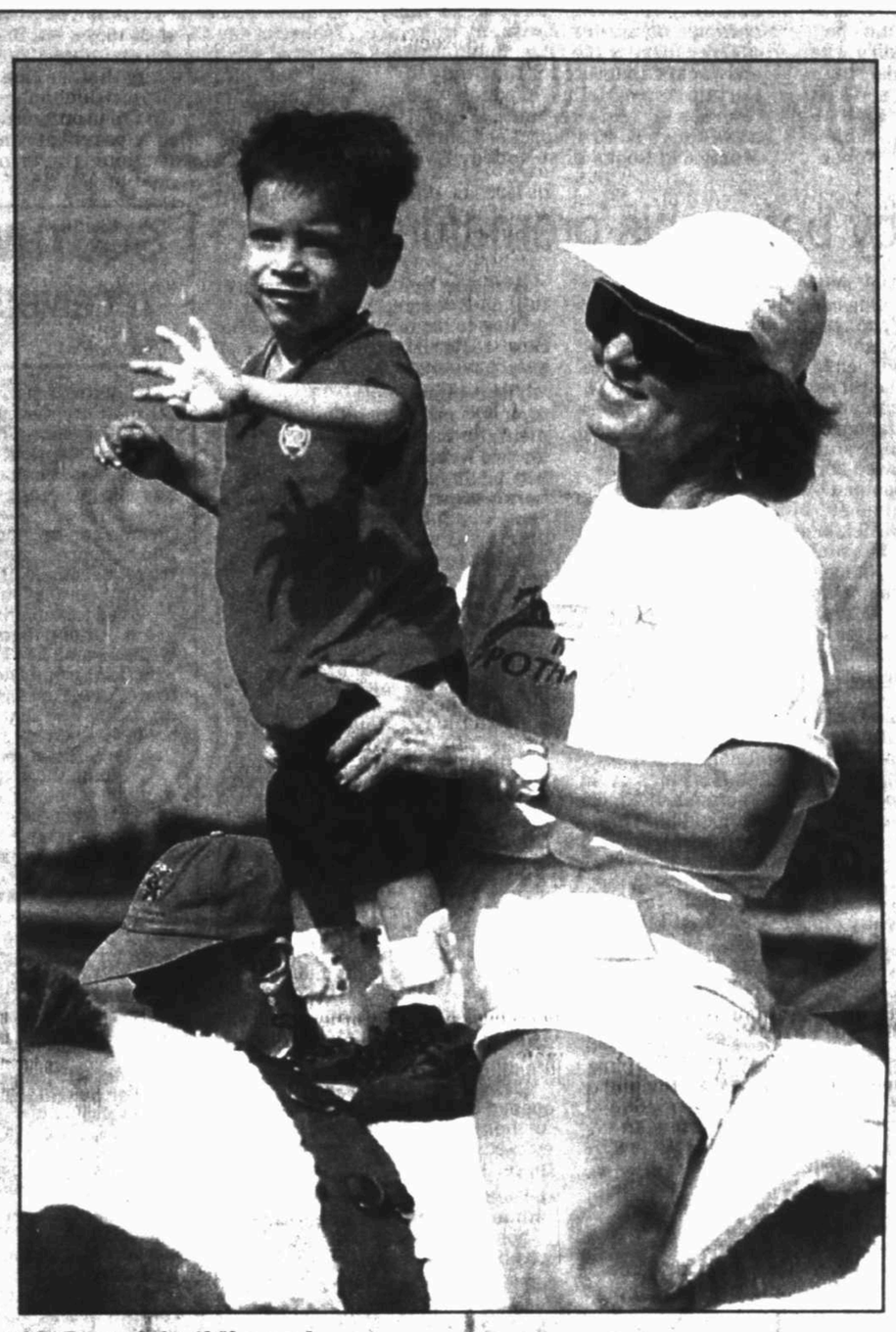
Since 1979, Southwest Airlines has conducted its "Home for the Holidays" program, flying senior citizens — who otherwise could not afford to travel — to any city in its system. The airline will provide tickets to 15 Permian Basin residents chosen by the Permian Basin Area Agency on Aging. Applications must be submitted to the agency's office by October 16.

"Every year, our staff looks forward to the first meeting we have when we talk about 'Home for the Holidays.' We have a joint meeting with the Southwest Airlines staff we work closely with," said Cookie Wetendorf, director of the Area Agency on Aging. "It's just a project we are all so pleased to be a part of because of the joy that it brings to so many senior citizens and it's an opportunity for them to visit friends and relatives that they haven't seen for years."

The airline began the program in 1979 as one way to give back to the communities it serves and is "very happy to be partnered with the Permian Basin Area Agency on Aging," said Terrie Todd, marketing manager for the airline. "They've been very successful in reaching the senior community in West Texas."

Unfortunately, Ms. Wetendorf said, this is the last year for the "Home for the Holidays" program because the airline's marketing staff is going to design a new program. Hopefully, she said, it will as good as or better than "Home for the Holidays."

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Help with 'Hippo'

Philip Mijares, 3, waves to his grandmother, as physical therapist Amy Gibson holds him atop a horse at the Driscoll Hippotherapy stable in Corpus Christi, Texas, Sept. 21. Hippotherapy - "hippo" is Greek for horse - uses horses to help patients with neurological disorders.

'I was only dying'

Author chronicles campaign to beat esophageal cancer

By Carolyn Susman
N.Y. Times News Service

Marilyn French was supposed to be dead five years ago.

She heard the doctors diagnose her in 1992 with terminal esophageal cancer, and give her a year to live.

But the 68-year-old feisty feminist, probably best known for her 1977 novel, The Women's Room, is still alive, although neither she nor her doctors can say why.

"I think that if you really talk to doctors who are honest, they will admit they don't know anything about it. They have no idea who will die and who will live, especially with cancer and heart attacks," she says.

The cure for the spreading cancer was terrifying. French, who has a home on Singer Island, struggled through horrendous radiation and chemotherapy that broke her back (repeated radiation exposure can damage the spine), weakened her heart and affected her brain.

She survived a two-week coma.

Having been through such an overwhelming, life-altering experience, she performed almost a cleansing ritual: She documented her journey in her newest book, A Season in Hell, a Memoir ($23, Knopf.)

French emerged from this journey with changed perceptions about life and death.

Before becoming sick, she had left written instructions — a living will — that she didn't want any extraordinary means to keep her alive. But her son, Rob, refusing to believe she wouldn't recover from her coma, wouldn't authorize pulling the plug.

"I think when you've never been sick, the thought of being sick is enough to make you want to die," she says of her reasons for the living will. "That you might not be able to digest your food or excrete by yourself is so horrifying, you think you want to pull the plug. When it actually happens to you, you have a different view. Most of us cling to life ferociously."

And she did.

"I thought I was quite prepared to die," she recalls. "I had some important work (already done), my children were grown and didn't need me. But I didn't let go."

Instead, French would visualize herself free of cancer, a process she credits with helping her make it through.

She also credits heredity.

"I think it's my father's genes and the love people gave me," she says. "And if I had anything to do with it at all, it probably was through my powers of visualization. But I'm not sure I had anything to do with it."

She is sure she had something to do with getting sick in the first place. She had been smoking a pack of cigarettes a day since she was 15.

"For years, doctors and friends urged me to quit," she writes, "but I rationalized. There was no cancer on either side of my family, and beyond that, I couldn't believe that an activity I enjoyed so much could harm me."

She is grateful that she is relatively well today. But she suffers many residual effects of her illness.

"I don't walk very well. I don't feel my feet. It makes walking a little tricky. My heart is not great, but these are things you can really live with.

"I can still do almost everything I wanted to do. One thing that's sort of impossible is the kind of travel I like to do. My immune system is compromised and there are lots of foods I can't eat."

And she has noticed that her children are progressively forgetting more and more details of her ordeal as she continues to remember with greater clarity.

French has a simple explanation for this.

"They went through it so bravely, I don't think they can bear to remember," she says.

"I was only dying. It is terrible to watch somebody you love die."

Reluctant woman becomes mother to dying baby



Baby Alek is held by his mother during a hospital visit in Harrisburg, Penn., May 9. Born 14 weeks premature, Alek lived for six months before his lungs gave out, and he died despite the efforts of doctors and his mother to keep him alive. (AP Laserphoto)

By Julia Prodis
Associated Press Writer

CEDAR RAPIDS, Iowa — The baby boy weighed one pound, 14 ounces. Born three months premature, he was so weak, he needed a respirator to breathe. Doctors said he had a good chance of survival, but would probably grow up with serious problems: learning disabilities, lung disease, cerebral palsy.

His hand was the size of a thumbnail, his head the size of a fist. To Nicole Smith, who had just given birth to this skinny child, he looked like a grocery store chicken.

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JIMMY PATTERSON

Memories of 'getting a shot' still haunting

Certain childhood memories do tend to hang with a person through the years. A lot are positive memories, but, face it, many are negative. And it's likely a lot of people share the same lingering memories.



Patterson

For me, my long-suffering memories include striking out in my only plate appearance in my only Little League baseball game ever. Any hopes for an athletic future were quashed quickly.

Another indelible memory: The devastation of being dropped by that "someone special" who you thought liked you just as much as you liked her. Now I can't even remember her name.

Annother horrible memory: any time I sat down at the dinner table with beets or liver staring back at me.

But perhaps what has remained with me longer than any memory is the dread that accompanied the trip to the doctor when it was time to get immunized. Yikes, was that awful or what?

The shots are never quite as bad as the anticipation or the torment that I would put myself through on the trip to the doctor. I do remember the hot, un-air conditioned '67 Chevy station wagon ride on the way to the needle. I remember the needle itself: It was *easily* three miles long and about two feet wide. The shot would take about 73 minutes and would be administered by some 113-year-old nurse with nasty teeth and a mole on her chin with hair growing out of it.

Fortunately, reality is never quite as bad as what we imagine it to be. Upon arrival, the shot still did hurt, but it was usually over and done with in about 10 seconds and to be perfectly truthful, the cold, clean scent of the alcohol swab was oddly reassuring. Once convinced that everything was gonna be all right, and with the dampness of the alcohol on my forearm, the 113-year-old nurse with the hairy mole and the smelly breath came and worked her magic.

All these memories came flooding back last week when it became necessary to administer the immunization to The Boy. With pre-school starting next week, inoculations became necessary in order for him to be admitted on the first day.

Health officials have yet to devise an immunization that will turn The Boy into just *a boy*. But we're dealing with that best we can. I only hope others are, too.

What was perhaps the most frightening aspect of the entire shot ordeal was breaking the news to The Boy that someone would need to come puncture his arm with a sharp object if he held out any hopes of ever getting into school.

"You still want to start school next week?" I asked him as I strapped him in snug in his seatbelt, hoping he may have changed his mind about school.

"What's up, dad?" he asked, knowing that I was about to tell him something he might not like.

"Well, the state of Texas requires that all children are to have recieved adequate and up-to-date preventative immunizations for measles, mumps, rubella, tetanus, typhoid, yellow fever, malaria, depression, shingles, mad cow disease, the black plague, rabies, distemper and the sniffles by the time they enter preschool."

"Whaddaya mean?" he asked.

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DAVE BARRY

College and prom dates: Big decisions for seniors

My son is a senior in high school, which means that pretty soon he, like millions of other seniors, will have to make a crucial decision, the consequences of which will remain with him for the rest of his life: Who will be his prom date?



Barry

Also, at some point, he'll probably select a college. In fact, we've already gone on several college visits, which are helpful in choosing a college because you can get answers to important academic questions such as:

- Is there parking?
- Are all the students required to get body piercings? Or is this optional at the undergraduate level?
- Is there a bank near the college that you can rob to pay the tuition?

Most college visits include an orientation session, wherein you sit in a lecture room and a college official tells you impressive statistics about the college, including, almost always, how small the classes are. Class smallness is considered the ultimate measure of how good a college is. Harvard, for example, has zero students per class: The professors just sit alone in their classrooms, filing their nails.

I noticed, in these orientation sessions, that many of the kids seem semibored, whereas the parents not only take notes, but also ask most of the questions, sometimes indicating that they've mapped out their children's entire academic careers all the way through death. There will be some girl who looks like she's 11 years old, and her dad will raise his hand and say: "If my daughter declares a quadruple major in Biology, Chemistry, Physics and Large Scary Equations, and she graduates with honors and then earns doctorates in Medicine, Engineering, Law, Architecture, Dentistry and Taxidermy, and then she qualifies for a Merwanger Fellowship for Interminable Postdoctoral Studies, does the Nobel organization pay her expenses to Sweden to pick up her prize?"

I was intimidated by these parents. I have frankly not given that much thought to my son's academic goals. I assumed he was going to college for the same reason I did, which is that at some point they stop letting you go to high school. I tried to think of questions to ask the college officials, but the only one I could think of was: "How come these lecture-hall desks are never designed for us left-handed people?" Although I didn't ask this, because it's probably considered insensitive on college campuses to say "left-handed people." You probably have to say something like "persons of handedness."

After the orientation session, you go on a campus tour conducted by a student who is required to tell you the name of every single building on the campus, no matter how many there are ("Over there is the Gwendolyn A. Heckenswacker Institute for the Study of Certain Asian Mollusks, which we call 'The Heck.' And over there is the Myron and Gladys B. Prunepocket Center for Musty Old Books That Nobody Ever Looks At. And right next to that is The Building Right Next to the Myron and Gladys . . .").

After the tour, the kids have interviews with college officials. My son revealed little about what goes on in these interviews. My theory is that the officials close the door and say: "Relax. You'll spend the majority of college attending parties, playing hacky sack and watching 'Friends.' The tour is purely for the parents. The guides make up the building names as they go along."

One of the colleges my son visited was my alma mater, Haverford College (proud motto: "Among The First In The Nation To Drop Football"). I was a little nervous about going back: I expected that, at any moment, the dean would tap me on the shoulder and say: "Mr. Barry, we need to talk to you about your share of the Class of 1969's bill for the cost of scraping an estimated 23,000 butter pats off the dining-hall ceiling."

Fortunately, this did not happen. Our student guide gave an excellent tour, although he failed to point out some of the more historic sites at Haverford, including:

- The building where, in 1967, the rock band "The Federal Duck" made the historic discovery that if it was going to play "Purple Haze" correctly, it needed WAY bigger amplifiers;
- The dormitory room where my roommate Bob Stern and I accumulated what historians believe was the world's largest man-made pile of unlaundered briefs.

Those are my most vivid memories, although I also vaguely recall attending classes and learning numerous English-major facts that still come in mighty handy whenever the topic of conversation turns — as it so often does — to 17th Century English metaphysical poetry. Yes, college was a valuable experience for me, and I'm sure it will also be one for my son, wherever he decides to go. On prom night, I mean.

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BABY: Woman grows to love baby before his premature death

(From 1B)

He was not hers to care for not hers to love.

She made sure of that the week she found out she had conceived a child with a married man. She decided on adoption and quickly found the perfect couple — he was a lawyer, she was a schoolteacher. They were everything she wasn't — stable, responsible, committed.

They desperately wanted to be parents. Nicole never wanted to be a mother.

Five hours after the baby was born, Nicole's bedside phone rang. It was the adoptive mother.

"Nicole, we don't feel this is the one for us," she said. They couldn't handle the problems — financially or emotionally. Could she understand?

"Go to hell!" Nicole screamed into the phone. "I hope you never have another child!"

What would Nicole do now? Here lay this baby on a warming tray wrapped in tubes and wires, a baby needing more than Nicole was prepared to give.

But over the next six months, Nicole would become everything she never wanted to be.

This is Nicole's story, as she tells it. Although some of the details are known only to her, much of the story was confirmed by hospital officials.

Motherhood was not in Nicole's plans. A day after she delivered her baby in Harrisburg Hospital in Harrisburg, Pa., she had a tubal ligation to ensure she would never have another child.

At 25, Nicole was wild and impetuous. With her long auburn hair and big blue eyes, she lived on the edge of trouble and liked it that way. She danced at a strip club for a while and ran cables at a Louisiana shipyard. She had even had a child once before, a girl, and had given her up for adoption.

She joined the Army and was stationed in Korea when she fell in love with a young sergeant. He was strong and handsome and promised to leave his wife and three children for her. She believed him. He even gave her an engagement ring.

When she got pregnant last summer, she had a fleeting fantasy that they would be a family. But she wasn't surprised when instead of setting a wedding date, he suggested an abortion. Nicole wouldn't do that, so she opted again for adoption.

She wasn't mother material anyway. She wasn't close to her own mother and couldn't see herself as one, either.

Nonetheless, she wanted to take care of the baby growing inside her. She cut down on her smoking and ate more vegetables. She played soothing chant music and rubbed her belly. But she didn't allow herself to get too close. This was someone else's baby.

The pregnancy was fragile from the start. Within the first two months she was in the hospital, bleeding. Her long, rigorous days in the Army didn't help, so she was discharged and moved home to Marysville, Penn.

Six months into her pregnancy, she rushed to the hospital Jan. 19 with labor pains. She delivered the baby Feb. 3 — 14 weeks premature.

When the adoptive parents backed out, she was so outraged she picked up the phone and dialed the local paper, the Harrisburg Patriot-News.

She ridiculed the adoptive parents for rejecting the child, "just because he's not perfect," and asked for help finding new parents for the baby boy.

But first, the baby needed a name. Alek Nathaniel Smith, she decided. It meant "strength" and "one with God." He needed both.

Nicole didn't come back to the hospital to visit Alek until a couple of days later when the newspaper asked her to pose for a picture with the baby.

Alek looked so defenseless. When the nurse pricked his foot for a blood sample, he grimaced, but didn't cry. He couldn't cry, couldn't even make a sound. The ventilator tube down his windpipe prevented his vocal chords from touching.

It hurt Nicole to watch. She reached her hands through the incubator's portals to caress Alek's forehead. She stroked him gently, careful not to disturb the catheter in his belly button that delivered an IV solution. The breathing tube taped to his lip was connected to a vibrating oscillator that forced 10 little puffs of oxygen a second into Alek's wilting lungs.

Breast milk would be the best thing for him, the nurses said. Since Alek was too premature to know how to suck, swallow and breathe at the same time, Nicole pumped her breasts every three hours. She even set her alarm for the middle of the night. Every day she carried little plastic bottles of milk into the neonatal intensive care unit of Harrisburg Hospital. It was dumped into a sterile bag that dripped into a feeding tube taped to Alek's nose.

Dr. Kevin Lorah, medical director of neonatal intensive care unit, knew that getting the baby enough nutrition through the tube would be a battle. Premature babies burn a lot of calories in their struggle to breathe.

Letters poured in from people who had read the newspaper story and wanted to adopt Alek. NBC's "Today" show called and wanted an interview. More letters arrived — many from people simply expressing their concern and prayers. She read them one by one, looking for another couple to be parents to Alek.

Alek started to grow. Every little ounce of breast milk seemed to help. His sagging skin started to fill out. His hand was still too small to grip her pinkie, so she rolled up a piece of gauze the size of a pencil. He clutched it.

Nicole narrowed down the prospective parents to two. One woman had had a Downs Syndrome baby who died at the age of two. Nicole thought she seemed strong enough to handle the challenges of Alek. The other couple sent her a videotape of themselves. Just the way they looked at each other so lovingly made Nicole think they had the capacity for unconditional love. Alek needed that.

She continued her daily pilgrimage to the hospital. She still wasn't allowed to hold Alek. Any sudden movement could dislodge the tubes and catheters that kept him alive. She made him a soft flannel quilt and brought him a little stuffed puppy. Alek recognized her face, she thought, was soothed by her voice. She called him her "blue-eyed angel."

Alek knows his mother, the nurses told her.

Nicole rubbed his foot and sang to him, softly:

"Mama's little baby loves shortening, shortening, Mama's little baby loves shortening bread..." She hummed the rest.

On March 9 she got an urgent call from the hospital.

Come immediately, the doctor said. Alek might not make it through the night. His lungs could collapse at any moment. If Nicole would like to, she could hold him for the very first time. Alek was five weeks old.

Nicole put a little pillow in the crook of her arm and the nurse gently placed Alek — still less than three pounds — on top.

She looked down at the bundle in her arms and for a moment she didn't see the tubes, wires and tape. To Nicole, he looked like a normal little baby boy. And for the first time, Nicole felt pure love, pure joy — and an intense desire to protect this child. She wanted to watch him grow, to take him to Disneyland, to teach him to fish.

As Alek struggled to breathe, she made a vow: If her son survived the night, she would keep him. She would mother him. She would love him, unconditionally.

Alek lived and started gaining strength again.

Months passed and Alek struggled on. Nicole jumped from job to job — installing cable TV, making coffee drinks at a trendy coffee house, sorting packages at a shipping company. But she was barely making a living. If she was going to raise Alek, she needed to prepare a better home for him.

A friend told her about a recruiter who helped ex-military people find jobs. When Alek was five months old, Nicole was offered a job at a phone company in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, making double her wages. It was 900 miles away from Harrisburg Hospital.

The thought of leaving Alek was heartbreaking, but she decided it was best for their future. Her relatives promised to visit Alek.

She promised her son she would return every two weeks after pay day. During her second week on the job, she got a call from the hospital. Alek needed hernia surgery. She drove for 24 hours to see him just in time for his surgery. She held him close, then drove back to Iowa.

A week later, she got another call. Alek needed more surgery. He couldn't keep his milk down and it was backing up in the feeding tube and entering his fragile lungs. This time, Nicole took a bus and got there in time. He seemed to be doing well when she left. But a few days later, on Aug. 3, she got the third and final call.

Alek was dying. His lungs were failing. Not enough oxygen was getting to his brain. This time she flew to Harrisburg and arrived before midnight.

The doctors made it clear: Alek was not responding to treatment. He had been deteriorating for two weeks now and wasn't getting any better. Now, Dr. Lorah knew, medicine could delay death but not save Alek's life. It was up to her to decide whether to disconnect life support.

Nicole held him again. He was 6 months old now and weighed 8 pounds, 3 ounces — the size of a healthy newborn. But he was so pale, she could see his veins through his skin, his eyes through their lids.

Why had he taken this turn for the worse? Only after she moved away did he start to decline so rapidly. Did Alek feel abandoned? Did he lose his will to live?

Alek's lungs were so damaged and scarred that they could never recover enough to survive off a ventilator, Dr. Lorah said. The hospital staff, he said, had never seen a baby with such severe lung damage live so long.

Illogically, Nicole blamed herself for his decline.

Alek gasped for breath and opened his eyes. Nicole declined further sedation for him. She wanted him to know she was there.

The nurses who had cared for him for six months each wanted to hold him, to say goodbye. He was baptized.

Then Nicole nodded to the doctor to remove the tubes, wires and tape.

For the first time since birth, Alek Nathaniel Smith was unrestrained. Nicole held him close for a moment then signaled to her father: Let's go outside, she said. Alek had never been outside.

And so in the wee hours of a warm August morning, Nicole carried her son into the fresh night air. Nicole gently held her son as they listened to the river rushing past the hospital and gazed up at the starry sky. For the first time, Alek felt a cool breeze caress his cheeks.

Nicole's father picked a Black-eyed Susan from the flowerbed and brushed the petals against Alek's face. He crinkled his nose.

"I love you," Nicole whispered over and over, rocking him in her arms.

Within 40 minutes, Alek took his last breath, cuddled in his mother's arms.

More than a month later, Nicole still lives in Cedar Rapids working for the phone company. She keeps a photo album filled with pictures of Alek in his incubator. One page is filled with pressed Black-eyed Susans.

EDITOR'S NOTE — Julia Prodis is the AP's Southwest regional reporter, based in Dallas.

SOUTHWEST: Seven Midlanders received holiday tickets last year

(From 1B)

"Southwest is so generous and so many airlines have reduced fares for seniors, it's a good market," she said. "Unfortunately, a lot can't even take advantage of that. I don't think we realize how low a fixed income can be, and when you add high prescription costs, travel becomes difficult."

Last year, seven Midlanders received tickets through the program. Among them were Ora Williams and her husband Joe, who flew to San Diego to celebrate New Years with their children. She said that they would not have been able to travel to California if not for the program.

"Winning those tickets meant so much to me," she said. "Last year we went through a crisis. We had two children fighting cancer and didn't know what our destiny would be, and we don't know now. But we were able to get together and it was fun, it was gratifying and encouraging. If not for this program we wouldn't have been able to do it because I'd made several trips to San Diego earlier and there was just no money left to do this."

Her son in San Diego has successfully battled prostate cancer and her daughter in Midland has successfully battled breast cancer. Mrs. Williams said both are in remission and cancer-free.

She said she hesitated to apply because the couple had won tickets earlier, but her husband urged her to try. "I was so surprised when I won," she said.

Another Midland resident who received tickets last year was Dorothy "Nita" Manning, who flew to Orlando and spent Christmas with her son. She has two other sons who live in Midland.

"I got to see my beloved son and his family and spend Christmas with them. It's something that couldn't have happened without this program," she said. "They were overjoyed to see me and there were friends in Florida that got to see me after a number of years. We had a wonderful time, relived some old memories and made wonderful new ones."

The agency staff "gets so many applications and we have a judging panel that reviews each application, but so many times we've all been in tears because of their circumstances, either with a relative they're trying to visit who has cancer or that they haven't seen in 35 years. Because it costs so much to travel on a fixed income, it's something they choose not to do," said Ms. Wetendorf. "I've often said I'd love to have a camera and catch their faces as they get off the plane, not just of the senior citizens but of those who haven't seen them in so long. We get thank you notes continuously from senior citizens saying how much they appreciate the program and Southwest Airlines."

Both Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Manning encourage others to apply. In fact, Mrs. Manning has already sent in her application this year, hoping to travel to Orlando again.

"It's an opportunity to see loved ones," Mrs. Manning said, adding that she recently encouraged someone she just met at the Senior Citizens Center to apply. "I told them everyone has a chance and that this is there for us if we want it, and if they choose us. But you can't have this opportunity if you don't try."

Said Mrs Williams: "I would encourage anyone to give it a try. If you're sitting at home, sitting on your pity party, step out on faith and He will see you through. If this is for you, you'll get it. If not, be patient and it will come to you."

Applicants must be at least 65 years of age, living on a fixed income and reside in one of 17 counties served by the agency: Andrews, Borden, Crane, Dawson, Ector, Gaines, Glasscock, Howard, Loving, Martin, Midland, Pecos, Reeves, Terrell, Upton, Ward and Winkler. Applications are available at senior citizen areas in each of these counties or can be mailed to individuals who call the agency office at 563-1061 or 1-800-491-4636.

Applications should be mailed to the Permian Basin Agency on Aging at P.O. Box 60660, Midland Texas 79711, Attention: Dorothy, or they can be faxed to 563-1728. Deadline is October 16 and winners will be notified and presented tickets at a ceremony at Midland International Airport on October 21.

PATTERSON: Boy only thinks of food when hears about shot

(From 1B)

"You're gettin' a shot. Probably just one, but maybe 57."

"You think when it's over they'll give me something to eat? A lollipop or something?"

Whoa!

The Boy has just been told that an army of nurses would be coming at him with long shiny needles and all he can think about is the nutritional reward he will get when he's done. Right about now, I'm a pretty proud dad.

"You can have whatever you want. If they don't give it to you, we'll make 'em go to the store and get you a sucker, okay?"

Pretty impressive.

"And dad, what kind of a Band-Aid do you think they'll give me?"

Whoa, hoa. What a tough guy. There's some major male hormones flowing through the car about now.

"You get whatever superhero you want on the Band-Aid, big guy. You want it, I'll make sure you get it."

This is some kind of change of attitude from when I was a kid. The Boy is braver than his Dad ever was. He's liable to actually perform during a baseball game when he's old enough.

A few minutes later, The Boy takes his shots (just two of them, I don't think I coulda handled any more), gets a band aid and an ice cream gift certificate when its over. A gift certificate for a sundae is not quite as glamorous as ice cream itself, but it'll do.

"I'm so proud of you, you weren't even scared at all, big guy. You really made dad happy," I told him.

"Yep," he said, his modesty intact.

"You really weren't worried at all, were you?" I asked him.

"Nope. Dad ... when you were a kid, did you get shot?"

"Well, yeah. I used to think the needles were three miles long and 2 feet across."

"Whoa!" he said. "Did you ever cry when you were my age?"

"Only when I struck out or had to eat liver."

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Government pushes industry standards for benefit of public interest

By Denise Caruso
N.Y. Times News Service

One of the most ominous trends in Washington is a growing belief that private industry, particularly any technology-based industry, is better suited to serving the public interest than are elected lawmakers and government agencies.

For example, in a recent speech on digital television, William Kennard, the chairman of the Federal Communications Commission, said that the government should encourage industries to set their own standards and should be involved only "when arguments are distorted by the prism of self-interest."

But by most accounts, distorted self-interest is a pretty accurate description of the slow-motion train wreck that has been the digital television standards-setting process of the last decade.

And for some who took part in the process, the recent spate of complaints from TV industry executives rings disingenuous at best.

Years before the adoption of the new digital TV standard, members of the Advanced Television Standards Committee (www.atsc.org) — whose proposals were adopted almost verbatim by the FCC — engaged in a long and vicious battle with digital technology experts over technical features.

Members of the committee, which was heavily populated by broadcast-industry representatives, argued against making television more friendly to the display of computer-generated images and text. In the early days, when the debate was only about high-definition television, they even debated whether the standard should be analog or digital.

"We even brought in a demonstration of the first Internet browser back in 1993 or 1994," said Richard Solomon, an image specialist at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, who helped develop the first HDTV camera with Polaroid. "The computer people got it right away, but the TV people just didn't understand it."

Mike Liebhold, former director of Apple Computer's broad-band multimedia research group, said his inclusion of educators, print publishers and medical people in early discussions with the standards committee "was characterized as computer industry interference" and was "pretty much ignored."

When the dust finally settled, the TV people appeared to have won virtually every point. In fact, the announcement of the new standard on Dec. 26, 1996, noted with pleasure that "the specific video formats to be used for digital broadcast television will be the subject of voluntary industry standards."

These "voluntary industry standards" set by the television industry are precisely what that industry is now complaining about.

The digital TV standard as proposed by the committee and adopted by the FCC supports at least 14 different scanning formats, the technical specifications that describe how a television picture is created, broadcast and displayed. These formats encompass standard and high-definition television, as well as what the FCC calls computer-friendly formats.

But the new digital TV standard does not require programmers to broadcast any single specific format, as is the case with today's broadcasts. Neither are equipment manufacturers required to build receivers that receive any specific format.

Interestingly, both the television industry and the critics who accuse the FCC of adopting an overly broad standard acknowledge that the resulting market chaos will put consumers in an untenable position. They might have to buy separate receivers to view a wide variety of programming. In addition, upgrading to more capable systems is likely to be exponentially more expensive than simply buying a new television set or set-top box.

Considering the key role that television plays in world culture, critics say, the willful creation of such chaos does not serve the public interest.

Or does it?

William Schreiber, a television and film pioneer who was director of the Advanced Television Research Program at MIT until his retirement in 1990, has been active in the digital TV standards process since its inception.

In a detailed document (available at www.nytimes.com/tech/schreiber.html), he describes the problems at length, including, he says, the domination of the standards process by television broadcasters and TV-set makers. He also asserts that the FCC has acted against the public interest by not opening the process to independent evaluation and selecting a single, technically superior standard.

Kennard, the commission's chairman, responds that the broad range of formats embraces both the computer industry and broadcasters, "at least preserving the possibility that the marketplace might not be dictated" by any single industry.

"The FCC was caught in the position where Congress had decided to give away spectrum to existing broadcasters in exchange for them making the transition to HDTV," Kennard said. The spectrum would remain free, Congress said, only if it were used exclusively for high-definition television.

The FCC's position, Kennard said, was, "Who are we to dictate what this technology should be used for?"

Though Liebhold, Solomon, Schreiber and other critics are disappointed that the digital TV standard has not achieved their technical ideals, the television industry "stopped the train from barreling down the tracks, and they won, though they may not want to admit it," said an industry insider who spoke in exchange for anonymity.

"When we started this process," this insider said, "the broadcasters thought they had it completely locked down. Now either they will step up to the task or morph into a completely new industry."

But the question remains: In a world where the forward march of technology often serves only to create chaos, is the public interest better served if standards are set by the government or by the marketplace?

"That's the really important question that has not yet been answered," the insider said.

Close program box gives PC user control when machine malfunctions

By Dwight Silverman
N.Y. Times News Service

Q: In Windows 95, when one enters Control-Alt-Delete on the keyboard, a window called "Close Program" comes up. Can you kindly tell me what exactly is contained in this window? I have not been able to find any detailed explanation in any of the Windows 95 books that I have. Are these programs that have been loaded into memory? Are they running (there's no evidence of this in some cases)? Are they in RAM but dormant?

A: That window does indeed show the programs that currently are running in your system's memory. But, don't be surprised if you aren't familiar with all of them.

In the pre-Windows 95/NT days, doing a Control-Alt-Delete (also known among the grizzled, old compu-guard as the "three-fingered salute") was used to reboot your system. Now, it gives you access to the programs running on your system, and in Windows NT it's also used to log on to a computer.

From the Close Program dialog box you can, of course, close any of the programs you see there. Just click on the one you want to go away and click the End Task button. You also can shut the entire computer down from here.

The real purpose of it arises when a program misbehaves. Sometimes, a Windows 95/98 program will just stop working, while the rest of your PC hums merrily along. If you bring up the Close Program box, you'll likely see the words "Not responding" next to the name of the program. Your best bet is to close that program using the End Task button.

You may get a secondary window that pops up asking whether you want to wait a bit longer, or just kill the program.

Some of the things you see listed in the Close Program dialog box may not be familiar to you. They are programs running in the background, or components of Windows itself. For example, one of them is SYSTRAY. This stands for System Tray — the area on the far right of the Windows taskbar that contains the clock, the speaker icon and possibly other icons.

If you have a Logitech mouse, one of the items will be "emexec" — this is the program that controls some of the mouse's special features, such as a wheel or a third mouse button.

One of the items also will be Explorer. Some people will occasionally use End Task on the Explorer if the Windows desktop starts behaving oddly.

When you do this, however, any program icons that normally appear in the tray will disappear. That means you'll have to restart them in order to regain access to their capabilities.

Q: I just upgraded to Windows 98 from Windows 95, and I like it pretty much. However, for some reason Windows 98 dropped a Network Neighborhood icon on my desktop. I don't have a network connection — just a dialup connection to the Internet. I can't delete the icon by dragging it to the Recycle Bin; Windows won't let me. I've discovered TweakUI from your column and tried to use it, but I get a warning that there may be problems if I delete it. What should I do?

A: Go ahead and let TweakUI remove the Network Neighborhood icon from your desktop. I've never had a problem using TweakUI in this way.

One precaution, though: Check and record your dialup networking settings before you do this. Look in the Network module in the Control Panel, as well as the Connection/Settings area in the Dialup Networking folder.

After you've removed Network Neighborhood, sign on to your Internet service provider and make sure everything works. If not, go back and reset your original settings.

Got a question about your computer? Dwight Silverman can receive electronic mail via the Internet. Address your comments and questions to dwight.silverman @chron.com, or call (713) 220-2000 and enter access code 1001.

How to view email at work with Hot Mail

By David Einstein
N.Y. Times News Service

Q: I signed up for free e-mail with Hotmail. I've been told I can use it to access messages from my account at work. How do I do that?

A: Hotmail, as well as most other free e-mail services, can be used to access mail from any account that uses the POP3 protocol. This includes almost all ISP accounts and most corporate accounts. The only problem would be if your company has thrown up a fire wall to prevent outside access.

To configure Hotmail to get your POP mail, you'll need a little information from your systems people at work: the name of the incoming mail server (also known as the POP server), the ID you use to access your mail at work, and the password. One other thing: Hotmail has an option box labeled "Leave messages on POP server." If you want to be able to view messages from your computer at work after you've read them using Hotmail, select it.

Q: According to my computer, I connect to the Internet at 115,200 bps. Because I have a 56K modem, I know that can't be so. What's causing the Dial-Up Networking feature to give me the wrong information, and how can I tell my actual connect speed?

A: The 115,200 represents the speed at which the modem is talking to the computer. It has nothing to do with the phone connection. The most likely explanation is that you've got the wrong modem driver installed. (A driver is a software file that controls how the computer works with a peripheral, such as a modem.) It could be one designed for the brand of modem you have but not the exact model. Or it could be a generic driver that happens to work with your modem.

In your situation, it's hard to determine the true connection speed. You could change drivers and see if that solves the problem.

Go to the modem icon in the Windows Control Panel to find out which driver you're using, and if it isn't the one for your modem, try reinstalling the modem using the driver that came with it. If you don't have that software, go to the Web site of the company that made the modem — or the PC if the modem came with the system — and you should be able to find a driver there.

Speaking of modem speeds, a bunch of readers wrote saying they went to the 3Com Web site but couldn't find the feature I mentioned that lets you check whether your phone line can handle 56K speeds. So here's the exact address: www.3com.com/56k/need456k/linetest.html.

Q: A while ago, you gave directions for getting rid of the URL trail in the Address bar of Internet Explorer. Can you tell me how to do the same thing in Netscape Navigator? I don't want others to know where I've been going on the Web.

A: Just to refresh everyone's memory, if you click the arrow to the right of the address space in your browser, you'll see a list of URLs that you've entered in order to visit Web sites. In Microsoft Internet Explorer, deleting the list is simply a matter of clearing the History. (The history is the entire record of where you've gone on the Web, including all the places you've visited by clicking your mouse on a hyperlink.)

In Netscape Navigator, clearing the history doesn't empty the address list (which Netscape calls the Location list). If you want to remove the addresses, you'll have to do it manually. Here's how:

- Open the prefs.js file in your user folder inside Netscape. You can do this in a couple of ways. My favorite is to use Windows Explorer and click through the directory tree, going to Program Files, then Netscape, then Users, then finally your own user folder. Double-click the prefs.js file, and when you're asked which program to use in opening it, choose Notepad — a simple text-editing tool that doesn't add unnecessary formatting.
- Right near the top of the file, you'll find the list of Internet addresses. In fact, they should be numbered URL1, URL2, and so forth. Go ahead and delete all the lines that include addresses, being careful not to erase anything else.
- Save the prefs.js file and get out of there.

TIP OF THE WEEK

Want to follow the playoffs on your computer? Several Web sites provide pitch-by-pitch coverage of Major League Baseball, along with continually updated box scores. Two of the best are ESPN's SportsZone (www.espn.com) and CBS SportsLine (www.sportsline.com). Another good option is Stats Inc. on AOL (keyword stats).

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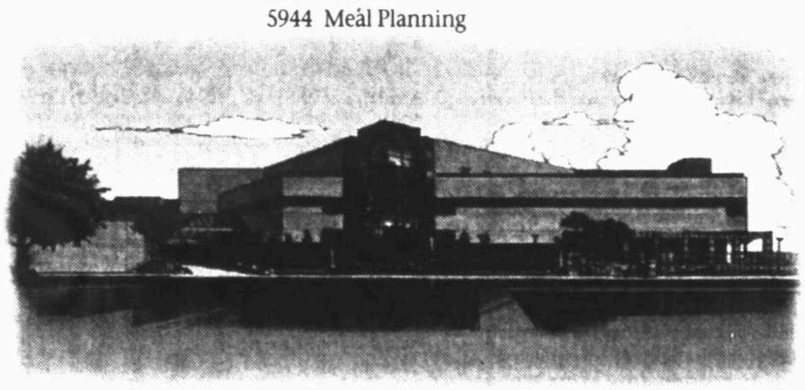
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Computers may hinder students

By Michael Dougin
N.Y. Times News Service

SAN FRANCISCO — Students who spend too much time trying to learn their lessons at computers may end up with lower scores on tests, according to a study released Tuesday.

The study, conducted by the Education Week magazine, indicated that fourth- and eighth-grade students who spent too much class time learning math at a computer screen generally had poorer grades. The reason: some computer time is devoted to goofing around, according to Craig Jerald, project coordinator for the magazine's "Technology Counts '98" survey.

"They might be adding a lot of aimless activities that have entertainment value but not education value," Jerald said. The study noted a 20 percent drop in test scores for fourth-grade students who used classroom computers more frequently. Frequent use of home computers resulted in a 26 percent reduction.

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The local zoo is a year-round favorite for visitors. Here's a chance to visit some of the country's best zoos and aquariums, without having to leave the comfort of your computer workstation.

One of the nation's top zoo facilities is the San Diego Zoo and Wild Animal Park. The San Diego Zoo has continued its fine tradition with an impressive online site. Take a look at the Giant Pandas at www.sandiegozoo.org/.

One of the best zoo and aquarium online sites comes from the Monterey Bay Aquarium in California. Don't miss the E-Quarium at www.mbayaq.org/.

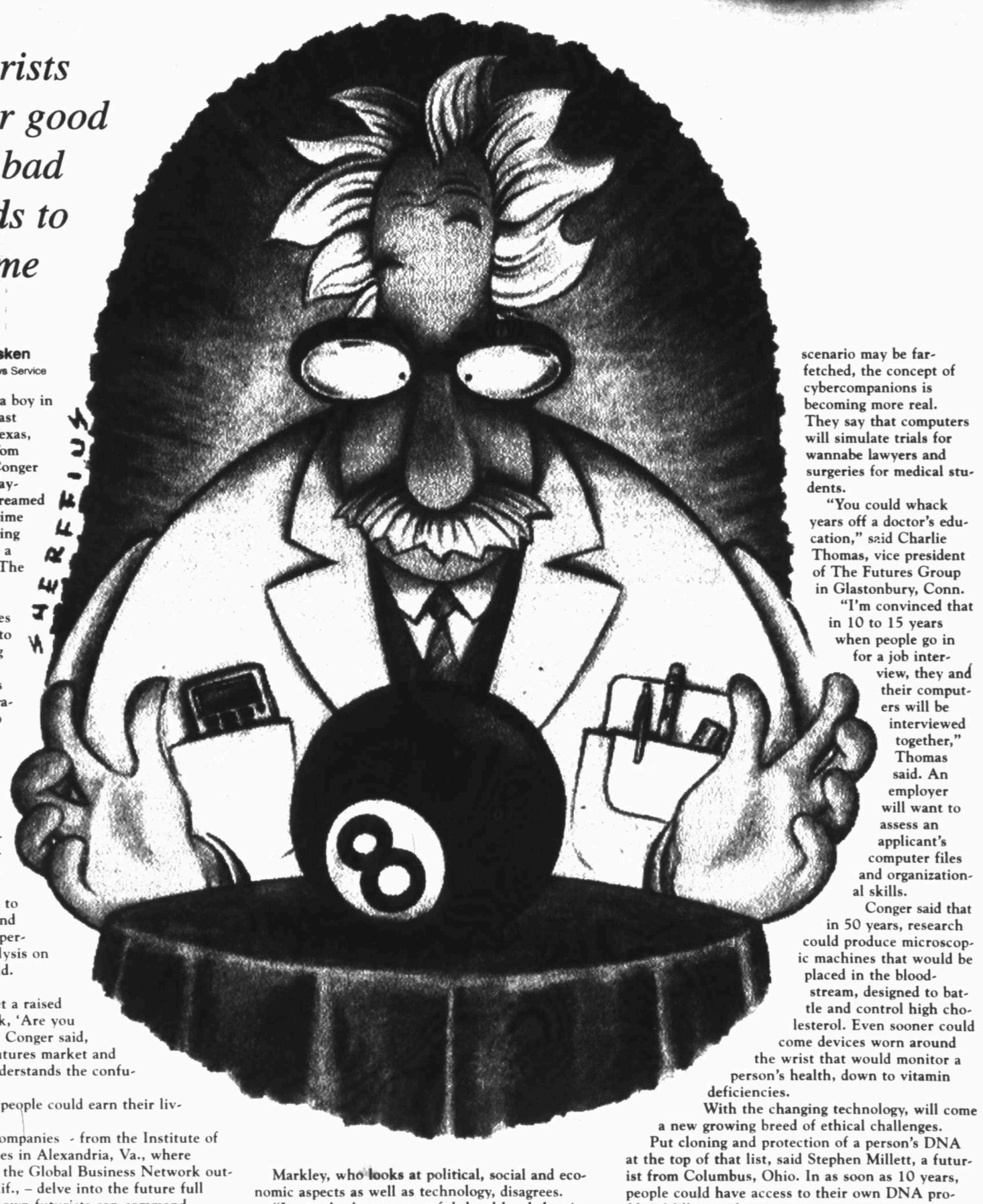
The National Zoo in Washington, D.C. also offers some interesting online exhibits. Try the Elephant House if you are a first-time visitor. Their Web site is www/si.edu/natzoo/.

Looking for another zoo? Head over to the American Zoo and Aquarium Association Zoo and Aquarium Directory for links to many other zoo sites around the country at www.aza.org/.



gazing Forward

Futurists look for good and bad trends to come



By Tom Kisken
Scripps Howard News Service

As a boy in East Texas, Tom Conger day-dreamed about boarding a time machine and warping into the future, to a city right out of "The Jetsons."

Now, 25 years later, Conger makes a living peering into the future, helping government agencies, health groups and private corporations wade five to 20 years ahead of time.

His is a world filled with debates on genetic breakthroughs, watches that monitor a person's vitamin deficiencies, cybercompanions that teach doctors to perform surgery and smart toilets that perform a health analysis on whatever they hold.

He's a futurist.

"You always get a raised eyebrow. They ask, 'Are you in commodities?'" Conger said, referring to the futures market and adding that he understands the confusion.

"I had no idea people could earn their living like this."

A handful of companies - from the Institute of Alternative Futures in Alexandria, Va., where Conger works, to the Global Business Network outside Oakland, Calif., – delve into the future full time. The best-known futurists can command $15,000 for a seminar lecture. Conger won't reveal his salary but acknowledged that $70,000 per year is closer to the norm.

The University of Houston in Clear Lake offers a master's degree for the study of the future, with about 60 people in the program. Ask professor Oliver Markley to look to the year 2018 and assess the amount of technological change and he sucks in a gasp.

"Oh, my God," he said. "It'll be huge."

Other futurists said 80 percent of all the chemists, engineers, doctors and anthropologists who ever lived are alive today. Most of them are on the Internet, exchanging ways to turn possibility into reality.

Some pop futurists, the ones Markley refers to snidely as soothsayers, will have you believe the change is all good: tremendous growth with tremendous gains.

Markley, who looks at political, social and economic aspects as well as technology, disagrees.

"It you do the most careful, level-headed estimates, you'll see that we are deeply damaging the ecology more than leaders are willing to openly recognize," he said. "The truth is that there is far more uncertainty than can allow us to say how things are definitively going to be."

That's why futurists avoid making predictions. Instead they provide clients with several possible scenarios.

Dave Morris, founder of a company that makes X-rated software called "Girlfriend," claims artificial intelligence software will allow the creation of virtual companions that could fly an airplane or even stand in for its owner and deliver a speech.

Futurist Adam Gordon said Morris' scenario is typical of people who try to do the crystal ball routine with the future.

Gordon has a master's degree in future studies and works for a futurists' firm in Washington, D.C.

Other professionals agree that although Morris' scenario may be far-fetched, the concept of cybercompanions is becoming more real. They say that computers will simulate trials for wannabe lawyers and surgeries for medical students.

"You could whack years off a doctor's education," said Charlie Thomas, vice president of The Futures Group in Glastonbury, Conn.

"I'm convinced that in 10 to 15 years when people go in for a job interview, they and their computers will be interviewed together," Thomas said. An employer will want to assess an applicant's computer files and organizational skills.

Conger said that in 50 years, research could produce microscopic machines that would be placed in the bloodstream, designed to battle and control high cholesterol. Even sooner could come devices worn around the wrist that would monitor a person's health, down to vitamin deficiencies.

With the changing technology, will come a new growing breed of ethical challenges.

Put cloning and protection of a person's DNA at the top of that list, said Stephen Millett, a futurist from Columbus, Ohio. In as soon as 10 years, people could have access to their own DNA profiles, Millett said.

What do you do to keep that information out of other people's hands? "Basically, our understanding of DNA is where nuclear physics was about in 1938," he said.

Charles Thomas worries about the fate of face-to-face communication. Thomas, for one, is confident the growing reliance on cyberworlds and synthetic communication won't replace the need for people to talk in person.

"I think the more indirect interaction becomes a part of everyday life, the more people are going to find they need and want animal-level social interaction," he said.

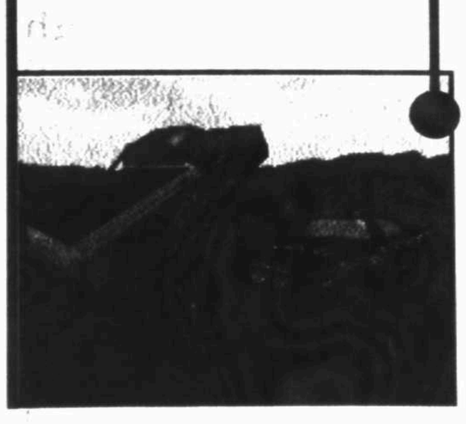
Conger said the goal is to focus on a combination of the scenarios. Instead of letting the environment shape reality, let futurists do the sculpting themselves.

By T. Mitchell Deane
Scripps Howard News Service

Can't make it to the state fair this year? Well, never fear, because Microsoft brings all the car-crushing excitement you can handle to your PC in Monster Truck Madness 2 (available for Windows 95 - $49.99).

Featuring 20 trucks with crushable bodies (including old favorites like Bigfoot and Grave Digger, as well as new designs inspired by the world of professional wrestling) and 11 new racing tracks, Monster Truck Madness 2 brings a lot of detail and diversity into a genre that hasn't really been tapped yet. The game also has a multiplayer option, in which players can battle each other via the Internet. For those who get tired of racing, Microsoft includes the Summit Rumble, a "king of the hill" type game which can pit up to eight drivers against each other.

Monster Truck Madness 2 is a no frills, rock 'em sock 'em racing simulation. The graphics are great, it's a lot of fun, and, most importantly, you get to drive a monster truck.



Hot Links

Jeff Claassen
Scripps Howard News Servic

Listening to the first bits of sound on the Internet, you can picture a terrier tilting its head as garbled squawks leaks from your computer speakers.

There's a bit of innovation as well. Some newspapers are combining sound and text to enrich the stories that appear in their printed product. Try these sites:

■ Outer edge: The Chicago Tribune sets the pace. See one example, "Chicagoland's Secret Railways": at communities.chicago.digitalcity.com/arlingtonheights/webextra/trains. There are interactive graphics, sounds and more.

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Famous chefs assemble for two-day gala to discuss airline food

EDITOR'S NOTE: Fifteen of the nation's top chefs gathered in Dallas recently to eat, drink and discuss ways to improve airline food. The AP sent its party animal, Fort Worth correspondent Mike Cochran, to check them out. That was a mistake.

By Mike Cochran
Associated Press

DALLAS — On behalf of airline passengers everywhere, I sat down the other day with some of America's most renowned chefs and ate shrimp, oysters, lobster, elk, duck and wild boar.

In the name of research, I flirted with a mopped quail, a caramelized scallop, a grilled pheasant and a chicken fried rabbit.

What's more, I drowned those beasts in fine wines, exotic beers, frothy orange drinks and cactus pear margaritas.

At the urging of our host, American Airlines, I posed piercing questions, offered provocative suggestions and struck blow after blow for the traveling public around the world.

Mostly I did this by denouncing anything nonfat, low-calorie or healthful.

And more importantly, I am now prepared to reveal what these kings of the kitchen themselves eat when flying First Class — or dining with colleagues in the privacy of an elegant Dallas restaurant.

All this at a time when some complain that investigative journalism is too sensationalized and self-serving or, heaven forbid, trivial!

First, the background: Since 1988, American has invited a dozen or so high-profile chefs from across the country to assemble for a gala two-day summit on inflight food service.

"The Chefs' Conclave, as it's known, meets once a year to discuss food philosophy and trends, critique menu items and develop new inflight menu concepts," the airline explained in a press release.

The chefs don't just swap fancy recipes; they fashion American's food service policy. Their advice: "Balance menus toward healthy, lighter fare. ... Do only what can be done well inflight. Provide simple, recognizable food, and use only fresh, quality products."

For the 10th anniversary, reporters were included not merely as spectators but as participants.

Thus, I found myself mixing, mingling and exchanging food theories with such culinary titans as Paul Prudhomme of K-Paul's Louisiana Kitchen in New Orleans, Larry Forgione of An American Place in New York and Wolfgang Puck of Spago in Los Angeles.

Alice Waters was there, from Chez Panisse in Berkeley, Calif., and two Chicagoans, Nancy Barocci of Convito Italiano and Michael Foley of Printer's Row.

Locally, American enlisted the advice of two renowned Dallas chefs, Dean Fearing of the Mansion on Turtle Creek and Stephan Pyles of Star Canyon and Aquaknox.

And from Houston, Cafe Annie's Robert Del Grande.

The magnitude of our challenge was underscored by a report from a Miami flight attendant who says that Latin-American passengers are grumbling over the international breakfast baskets.

"They say that the nutrigrain stuff we give them is what is fed to cattle," she said.

Other complaints were less graphic, but you get the point.

Anyway, chefs, reporters, publicists and airline food specialists met in the stately old Melrose Hotel to kick off the conclave and nibble at beef on a stick and shrimp with a leaf or something attached.

Right away we learned that American spends some $700 million a year on food service, an average of $7.88 per passenger.

If you're wondering, as I did, who got your share, I suspect it was the international, First Class and Business Class travelers. It seems safe to assume it wasn't the domestic Tourist Class, and it obviously wasn't the Latin Americans.

But that $7.88 is downright princely when compared with some of American's domestic rivals, most notably Southwest Airlines, which purportedly lavishes 20 cents per passenger on peanuts.

Could this be true? I asked Sally Harbeson of Southwest. Sniffed she: "We want our airline food to match our fares. And on Southwest, you can fly for peanuts."

Other incisive observations:

— Passengers talk salads, fruit and health foods, but mostly choose ice cream sundaes and chocolates over veggies and grapefruit sorbet.

— Bet the farm on lobster tail over chicken and artichoke pasta salad.

— Most passengers, like me, prefer outrageous, shameful and gross indulgence.

After an illuminating exchange of ideas and food philosophies, it was across the street to Star Canyon for cocktails, lobster gorditas, oyster tostados, rabbit tacos and tamale tarts with crabmeat.

My personal favorite was corn pudding tamales with venison chased with the frothy orange concoctions and purplish cactus pear margaritas.

It was during this intimate interlude that I learned, to my horror, what my newly found buddies ordered on their flights into Dallas: Bagels. That's right. Mostly morning flights and mostly bagels.

The summer corn pudding tasted a bit like early fall, but the meal was splendid. An A-plus for Fearing, a truly charming guy, though a little thin.

At any rate, when the duck breast and wild boar and lobster gorditas pop up soon on American's inflight menus, remember: You have only me to thank.

Perot says Clinton would go to war to boost popularity

WASHINGTON (AP) — Ross Perot suggested Sunday that President Clinton might consider taking the United States into "a little war" strictly for a boost in poll ratings.

The billionaire businessman from Dallas who ran for president in 1992 and 1996 said Clinton would consider almost anything to satisfy "a lust for power."

"This man will let this country rot, he will let the economy go into an international decline, he will devastate millions of people, and, if necessary, he'll start a little war just to get a bump in the polls, and that is a lust for power," Perot said on NBC's "Meet The Press."

Perot also repeated attacks he made against Clinton on Sept. 26 at the Atlanta convention of his Reform Party and in an interview Wednesday on CNN's "Larry King Live."

In those earlier appearances, Perot charged the president was "mentally and emotionally unstable" and would leave office "if he loves his country." He also has called for a nationwide grass-roots petition drive asking Clinton to resign over his White House affair with former intern Monica Lewinsky.

"I think there's no question we've got to get him out of there, because he is damaging the country," Perot said Sunday.

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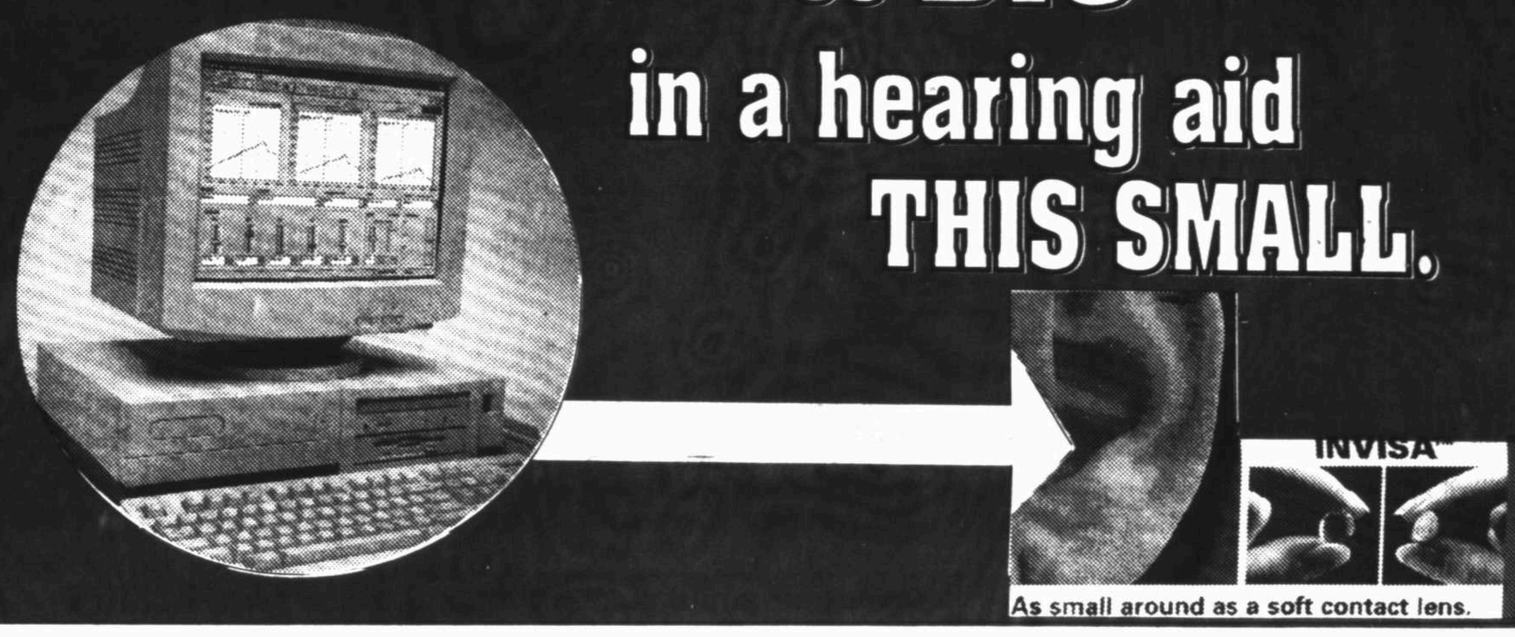
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OBITUARIES



Georgene Hollis

Funeral Services for Georgene Hollis will be at 11:00 A.M. Tuesday at the Ellis Funeral Home Chapel with Dr. Gary Dyer, Pastor of First Baptist church officiating. Burial will follow at the Fairview Cemetery.

Mrs. Hollis passed away October 4th at Memorial Hospital and Medical Center. She was born October 13 , 1924 in McAdoo, Texas to Lillian and Clyde Bassham. She and Curtis Hollis were married on June 19, 1942 in Sweetewater, Texas and moved to Midland in 1952. They are members of the First Baptist Church, Gad-Abouts and Oil City Sam Travel Club.

She is survived by her husband Curtis Hollis, two daughters Connie Bowden of Gonzales, Texas, Goergia Chastain of Midland , Texas, one son, Bill Hollis of Scottsdale, Arizonia, eight grand children Lisa Morrow of Fort worth, Texas, Lorie Young of Houston , Texas, Lesile Ince of Gonzales , Texas, C.J. Hollis of Lawrence, Kansas, Blake Bowden of Dallas , Texas, Laura Hollis of Tempe, Arizona, Marc Chastiain of Lubbock, Texas, Chad Chastain of Midland, Texas 9 great-grandchildren, her mother Lillian Myers of Colorado City, Texas, 2 nieces and one nephew.

Mrs. Hollis was preceded in death by her father, Clyde Bassham, and sister Peggy Dement.

Pallbearers will be Vernon Syler, David Fawks, Jerry Pearce, Jim Freeman, J.C. Crawford, Jack Bagwell, Jim Hawkins and Mike Casbeer.

Honorary pallbearers will be the members of the Good Sam Travel Club.



Allyne McMullan

Frances Allyne "Pete" McMullan passed away Thursday, October 1, 1998, in her home. She was born January 18, 1912 in Ozona, Texas, to Mr. and Mrs. Harry J. Friend Jr., a Crockett County ranch couple. She was raised on a ranch in Crockett County and graduated from Ozona High School in 1929.

She married D.K. McMullan, a Brewster County, Crockett County, and Reagan County rancher, on October 7, 1934. D.K. and Pete lived at their home, "The Bjirkman Ranch," headquarters of an old stagecoach stop in Crockett County, for 65 years.

She was President and an active member of the Twentieth Century Club in Big Lake, Texas, and recently was honored as a 60-year member. Pete was a member of First United Methodist Church in Big Lake. She played bridge with her dearest friends monthly for 60 years. They raised their two children, Leslie Austin McMullan, born August 26, 1934, and Gayle McMullan Dodson, born August 26, 1939, in Big Lake, Texas and Crockett County. Leslie died July 29, 1972.

After D.K.'s death in 1982, she moved to Manor Park in Midland. She made many wonderful friends at her weekly manicure and beauty shop appointments. Her dry sense of humor and priceless comments made her a favorite.

"Nanie," as she was known to her family, was known for her excellent cooking. She was a devoted ranch wife, serving wonderful home-cooked meals for many West Texas cowboys. She will be remembered standing at the ranchhouse door waiting for her family to arrive and enjoy her freshly baked chocolate chip cookies.

"Nanie" is survived by her daughter, Gayle McMullan Dodson of Midland, and husband "Doc;" daughter in-law, Peggy McMullan Jackson, of San Angelo; four granddaughters, Paige McMullan Ragsdale of Sonora, and husband Joe Bob, Kelly Dodson Hullender of Midland and husband Todd, Denisa McMullan Odiorne of Johnson City and husband, Lance, and Jaime Dodson of New Braunfels; four great-granddaughters, Lacy Nicole Ragsdale, Ashby Allyne Ragsdale, Meredith Blair Hullender, and Millicent Brooke "Mills" Hullender; and one great-grandson, James Deak Odiorne, two sisters-in-law, Artamyse McMullan Watts of Midland and Laura McMullan of Iraan.

Pallbearers will be Todd Hullender, Bobby Henry, Les Oppermann, George Goebel, and Don Furgeson of Midland; Joe Bob Ragsdale of Sonora; Lance Odiorne of Johnson City; David Kent of Bryan; Jim O'Bryan of Big Lake; Johnny McMullan and Kenny McMullan of Iraan; Jimmie McMullan of San Antonio; Joe McMullan of Bandera; Ronnie McMullan of Helotes; Joe Embrey and Bill Keeling of San Angelo. Honorary pallbearers are O.B. Orr and John Glidewell of Midland; Randy Sims and Johnny Polk of New Braunfels.

Funeral services will be Saturday, October 3 at 3 p.m., in Glass Memorial Chapel of First United Methodist Church in Midland and Monday, October 5, at 2 p.m., at Johnson's Funeral Home, San Angelo, Texas. At both services, the Reverend Mark Alexander of Lubbock will officiate and the Reverend Lane Boyd of Midland will assist. Burial will be at Fairmont Cemetery in San Angelo. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home in Midland.

Family request memorials be sent to Hospice of Midland, Community Bible Study Children's Ministry or Teen C.B.S. in care of Marilyn Yates, 5201 N. Midkiff, Road 79705.

To call "Nanie" just a grandmother is insufficient. She was a wonderful mother, a caring grandmother, and loving great-grandmother, but mostly our friend. We will miss her sense of humor and incredible generosity, but we know our Nanie is in heaven at the feet of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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DEATH NOTICES

Tracey Dickerson

Midlander Tracey Dickerson, 29, died at a local hospital Sunday morning.

Services are pending with Pipkin Funeral Home and Chapel.

Ovidio Garcia

Midlander Ovidio Garcia, 39, died at a local hospital Sunday morning.

Services are pending with Pipkin Funeral Home and Chapel.

Dean Froman

Big Spring resident Dean Froman, 71, died at a local hospital Sunday morning.

Services are pending with Myers and Smith Funeral Home in Big Spring.

POLICE REPORTS

Midland County Sheriff's Office

Sunday

Criminal mischief: A car was vandalized at 8200 W. County Road 16. Jerry Cunningham made a report at 12:07 a.m.

Theft: A customer left Friend's Convenience Store, 13220 W. U.S. Highway 80, without paying for gas. It was reported at 2:49 p.m.

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Study: 20 percent of school children have hearing loss

While we tend to think of hearing loss as an exclusively age-related or job-related condition, a surprising number of children are also affected. A recent article in the Hearing Journal, a publication for hearing specialists, reported that approximately eight million of the nearly 40 million school children in the United States have some degree of hearing loss. It further stated that less than one percent of those are being treated.



Sharon Shipley



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Additionally, it said that infant hearing loss occurs in three out of every 1,000 births, making it more common than any health condition for which newborn screening is already required. Less than 20 percent of newborns are screened for hearing before they leave the hospital. Newborn screening can utilize objective tests which do not require responses from the child.

Hearing difficulties can greatly affect a child's development. Research shows that , on average, children with normal hearing have a 700-word vocabulary by age three. Those with untreated hearing loss may fall behind in speech and language development. With identification and treatment, however, children catch up quickly with their peers.

Hearing loss can also lead to difficulties relating to others, reduced participation in class, fatigue caused by the effort of straining to listen and other complications.

As with any condition, early diagnosis and treatment are vital to getting the problem fixed. Recognizing this fact, Congress is considering legislation that would require hearing tests for all babies born in hospitals or birthing facilities before they are released, as well as testing of all babies by two months of age. Hearing tests are important because much hearing loss is impossible to detect any other way.

One of the most common causes of childhood hearing loss is otitis media, or middle ear infections. Ear infections often lead to fluid buildup in the ear which reduces the ear's ability to receive sounds. One specialist recommends a hearing test for any child who has had an ear infection for three months or more.

This type of hearing loss is usually remedied by treating the illness with medication or tubes.

Other types of hearing loss may require different intervention, such as hearing aids or cochlear implants.

Hearing loss that is mild and difficult for parents to detect can still be enough to affect a child's development and temperament. The only way to accurately evaluate a child's hearing is to have their child tested by a professional such as an audiologist.

Does your child have hearing loss?

If your child exhibits one or more of these characteristics, a hearing test by a qualified audiologist may be in order.
1. **Has poor attention**
2. **Frequently requests repetition**
3. **Is easily fatigued**
4. **Cannot tell where sounds come from**
5. **Often speaks too loudly**
6. **Evidences delayed speech and language development**

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NFL — Dallas Cowboys 31, Washington Redskins 10.

BASEBALL — Divisional Series, San Diego Padres 6, Houston Astros 1. Padres win series 3-1.

WPHL — Scrimmage, Odessa Jackalopes 4, San Angelo Outlaws 3 in shootout.

The Top 25

The Top Twenty Five teams in The Associated Press college football poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Oct. 3, total points based on 25 points for a first place vote through one point for a 25th place vote and ranking in previous poll:

	Record	Pts	Pv
1. Ohio St. (66)	4-0	1,746	1
2. Nebraska (1)	5-0	1,640	2
3. UCLA (1)	3-0	1,575	4
4. Tennessee	4-0	1,541	3
5. Kansas St. (2)	4-0	1,519	5
6. Florida	4-1	1,326	8
7. Georgia	4-0	1,313	12
8. Florida St.	4-1	1,235	9
9. Virginia	5-0	1,219	10
10. Arizona	5-0	1,043	14
11. LSU	3-1	1,010	6
12. Wisconsin	5-0	937	13
13. Penn St.	3-1	894	7
14. Colorado	5-0	755	15
15. Oregon	4-0	747	17
16. West Virginia	3-1	728	16
17. Virginia Tech	4-0	637	19
18. Texas A&M	4-1	594	18
19. Southern Cal	4-1	462	21
20. Arkansas	4-0	404	22
21. Missouri	3-1	288	23
22. Notre Dame	3-1	274	23
23. N. Carolina St.	3-1	262	—
24. Syracuse	2-2	169	11
25. Tulane	4-0	114	—

Others receiving votes: Texas Tech 103, Michigan 76, Washington 70, Miami 20, Mississippi St. 12, Marshall 11, Kentucky 7, Georgia Tech 6, Air Force 4, Purdue 4, Oklahoma St. 3, Wyoming 2.

Galaxy edges Burn

DALLAS — Ezra Hendrickson, Paul Caligiuri and Clint Mathis scored in the final 10 minutes as the Los Angeles Galaxy rallied to beat the Dallas Burn 3-2 Sunday and complete a two-game sweep of their semifinal series.

The Galaxy, who avenged a first-round sweep by Dallas in last year's playoffs, advance to the conference finals against the winner of the Colorado-Chicago series. Chicago leads 1-0 going into Monday night's Game 2.

Dallas went ahead 1-0 on a Brian Haynes goal in the 44th minute and Jason Kreis upped it to 2-0 three minutes into the second half.

Mauricio Cienfuegos keyed the Los Angeles comeback by assisted on the first two goals, crossing to Hendrickson for a goal in the 80th minute and sending a free kick to Caligiuri for a header that tied the score in the 85th minute.

Mathis, a rookie midfielder, scored the game-winning goal in the 88th minute by dribbling through the heart of the Burn defense and sending a shot into the corner of the net from just inside the 18-yard box.

It was only the second time in 39 games that Dallas lost after leading at the 75-minute mark.

Alexander update

LUBBOCK — Texas Tech defensive back Antwan Alexander spent Saturday night in the hospital after suffering a pulmonary contusion (a lung bruise) during the Red Raiders 31-29 win over Baylor.

A Texas Tech spokesman said that Alexander will undergo more tests to determine the extent of the injury. The sophomore is listed as doubtful for Tech's game with Oklahoma State on Saturday.

Alexander, a graduate of Midland Lee, left the game after suffering a hard hit on the opening kickoff during the second half.

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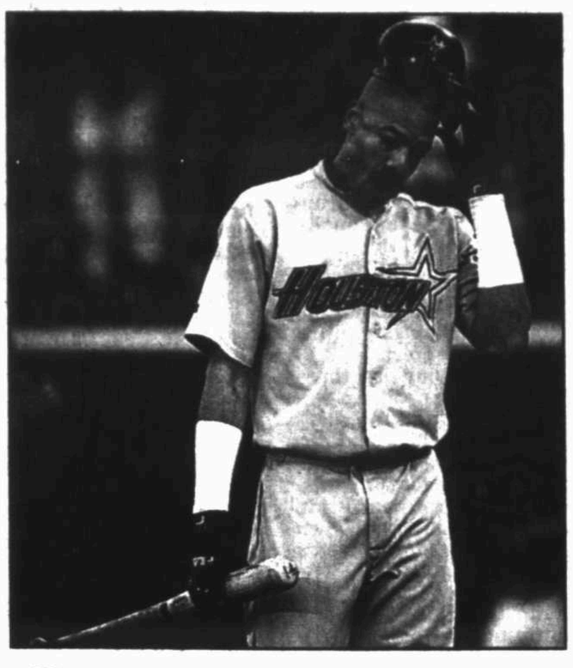
INDIANAPOLIS — There were no screaming crowds, like the day Florence Griffith Joyner shot off the blocks 10 years ago and in blurring speed shattered a record that still stands.

Instead, a subdued crowd of about 250 people that included Olympic athletes and officials gathered Sunday at Market Square Arena to mourn Griffith Joyner, who died last month, as an Olympic giant who captured the public's imagination.

Griffith Joyner's husband, Al Joyner, was accompanied by the couple's 7-year-old daughter, Mary Ruth Joyner, who slept through most of the one-hour memorial in the arms of Al Joyner's sister, track star Jackie Joyner Kersee.

"I know on September 21st God was walking through his garden and he wanted the prettiest, the brightest and the loveliest flower in the world, and that was Florence," Al Joyner said.

USA Track and Field officials called the memorial a celebration of the dazzling, muscular track star fans called FloJo, but sniffles and cracking, emotion-laden voices punctuated the event.



Astros' star sparkles out

■ San Diego defeats Houston, Randy Johnson 6-1 to with the divisional series.

By Bernie Wilson
AP Sports Writer

SAN DIEGO — Champagne dripped off Jim Leyritz's shaved head, his reward for an astounding run of clutch home runs.

Leyritz is a playoff hero once again, and the San Diego Padres are going back to the NL championship series after a 14-year absence, their tense division series against Randy Johnson and the Houston Astros secured with a 6-1 win Sunday night.

"I'm numb right now," said Leyritz, who led the Padres to a 3-1 series win by homering in the final three games. "I can't believe all that's gone on. I don't even want to think about it. Let it just keep rolling, man!"

Leyritz was one of the New York Yankees' heroes in 1996, hitting a dramatic three-run homer in the eighth inning of Game 4 at Atlanta, and now he's got the Padres headed for a showdown for the NL pennant with the Braves starting Wednesday night at Turner Field.

Houston Astros' Derek Bell reacts after striking out in the 6th inning during game four of the National League Division Series playoffs at Qualcomm Stadium in San Diego, Calif., on Sunday.

AP Photo

He set the tone Sunday with a 422-foot drive to left center off Johnson leading off the second as twilight settled over Qualcomm Stadium. After he crossed the plate, Leyritz lightly bumped heads with Game 1 hero Kevin Brown.

"He's just got a history of being big in the postseason, and this series was no different," said winning pitcher Sterling Hitchcock, who used a devastating split-fingered fastball to strike out 11 in six innings.

Johnson, the Big Unit, is not going to make it to the World Series as many thought. He lost his fifth straight decision in the postseason, tying a major league record.

"I didn't have my best stuff, but you give up three earned runs in 14 innings (in two starts), you don't feel like you're going to lose too many ballgames," said Johnson, who left for a pinch-hitter in the seventh.

"Everybody counted us out," Hitchcock said. "They

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Cowboys corral Redskins 31-10

By Joseph White
AP Sports Writer

LANDOVER, Md. — Topic A in the Dallas Cowboys locker room at halftime: The Washington Redskins always fall apart in the third quarter.

Sure enough, the Cowboys drove 71 yards on seven plays on their first drive of the second half to take a two-touchdown lead. The Redskins didn't score the rest of the game as Dallas improved to 3-0 against the NFC East with Sunday's 31-10 victory.

"That was the issue" at halftime, guard Nate Newton said. "And we tried to play to that. We tried to come out and not make any mistakes."

In the process, Jason Garrett, Emmitt Smith and Chris Warren became the latest trio to put up great numbers at the expense of a winless defense. Garrett completed 14 of 17 passes for 169 yards and a touchdown as he improved to 2-1 as a starter while Troy Aikman recovers from a broken collarbone.

"He's an average quarterback," Washington cornerback Cris Dishman said of Garrett. "But today he was hot."

Smith ran for 120 yards and a touchdown on 28 carries and Warren finished with 104 yards on 14 rushes and two 6-yard TDs as the Cowboys (3-2) rushed for 224 yards against a defense that has allowed a back to rush for at least 100 yards for four straight weeks. It was the first time two Cowboys have rushed for 100 yards in a game since Tony Dorsett and Robert Newhouse did it on Nov. 12, 1978.

The Cowboys, rebounding from a 6-10 season, have already defeated division rivals Arizona, New York and Washington (0-5).

"We're not a contender," Newton said. "Not right now. Just four of five more games, just see where everybody stands. It's too

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Dallas Cowboys' Ernie Mills (85) catches a 49-yard touchdown pass as Washington Redskins cornerback Cris Dishman (26) defends during the second quarter on Sunday. The Cowboys won the game 31-10.

AP Photo



NFL ROUNDUP

Bills stun 49ers; Broncos continue to roll over foes

Associated Press

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. — Rob Johnson threw for 254 yards and a touchdown, and Buffalo shut down San Francisco's high-powered offense for most of the game before surviving a late rally and beating the 49ers 26-21 Sunday.

The Bills, who had won only one of their previous 10 games, built a 23-0 lead in the third quarter before the 49ers staged a comeback and pulled within 26-21 on Steve Young's 21-yard TD pass to J.J. Stokes with 1:03 left.

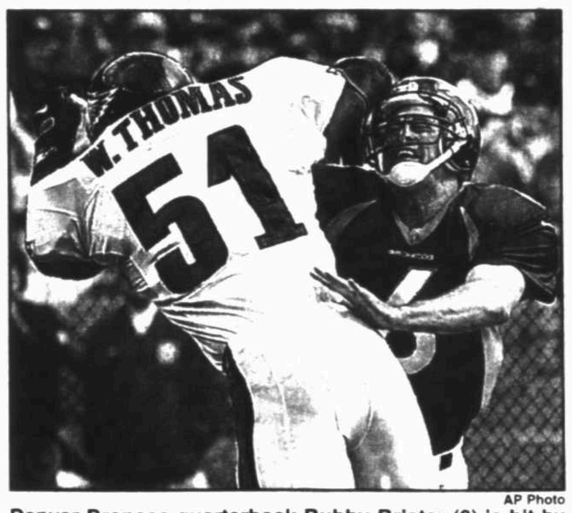
San Francisco (3-1) then tried an onside kick, but it was recovered by Buffalo (1-3). The 49ers, ranked first in the NFL in rushing, passing and total offense, were held to 56 yards passing and 105 total yards in the first half.

Bears 31, Lions 27

CHICAGO — Erik Kramer and Edgar Bennett each threw for a touchdown, and Kramer ran for another in the fourth quarter as the Chicago Bears rallied for their first win of the season.

The Bears (1-4), who trailed 27-10 going into the fourth quarter, held Barry Sanders to 28 yards on 14 carries, one of the worst games of his career.

Kramer was 26-of-37 for 275 yards and two TDs, while Chris Penn caught six passes for a career-high 106 yards. Lions rookie Charlie Batch was 16-of-31 for 268 yards and two TDs, and Johnnie Morton caught two passes for 138 yards, including a 98-yard TD catch.



Denver Broncos quarterback Bubby Brister (6) is hit by Philadelphia Eagles defender William Thomas (51) just after releasing a pass during the first quarter on Sunday.

AP Photo

Falcons 51, Panthers 23

ATLANTA — Tim Dwight returned the opening kickoff 93 yards for a touchdown and the Atlanta Falcons scored their most points in 25 years by routing the winless Carolina Panthers.

Atlanta (3-1) scored three touchdowns in a 48-second span of the third quarter. Carolina (0-4) fumbled on its first three possessions of the second half and finished with six turnovers.

Dwight set the tone when he took John Kasay's opening kickoff at the 7, cut through a gaping hole on the left side and cruised all the way to the end zone.

Colts 17, Chargers 12

INDIANAPOLIS — It was billed as the rookie showdown between Peyton Manning and Ryan Leaf, but Elijah Alexander and Ken Dilger stole the show and led the Indianapolis Colts to their first win of the season.

Alexander intercepted a pass by Leaf to set up one touchdown and recovered a fumble to set up another. Dilger ran in a 2-point conversion on a well-executed fake after the TD and recovered an onside kick after the Chargers had pulled within two points with 1:48 left.

That led to Mike Vanderjagt's third field goal, a 40-yarder that clinched the game for the Colts (1-4). Manning was 12-of-23 for 137 yards with an interception, while Leaf was 12-of-23 for 150 yards with an interception for the Chargers (2-3).

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OSCAR LEROY

Area teams should contend in respective districts

Can you believe that we're already halfway through the high school football season?

For most of our area schools, this week starts the all important district play. This is the meat of the schedule, the make-or-break time of year, life or death. OK, so maybe it's not that dramatic but this is where the fate of making the playoffs or staying home in late November starts.



LeRoy

Let's start in the 4A ranks where both Andrews and Big Spring open District 5-4A play — the No. 3 Mustangs host Snyder, while Fort Stockton heads to Big Spring. Andrews should take care of the upstart Tigers. The real test for Andrews should come on Oct. 30 when Sweetwater comes to town. That game should decide the district champion.

With Andrews and Sweetwater just about virtual locks for a playoff spot, that means Friday's game between the Steers and Panthers could decide an early edge for the third playoff spot in that district. Both teams have struggled in non-district action, but the Steers, who come in at 1-4, do have homefield advantage in this game. Big Spring also has Andrews and San Angelo Lake View at home.

Lake View is the wild card in this race. The Steers need to win at least two out of their three home district games which also includes dates against the Mustangs and Chiefs. The Steers should start their road to securing a post-season berth with a win this Friday against Fort Stockton.

Greenwood shows that it has the defense to win games, now it needs more consistency on offense and special teams. Crane looks to be the favorite in District 4-3A with the other two playoff spots up for grabs. The dramatic 13-12 win against Lamesa last Friday was a big confidence boost for a team that sorely needed one.

The Rangers (2-3) start district play in Presidio on Friday. A win this Friday against the Blue Devils and a win next week in Kermit could set up a potential district championship match-up against the Golden Cranes on Oct. 23 in Greenwood. The Rangers might have started a solid winning streak with the win against the Golden Tornadoes.

Speaking of the Golden Tors, they showed Friday that Lamesa is a much improved team from last year. Lamesa begins its first year in District 3-3A play by hosting Slaton this Friday. The Golden Tors have two winnable games the next two weeks — against the Tigers and then in Denver City. As long as the Golden Tors avoid the turnovers and the big play in district, look for Lamesa in the playoffs for the first time in almost 10 years.

Is there anybody who thinks No. 1 Stanton won't win District 3-2A? My only question is what the margins of victory going to be? The Buffaloes should start their romp through district this Friday when they host Plains. By the way, the closest anybody has gotten to Stanton (5-0) this year has been 3A Colorado City in a 24-6 contest.

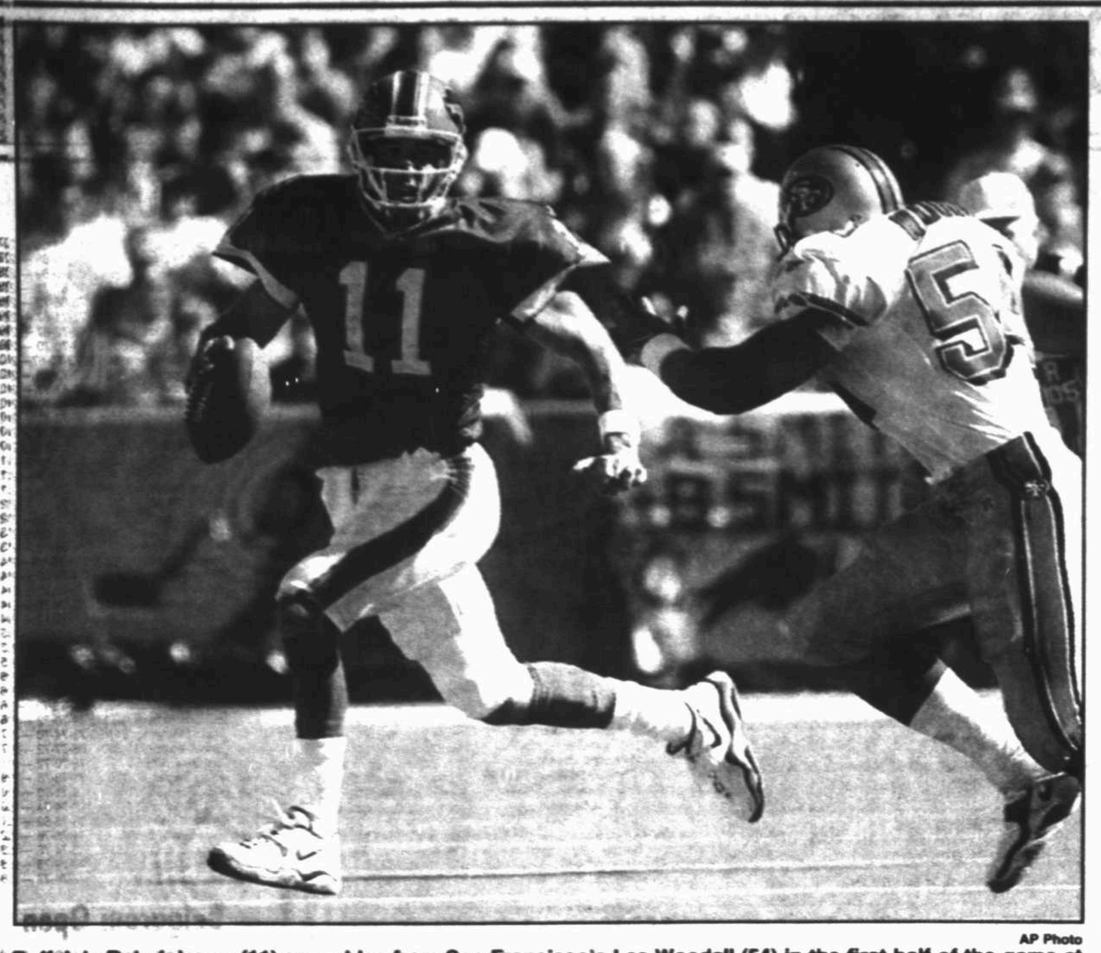
District 7-1A looks to have Fort Davis as the front runner. Rankin and Garden City, despite some early season injuries and struggles, aren't going to be considered out of reach in making the playoffs. Both are open this week and both need it to heal up. The following week, the Bearkats head to Rankin in what could be a critical game for the future of both teams.

Elsewhere in private school action, Midland Christian heads across enemy lines into New Mexico to face the Jal Panthers, while Trinity plays host to Victory Christian. OK, Mustangs we're counting on you to show New Mexico how football is played in the Lone Star state. P.S. to the guy that called and defended New Mexico football last year so eloquently: Until I see that Clovis can defeat teams other than teams like Spearman and Dimmitt on a consistent basis, I'll give my due respect to New Mexico football.

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Buffalo's Rob Johnson(11) scrambles from San Francisco's Lee Woodall (54) in the first half of the game at Orchard Park on Sunday in the Bills 26-21 victory over the previously unbeaten 49ers. Johnson threw for 254 yards and a touchdown in the game.

After tough non-league start, SDSU feasts on WAC foe Tulsa

By John Mossman
AP Sports Writer

So maybe that brutal nonconference schedule wasn't such an unwise approach after all.

San Diego State, which opened the season at 0-3 after dropping games to three nationally ranked teams, apparently gained some toughness and maturity during those difficult times and opened its Western Athletic Conference season on Saturday with a 24-14 road win over Tulsa.

"Because of how our first three games unfolded, we needed a win to help confidence and morale," SDSU coach Ted Tollner said.

Larry Ned, making only his second career start, ran for 167 yards, and sophomore quarterback Brian Russell passed for one touchdown and ran for another for the Aztecs (1-3 overall, 1-0 in WAC). The SDSU defense contained the WAC's most prolific passing attack, limiting the Golden Hurricane to 213 yards through the air.

Tulsa (2-2, 0-1) led 14-10 after three quarters but committed two turnovers in the final seven minutes, resulting in two Aztec scores. Jomar Butler intercepted a John Fitzgerald pass and returned it 28 yards for a go-ahead touchdown with 7:29 remaining. A fumble led to Russell's 4-yard TD run with 1:22 left.

"You simply cannot play a good game with as many turnovers and mistakes as we had and expect to win," Tulsa coach Dave Rader said.

It was one of six conference games on the weekend schedule. Five of them were crossover games, and four were won by Mountain Division teams. SDSU's win was the only breakthrough by a Pacific Division team.

Wyoming rallied to beat Utah 27-24 in Laramie, Air Force routed New Mexico 56-14 at the academy, Fresno State upset Brigham Young 31-21 in Fresno, Southern Methodist blanked Hawaii 28-0 in Honolulu, and Colorado State edged Texas-El Paso 20-17 in El Paso.

The WAC went 1-2 in non-league games, dropping its record for the season to 16-31.

Texas Christian got by Vanderbilt 19-16 in double overtime in Fort Worth, San Jose State bowed to No. 10 Virginia 52-14 in Charlottesville, and UNLV fell to in-state rival Nevada 31-20 in Las Vegas.

For the second straight week, Utah (3-2, 1-1) collapsed at the finish.

Wyoming (3-1, 1-0) got two field goals in the third quarter, one of which was set up by a Utah fumble, to draw within 24-20. Ute quarterback Jonathan Crosswhite then twice drove his team into Wyoming territory but was intercepted both times, and safety Matt Lehning's theft with six minutes left set up Marques Brigham's 18-yard TD run with 4:03 left.

"We completely lost our composure and completely lost our toughness at the end," Ute coach Ron McBride said. "All we had to do was hang onto the damn football."

To win the Pacific Division title, Utah now probably has to win all six of its remaining WAC games. "There is no margin for error for us now," McBride said.

"This is the best win we could possibly have had," Brigham said. "We had to keep coming from behind. We can't do anything but build from this."

Air Force (4-1, 3-1) bounced back from last week's upset loss to TCU by generating 353 yards rushing and 419 total yards in crushing UNM (2-3, 0-2). Matt Farmer scored on a 55-yard punt return and a 6-yard flanker reverse, and quarterback Blane Morgan ran for two scores, including an 80-yarder.

Billy Volek passed for two touchdowns and ran for another as Fresno (1-3) opened its conference season by downing BYU (2-3, 0-1). The Bulldogs converted four first-half BYU turnovers into a 24-7 halftime lead. "We just gave the ballgame away," BYU coach LaVell Edwards said.

Albert Johnson returned a blocked punt 42 yards for a touchdown and Rodnick Phillips scored twice as SMU (1-4, 1-1) kept winless Hawaii (0-4, 0-2) on the skids.

Kevin McDougal ran for 155 yards and two early TDs, but CSU (4-2, 2-1) needed a 39-yard field goal by Derek Franz with 1:02 left to shed UTEP (0-4, 0-1).

LaDainian Tomlinson's 4-yard TD run in the second overtime lifted TCU (3-1) over Vanderbilt (0-4).

Thomas Jones ran for 203 yards and two TDs as Virginia (5-0) beat San Jose (2-3).

Chris Lemon rushed for 190 yards and a TD to help Nevada (2-2) post its fourth straight win over UNLV (0-5).

NFL: Marino struggles in Miami's defeat

(From 1C)

Jets 20, Dolphins 9

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Curtis Martin rushed for 108 yards and a touchdown as the New York Jets snapped a four-game losing streak to the Miami Dolphins.

Dan Marino had a poor day for the Dolphins (3-1), going 13-of-31 for 121 yards, getting sacked three times and throwing two interceptions. Miami's running attack also sputtered, gaining just 34 yards.

Vinny Testaverde, subbing at quarterback again for injured Glenn Foley, threw a 10-yard TD pass to Keyshawn Johnson for the Jets (2-2).

Patriots 30, Saints 27

NEW ORLEANS — Adam Vinateri kicked a a 27-yard field goal with three seconds lift as New England handed New Orleans its first loss of the season.

After New Orleans tied it on Doug Brien's 37-yard field goal with 1:29 remaining, Drew Bledsoe completed four passes to set up the game-winning field goal for the Patriots (3-1).

The Saints (3-1) had tied the game 27-27 after a heady play by punt returner Andre Hastings. After the Patriots punted, New England's Tebucky Jones batted the ball out of the end zone to Larry Whigham, who unsuccessfully tried to down it. Hastings grabbed the ball and raced 76 yards to the Patriots 26, setting up O'Brien's field goal six plays later.

Broncos 41, Eagles 16

DENVER — Bubby Brister, filling in for ailing John Elway, threw four touchdown passes and Terrell Davis ran for 168 yards and two scores as Denver routed Philadelphia.

The defending Super Bowl champions (5-0) built a 35-2 halftime lead and 41-2 advantage after three quarters before Charlie Garner ran for a pair of 3-yard scores in the final period for the winless Eagles (0-5).

Davis, the NFL's leading rusher, had 120 yards and both of his touchdowns in the first quarter and finished the half with 168 yards. He sat out the second half.

Bucs 20, Giants 3

TAMPA, Fla. — Tampa Bay bounced back from an embarrassing Monday night loss, playing inspired defense to beat the Giants.

Charles Mincy returned an interception 22 yards for a touchdown on the third play of the game, and Regan Upshaw and Ronde Barber also picked off passes for Tampa Bay (2-3), which was coming off a 21-point loss to Detroit.

The Bucs held New York (2-3) to 135 yards in total offense.

Raiders 23, Cardinals 20

TEMPE, Ariz. — Donald Hollas, playing his first NFL game since 1994, replaced an injured Jeff George with 50 seconds left in the first quarter and guided Oakland over Arizona.

Hollas was 12-of-22 for 104 yards and scored on a 1-yard run for the Raiders (3-2), who were trailing 7-3 when he entered the game.

Jake Plummer was 23-of-39 for 208 yards and two touchdowns, but had three interceptions that cost the Cardinals (2-3) their chance at winning three straight games for the first time in two years.

Chiefs 17, Seahawks 6

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — On a rainy night when violent storms suspended play for almost an hour, the winning team should have been the one with Watters.

But Rich Gannon, atoning for three lost fumbles, scored on a 4-yard run and connected with Andre Rison on an 80-yard touchdown as Kansas City beat Seattle 17-6 following a first-half downpour and a 54-minute delay.

Road games can be dangerous in Big 12

By Denne H. Freeman
AP Sports Writer

Nebraska, Colorado, and Texas A&M will attest that Big 12 road games can be dangerous.

All three teams barely escaped determined opponents playing for home crowds on Saturday.

No. 2 ranked Nebraska needed a goalline stand to subdue Oklahoma State 24-17 in Kansas City, Mo. Colorado had to hold on for dear life at Norman before the No. 15 ranked Buffaloes outlasted Oklahoma 27-25. No. 18 Texas A&M had to drive 75 yards late in the game to beat Kansas 24-21 in Lawrence.

Unbeaten Texas Tech (5-0, 2-0 Big 12) was at home in Jones Stadium and still had a hard time, beating Baylor 31-29 as a late two-point conversion attempt failed.

No. 23 ranked Missouri took a week away from family feuds to beat Northwestern State 35-14 and improve its record to 4-1 and 1-0. The Tigers play at Iowa State this week. The Cyclones lost 53-33 to Texas as Ricky Williams rushed 37 times for 350 yards and five touchdowns.

No. 5 ranked Kansas State had the pleasure of a week off while all the nail-biters took place.

Kansas State (4-0, 1-0) joins the nervousness this week as it travels to Boulder to take on Colorado (4-0, 2-0) in an early season North division showdown.

Nebraska (5-0, 1-0) gets another tester this week as it travels to noisy Kyle Field to take on the Aggies (4-1, 1-0), the team it defeated last December at San Antonio in the Big 12 championship game.

Oklahoma State (2-2,0-1) is at Texas Tech (5-0, 2-0), while Texas (3-2, 0-1) and Oklahoma (2-2, 0-1) collide in their annual showdown in the Cotton Bowl at Dallas.

Joe Walker's 73-yard punt return for a touchdown was the difference for Nebraska. He needed to do it because earlier he had allowed Ethan Howell to escape for a 67-yard touchdown pass to tie the score for the Cowpokes.

"That's part of football," Walker said. "You gamble and sometimes you win and sometimes you lose."

Nebraska coach Frank Solich said: "Joe about did me in with a couple of plays on defense and then the punt return. He's an electrifying player."



Brian Adamcik/Reporter-Telegram

Baylor's Morris Anderson catches a fourth-quarter touchdown pass over Texas Tech cornerback Anthony Malbrough late in the fourth quarter in Tech's 31-29 win in Lubbock's Jones Stadium.

OSU hadn't beaten Nebraska since 1961 but came close. The Cowboys were on the Nebraska 1-yard line when the game ended after Nathan Simmons was stopped by a swarm of Nebraska tacklers.

"It could have gone either way," Simmons said. "It just didn't go our way."

Colorado needed Marcus Washington's 40-yard pass interception return for a touchdown.

It prompted Colorado quarterback Mike Moschetti to say: "We're winning ugly but we can't be too depressed. We're 5-0."

Texas A&M won ugly again, too.

Dante Hall scored on three touchdown runs, but it took a 75-yard drive late in the game before A&M settled matters on Hall's 3-yard touchdown run.

"I felt that was the best drive we've had all season," said quarterback Randy McCown. "Those are the ones you always see John Elway and Joe Montana do."

Tech is on course for its best season in 22 years, when the Raiders opened 8-0.

"I've never been around a team with better chemistry," said Tech coach Spike Dykes. "Winning breeds winning. They're getting used to success."

Baylor thought it tied the game on a two-point pass by Jermaine Alfred but officials ruled he had stepped out of bounds before he threw the pass.

Tech's Ricky Williams gained 159 yards rushing while Texas' Williams continued his assault on the NCAA record books.

"If the line keeps blocking like it is, I think I have a good chance for the Heisman," said Williams, who is now fourth on the NCAA division 1-A career rushing list.

Ohio State Buckeyes are strong No. 1; Arizona Wildcats, Georgia Bulldogs crack AP Top 10

By Richard Rosenblatt
AP Football Writer

Arizona and Georgia are no longer sleepers. The Wildcats and Bulldogs muscled their way into the top 10 with impressive road victories over the weekend.

Georgia (4-0) made the biggest leap in this week's Associated Press' Top 25 college football poll, moving from No. 12 to No. 7 after Saturday night's 28-27 win over LSU at Baton Rouge. Arizona (5-0) jumped four spots to No. 10 with a 31-28 victory over Washington at Seattle.

Ohio State remained No. 1 for the fifth consecutive week after a 28-9 win over Penn State. The Buckeyes (4-0) were a near-unanimous choice, receiving 66 of the 70 first-place votes and 1,746 points from the 70 sports writers and broadcasters on the AP panel. Last week, Ohio State had 58 first-place votes and 1,737 points.

Nebraska (5-0), with a close-call 24-17 victory over Oklahoma State, held the No. 2 spot with one first-place vote and 1,640 points. Last week, the Cornhuskers had seven first-place votes and 1,660 points.

The rest of the Top 25 deck was shuffled a bit as UCLA (3-0), a 49-17 winner over Washington State, moved up a spot to No. 3, while Tennessee (4-0) dropped a notch to No. 4 after a 17-9 win over Auburn. UCLA had one first-place vote and 1,575 points.

Kansas State (4-0), which did not play on Saturday, remained No. 5 with two first-place votes and 1,519 points, followed by No. 6 Florida, No. 7 Georgia, No. 8 Florida State, No. 9 Virginia and No. 10 Arizona.

Florida (4-1) used a 16-10 win over Alabama to jump two spots, while Penn State, ranked No. 7 last week, fell to No. 13 after its loss at Ohio State.

LSU dropped five places to No. 11, followed by No. 12 Wisconsin, No. 13 Penn State, No. 14 Colorado, No. 15 Oregon, No. 16 West Virginia, No. 17 Virginia Tech, No. 18 Texas A&M, No. 19 USC and No. 20 Arkansas.

Missouri was No. 21, followed by No. 22 Notre Dame, No. 23 North Carolina State, No. 24 Syracuse and No. 25 Tulane.

In the USA Today/ESPN coaches' poll, the top five were Ohio State, Nebraska, UCLA, Kansas State and Tennessee.

Tulane, 4-0 after a 21-7 win over Southern Mississippi made the Top 25 for the first time since Dec. 3, 1979.

BOYS: Redskins' mistakes prove costly

(From 1C)

early, man. Anybody can get on a run and make something happen, so we're just trying to stay tight."

The game began to turn early in the second quarter when Smith ran for a touchdown and Garrett threw for one in a three-minute span that gave the Cowboys a 17-7 lead. The game was put away with the early TD in the third quarter, a quarter in which the Redskins have been outscored 63-10 this season.

"Honestly, I can't answer it," linebacker Marvcus Patton said of the post-halftime letdown. "You're asking a question that cannot be answered because we've done it over and over again for five weeks in a row. If anyone of us knew the answer — anyone of us, from top to bottom — it wouldn't happen, but we don't."

Smith, recovering from a strained right groin, scored on a 3-yard run set up by Deion Sanders' interception to give the Cowboys the lead for good at 10-7. Garrett hit Ernie Mills for a 43-yard strike to make it a 10-point lead.

The Redskins called this game a must-win, but penalties, a turnover and the bad third quarter once again doomed the home team to another afternoon of boos and taunting from fans wearing bags over their heads at Jack Kent Cooke Stadium. No NFL team has ever recovered from an 0-5 start to make the playoffs.

Cowboys 31, Redskins 10

Dallas	3	14	7	7	— 31
Washington	7	3	0	0	— 10

First Quarter
Was—Shepherd 40 pass from Green (Blanchard kick), 6:41
Dal—FG Cunningham 42, 1:57
Second Quarter
Dal—E.Smith 3 run (Cunningham kick), 14:21
Dal—Mills 43 pass from Garrett (Cunningham kick), 11:34
Was—FG Blanchard 31, 5:29
Third Quarter
Dal—Warren 6 run (Cunningham kick), 10:50
Fourth Quarter
Dal—Warren 6 run (Cunningham kick), 1:02
A—72,284

	Dal	Was
First downs	21	14
Rushes-yards	43-224	22-92
Passing	163	164
Punt Returns	2-(-4)	3-34
Kickoff Returns	3-56	5-85
Interceptions Ret.	1-21	0-0
Comp-Att-Int	14-17-0	13-29-1
Sacked-Yards Lost	2-6	4-29
Punts	4-48.0	7-44.1
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	1-0
Penalties-Yards	9-60	6-52
Time of Possession	35:36	24:24

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—Dallas, E.Smith 28-120, Warren 14-104, Garrett 1-0. Washington, Allen 19-82, Green 3-10.
PASSING—Dallas, Garrett 14-17-0-169. Washington, Green 13-29-1-193.
RECEIVING—Dallas, LaFleur 4-29, Mills 2-72, Davis 2-41, Sanders 2-14, Irvin 1-14, Bjornson 1-4, Johnston 1-1, Warren 1-(minus 6). Washington, Westbrook 4-42, Asher 3-42, Shepherd 2-82, Allen 2-23, Alexander 1-3, Mitchell 1-1.
MISSED FIELD GOALS—None.

"It's got to get better. Something has to go right. I can't see us going 0-16."

Trent Green was off target more often than not — even many of his completions forced receivers to catch the ball behind them. Green, who won the starting job from Gus Frerotte in Week 1, finished 13-for-29 for 193 yards and one interception that missed the receiver by at least five yards. Washington coach Norv Turner said he will re-evalutate the position this week.

The Redskins also lost Larry Bowie, the only fullback on their roster, for the season in the second quarter when his left leg was broken when he was hit by Leon Lett's helmet as Lett tumbled to the ground on a running play.

"Right now, we are snake-bitten as a team," Dishman said. "Somehow we have to shake that snake off of us."

Notes: Dallas guard Everett McIver sprained his right knee in the first half and did not return. First-year player Mike Kiselak took McIver's place at right guard. ... Sanders provided a nice highlight with a 71-yard punt return to the end zone, but there were three penalties on the play (two on Dallas, one on Washington) and the was brought back to the Dallas 35. ... It was Warren's first 100-yard game for Dallas, although most of the yards came in the second half.

Cowboys were oh so close to upset victory

By Tim Korte
AP Sports Writer

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Oklahoma State was oh, so close.

But Nebraska's goal-line stand on the last play of the game preserved a 24-17 victory Saturday night and extended major college football's longest current winning streak to 19 games.

The Cowboys took no consolation from coming so close and having a statistical edge.

"We didn't come up here for a moral victory," said coach Bob Simmons. "We had a good game plan, and we thought we could execute the game plan. We came up here to win."

Said tackle David Camacho: "It just hurts. It hurts a lot."

Although they were 27-point underdogs and hadn't beaten No. 2 Nebraska (5-0, 1-0 Big 12) since 1961, the Cowboys (2-2, 1-1) dictated the tempo for much of the game but couldn't score from inside the 1 as time expired. Mike Rucker and a swarm of Nebraska defenders stopped Nathan Simmons.

"They were moving on us all night, and it comes down to one foot," Rucker said. "We knew we didn't want to go into overtime, so we knew it all hinged on one play."

Rucker was in the right place because Oklahoma State lineman Reynell Lavigne was not. Lavigne was late coming off the bench and, with Nebraska fans on their feet, he didn't hear the called formation.

Fans of the Cornhuskers outnumbered Oklahoma State fans 4-to-1 among the capacity crowd of 79,555, and it was one of the few times the people wearing red were cheering.

The roar cost Oklahoma State when Lavigne lined up outside the tight end instead of outside the tackle. The Cowboys ran a quick snap off an unbalanced line, and Simmons ran right into Rucker.

Quarterback Tony Lindsay suggested the Cowboys had done the wrong thing by relinquishing their home field for $1.3 million.

"We're used to playing in Stillwater," Lindsay said. "That's where we practice. That's our home. I feel we should have played the game there, but I understand the financial purposes."

Rucker's play was a Husker highlight that contrasted the way the game went. Oklahoma State had 355 total yards to 215 for Nebraska and had the ball for 35 of the 60 minutes.

Simmons gained 114 yards and became the first running back to go beyond 100 yards against Nebraska since Ken Oxendine of Virginia Tech had 150 yards in the 1996 Orange Bowl.

SPORTS SCOREBOARD

Baseball Playoffs

American League

DIVISION SERIES
New York vs. Texas
Friday, Oct. 2
New York 4, Texas 0, New York wins series 3-0
Cleveland vs. Boston
Saturday, Oct. 3
Cleveland 2, Boston 1, Cleveland wins series 3-1

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES
(NBC)
Tuesday, Oct. 6
Cleveland at New York (Wells 18-4), 7:07 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 7
Cleveland at New York (Cone 20-7), 3:07 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 9
New York (Pettitte 16-11) at Cleveland, 7:07 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 10
New York (Hernandez 12-4) at Cleveland, 6:07 p.m.
Sunday, Oct. 11
New York at Cleveland, 3:07 p.m., if necessary
Tuesday, Oct. 13
Cleveland at New York, 7:07 p.m., if necessary
Wednesday, Oct. 14
Cleveland at New York, 7:07 p.m., if necessary

National League

Atlanta vs. Chicago
Saturday, Oct. 3
Atlanta 6, Chicago 2, Atlanta wins series 3-0
Houston vs. San Diego
Saturday, Oct. 3
San Diego 2, Houston 1
Sunday, Oct. 4
San Diego 6, Houston 1, San Diego wins series 3-1
LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES
(FOX)
Wednesday, Oct. 7
San Diego at Atlanta, 7:15 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 8
San Diego at Atlanta, 7:15 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 10
Atlanta at San Diego, 3:15 p.m.
Sunday, Oct. 11
Atlanta at San Diego, 6:45 p.m.
Monday, Oct. 12
Atlanta at San Diego, 7:10 p.m., if necessary
Wednesday, Oct. 14
San Diego at Atlanta, 4:20 p.m., if necessary
Thursday, Oct. 15
San Diego at Atlanta, 7:15 p.m., if necessary

Saturday's Late Box
PADRES 2, ASTROS 1

HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi	SAN DIEGO	ab	r	hbi
Biggio 2b	3	0	0	1	QVeras 2b	4	0	1 0
Spiers 3b	3	0	0	0	Gwynn rf	4	0	0 1
DeBell rf	4	0	1	0	Hffman p	0	0	0 0
Bgwell 1b	3	0	0	0	GVghn lf	3	0	0 0
Alou lf	4	0	2	0	Cminiti 3b	3	0	0 0
Everett cf	4	1	1	0	Leyritz 1b	3	1	1 1
Gterrez ss	1	0	0	0	Joyner 1b	0	0	0 0
Asmus c	3	0	0	0	SFinley cf	3	0	0 0
Incvgla ph	1	0	0	0	CHrndz c	2	0	0 0
Hmptn p	2	0	0	0	Gomez ss	2	1	1 0
DClark ph	0	0	0	0	KBrwn p	0	0	0 0
Elarton p	0	0	0	0	Miceli p	0	0	0 0
					MaSwy ph	0	0	0 0
					RRivra rf	0	0	0 0
Totals	**28**	**1**	**4**	**1**	**Totals**	**24**	**2**	**3 2**
Houston					**000 000 100**			**— 1**
San Diego					**000 001 10x**			**— 2**

DP—San Diego 2. LOB—Houston 7, San Diego 3. HR—Leyritz (2). CS—MaSweeney (1). S—KBrown 2.

Houston	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Hampton	6	2	1	1	1	2
Elarton L,0-1	2	1	1	1	1	3
San Diego						
KBrown	6	2-3	3	1	5	5
Miceli W,1-1	1	1-3	1	0	0	2
Hoffman S,2	1	0	0	0	0	3

HBP—by Elarton (CHernandez), by KBrown (Gdtierrez), by KBrown (Bagwell). WP—Hampton. T—2:32. A—65,235 (59,772).

Sunday's Box
PADRES 6, ASTROS 1

HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi	SAN DIEGO	ab	r	hbi
Biggio 2b	3	1	1	0	QVeras 2b	4	0	0 0
Hidalgo cf	4	0	1	0	Gwynn rf	4	0	1 0
DeBell rf	4	0	0	0	SFinley cf	0	1	0 0
Bgwell 1b	3	0	1	1	GVghn lf	4	1	2 0
Alou lf	4	0	0	0	Cminiti 3b	3	1	0 0
Berry 3b	2	0	0	0	Leyritz c	3	1	1 1
Spiers 3b	2	0	0	0	JHmtn p	0	0	0 0
Gterrez ss	2	0	0	0	Miceli p	0	0	0 0
Asmus c	3	0	0	0	Vn Wal ph	1	1	1 2
RJhnsn p	2	0	0	0	Hffman p	0	0	0 0
Everett ph	1	0	0	0	Joyner 1b	3	1	1 2
TMiller p	0	0	0	0	RRivra cf	4	0	0 0
DHenry p	0	0	0	0	Gomez ss	2	0	0 0
JaPwll p	0	0	0	0	Htchck p	2	0	0 0
					CHrndz c	2	0	1 0
Totals	**30**	**1**	**3**	**1**	**Totals**	**32**	**6**	**7 5**
Houston					**000 100 000**			**— 1**
San Diego					**010 001 04x**			**— 6**

E—Berry (1), Gomez (1). DP—San Diego 1. LOB—Houston 5, San Diego 6. 2B—Biggio (1), Gwynn (2), GVaughn (1). 3B—Vander Wal (1). HR—Leyritz (3), Joyner (1).

Houston	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
RJohnson L,0-2	6	3	2	1	1	8
TMiller	0	0	0	0	1	0
DHenry	1	1-3	2	1	1	0
JaPowell	2	2-3	2	3	2	1
San Diego						
Hitchcock W,1-0	6	3	1	1	0	11
JHamilton	1	3	0	0	2	0
Miceli	1	2-3	0	0	0	2
Hoffman	1	0	0	0	0	0

TMiller pitched to 1 batter in the 7th.

HBP—by Hitchcock (Biggio). T—2:39. A—64,898 (59,772).

MLS Playoffs

CONFERENCE SEMIFINALS
(Best-of-3)
EASTERN CONFERENCE
D.C. vs. Miami
Wednesday, Sept. 30
D.C. United 2, Miami 1
Sunday, Oct. 4
D.C. United 1, Miami 0, SO (3-2), D.C. United wins series 2-0

Columbus vs. New York-New Jersey
Wednesday, Sept. 30
Columbus 5, NY-NJ 3
Saturday, Oct. 3
Columbus 2, NY-NJ 1, SO (3-2), Columbus wins series 2-0

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Colorado vs. Chicago
Thursday, Oct. 1
Chicago 2, Colorado 1, SO (3-2), Chicago leads series 1-0
Monday, Oct. 5
Chicago at Colorado, 8 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 7
Colorado at Chicago, 8 p.m., if necessary
Dallas vs. Los Angeles
Thursday, Oct. 1
Los Angeles 6, Dallas 1
Sunday, Oct. 4
Los Angeles 3, Dallas 2, Los Angeles wins series 2-0

CONFERENCE FINALS
(Best-of-3)
Oct. 9-21
TBA

CHAMPIONSHIP
At Pasadena, Calif.
Sunday, Oct. 25
East Champion vs. West Champion, 2:30 p.m.

Galaxy 3, Burn 2

Los Angeles	**0**	**3**	**— 3**
Dallas	**1**	**1**	**— 2**

First half—1, Dallas, Haynes, 44th minute. 2, Dallas, Kreis (Trotman), 48th minute.
Second half—3, Los Angeles, Hendrickson (Cienfuegos, Welton), 80th minute. 4, Los Angeles, Caligiuri (Cienfuegos), 85th minute. 5, Los Angeles, Mathis, 88th minute.
Goalies—Los Angeles, Hartman; Dallas, Dodd.
A—8,130 (25,425).

United 1, Fusion 0

D.C.	**0**	**0**	**— 0**
Miami	**0**	**0**	**— 0**

D.C. won 3-2 in shootout
First half—None.
Second half—None.
Shootout—D.C. 3 (Wood NG, Etcheverry G, Moreno G, Aunger NG, Harkes NG, and Agoos G); Miami 2 (Gutierrez G, Maessner NG, Vargas NG, Cullen G, Serna NG, and Boyce NG).
Goalies—D.C., Presthus; Miami, Cassar.
A—13,128.

National Football League

Summaries

Bills 26, 49ers 21

San Fran.	**0**	**0**	**0**	**21**	**— 21**
Buffalo	**10**	**10**	**3**	**3**	**— 26**

First Quarter
Buf—FG Christie 24, 12:30.
Buf—A.Smith 6 run (Christie kick), 1:27.
Second Quarter
Buf—Early 5 pass from R.Johnson (Christie kick), 14:28.
Buf—FG Christie 19, :03.
Third Quarter
Buf—FG Christie 38, 2:51.
Fourth Quarter
SF—Edwards 47 pass from Young (Rice pass from Young), 13:16.
Buf—FG Christie 45, 9:04.
SF—I. Smith 9 pass from Young (pass failed), 5:33.
SF—Stokes 21 pass from Young (Richey kick), 1:03.
A—76,615.

	SF	Buf
First downs	23	21
Rushes-yards	18-65	36-115
Passing	312	237
Comp-Att-Int	23-38-1	19-27-0
Sacked-Yards Lost	5-17	3-17
Punts	5-44.6	5-39.4
Fumbles-Lost	3-3	1-0
Penalties-Yards	22-178	12-106
Time of Possession	27:07	32:53

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—San Francisco, Young 5-34, Hearst 12-28, Leavey 1-3, Buffalo, A. Smith 22-47, Thomas 8-42, R. Johnson 6-20, Gash 1-3, K. Williams 1-3.
PASSING—San Francisco, Young 23-38-1-329. Buffalo, R. Johnson 19-27-0-254.
RECEIVING—San Francisco, Hearst 5-38, Owens 4-69, Stokes 4-62, I. Smith 4-49, Rice 3-54, Edwards 2-50, Levy 1-7. Buffalo, Early 8-57, K. Williams 4-87, Moulds 3-86, Thomas 2-13, L. Johnson 1-8, Riemersma 1-3.
MISSED FIELD GOALS—Buffalo, Christie 51 (WL). San Francisco, Richey 48 (WL).

Falcons 51, Panthers 23

Carolina	**3**	**0**	**6**	**14**	**— 23**
Atlanta	**14**	**3**	**21**	**13**	**— 51**

First Quarter
Atl—Dwight 93 kickoff return (Andersen kick), 14:45.
Atl—Martin 30 pass from Chandler (Andersen kick), 8:37.
Car—FG Kasay 28, 1:11.
Second Quarter
Atl—FG Andersen 23, 1:08.
Third Quarter
Atl—Christian 1 run (Andersen kick), 6:27.
Atl—Santiago 26 pass from Chandler (Andersen kick), 6:01.
Atl—White 18 fumble return (Andersen kick), 5:39.
Car—Walls 24 pass from Collins (kick blocked), 2:40.
Fourth Quarter
Car—Carrier 5 pass from Collins (pass failed), 13:19.
Atl—Anderson 20 run (Andersen kick), 6:03.
Car—Muhammad 72 pass from Collins (Collins run), 5:22.
Atl—FG Andersen 25, 3:05.
Atl—FG Andersen 28, :43.
A—50,724.

	Car	Atl
First downs	16	18
Rushes-yards	17-57	42-130
Passing	289	193
Comp-Att-Int	20-38-2	14-23-2
Sacked-Yards Lost	2-13	2-28
Punts	4-34.3	4-38.8
Fumbles-Lost	5-4	1-0
Penalties-Yards	8-47	6-53
Time of Possession	22:50	37:10

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—Carolina, Lane 15-48, Collins 2-9. Atlanta, Anderson 31-117, Oxendine 6-12, Dwight 2-7, Christian 1-1, Chandler 1-(minus 1), Mathis 1-(minus 6).
PASSING—Carolina, Collins 20-38-2-302. Atlanta, Chandler 12-20-2-189, Dwight 1-1-0-22, DeBerg 1-2-0-10.
RECEIVING—Carolina, Muhammad 4-104, Ismail 4-82, Floyd 4-19, Carrier 3-37, Walls 2-35, Broughton 1-13, Johnson 1-8, Lane 1-4. Atlanta, Martin 4-65, Mathis 3-51, Santiago 2-38, Anderson 2-34, Downs 2-11, Chandler 1-22.
MISSED FIELD GOALS—Carolina, Kasay 54 (WL).

Jets 20, Dolphins 9

Miami	**3**	**0**	**0**	**6**	**— 9**
N.Y. Jets	**0**	**10**	**7**	**3**	**— 20**

First Quarter
Mia—FG Mare 46, :39.
Second Quarter
Mia—K.Johnson 10 pass from Testaverde (Hall kick), 9:31.
NY—FG Hall 47, :22.
Third Quarter
NY—Martin 5 run (Hall kick), 3:33.
Fourth Quarter
Mia—Drayton 2 pass from Marino (run failed), 5:42.
NY—FG Hall 25, :48.
A—75,257.

	Mia	NY
First downs	11	22
Rushes-yards	15-34	38-117
Passing	119	172
Comp-Att-Int	15-34-3	19-32-0
Sacked-Yards Lost	3-23	2-13
Punts	7-41.4	5-39.2
Fumbles-Lost	2-0	2-1
Penalties-Yards	6-81	5-47
Time of Possession	22:56	37:04

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—Miami, Avery 4-20, Abdul-Jabbar 9-16, Marino 1-0, Parmalee 1-(minus 2). New York, Martin 36-108, Testaverde 1-5, Ward 1-4.
PASSING—Miami, Marino 13-31-2-121, Huard 2-3-1-21. New York, Testaverde 19-32-0-185.
RECEIVING—Miami, Parmalee 3-37, Gadsden 2-30, Perry 2-18, Abdul-Jabbar 2-8, McDuffie 1-19, Thomas 1-11, Jordan 1-9, Pritchett 1-5, Avery 1-3, Drayton 1-2. New York, Byars 6-71, Martin 4-17, K.Johnson 3-28, Brady 2-20, Chrebet 2-18, Ward 1-16, L.Johnson 1-15.
MISSED FIELD GOAL—New York, Hall 44 (BL).

Bears 31, Lions 27

Detroit	**10**	**0**	**17**	**0**	**— 27**
Chicago	**0**	**10**	**0**	**21**	**— 31**

First Quarter
Det—FG Hansen 28, 11:26.
Det—Morton 98 pass from Batch (Hansen kick), 1:12.
Second Quarter
Chi—Robinson 20 pass from Kramer (Jaeger kick), 11:40.
Chi—FG Jaeger 23, 3:13.
Third Quarter
Det—Chryplewicz 3 pass from Batch (Hanson kick), 6:56.
Det—Vardell 1 run (Hanson kick), 4:59.
Det—FG Hanson 43, 2:34.
Fourth Quarter
Chi—Penn 18 pass from Bennett (Jaeger kick), 12:52.
Chi—Bownes 6 pass from Kramer (Jaeger kick), 4:34.
Chi—Kramer 1 run (Jaeger kick), 1:50.
A—55,562.

	Det	Chi
First downs	15	23
Rushes-yards	26-94	37-125
Passing	246	280
Comp-Att-Int	16-31-0	27-38-0
Sacked-Yards Lost	4-22	2-13
Punts	8-41.3	4-44.3
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	5-5
Penalties-Yards	7-44	2-15
Time of Possession	24:11	35:49

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—Detroit, Batch 8-58, Sanders 14-28, Schlesinger 1-5, Rivers 1-2, Vardell 2-1. Chicago, Bennett 21-88, Enis 8-18, Chancey 2-13, Kramer 5-3, Milburn 1-3.
PASSING—Detroit, Batch 16-31-0-268. Chicago, Kramer 26-37-0-275, Bennett 1-1-0-18.
RECEIVING—Detroit, Rasby 5-39, Moore 4-49, Morton 2-138, Crowell 2-22, Sanders 2-17, Chryplewicz 1-3. Chicago, Penn 6-106, Engram 4-44, Wetnight 4-5, Bennett 3-32, Chancey 3-32, Robinson 2-33, Mayes 2-27, Bownes 2-13, Hellock 1-1.
MISSED FIELD GOAL—Detroit, Hansen 53 (WR).

Patriots 30, Saints 27

New Eng.	**3**	**14**	**10**	**3**	**— 30**
N. Orleans	**0**	**14**	**3**	**10**	**— 27**

First Quarter
NE—FG Vinatieri 34, 1:21.
Second Quarter
NO—Mitchell 63 fumble return (Brien kick), 13:29.
NE—Brisby 6 pass from Bledsoe (Vinatieri kick), 5:25.
NE—Edwards 8 run (Vinatieri kick), 2:41.
NO—Cleeland 1 pass from Wuerfel (Brien kick), :00.
Third Quarter
NE—Thomas 24 interception return (Vinatieri kick), 13:19.
NO—FG Brien 21, 8:26.
NE—FG Vinatieri 49, 4:44.
Fourth Quarter
NO—L.Smith 7 pass from Wuerfel (Brien kick), 7:30.
NO—FG Brien 37, 1:32.
NE—FG Vinatieri 27, :06.
A—56,172.

	NE	NO
First downs	20	19
Rushes-yards	25-97	18-39
Passing	291	237
Comp-Att-Int	21-35-3	25-47-2
Sacked-Yards Lost	3-26	7-41
Punts	3-51.7	6-38.5
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	0-0
Penalties-Yards	3-20	6-41
Time of Possession	29:15	30:45

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—New England, Edwards 22-97, Carter 1-3, Bledsoe 1-(minus 1), Cullors 1-(minus 2). New Orleans, L.Smith 13-22, Wuerffel 3-13, Zellars 2-4.
PASSING—New England, Bledsoe 21-35-3-317. New Orleans, Wuerffel 25-47-2-278.
RECEIVING—New England, Coates 7-78, Glenn 4-105, Brown 3-32, Cullors 2-56, Brisby 2-33, Carter 2-9, Edwards 1-4. New Orleans, Cleeland 8-64, Hastings 6-73, L.Smith 4-44, Bech 2-52, Craver 2-6, Davis 1-19, Dawkins 1-11, Poole 1-9.
MISSED FIELD GOALS—None.

Raiders 23, Cardinals 20

Oakland	**6**	**17**	**0**	**0**	**— 23**
Arizona	**7**	**7**	**0**	**6**	**— 20**

First Quarter
An—McWilliams 2 pass from Plummer (Nedney kick), 8:57.
Oak—FG G.Davis 51, 3:07.
Oak—FG G.Davis 40, :08.
Second Quarter
An—Moore 13 pass from Plummer (Nedney kick), 13:40.
Oak—FG G.Davis 34, 10:07.
Oak—Woodson 46 interception return (G.Davis kick), 5:14.
Oak—Hollas 1 run (G.Davis kick), 2:18.
Fourth Quarter
An—FG Nedney 41, 14:44.
An—FG Nedney 29, 8:16.
A—53,240.

	Oak	Ari
First downs	14	16
Rushes-yards	34-112	21-49
Passing	110	187
Comp-Att-Int	16-32-1	23-39-3
Sacked-Yards Lost	3-10	3-21
Punts	6-45.8	6-44.0
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	3-1
Penalties-Yards	6-45	7-45
Time of Possession	32:16	27:44

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—Oakland, Kaufman 16-58, H.Williams 13-46, Hollas 3-8, Ritchie 1-2, Dudley 1-(minus 2). Arizona, Murrell 13-28, Plummer 2-11, Centers 5-7, Pittman 1-3.
PASSING—Oakland, Hollas 12-22-0-104, George 4-10-1-16. Arizona, Plummer 23-39-3-208.
RECEIVING—Oakland, H.Williams 3-25, Jett 3-12, Dudley 2-26, Ritchie 2-15, Brown 2-13, Mickens 2-10, Kaufman 1-10, Shedd 1-9. Arizona, Sanders 10-118, Moore 4-37, Centers 4-23, McWilliams 2-12, Gedney 1-15, Metcalf 1-2, Murrell 1-1.
MISSED FIELD GOALS—None.

Colts 17, Chargers 12

San Diego	**0**	**6**	**0**	**6**	**— 12**
Indianapolis	**11**	**0**	**0**	**6**	**— 17**

First Quarter
Ind—Faulk 19 pass from Manning (Dilger run), 8:37.
Ind—FG Vanderjagt 48, 4:11. Drive: 4 plays, 5 yards, 1:27.
Second Quarter
SD—FG Carney 50, 14:12. Drive: 8 plays, 47 yards, 4:59.
SD—FG Carney 25, 1:55. Drive: 8 plays, 47 yards, 2:54.
Fourth Quarter
Ind—FG Vanderjagt 51, 6:14.
SD—Means 1 run (pass failed), 1:48.
Ind—FG Vanderjagt 40, 1:14.
A—51,988.

	SD	Ind
First downs	18	11
Rushes-yards	34-152	29-55
Passing	143	137
Comp-Att-Int	12-23-1	12-23-1
Sacked-Yards Lost	4-17	0-0
Punts	4-35.8	6-45.3
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	0-0
Penalties-Yards	12-95	7-62
Time of Possession	32:47	27:13

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—San Diego, Means 31-130, C.Jones 1-14, Leaf 1-6, Fletcher 1-2. Indianapolis, Faulk 25-50, Heyward 2-5, Manning 2-0.
PASSING—San Diego, Leaf 12-23-1-160. Indianapolis, Manning 12-23-1-137.
RECEIVING—San Diego, Still 6-46, C.Jones 2-66, F.Jones 1-16, Fletcher 1-13, Means 1-13, Slaughter 1-6. Indianapolis, Faulk 4-44, Harrison 3-39, Small 2-33, Heyward 1-9, Dilger 1-7, Pathon 1-5.
MISSED FIELD GOALS—San Diego, Carney 47 (WL). Indianapolis, Vanderjagt 40 (WR).

Broncos 41, Eagles 16

Philadelphia	**0**	**2**	**0**	**14**	**— 16**
Denver	**28**	**7**	**6**	**0**	**— 41**

First Quarter
Den—Davis 20 run (Elam kick), 12:12.
Den—Smith 8 pass from Brister (Elam kick), 7:51.
Den—Sharpe 9 pass from Brister (Elam kick), 4:13.
Den—Davis 1 run (Elam kick), 1:11.
Second Quarter
Phi—Safety, Thomas punt blocked out of end zone, 1:34.
Den—McCaffrey 12 pass from Brister (Elam kick), 1:10.
Third Quarter
Den—Brister 31 pass to R.Smith (kick failed), 5:17.
Fourth Quarter
Phi—Garner 3 run (Boniol kick), 14:55.
Phi—Garner 3 run (Boniol kick), 9:03.
A—73,218.

	Phi	Den
First downs	12	22
Rushes-yards	19-57	39-231
Passing	100	192
Comp-Att-Int	14-33-1	17-32-2
Sacked-Yards Lost	6-32	2-13
Punts	10-44.9	6-39.0
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	1-0
Penalties-Yards	4-28	6-50
Time of Possession	24:16	35:44

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—Philadelphia, Garner 10-50, Hoying 1-6, Walker 1-3, Turner 1-2, Staley 6-(minus 4). Denver, Davis 20-168, Loville 8-25, Hebron 5-22, Brister 1-11, R.Smith 1-9, Griese 4-(minus 4).
PASSING—Philadelphia, Hoying 11-24-1-96, Detmer 3-9-0-36. Denver, Brister 16-29-1-203, Griese 1-3-1-2.
RECEIVING—Philadelphia, Dunn 3-14, Fryar 2-19, Graham 2-15, Staley 2-6, Turner 2-4, Walker 1-33, Garner 1-21, Solomon 1-20. Denver, R.Smith 7-95, Sharpe 6-46, McCaffrey 2-60, Griffith 1-2, Hebron 1-2.
MISSED FIELD GOALS—None.

Buccaneers 20, Giants 3

N.Y. Giants	**0**	**0**	**0**	**3**	**— 3**
Tampa Bay	**10**	**0**	**0**	**10**	**— 20**

First Quarter
TB—Mincy 22 interception return (Husted kick), 13:26.
TB—FG Husted 35, :52.
Fourth Quarter
NY—FG Daluiso 22, 13:20.
TB—FG Husted 26, 5:02.
TB—Alstott 1 run (Husted kick), 1:54.
A—64,989.

	NY	TB
First downs	8	16
Rushes-yards	21-64	44-171
Passing	71	59
Comp-Att-Int	10-28-3	12-20-1
Sacked-Yards Lost	1-12	4-26
Punts	7-46.1	5-44.8
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	3-1
Penalties-Yards	3-15	9-69
Time of Possession	21:05	38:55

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—New York, Brown 17-67, Way 1-0, Kanell 1-(minus 1), T.Barber 2-(minus 2). Tampa Bay, Alstott 17-86, Dunn 21-63, Green 1-18, Anthony 1-4, Differ 4-0.
PASSING—New York, Kanell 10-27-3-83, Maynard 0-1-0-0. Tampa Bay, Differ 12-20-1-85.
RECEIVING—New York, T.Barber 3-10, Way 2-25, Calloway 2-23, Hilliard 1-12, Toomer 1-10, Brown 1-3. Tampa Bay, Neal 3-8, Dunn 3-4, Alstott 2-29, K.Williams 2-16, Moore 1-17, Davis 1-11.
MISSED FIELD GOALS—None.

Chiefs 17, Seahawks 6

Seattle	**3**	**0**	**3**	**0**	**— 6**
Kansas City	**3**	**7**	**7**	**0**	**— 17**

First Quarter
Sea—FG Peterson 22, 12:05.
KC—FG Stoyanovich 22, :50.
Second Quarter
KC—Gannon 4 run (Stoyanovich kick), :13.
Third Quarter
Sea—FG Peterson 28, 10:01.
KC—Rison 80 pass from Gannon (Stoyanovich kick), :24.
A—66,418.

	Sea	KC
First downs	10	12
Rushes-yards	26-73	42-131
Passing	94	120
Comp-Att-Int	11-33-2	12-19-0
Sacked-Yards Lost	0-00	4-22
Punts	7-43.7	7-40.7
Fumbles-Lost	3-2	5-5
Penalties-Yards	12-88	5-48
Time of Possession	26:12	33:48

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—Seattle, Watters 22-59, Kitna 1-11, Galloway 1-2, Strong 1-2, Moon 1-(minus 1). Kansas City, Bennett 17-62, Shehee 11-28, Anders 5-17, Richardson 4-13, Gannon 5-11.
PASSING—Seattle, Friesz 8-19-1-52, Kitna 3-12-1-42, Moon 0-2-0-0. Kansas City, Gannon 12-19-0-142.
RECEIVING—Seattle, Galloway 5-50, Watters 2-(minus 6), Broussard 1-16, McKnight 1-16, Fauria 1-13, May 1-5. Kansas City, Rison 4-90, Gonzalez 3-18, Horn 1-13, Alexander 1-9, Anders 1-5, Shields 1-4, Bennett 1-3.
MISSED FIELD GOAL—Seattle, Peterson 38 (WL).

Standings

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
Miami	3	1	0	.750	67	42	2-0-0	1-1-0	3-1-0	0-0-0	2-1-0
New England	3	1	0	.750	107	76	2-0-0	1-1-0	2-1-0	1-0-0	1-0-0
NY Jets	2	2	0	.500	104	75	2-1-0	0-1-0	2-1-0	0-1-0	2-0-0
Buffalo	1	3	0	.250	80	84	1-1-0	0-2-0	0-2-0	1-1-0	0-1-0
Indianapolis	1	4	0	.200	57	126	1-1-0	0-3-0	1-3-0	0-1-0	0-3-0
Central											
Jacksonville	4	0	0	1.000	96	71	2-0-0	2-0-0	3-0-0	1-0-0	2-0-0
Pittsburgh	3	1	0	.750	50	56	2-0-0	1-1-0	2-1-0	1-0-0	1-0-0
Baltimore	2	2	0	.500	78	78	1-1-0	1-1-0	2-2-0	0-0-0	1-2-0
Cincinnati	1	3	0	.250	78	95	0-2-0	1-1-0	0-2-0	1-1-0	0-2-0
Tennessee	1	3	0	.250	68	81	0-2-0	1-1-0	1-3-0	0-0-0	1-1-0
West											
Denver	5	0	0	1.000	182	93	3-0-0	2-0-0	2-0-0	3-0-0	1-0-0
Kansas City	4	1	0	.800	108	63	3-0-0	1-1-0	3-1-0	1-0-0	3-0-0
Oakland	3	2	0	.600	81	111	1-0-0	2-2-0	0-2-0	3-0-0	0-2-0
Seattle	3	2	0	.600	111	58	2-0-0	1-2-0	0-2-0	3-0-0	0-1-0
San Diego	2	3	0	.400	64	95	1-1-0	1-2-0	2-3-0	0-0-0	0-1-0

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	NFC	AFC	Div
Dallas	3	2	0	.600	135	82	1-1-0	2-1-0	3-0-0	0-2-0	3-0-0
Arizona	2	3	0	.400	81	114	1-1-0	1-2-0	2-1-0	0-2-0	1-1-0
NY Giants	2	3	0	.400	92	111	1-1-0	1-2-0	1-2-0	1-1-0	1-1-0
Philadelphia	0	5	0	.000	52	137	0-2-0	0-3-0	0-2-0	0-3-0	0-1-0
Washington	0	5	0	.000	74	169	0-3-0	0-2-0	0-3-0	0-2-0	0-2-0
Central											
Green Bay	4	0	0	1.000	111	70	2-0-0	2-0-0	3-0-0	1-0-0	2-0-0
Minnesota	4	0	0	1.000	129	72	2-0-0	2-0-0	4-0-0	0-0-0	3-0-0
Tampa Bay	2	3	0	.400	75	99	2-0-0	0-3-0	2-3-0	0-0-0	1-3-0
Chicago	1	4	0	.200	109	126	1-2-0	0-2-0	1-2-0	0-2-0	1-2-0
Detroit	1	4	0	.200	107	138	1-1-0	0-3-0	1-3-0	0-1-0	1-3-0
West											
Atlanta	3	1	0	.750	107	80	2-0-0	1-1-0	3-1-0	0-0-0	2-1-0
New Orleans	3	1	0	.750	89	74	1-1-0	2-0-0	2-0-0	1-1-0	2-0-0
San Fran	3	1	0	.750	133	86	3-0-0	1-0-0	2-0-0	1-1-0	1-0-0
St. Louis	1	3	0	.250	99	115	0-3-0	1-0-0	0-3-0	1-0-0	0-1-0
Carolina	0	4	0	.000	81	126	0-2-0	0-2-0	0-4-0	0-0-0	0-3-0

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Leyritz becoming Mr. October Jr. with HRs

By Bernie Wilson
AP Sports Writer

SAN DIEGO — Reggie Jackson was Mr. October. Jim Leyritz is becoming Mr. October Jr.

Leyritz, one of the New York Yankees' World Series heroes in 1996, is doing it again. He hit another clutch playoff home run Saturday night, this one a tiebreaking shot to boost the San Diego Padres to a 2-1 win over the Houston Astros and control of their best-of-5 NL division series, 2-1.

He then connected Sunday off Astros ace Randy Johnson, giving the Padres a 1-0 lead in the second inning. Leyritz homered for the third straight day, giving him six home runs in only 34 postseason at-bats.

Leyritz, whose stance is described by Tony Gwynn as "funky," now has six homers among his 10 postseason hits in the last four seasons.

"I've always said that I get paid for April and October," Leyritz said Saturday night. "I don't play a whole lot in between. That's the time of year I like to play. I really enjoy those times, enjoy that pressure. Because if you do well, you get the benefits."

Leyritz's shot to left off Scott Elarton on Saturday night came a half inning after ace Kevin Brown, brought back on three days' rest, walked Craig Biggio with the bases loaded to force in the tying run.

A win Sunday would put the Padres into the NL championship series against Atlanta and avoid having them return to Houston for a Game 5 Monday night.

For Game 4, San Diego started a lefty, Sterling Hitchcock, who happens to have Leyritz as his personal catcher.

Leyritz's biggest postseason homer came in the 1996 World Series when he hit a dramatic three-run, eighth-inning shot against Atlanta's Mark Wohlers to tie Game 4 at 6. The Yankees went on to win in 10 innings and defeated the Braves in six games.

The previous year, his 15th-inning home run off Tim Belcher won Game 2 of the Yankees' first-round series against Seattle.

Leyritz also hit the first of three Yankees homers in the third inning of the victory over Baltimore that clinched the AL pennant in 1996.

On Thursday in Houston, he had a pinch-hit, two-run homer off Billy Wagner with two outs in the ninth inning that stayed just fair to tie the game at 4. The Astros came back to win 5-4 in the bottom of the inning.

"Never in my wildest dreams did I think he would have done what he's done for us the last week," Padres manager Bruce Bochy said Sunday.

"He's already, in postseason, been worth the million dollars or so we spent on him for his contract," general manager Kevin Towers said. "He's been worth every bit of that."

Leyritz was acquired in a trade with Boston on June 21. He was disenchanted with his lack of playing time with the Red Sox, who were eliminated from their division series with Cleveland on Saturday.

At the time, Padres backup catcher Greg Myers was on the disabled list. Not only has Leyritz played catcher, but he's often started at first base in place of Wally Joyner when the Padres face left-handers, including a start in the series opener, when he singled and hit a sacrifice fly off Johnson. He also made one start at third in the regular season and even replaced Greg Vaughn in left field late one game.

Leyritz started at first base Saturday night because the Padres were facing left-hander Mike Hampton. But right-handed reliever Elarton opened the seventh.

"I was actually looking over my shoulder thinking that Wally might be hitting for me there," Leyritz said. "I just went up there and swinging and fortunately, I got a pitch that I could handle. I'm not thinking home run there."

When Leyritz was with the Yankees, Don Mattingly nicknamed him "The King" after one homer.

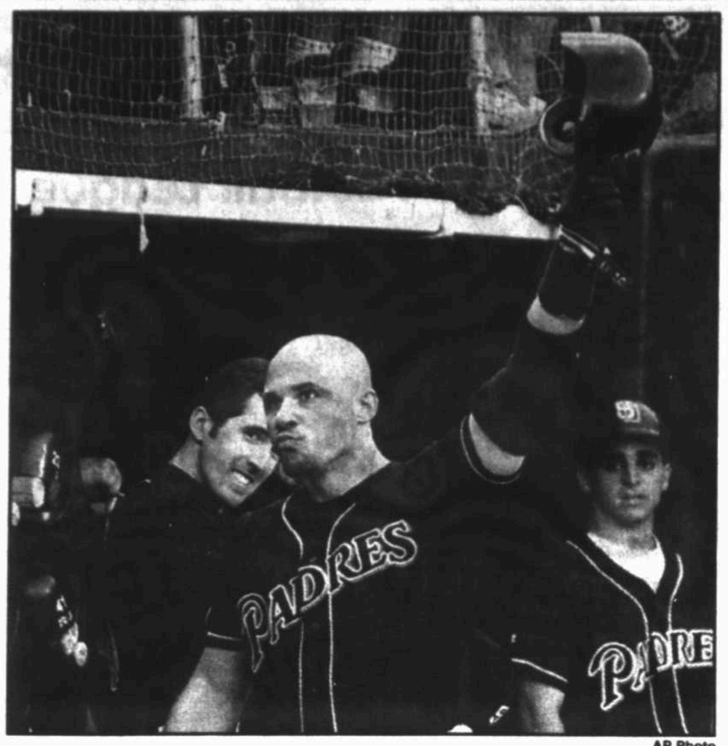
"It's kind of a playful thing," Leyritz said. "My wife doesn't like it at all. She says, 'You're not the king at home, you're only the king at the ballpark.' "

Which is perfectly fine with the Padres.

"I'll call him King forever if he keeps hitting home runs," Towers said.

Gwynn chuckles when he sees Leyritz crouched in his stance.

"His front leg is straight and his back leg is bent. I don't know how he gets it to work, but it's working," Gwynn said.



AP Photo

San Diego Padres' Jim Leyritz acknowledges the crowd after his solo home run in the second inning of game four of the National League Division Series playoffs at Qualcomm Stadium in San Diego, Calif., on Sunday.

ASTROS: Devastating loss

(From 1C)

said we couldn't beat Johnson twice in a five-game series. Well, we beat him twice in a four-game series. These guys never let up."

This series was close and tense, with the first three games being decided by one run. This one was headed that way until reliever Jay Powell gave up pinch-hitter John Vander Wal's two-run triple and Wally Joyner's two-run homer in the eighth.

With the crowd of 64,898 roaring, Trevor Hoffman closed out the ninth for the Padres, who now face a Braves team that beat them five times in nine games this year.

Houston's Ricky Gutierrez kneeled in the on-deck circle for a few minutes after the final out, which sent the Padres bursting out of the dugout and fireworks bursting overhead. Craig Biggio sat in the dugout, stunned, staring at the scene. Like they did the night they won the NL West, Padres players and their families partied on the field.

This is the first time the Padres have been this far since 1984, when they beat the Chicago Cubs to win the pennant only to lose the World Series 4-1 to Detroit.

Tony Gwynn, 38, is the only player left from that Padres team, although Bruce Bochy is the manager and Tim Flannery the third base coach.

"Everyone knew coming into the playoffs that all roads lead to Atlanta," Gwynn said. "I'm excited."

The Astros, who led the NL in scoring this season but managed just eight runs in this series, go home frustrated for a second straight year, having been swept by Atlanta in the first round in 1997. Houston has been in five postseason series, and lost all of them.

"It's just kind of hard for me to think about," Houston star Jeff Bagwell said. "It's just too devastating to even think about."

Hitchcock and three relievers combined on a three-hitter Sunday.

"I've seen it before," manager Larry Dierker said. "It happened here at a critical time."

Johnson was brilliant after being traded from Seattle to Houston on July 31, going 10-1 with a 1.28 ERA. But the Padres beat him twice this series.

Leyritz had been just 4-for-37 (.108) with one home run lifetime off Johnson, but his second-inning homer was his sixth in 34 postseason at-bats.

"This time of day, it's hard to see the ball," Leyritz said. "I just swung in the right place and, with his velocity, was able to hit it out.

The Padres won Saturday night's game 2-1 thanks to Leyritz's solo homer to left with one out in the seventh. On Thursday, his pinch-hit, two-run shot with two out in the ninth off Billy Wagner sailed just inside the foul pole in right, tying the game at 4. The Astros came back and won it 5-4 in the bottom of the ninth.

Leyritz is best known for his three-run, eighth-inning shot against Atlanta's Mark Wohlers that tied Game 4 of the '96 Series at 6. The Yankees went on to win in 10 innings and defeated the Braves in six games.

Trailing 2-1, the Astros loaded the bases without a hit off Joey Hamilton in the seventh. Dan Miceli came on and retired the side on four pitches, striking out Brad Ausmus and getting Carl Everett — pinch-hitting for Johnson — to pop up to third.

Miceli came on with the bases loaded and two out Saturday night and struck out Bill Spiers on three pitches.

The Padres scratched out an unearned run in the sixth to go ahead 2-1. Greg Vaughn hit a high fly with two outs and left fielder Moises Alou had to run in.

Alou tried to make a sliding catch and missed, giving Vaughn a double. Ken Caminiti followed with a chopper to third baseman Sean Berry and stumbled coming out of the box, but Berry made a bad throw that bounced past Bagwell at first base, allowing Vaughn to score.

Notes: Doyle Alexander (1973-87) and Joe Bush (1914-23) also lost five straight postseason decisions. ... The Padres scored more than four runs for the first time in 17 games. ... San Diego's Ruben Rivera got the start in center field for Steve Finley because Bochy didn't want three lefties hitting against Johnson. The other two lefties in the lineup for San Diego were Gwynn and Joyner. ... The crowd was second largest in San Diego baseball history only to Saturday night's 65,235.

Yankees visit Strawberry after surgery

By Ronald Blum
AP Sports Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Hearing the good news secondhand wasn't good enough, so half a dozen New York Yankees visited Darryl Strawberry on Sunday, a day after a cancerous tumor was removed from the outfielder's colon.

Pitcher David Cone intended to bring one of the Yankees' caps, which now have Strawberry's number 39 stitched in white on the back.

"We just want to show him how much we care — and we got the job done he wanted us to do," Cone said before joining teammates Chili Davis, Joe Girardi, Derek Jeter, Tino Martinez, Andy Pettitte and Tim Raines on the trip to Columbia-Presbyterian Medical Center, about a mile from Yankee Stadium.

Strawberry was on the Yankees' minds as they prepared for Tuesday's start of the AL championship series against Cleveland. Dr. Stuart Hershon, the Yankees' team physician, held a clubhouse meeting and gave an update on Strawberry's condition.

Hershon told them doctors believe the cancer had not spread, but they won't know for sure until tests come back in about 10 days. Doctors removed a 16-inch portion of Strawberry's large intestine to get rid of a tumor almost 2 1/2 inches long.

"I think we felt a lot better because everything came out well," Martinez said. "There's a lot of relief around here. Our thoughts are still with him, but there's a lot better feeling around here."

Strawberry remained in stable condition Sunday night. He is expected to remain in the hospital for about a week.

"He's doing well. His family is with him," Columbia-Presbyterian spokeswoman Szuping Di said.

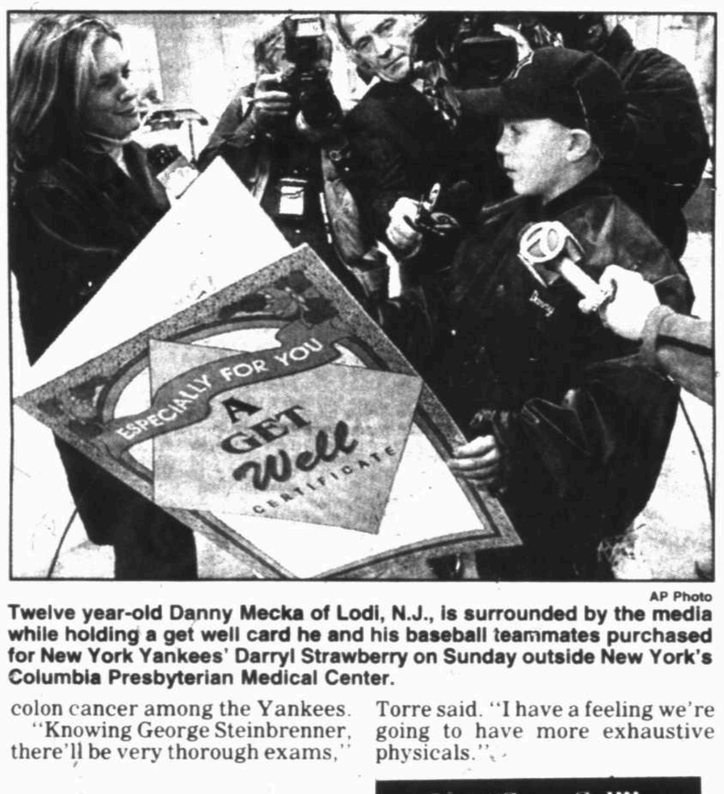
Strawberry also got a visit from George Steinbrenner, who didn't make it clear whether he went Saturday, Sunday or both.

"I was with him all day," Steinbrenner said at Yankee Stadium without elaborating.

The Yankees were shaken when they learned last Thursday that Strawberry had a cancerous tumor.

New York manager Joe Torre, who also visited the 36-year-old outfielder, predicted Strawberry's illness will increase the awareness of colon cancer among the Yankees.

"Knowing George Steinbrenner, there'll be very thorough exams," Torre said. "I have a feeling we're going to have more exhaustive physicals."



AP Photo

Twelve year-old Danny Mecka of Lodi, N.J., is surrounded by the media while holding a get well card he and his baseball teammates purchased for New York Yankees' Darryl Strawberry on Sunday outside New York's Columbia Presbyterian Medical Center.

Astros' lack of punch sends them home early

By Ken Peters
AP Sports Writer

SAN DIEGO — The Houston Astros, two-time defending NL Central champions, are postseason patsies.

Their 6-1 loss to San Diego on Sunday, which sent the Astros home after the first round for the second year in a row, continued their playoff hitting slump that began a year ago.

"This was not fun," said Houston catcher Brad Ausmus, who struck out looking with the bases loaded in the seventh inning.

"This was a team that was good enough to go to the World Series, win the World Series. This wasn't like last year, when we were just trying to make the playoffs. It's really a big letdown."

Even a second strong outing by Randy Johnson couldn't make up for the Astros' lack of hitting. Their failure to score with the bases loaded and one out in the seventh, when they trailed just 2-1, wound up costing them much chance at winning.

Johnson was lifted for a pinch-hitter in that inning, and the Padres went on to open the game up with four runs off relievers in the eighth.

The Astros' Killer B's — Craig Biggio, Derek Bell and Jeff Bagwell — were a combined 6-for-41 in the series after going 2-for-37 against Atlanta last year.

Bagwell, who was 2-for-14 but drove in four runs, said, "We got beat because we didn't score enough. We had the opportunities, but we didn't take advantage of them like we were able to do all season."

After scoring just five runs while being swept in three games by the Braves in 1997, Houston made the Padres' mound staff look just as imposing as the Braves' outstanding crew, with a total of only eight runs in four games against San Diego.

That from a team that won a franchise-record 102 games and scored an NL-high 874 runs.

This year, the Astros won one, a 5-4 decision in Game 2 at Houston that tied the series 1-1. Then they reverted to form in the final two games, scoring just one run in each — as they had in losing the opener 2-1.

They had a paltry total of 11 hits in the three losses to San Diego.

"We led the league in runs scored, but in three games we scored one run and the final game we only had three hits," Houston manager Larry Dierker said. "Some other week, their pitchers would throw the same pitches and we'd hit them.

"It's hard to understand except to say, 'That's baseball.' "

In the seventh inning of the final game, the Astros couldn't even cash in what could have been a critical error by San Diego shortstop Chris Gomez.

LOCAL SPORTS

Jacks win scrimmage

SAN ANGELO — The Odessa Jackalopes opened their second season in exciting fashion, surviving a 10-player shootout to win a scrimmage over the San Angelo Outlaws 4-3 Sunday.

The Jacks won the shootout 3-2 as their final shooter, Shayne LeBreton scored to give Odessa the lead. The Outlaws had the final shot, but goalie Michael Tornquist denied Ryan Reid to clinch the victory for the Jacks.

Odessa scored twice in the first 6 1/2 minutes to take a 2-0 lead. Johan Hagman opened the scoring with a goal off assists from Anders Lindberg and Christian Wibner while Jamie Dubrick scored the second goal off an assist from Murray Sheehan.

The Jacks broke a 2-2 tie late in the second period on a power play goal by Hagman, who was assisted by Wibner and Martin Ohrstedt. However, the Outlaws sent it to a shootout when they pulled their goalie for an extra attacker and Marty Diamond scored with 36 seconds remaining in regulation.

Prior to LeBreton's goal, Ohrstedt and Rick Girhiny scored shootout goals for the Jacks.

The two teams will play another scrimmage at 7 p.m. Tuesday night at the Ector County Coliseum.

Abell Blue wins championship

Abell Blue defeated San Jac into Gold Saturday 6-15, 15-6, 15-9 to win the American Conference seventh grade volleybal tournament.

For Abell Blue: Whitney Frost had 9 points, Megan Rhoads had 7 points, and Leah Lawdermilk had 5 points.

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By Joe Macenka
AP Sports Writer

CONCORD, N.C. — The way Mark Martin sees it, his best may not be good enough.

Needing a good run to stay close to series points leader Jeff Gordon, Martin got that and more Sunday in the UAW-GM Quality 500. Starting on the outside of the front row, Martin put on a dominating show at Charlotte Motor Speedway, leading the most laps on the way to his seventh victory of the year.

It came on a day when Gordon battled handling problems over the last third of the 334-lap race and wound up nearly one-half lap back in fifth. It was Gordon's 15th consecutive top-five finish, a streak that stretches back to April.

The net effect was that Gordon, who came to Charlotte 199 points ahead of Martin atop the season standings, saw his lead cut to 174 with five races left.

"This won't cut it," Martin said. "We've got to pick up a bunch of points someplace to have any chance of catching up to him."

Gordon, seeking his third championship in four years, can wrap up the crown by finishing fifth or better in the remaining events.

"I can't tell you how lucky I feel about finishing where we did today," Gordon said. "We'll take it."

Even though Gordon appears to have the upper hand, Martin is well aware of how quickly things can change. He got firsthand evidence of that last month when he lost 140 points to Gordon at Darlington, S.C.

Now Martin has won two of three races. Gordon, on the other hand, has never won a Winston Cup race in October or November.

"We just have to keep our heads down and work at it," Martin said. "Sometimes you get lucky, and that's all we can really hope for right now."

Martin led six times for 215 laps. He kept his Jack Roush-owned Ford Taurus up front for the final 66 laps and 133 of the last 134.

"We weren't messing around," Martin said. "We led every lap that we could lead. We're charging now."

Martin's dominance came on what turned out to be a long afternoon of racing on Charlotte's 1.5-mile, high-banked trioval.

The event was slowed by 11 caution flags, and a broken sewer line near the speedway resulted in a backup that produced a stream of water flowing down the backstretch, causing the race to be red-flagged for 42 minutes. The result was the race took nearly five hours to complete and track officials turned on the facility's lights for the final 70-plus laps.

Martin's victory highlighted a banner day for Roush Racing, which had four of the top eight finishers. Jeff Burton was third, Kevin Lepage finished sixth and Chad Little was eighth.

Ward Burton was second, his best finish in nearly three years. But he crossed the finish line about 150 yards behind Martin.

"We beat everybody but one car, and I wanted that one car bad," Burton said. "But it's a good start."

After his 29th career victory, Martin wondered if there might have been a different outcome if not for the biggest crash of the day, an 11-car pileup on lap 203. No one was injured, but several contenders were eliminated.

"There were a lot of cars that could have had a chance today," said Martin, who was immediately in front of the crash. "We were just fortunate. We ran well and we didn't have any trouble, but there were an awful lot of them that did have trouble that could have made a race out of it."

The race had just gone back to green after a caution, so the field was bunched and running two-wide when Bobby Labonte went into a violent slide in the first turn. By the time the melee ended, the disabled included the top-10 cars of Labonte, older brother Terry, Dale Earnhardt and Mike Skinner.

"It wasn't their fault," Bobby Labonte said. "It was mine."

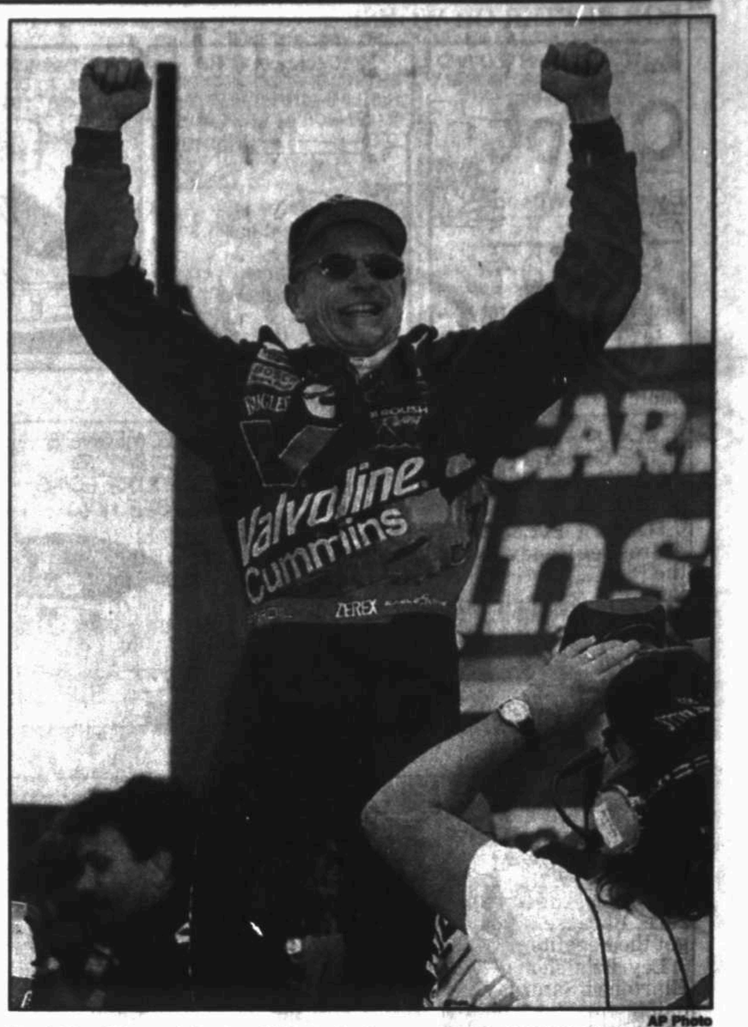
Gordon, who was running just behind Labonte at the time, had minor damage to his left rear end, but his car didn't handle nearly as well the rest of the way. He led four times for 47 laps early in the race, but after the wreck he never got near the front again.

Nonetheless, Gordon was satisfied with the outcome, especially considering that he began the race from the 26th spot, his worst starting position since the season-opening Daytona 500.

"I feel like I dodged a six-shooter," Gordon said.

Martin, who had good pit stops all day, beat everyone out of the pits during the caution caused by the big pileup, and he stayed safely in front of everyone the rest of the way under green-flag conditions.

The only time he surrendered the lead over the closing laps was on lap 268, during the 10th caution, when he and the rest of the leaders pitted for their final service stops.



AP Photo

Mark Martin celebrates his win in the wreck-filled UAW-GM 500 at the Charlotte Motor Speedway in Concord, N.C. on Sunday. His victory pulls him closer to Jeff Gordon in the points race.

Elkington edges Funk for Buick Challenge

Associated Press

■ Golf Roundup

PINE MOUNTAIN, Ga. — Steve Elkington, coming from four shots back in regulation Sunday, parred the first playoff hole of the Buick Challenge to beat Fred Funk, who had led the first three days of the $1.5 million tournament.

Elkington, sidelined for a month earlier this year with a bout with viral meningitis, shot a 5-under-par 65 for a 267 to tie Funk, who had a 68 in the final round over the par 72, 7,057-yard Mountain View course at the Callaway Gardens resort 75 miles southwest of Atlanta.

On the first playoff hole — the par 4, 432-yard 18th hole, Funk hit into a fairway bunker, 184 yards from the pin. His second shot hit the lip of the bunker and caromed into the fairway about 20 yards sideways, and his third shot landed in the deep rough, five yards off the green — all before Elkington's second shot. Funk's fourth shot landed 8 feet beyond the pin.

Elkington's second shot was in the middle of the green, and he calmly two-putted for his par and the ninth win of his career, the first since last year when he won the Doral-Ryder Open and Players's Championship. It was his second victory here, the first coming in four years ago.

The $270,000 first prize gave Elkington $695,000 for the year in 15 events and raised his career earnings to more than $7 million.

Bill Glasson shot a 69 and finished third at 268, one shot behind the leaders. J.L. Lewis had a 68 and was another shot back at 269. Skip Kendall, who had the day's best round with a 63, was next at 271.

Leading money-winner David Duval was another two shots back at 273 after a 69.

- Elkington had seven birdies without a bogey in his round, including five birdies on the back nine, highlighted by a 15-footer on 18 for the tie.
- Funk, seeking a wire-to-wire victory on one of his favorite courses — winning here in 1995 and tied for second in 1996, had five birdies and two bogeys in his round.
- Funk, 30th on the money list entering the tourney, earned $162,000 and is at $987,000 — by far his best season. He has had five tour wins, including one earlier this year at the Deposit Guaranty Classic.

The field has 19 of the top 30 money-winners, including Vijay Singh, the PGA champion, and defending champion Davis Love. Singh had a final-round 74 for 283. Love had a 65-275. Hal Sutton, the winner of the Texas Open last week, had a 69-274.

Morgan tied Irwin with sixth win

CLEMMONS, N.C. — It looks like the two best players on the Senior PGA Tour will have a shootout over the final month of the season.

Gil Morgan tied leading money winner Hale Irwin with his sixth victory of 1998, rallying from four shots back with a final-round 5-under-par 65 Sunday to win the $1.5 million Vantage Championship.

Morgan's 12-under-par 198 total earned him $225,000 as he edged Irwin, who shot a 67, by one shot on the par-70, 6,600-yard Tanglewood Park championship course.

It was the second major comeback win of the season for Morgan. He came from five shots back in February to win the LG Championship. Meanwhile, Irwin has two wins and two seconds in his last four Vantage tournaments.

Jerry McGee, who started the day with a three-shot lead, tied for third with Tom Wargo, two shots back. Wargo moved into contention late with a third-round 64, while McGee birdied the final hole to salvage a 1-over 71 after a disastrous triple bogey on the 15th hole.

Morgan's win was his 13th on the Senior Tour — six more than his entire total on the PGA Tour over a 24-year span. Morgan did finish second or third 41 times on the regular tour.

McGee was clinging to a one-shot lead over Morgan and a two-stroke margin over Irwin and had just saved par on the 14th hole with a 20-foot putt after escaping two sand traps.

Then disaster struck.

McGee, who has had trouble off the tee all season, hooked his drive into the lake on the 15th hole and three-putted for a triple bogey as his attempt for his first Senior Tour title went up in smoke.

Meanwhile, Morgan, playing in the group ahead of McGee and Irwin, took the lead for good with a 15-foot birdie putt on the 16th.

Terry Dill tied the course record with a 62 and finished at 8-under. Dill birdied five of the opening six holes Sunday to beat his career-best round by two shots. Irwin and Dave Eichelberger set the Tanglewood 18-hole record last year when the course played to a par-71.

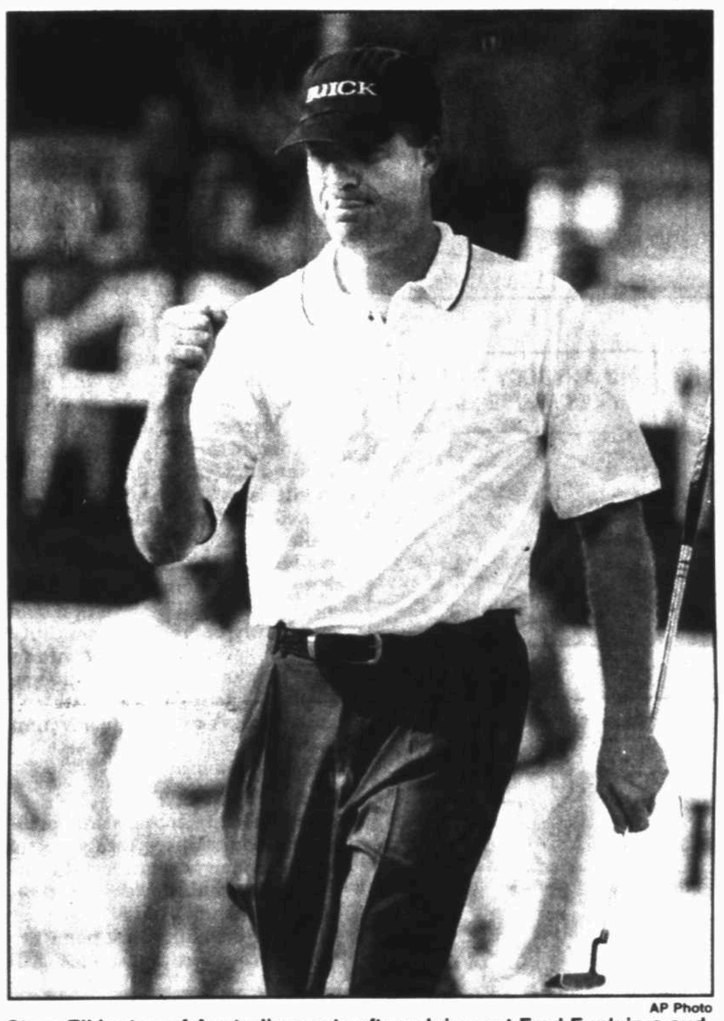
Dill's 62 was 10 shots better than his second-round score and also tied the low round on the Senior Tour this season. Irwin has a pair of 62s, while Jay Sigel and Isao Aoki also posted that score. None were on par-70 courses.

Westwood win Belgian Open in playoff

KNOKKE, Belgium — Lee Westwood of England beat Sweden's Fredrik Jacobson in a playoff to win the Belgian Belgacom Open Sunday and keep alive his chances of being the European PGA Tour's top money winner.

Westwood took the lead for the first time in the tournament on the 12th hole Sunday before Jacobson came back on the 17th with a birdie to force a playoff. The two tied at 16-under 268 for 72 holes.

On the par-4 playoff hole, Jacobson hit his second shot to 14 feet, 6 feet closer than Westwood, but the Englishman won his fourth tournament of the year with superlative putting.



AP Photo

Steve Elkington of Australia reacts after edging out Fred Funk in a sudden-death playoff at the Buick Challenge on Sunday. Elkington, coming from four shots back in regulation, parred the first playoff hole.

Franchitti takes Texaco GP

HOUSTON (AP) — Dario Franchitti won his third race of the season Sunday as rain played havoc with the inaugural Texaco Grand Prix, delaying the start, cutting it short and causing moments of chaos in between.

The race, scheduled for 100 laps on the 1.527-mile, 10-turn temporary street course in downtown Houston, was flagged to a halt after 70 laps as rain poured down and standing water began to form on the track.

Franchitti, whose first CART FedEx Series victories came consecutively earlier this season in Elkhart Lake, Wis., and Vancouver, British Columbia, started on the front row of the 28-car field, next to pole-winner Greg Moore. The 25-year-old Scot wound up leading virtually the entire way.

He beat Moore to the first turn to take the lead, then pulled away after the Canadian driver was sidelined by a spin on the fourth lap.

"This was like Scotland today, with all the rain. The biggest problem at the beginning was the course was like an ice rink," Franchitti said. "Then, when we went to drys (slick tires), some places had grip and some places didn't. Then the rain came and it all changed again.

"But, in wet and dry conditions, we were fast, and that was great."

The race began 35 minutes late after standing water from earlier downpours was pushed and blown off the track.

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Rios beats Agassi

By Nesha Starcevic
Associated Press Writer

MUNICH, Germany — Marcelo Rios overcame back problems to beat Andre Agassi in five sets Sunday, winning the Grand Slam Cup and $1.3 million, the richest prize in tennis.

Rios, who looked as if he would quit early in the match, prevailed 6-4, 2-6, 7-6 (7-1), 5-7, 6-3.

Venus Williams won the inaugural women's title with a 6-2, 3-6, 6-2 victory over Patty Schnyder of Switzerland. Williams received $800,000.

At the end, Agassi seemed to be worn out by nearly seven hours of tennis in two days.

The American, who is No. 8 in the world, had not met the qualifying standard but was given a wild card in an attempt to give some luster to the men's field, which lacked No. 1 Pete Sampras and No. 2 Patrick Rafter.

Agassi had to settle for the runner-up prize of $650,000.

The $6.7 million tournament is supposed to bring together players with the best records in the four Grand Slam events of the year — the Australian, French and U.S. Open and Wimbledon. But three of the men's Slam champions elected not to show up.

Rios, the highest-ranked player in he event at No. 3, was in pain early in the match. He was given a massage by a trainer after the third game and after a double fault in the fifth, he took an injury timeout and was stretched on the floor for a couple of minutes while the trainer worked on his back.

Rios also took some painkillers and then immediately broke Agassi to level the score. In the next game, he hit two aces in holding serve at love. He broke Agassi's serve to win the set, hitting a spectacular running backhand passing shot on his second set point.

Although he lost the second set, Rios produced one of its highlights: winning a point while sitting on the floor after slipping and falling on the hard-court surface.

Rios' serve was devastating in the third set. He won five of six games at love, although he used several changeovers to stretch and get more massage.

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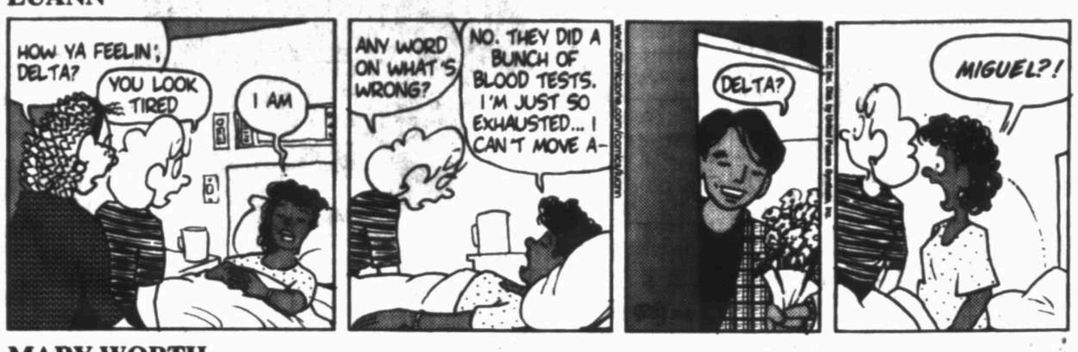
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TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★ Think through recent decisions. A boss is cranky and unpredictable. Be intuitive; any other approach creates an uproar for you. A partner surprises you with an unusual show of support. Someone might ask you to be more self-disciplined and less indulgent. Tonight: Take a back seat.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★★ Excitement surrounds desires. You might believe that someone finally appreciates you. But be careful; you could distort information. Remember, you can't change a leopard's spots. Creativity and ingenuity mix. You are on a winning path; go for it. Tonight: Accept an intriguing invitation!

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★ Take the financial and professional lead. Others recognize that you have their best interests in mind. Pressure remains intense, as people make demands from all directions. Consider bringing work home or to someplace where you can focus. Tonight: Get the job done well!

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★★ Reach out for someone. Change plans, if need be. The unexpected runs riot, but you work well with it. Your ingenuity surges as you determine your options. A friend surprises you; know what you want here. Tonight: Willingly make any necessary adjustments.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ One-to-one relating solves both financial and emotional problems. Recognize that your willingness to be innovative separates you from the pack. Listen carefully to a partner when it comes to money. Pressure to secure finances builds. Make wise choices. Tonight: Togetherness counts.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★★ Others seem to have a strong agenda. Talks are animated and direct. Open up creativity, and let go of previous ideas. The more progressive you are, the greater the likelihood of solving a problem. Pressure from others remains high. Tonight: Juggle demands and fun!

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★ Pace yourself. Recognize just how much you need to get done. Understand your limits and energy levels. Refuse to let someone pressure you. Make work your highest priority. Unusual flexibility marks success under the current circumstances. Tonight: Run errands on the way home.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★★ Take in the big picture. Be willing to do unusual things. Remember, effectiveness counts at work. You might be taken aback by someone's choices. Count on a friend who really cares about you. Push comes to shove with a loved one or child. Tonight: Get into some play.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ Build on existing foundations, though there is a side of you that wants to rebel. Rely on your conservative streak to carry you through a money whirlwind. Intuition gives you guidance with a boss or someone whom you put on a pedestal. Tonight: Roll on home.

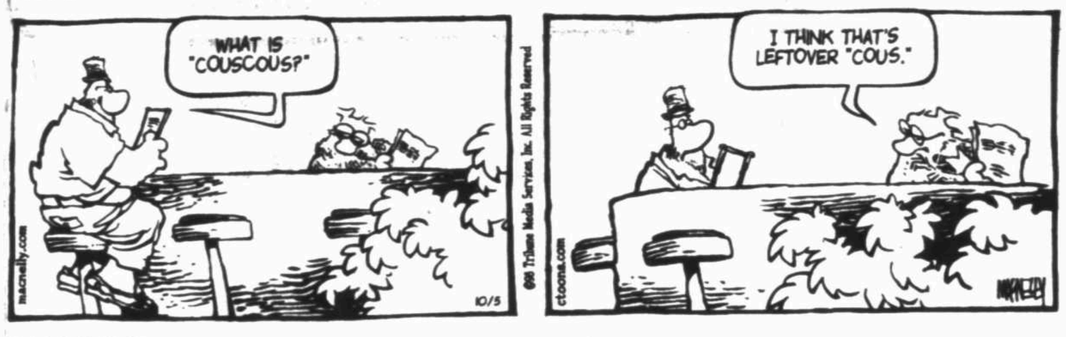
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★★ Your unpredictability causes others to stop and think. Take an overview with a friend and a long-term desire. Your attachments swing from one to another. Life's demands put you on overload. Express your caring to someone who is at a distance. Tonight: With a friend.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★ Take care of finances. You have a strong intuitive sense of what is going on around you. Listen carefully to a boss who has good ideas about which way to proceed. Money demands are making you feel stressful and more sensitive than usual. Tonight: Review your budget.

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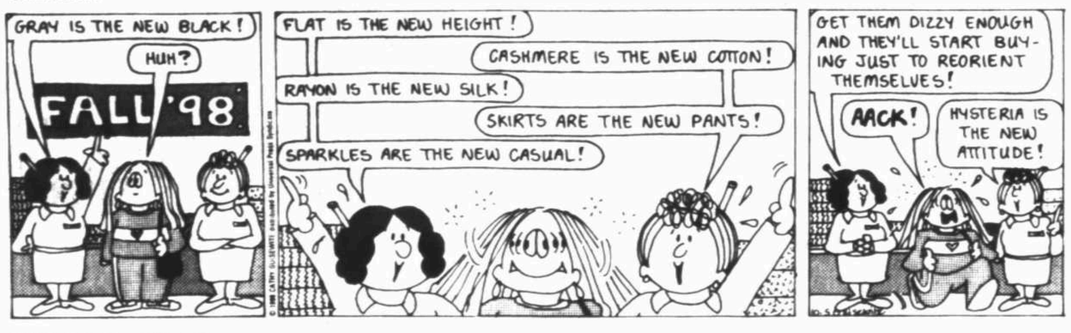
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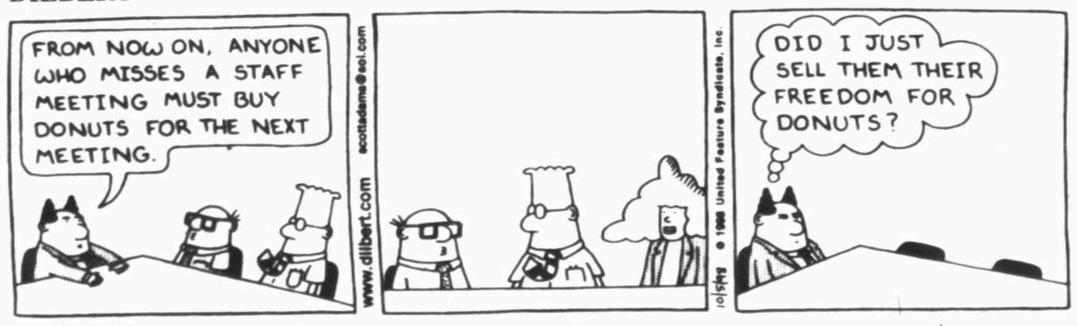
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Q 1 - As South, vulnerable, you hold:

♠ 8 ♡ K Q J ◇ A K 10 8 4 2 ♣ A J 4

Your right-hand opponent opens the bidding with four spades. What action do you take?

A - You have three choices, all of which are reasonable, and could be the winning action: pass, double or five diamonds. Since you are much too strong to pass and five diamonds is too unilateral, our nod goes to a double as the most flexible choice. Should partner convert by passing, that could be your only plus score.

Q 2 - Neither vulnerable, as South you hold:

♠ K Q 9 8 5 3 ♡ 9 2 ◇ A 4 ♣ 7 3 2

Partner opens the bidding with one no trump. What do you respond?

A - You want to be in game, no more, no less, and you want to play in the suit contract. The way to accomplish that is to bid four spades now. If you play transfers only at the two-level, still jump to four spades to tell partner you have no ambitions beyond game.

Q 3 - Neither vulnerable, as South you hold:

♠ A 7 6 5 ♡ 9 ◇ A 8 5 ♣ A J 8 7 2

The bidding has proceeded:

NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	WEST
1♡	2◇	?	

What do you bid now?

A - If you play negative doubles, by all means take that action, then follow with a diamond cue-bid. If not, it is probably best to bid three clubs despite the fact that your suit is ratty and that you do not have the safety net of a fit with partner's suit. A penalty double is an attractive alternative.

Q 4 - As South, vulnerable, you hold:

♠ J 7 5 ♡ 10 8 4 3 ◇ K 3 ♣ J 10 7 4

Partner opens the bidding with one club. What do you respond?

A - The modern tendency is to treat a one-club opening as virtually forcing, since it could be on a three-card suit. However, when you do not have the values for a response, as is the case here, pass!

Q 5 - Neither vulnerable, as South you hold:

♠ A Q J 6 ♡ K 10 7 5 4 ◇ Q J ♣ A 10

The bidding has proceeded:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1♡	Pass	2◇	Pass
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What do you bid now?

A - Your two secondary honors in partner's suit improves your hand. You are now fully worth a reverse of two spades, and we cannot think of any alternative.

Q 6 - East-West vulnerable, as South you hold:

♠ J 9 7 3 ♡ Q 5 4 2 ◇ 8 2 ♣ A Q 7

The bidding has proceeded:

NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	WEST
1◇	Dbl	?	

What action do you take?

A - Had East passed, you would have bid your cheaper four-card major, in this case one heart. Now that East's double has suggested a major-suit fit your way is unlikely, there is no point to introducing such a weak four-card suit. The obvious response is one no trump — you are a whisker short of a redouble.

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"Mommy said not to wipe my greasy hands on my shirt, so I wiped 'em on Daddy's pants."

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PEOPLE TODAY

Supermodel says she was misunderstood

FRANKFURT, Germany — A day after **Claudia Schiffer** told a Rome newspaper she was through with fashion shows, the supermodel said she was misunderstood.

"I'm not quitting," Schiffer said in a statement issued Sunday. The 28-year-old said she meant only that that she wouldn't work the runways anymore at shows in Milan.

"For me, the runway work was only a small part of my modeling career, and more important at the beginning to become known internationally," she said. But "for almost two years now I've only done fashion shows occasionally and for special causes, for example, for Valentino."

SAN DIEGO — **Bob Dole** thinks President Clinton's sex scandal could help put a woman in the White House.



Bob Dole thinks the Clinton scandal will help put a woman in the White House.

In town for a symposium, Dole said the nation will have a female president or vice president "very soon."

"I think all this scandal helps, too," Dole said. "I think people are looking at women for integrity and leadership."

His first choice for the job is his wife, Elizabeth.

"In fact I even bought six caps — I didn't want too big an inventory — they say, 'Elizabeth 2000,'" Dole said, adding that he has three left.

The longtime senator and failed presidential candidate was a speaker at the fifth annual Insights symposium, which brings prominent world figures together to discuss current topics. Among those joining Dole were former Pakistani Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto and retired anchorman Walter Cronkite.

INDIANAPOLIS — **Christopher Reeve** told a 6-year-old girl paralyzed in an amusement park accident that thanks to advances in spinal cord research she might walk again someday.

Reeve, who was paralyzed in a 1995 equestrian accident, on Saturday attended a fund-raiser for Emily's Walk for Spinal Research, a foundation Emily Hunt's parents founded in her name.

Reeve told the girl and audience members that research involving rats offers hope that spinal cord injuries can be mended. The only barrier to human testing is money, Reeve said.

"I just want you to know that what we're talking about now is simply the financing of the procedure," he said. "It's going to happen."

Emily suffered a spinal cord injury and her grandmother was killed in August 1996 when an amusement park train derailed and wrecked.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — **Back** where he comes from, two former supporters of singer **Kenny Chesney** are suing him for half a million dollars.

John Staley and Bob **Thomas** say that in 1992 Chesney signed a contract assigning 20 percent of his income to their firm, Paradise Management. They say Chesney breached his contract.

Despite the lawsuit seeking $500,000, the opposing parties are negotiating a possible settlement, according to Bridget Bailey, a spokeswoman for Staley and Thomas. Chesney representatives didn't return phone calls over the weekend.

Chesney, named top new male vocalist this year by the Academy of Country Music, grew up in Luttrell, about 20 miles from Knoxville. Chesney's tunes include "Back Where I Come From," "When I Close My Eyes" and "She's Got it All."

TOKYO — Six months after their official marriage, Japan's top foreign-born sumo wrestler **Akebono** and wife Christina Reiko Kalina held a gala, 1,300-guest wedding ceremony.



Japan's top foreign-born sumo wrestler Akebono and wife held a gala ceremony.

The ceremony for the 6-foot-8, 516-pound sumo wrestler from Hawaii, formerly known as Chad Rowan, was nationally televised in Japan. U.S. Ambassador to Japan Thomas Foley attended and a telegram from President Bill Clinton was read.

Akebono and Kalina officially married in April in Tokyo and had a baby daughter in May.

Clad in traditional Japanese wedding attire of a golden "hakama" skirt and a white crested kimono, Akebono told reporters: "I hope to make a family that is bright and full of friends who will visit often."

Kalina was a teacher at the American school on a nearby U.S. military base when the couple met in 1988. Her American father serves in the U.S. military and her mother is Japanese.

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(3) KMID	2	3	News 360	Wheel of Fortune	Monday Night Blast	NFL Football: (7:20) Minnesota Vikings at Green Bay Packers 42225768						News 93872	Nightline 3330	Politically Incorrect
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(13) KOCV	36	13	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer 494037		Legendary Lighthouses 251259 (TVG)		A Paralyzing Fear: The Story of Polio in America ('98) *** 378659		Conquering Fear		Telecourse 505582			
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(8) CNBC		8	Business Center	Upfront Tonight	Hardball With Chris Matthews 3469476		Rivera Live 3478124		The News With Brian Williams 3458360		Hardball With Chris Matthews 3468747		Rivera Live 3705582	
(10) WGN		10	Family Matters	Family Matters	7th Heaven: Cutters 529018 (TVG)		Hyperion Bay: Static 538766 (TVPG-D)		News 541230		MacGyver: The Prodigal 528389 (TVPG-V)		In the Heat of the Night 143747 (TV14-V)	
(11) WTBS		11	Roseanne 800717	Roseanne 372619	The Cutting Edge (PG, '92) *** (D.B. Sweeney, Moira Kelly) 9500211				Poison Ivy (9:10) (R, '92) ** (Drew Barrymore, Tom Skerritt) 1816292				The Great Bison Chase (11:10) 6360921	
(14) FAM		14	Show Me	Show Me	Mr. Bill	Life	Famous Families: The Jacksons 848834 (TVG)				The 700 Club 867969		Mr. Bill	Life
(20) DISC		20	Gimme Shelter 728489 (TVG)		Wild Discovery: Body by Nature 868563 (TVG)		The Future of Crime Fighting 877211 (TVG)		Public Enemies on the Rock 864747 (TVG)		Justice Files: Hard Evidence 867834		Wild Discovery: Body by Nature 208327 (TVG)	
(21) AMC		21	The Sundowners (4:45)		A New Kind of Love ('63) ** 857879				Anastasia ('56) **** (Ingrid Bergman) 232124				Battle Hymn 324230	
(22) TNN		22	The Waltons 375259		Today's Country		Prime Time Country		Tribute to Tradition		Dallas 191124		Dukes of Hazzard	
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(27) DISN		27	That Darn Cat (PG, '97) * (Christina Ricci, Doug E. Doug) 321699			Wish Upon a Star (PG, '96) (Katherine Heigl, Danielle Harris) 1979696			Dinosaurs (9:05)	Dinosaurs 994308	Walt Disney Presents 526921 (TVG)		Zorro 809766	Mickey Mouse Club
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(29) ESPN		29	Monday Night Countdown (5:30) 766114		Gymnastics: Rock 'N Roll Gymnastics 653853				Cheerleading 222747		Baseball Tonight	SportsCenter 4885747		
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(31) FX		31	Beverly Hills, 90210		The X-Files 6948259		Sin City Spectacular		Comedy	Bobcat's	The X-Files 6930230		NYPD Blue 5387227	
(32) A&E		32	Law & Order: We Like Mike 423817 (TVPG)		Biography: Madeleine Albright 893259 (TVG)		Investigative Reports 879679		Poirot: Triangle at Rhodes 882143 (TVG)		Law & Order: In Memory Of 885230 (TVPG)		Biography: Madeleine Albright 293495 (TVG)	
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(36) LIFE		36	Party of Five: Strange Bedfellows 203747		Chicago Hope: Right to Life 864872		Bonds of Love ('93) ** (Treat Williams, Kelly McGillis) 851308				New Attitudes	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Unsolved Mysteries
(39) OUTDR		39	Great Outdoorsman	Wilderness Camper	Canoe & Kayak	Waterski Magazine	Water Skiing 4787211		'97 Ocean Man Tour 4774747		Canoe & Kayak	Waterski Magazine	Water Skiing 5335227	
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(44) COM		44	The Daily Show	Ben Stein's Money	Innerspace (PG, '87) ** (Dennis Quaid, Martin Short) 8296211				Dr. Katz: Therapist	Bob and Margaret	The Daily Show	Ben Stein's Money	Saturday Night Live 8295495 (TV14)	
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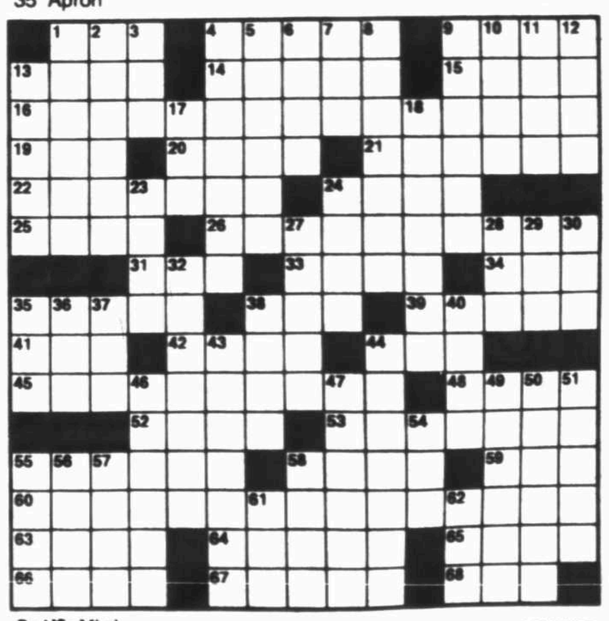
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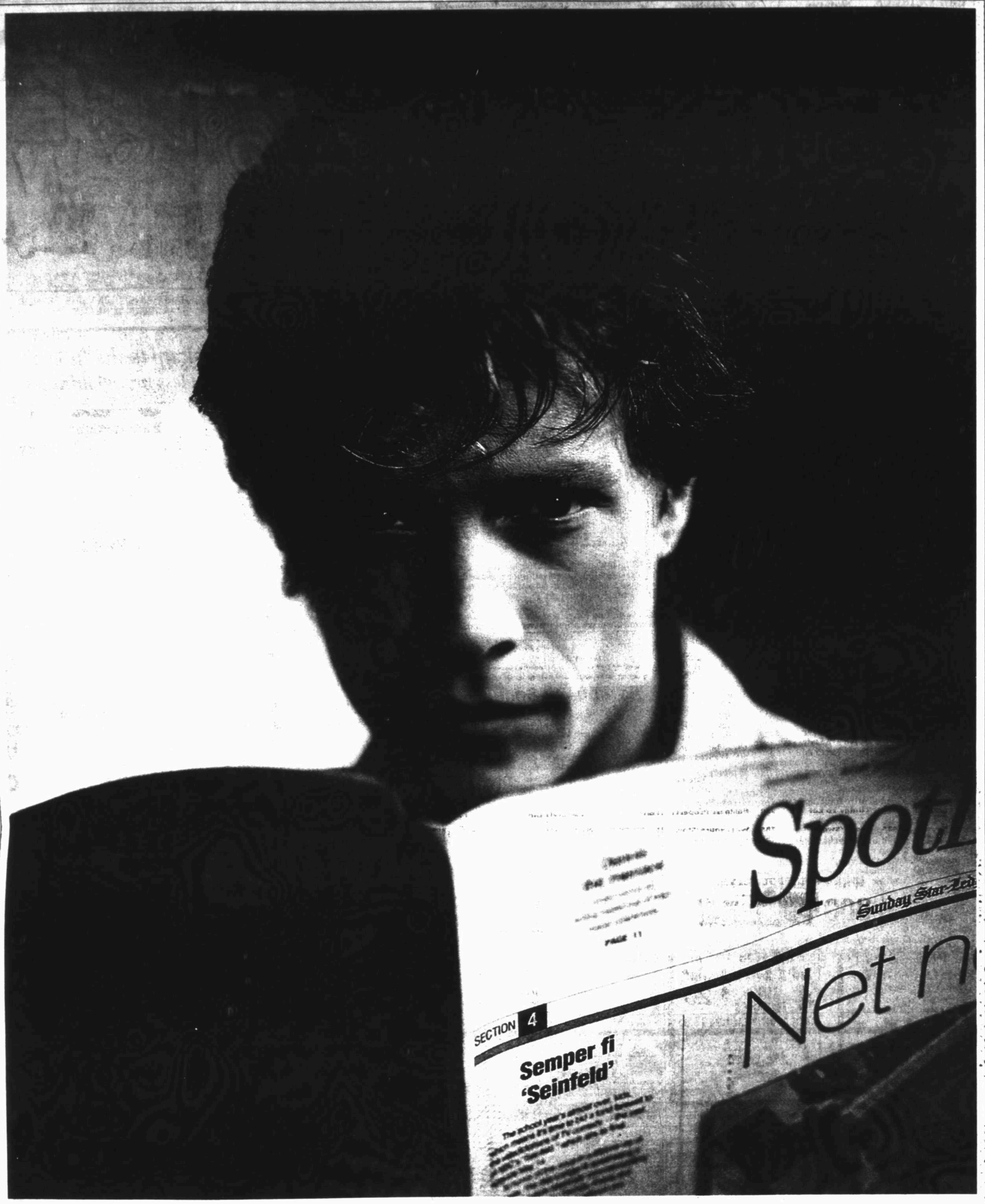
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Now accepting applications for bartender. Apply between 8:00 to 10:00 or 2:00 to 4 pm only- Monday through Friday. 606 W. Missouri.

310 General Help Wanted



Dear Mark & Dale:

When I apply for jobs they often want me to fill out an application. Can't I just write "see resume" and attach it? Will that hurt my chances? The applications are time consuming and my handwriting could be better.- Debra

DALE: With job applications, as with so many things in life, the most convenient option isn't always the logical one. Comedian Stevie Ray Fromstein once described his attempt at a career in crime: "I tried to rob a bank once. I pulled out a gun and told the teller, 'I want you to take all the money in that drawer and put it in my checking account.'" Convenient, yes, but ....

MARK: The job-hunter should look at applications from the point of view of the people doing the hiring. Employers get used to their standard form— everything in a certain place and stated in a certain way, including whatever language the company lawyer recommended. So when they get one with a resume slapped on it, what are they going to think? That you believe your time is more important than theirs.

DALE: So the answer is yes, fill out the application. Better yet, take it with you and type it— that will solve the problem of your handwriting and will impress the person who reads it.

MARK: Then when you get called in and the interviewer asks, "Why did you take the time to type our application when no one else did?," think of Dale and me and then say these five magic words: "I really want this job."

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Dear Mark & Dale:

I recently got laid off I'm an excellent worker and a good person. I keep asking myself "Why me?" and can't come up with a good answer. Can you help me put this in perspective? —Betty

MARK: In career counseling, one of the questions we hear most often is, "Why do good people get let go?"

DALE: And the advice job counselors always give is, "Don't take it personally." That's not easy, especially if the company handed you a check and then said, "Here's a box for your stuff— we'll stand here and watch you pack it, then escort you out of the building.- That's a double insult.

MARK: But the truth is that a layoff usually isn't personal. I've been there when the decisions are made — it's boxes on a chart, dollars to the bottom line. Chances are, Betty, that you were in a job that could be removed from the company payroll, boosting profits and making shareholders happy. It doesn't mean you weren't productive or a good person. It just means that your job wasn't viewed as being absolutely necessary in the short run.

DALE: But don't you wish upper management shared in the sacrifice? Here's how it can work instead: The company reorganizes, which means not only letting good people go, but dumping unproductive assets. This makes future earnings look brighter. Because stock prices are based on future earnings, the price rises. So, thanks to stock options, upper management can be paid millions for sending people like Betty home.

MARK: But, even without stock options, if new technology allows streamlining, the company has little choice. In fact, the reality of being a modern CEO is that if you don't cut expenses the stockholders will find someone who will.

DALE: Maybe not. Announcing a reorganization no longer ensures an automatic increase in stock prices. Investors are starting to realize that revenue growth is still the best way to increase profits. And while any idiot can cut expenses— all you have to do is turn off the electricity— it takes good, productive people to increase revenues.

MARK: In other words, Betty, whether you blame upper management or not, don't take a layoff personally. Instead, take your work ethic to a new employer that wants to keep the lights burning bright. There are plenty out there and they are waiting for your help.

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Mark & Dale Talk Jobs is a feature of the
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Send your questions to: Mark & Dale, c/o King Features Syndicate,
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These positions are restricted only to **Veteran Preference Eligibles**. In order to apply applicants must bring a copy of their DD-214 or Veterans Administration Award Letter as proof of eligibility. All others need not apply.

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Applications will be accepted at the General Mail Facility, 10000 Sloan Field Blvd, Midland, Texas. Please apply in person at Room E-106 between the hours of 9:00 am and 4:00 pm, October 5, 1998 through October 9, 1998.

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310 General Help Wanted

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Top Wages
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310 General Help Wanted

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310 General Help Wanted

FRONT DESK Clerk needed. Must be able to work nights. Apply in person, Super 8 Motel, 1000 W I-20. No Phone Calls!

FURNITURE MOVERS with experience. Heavy lifting and Class C drivers license required. Leave name /number (915)553-1464.

GENERAL
We're Looking... For Special People
to grow with our 1 year old company. Sales oriented preferred, but will train the right person. High school diploma. Apply in person only 8:30- 11 am or 1- 3 pm, Monday through Friday:
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10601 W. County Rd. 127
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GENERAL- Opening in Instrument Filter. Salary based on experience. Some travel. DOT, drug test required. Contact Traci at 1625 S. Viceroy in Odessa, Texas. 915-333-4321 or fax: 915-333-7095.

HARRELL CLEANING Service, hiring part time housekeeper, must have transportation, competitive wages plus mileage reimbursement. Also hiring part time Nanny. Call for interview 520-9551.

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Now hiring all shifts, all positions. Please apply at one of the following locations.
800 Andrews Highway
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★ TEACHERS- Midland Childcare Center now taking applications for Teachers experienced with two year olds. Apply in person, 3701 Andrews Highway, Midland.

INSTALLERS needed to install TV cable. Must have pickup or van, experience preferred but will train. Competitive salary. Apply in person 2528 S. Midkiff, between 7:30- 9:00 am, ask for Les. Mobile 553-9686.

MAINTENANCE PERSON for apartment complex. A/C certified a plus. Call 682-2423.

NAIL TECHNICIAN- Get settled before the holidays! Station available for lease in busy salon. Must be skilled in artificial nails. The Body Shop Hair and Nail Salon, 697-5597, 697-7384 and 699-7629.

NEEDED IMMEDIATELY! Person for Service Work. Duties to include: window repair, fireplace installation. Applicant needs good driving record. Apply in person at Triangle Lumber, 5601 W Industrial.

ON THE BORDER MEXICAN CAFE- we are now accepting applications for experienced food servers. Apply in person Monday- Friday.

PUBLISHING COMPANY seeking part time Mail Room employees. Hours flexible. Must be dependable. Call 687-1200.

310 General Help Wanted

ONE STOP Drive Thru, 900 South Dallas. We are now accepting applications for part time cashiers. Apply in person or call to set interview. 620-0099.

PART TIME Cashier wanted. 3-4 Nights per week. Please apply in person, Exxon, 2503 Ranin Hwy.

PART TIME Cook- Days 28- 30 hours per week. Experience required. Apply at 300 S. Baird St. 9:00 am- 4:00 pm.

PART TIME position available for home health aid in private home. Approximately 25 hours per week. Duties include AM routines, bathing, dressing, grooming, wheel chair transfer, some housekeeping. Serious inquiries only! Call 686-0843.

PART- TIME Pizza Delivery Drivers needed. Mostly evenings, 8- 18 hours/ week, must have vehicle and good driving record, honest and customer friendly. Over 18 only. Apply in person for great money and good fun. Little Caesars Pizza.

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RESTAURANT- Cook and Dishwasher positions open. Experience helpful. Apply between 2- 4 pm, Wall Street Bar & Grill, 115 E. Wall, Midland.

RESTAURANT- Now accepting applications for all positions. Apply in person only between 8 am- 10 am, Luby's. EOE

RESTAURANT- Now hiring Part and Full Time Waitstaff and Cooks. Apply in person only, Murray's Delicatessen, 3211 W. Wadley, Midland.

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SALON. Makeup/ Cosmetic Professional wanted 522-1170 or call Pager 888-548-0928.

SMALL ENGINE Mechanic needed. Must have tools. Apply in person, Bob's Rental Center, 2700 Rankin Highway.

TELEPHONE Sales Person needed to sell environmental and safety supplies. Commission. Fun, upbeat atmosphere, Flexible hours. Call Mike at 697-1185.

TIRE & TRUCK Accessory Installer needed. Apply in person at Dan Fender Tire, 1400 W. Florida. Pay DOE.

UPHOLSTERER needed. Must have experience in sewing and cutting. Please call for an interview 683-2935.

311 Medical Help Wanted

CERTIFIED NURSE AIDES. Terrace West Nursing Center, has current openings for Certified Nurse Aides on all shifts. If interested, please apply in person at 2800 N. Midland Drive, Midland, Texas 79707.

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Nations largest grocery retailer currently accepting applications for full time and part time pharmacy technicians. One year experience is required. Background checks prior to employment. Competitive salary and benefits available.
Call Kirk at 694-8841

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RECEPTIONIST/ Billing Clerk wanted for busy physician's office. Medical Manager software. Please fax/ mail resume: 685-1700 or 2114 W Tennessee, Midland, 79701.

312 Professional Help Wanted

STRUCTURAL/ CADD DETAILERS
Local metal building manufacturer is expanding again! Career opportunity for CADD Detailer with structural experience. Send resume in confidence to: Engineering Department, Standard Structures, Inc., P.O. Box 60335 Midland, TX 79711-0335. Fax (915)337-5301. No phone calls please

DEGREED ACCOUNTANT needed for seasonal or project work in Big Spring. Could be a permanent flex time position. Prefer some auditing experience and computer skills. Mail resume to: P.O. Box 2315, Big Spring, TX., 79721 or Fax 915-267-4564.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR of Non profit, accredited private school for developmentally disabled students. Teaching experience, Master's Degree and certification in mid-management, curriculum, counseling or special education desired. Knowledge of fund-raising and grantwriting helpful. Call Bynum School at 520-0075 or mail resume to: P.O. Box 5788, Midland, TX., 79704.

INSURANCE SALES Secretary. Part time. Must be able to become licensed and knowledgeable of computer inputting. Send resume to 3525 Andrews Highway, Suite 101, Midland, Texas 79703.

OBERKAMPF SUPPLY of Midland is now taking applications for employment. Must have experience in shipping/ receiving and good computer skills. Send resume to: Oberkampf Supply of Midland, #7 E Industrial Loop, Midland, Texas 79701.

PETROLEUM ACQUISITION ENGINEER. Oil and Gas Company seeks Petroleum Engineer for Acquisition Evaluation and other Petroleum Engineering responsibilities. At least 5 years experience required with Aries background. Mail or fax resume to: 5 Inverness Dr. East, Englewood, Colorado 80112. (303)799-4259. Include salary requirements.

RESUMES DONE Right!- Professional recruiter will re-do/ create your resume! $25 up. Christine Kalmbach, CTS. 684-5726.

RIO GRANDE Electric Cooperative, Inc. (RGEC) is accepting applications for a Lineman position to be stationed at the Cooperative's Marfa office. Excellent benefits package included. Applicants must be able and willing to work under adverse weather conditions, including holidays, overtime and weekend duty. Must have physical stamina to climb poles, trim trees, lift heavy objects, operate equipment and tools. Must possess a valid Texas Driver's License with two or less moving violations and no DWI/ DUI citations in the last three years. In addition, the applicant must be able to obtain a CDL license within 90 days from date of hire. Call Patricia Taylor at 1-800-749-1509 or send your request to RGEC, Administrative Department, PO Box 1509, Bracketville, Texas 78832. Applications may also be picked up from any area office and must be postmarked on or before October 2, 1998. RGEC is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

314 Clerical Help Wanted

PART- TIME OFFICE ASSISTANT
Busy office looking for individual with strong people skills, Wordperfect experience, detail minded and ability to handle multiple tasks concurrently. Monday-Thursday, Noon- 5:30 pm, 22 hours per week. Applications will be accepted with interview, October 5, 1:00 pm- 5:30 pm and October 6, 9:00 am-5:30 pm. Permian Basin Girl Scout Council, 901 W. Dengar, Midland. NO phone calls please. EOE

BOOKKEEPER needed for local retail business. Competitive salary. Part time or full time available. Fax resume to 684-4402.

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LABORATORY ASSISTANT/ Clerical. Data entry skills. 40-50 wpm with 10 key required. 3 Positions available. Apply in person, September 29th, 5:00 pm, Ramada Inn Boardroom, 100 Airport Plaza. Drug test required upon hire.

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Are you earning what you are worth with your present employment?
We are looking for positive individuals who have a background in sales, public relations or management who wish to be reprogrammed into a higher earning career.
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FULL TIME sales/ delivery person needed for growing office supply and furniture company, in Big Spring. Commission plus excellent benefits. Call (915)263-3509 for interview.

316 Sales Help Wanted

OUTSIDE SALES- commission. Safety supply experience required. Call for appointment- 697-1185, ask for Mike.

OUTSIDE SALES. Salary plus commission, hospitalization, paid vacation. Monday thru Friday. Local territory. Dependable auto required. Also have sales positions open in Dallas, Fort Worth. 684-8782.

SALES- National Company expanding in your area. Managers needed, will train. 888-588-5247.

SALESPERSON needed for local retail business. Excellent communication skills necessary. Saturdays a must. Fax resume to 684-4402.

SECURITY Company Sales Rep needed. Self motivated, with experience. Call 570-6306 or send resume to P.O. Box 51124, Midland, 79710.

URGENTLY NEEDED! 5 Permian Basin Group 1 Agents to sell final expense plans. LEADS & ADVANCES AVAILABLE. Mike Jeater, Abilene, 1-800-955-3837.

320 Skilled Trades

ALARM TECHNICIAN needed with experience. Fire license a plus. Call 570-6306 or send resume to P.O. Box 51124, Midland, 79710.

DIESEL MECHANIC needed for John Deere Dealership. Must have tools. Experienced preferred but not necessary. Hurst Farm Supply, Lorenzo, TX. (806)634-5717. Ask for Terry Hurst.

EXPERIENCED DISTRIBUTOR truck operator. Must have shot for chip seal operations. $13 per hour starting wage plus benefits. 915/940-1690. EOE

MECHANICS- immediate opening for experienced truck mechanics. Salary DOE. Apply in person, 2214 Carter, 682-8077.

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Solids Control & Drilling Instrumentation Experience Preferred But Not Required. Please Call: 561-8455 or FAX resume to: 561-5850.

ROOFING help needed. Experienced in wood and comp. Call between 8:00- 6:00, 685-0607.

SURVEYORS- Gilbert Industrial, a Kiewit Company has immediate opening for experience surveyor. Top pay plus excellent benefits including paid medical, profit sharing, 401K, paid vacation, etc. EEO Employer. Call Scott Rustan at 806-592-7516.

TWO WAY radio installer/ technician for Motorola Dealer in Lubbock. Experience a plus, full time, good pay and benefits. Lubbock Communications. Fax resume to: (806)744-2633, or call (806)744-2626.

318 Sales Help Wanted

ATTENTION ALL CLOSERS!
We need you now! Exciting opportunity for experienced closers. Part/ Full time sales available. Good commissions, opportunity for advancement. Easy product to sell. Our product is needed both residentially and commercially Climb aboard the opportunity wagon. Contact Mr. Blount at: 687-9011, All calls returned.

318 Management Help Wanted

Cattle Baron Restaurants, Inc.
Cattle Baron / FARLEY'S Food, Fun & Pub
We are currently seeking motivated, energetic and dedicated individuals to join our management team! Willingness to relocate desired, but not required. At least one year experience in a casual dining environment is required. Competitive salaries and compensation package including bonus, health insurance, paid vacation and 401(K) plan. Please Submit your resume to:
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ATTN: Director of Operations
FAX: 505-623-8801

319 Oil Industry Help Wanted



336 Adult Care Providers

INHOME CARE for all your in home health needs. Bathing, cooking, cleaning, running errands, etc. Give us a call for more information at 570-4475, ask for Tonya or Jackie.

★NEED HELP with an elderly person? I can help. Available any time. Reasonable rates, references. 570-8824 or 499-6183.

TENDER CARE- personal care home has opening for three residents; 1 private room, 1 semi- private, 24 hour staff. 684-4909, ask for Kim.

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340 Child Care Needed

MR. & MRS. "B" need a Hazel. 3 days a week. Hours somewhat flexible. Call 685-3251.

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341 Child Care Providers

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selling political novelty items. Minimal investment to secure inventory.
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INDEPENDANT MARKETING Associates needed to sell 26 year old legal service plan. Unlimited income potential, training provided. Call Independant Pre- Paid Legal Associate at 888-608-4719.

HALLMARK CARD & Gift Shop. Well established 15 year retail business for sale with excellent return. Owner wants to retire. Days 915-263-4511, nights 915-944-9482.

400 Auctions

PUBLIC AUCTION! Saturday, October 10, 1998, 10 am, Sharp! 1503 W Florida, Midland. Complete Liquidation of Motorcycle Accessory Shop. All oral announcements supersede any printed material. 10% Buyers premium. Auction to include but not limited to: Thousands of keep cool bandanas, motorcycle accessories, ladies hand bags, earrings, biker boots, saddle bags, helmets, tires, parts, shelving, office furniture, 1977 FLH Harley Davidson Motrocycle, 1990 Dodge 1/2 Ton Pickup. Too Much To List!! Preview, Friday, October 9, 1998, 10:00 am- 4:00 pm. Auction Conducted by: Auction Action Midland Supercenter, 201 W. Washington, Midland, Texas 79701. 915/682-1004 or 915/570-8592. Fred F. Munoz, TX License #6250.

410 Misc. Sales

COMMERCIAL CARPETING- 500 square yards, good shape, $4.50/ square yard. Call 699-5911.

KOHER Pool Table, regulation size. Excellent condition., leather pockets, new felt top. Includes accessories. $500. 520-2621. Pager 567-1213.

NICHE for sale at Resthaven Cemetery. Level G, #4. $700. Call 694-0075.

LARGE DOWN draft air conditioner. Culligan water softener. 570-7929.

RAINBOW WATER filter vacuum cleaner, like new, $495. 522-2622.

CELEBRITY PRIDE electric scooter, like new, $2,000. Please call 687-0460. Ask for Viola Adams.

COKE, CANDY Machine, one year old, with dollar validator. Paid $4,000, sell for $1,500. 694-9737.

JUST IN time for football season, 52" RCA big screen with picture in a picture, like new, asking $1,000 or best offer. To see call 689-8745.

SINGER SEWING machine with cabinet and attachments, only used a few times, $125. Call 520-6436.

SAFETY FIRST, folding infant bathtub. Looks like new., $5. Please call 694-0863.

KENMORE WASHER and dryer- $250 set. Toddler bed with mattress $75 for both. Infant car seat/ carrier- $15. 570-4086.

2 MONTH Old Large Evaporative Air Conditioner. $300. Call 520-6185.

MUST SELL this week- 12' x 20' Red Barn- Storage Building/ Shop. Heavy duty floor- delivery and financing available. 563-3108.

RAFFLE TICKETS- Dallas Cowbow tickets for November 22nd Game, Dallas Vs. Seattle includes 1 night stay at Holiday Inn and $25 in gasoline. One chance is $5, three chances for $10. Drawing held October 31st. Call Peggy at 686-6061.

HANDCRAFTED ANTLER Chandeliers, Antler Lamps, Tables, Fireplace Sets, Log Furniture, Rawhide Lamp Shades. T-CROSS 570-4659, 687-3221.

TWO CEMETERY lots, Resthaven Memorial, in Garden of Hope. Please call 682-1486.

BRAND NEW beautiful large bird cage- $500. Refrigerator, good condition, white, $125. 685-4176.

MOWERS, COOLERS, heaters, washers, dryers, refrigerators, stoves, furniture, 1989 Plymouth Sundance, wicker/ dinning, miscellaneous, 570-4851.

410 Misc. Sales

★BIBLE TALK: Does God have the Right to Rule over Us? 520-0381. Free recorded message.

TRAMPOLINE $50; Treadmill $50; Samick Piano $700. You Must Haul! Call 694-9609 after 5 pm.

HERBALIFE & Natural efx Independent Distributor. For products or opportunity call 689-HERB!

RESTHAVEN PARK- Garden of Last Supper, two adjoining spaces. Price negotiable. (254)772-2784.

BIG SCREEN TV for sale. Take on small payments. Good credit required. 1-800-398-3970.

KENMORE COMPACT 120- 60 volt dryer- $85. Small chest freezer, one year old- $120. Counter top, electric 4 burner stove- $50 or best offer. Step II Big Climber swing/ slide- $200. Baby stroller- $20. Little Tykes pedal car- $30. Toddler car seat- $20. Little girls bike- $25. 694-8908.

LARGE BUILDING with windows, could be used for sno cone stand or storage. $2,250. 522-5049.

GARDEN OF Inspiration- Choice lots. Section H, Lot 110, Spaces 3 and 4. $1,500 each or $2,750 for both, (719)784-0536.

3 PIECE wood patio furniture with cushions, good condition, needs painting, $75. Please call 683-4229.

413 Jewelry & Furs

LAY AWAY now for Christmas. 18 karat gold Ladies Presidential Rolex with diamond bezel and face and 18 karat gold men's Presidential Rolex with a diamond face. Call after 6 pm 570-8187.

BUYING ROLEX Watches. Vintage to New. Cash paid. Call John, 685-1037 or Cellular 559-1785.

WEDDING SET- 2 carat. Purchased at Zales. Paid $4,300, asking $3,000. 699-2507.

415 Misc. Wanted

BRICKS WANTED: for free or reasonable price. Please call 694-0738.

SOUTHWEST Company Club tickets or other airline mileage awards wanted. Will pay top dollar. 687–5039.

420 Good Things To Eat

DELICIOUS APPLES, 60¢/ lb. Green beans, Squash, cucumbers, peppers, 50¢/ lb. Tomatoes 70¢/ lb- limit 12 lbs. You pick. Closed Wednesday & Sunday. 14678 Pecan, Gardendale. 362-5708.

GARDEN PATCH MARKET. 48th & Golder- Odessa. Lots of tomatoes, peas, squash, okra, 10-15 onions. Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays, Starts 7:00 am.

PERMIAN BASIN Farmer's Market open 5021 Princeton Street. Saturdays only. Good supply of tomatoes. Shop early for best selection!

TOMATOES AND peppers for sale. 6203 South County Road 1185, or call 570-1216.

432 Household Furniture

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Bdrm.	Bedroom
Ba.	Bath
Kit.	Kitchen
Dbl.	Double
A/C	Air conditioning
Mst. Bdrm.	Master Bdrm.
Gar.	Garage
Bldg.	Building
Cond.	Condition
N-QA	Non-Qualifying
	Assumable
QA	Qualifying
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