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Cortni Hogan, a student at the College of the Ozarks, waters plants in the college greenhouse on Jan. 23 at Point Lookout, Mo. Hogan and all students are required to work 15 hours a week instead of paying their tuition.

Working for college

POINT LOOKOUT, Mo. — There's a new classroom building going up at the College of the Ozarks. No big deal in that. New buildings spring up on college campuses all the time. Except elsewhere, the students don't usually build them. Here they do, and that's not the half of it. Students also run the college's fire department, airport and restaurant, and raise cattle and pigs, some of which wind up, in one form or another, on the menu. In exchange for all that, they get a free college education.

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Lewinsky's mother

WASHINGTON — Distraught at being grilled about her daughter's relationship with President Clinton, Monica Lewinsky's mother testified for a second day Wednesday as House Republicans said they were hiring more lawyers who could be called on for any impeachment proceedings.

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Clinton team presses Congress for support

■ As administration seeks congressional show of support for possible attack against Iraq, U.S. commander in gulf says he'll be ready for airstrike in a week or so.

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — As the Clinton administration pressed Congress to support a possible attack on Iraq, the U.S. commander in the Persian Gulf said Wednesday he'll be ready for an airstrike "within a week or so."

■ **Related story/2A**

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein should be "nervous," Marine Corps Gen. Anthony Zinni, the overall commander of U.S. forces in the oil-rich Gulf region, told reporters there.

In Washington, lawmakers were also nervous — about whether the planned U.S. airstrikes, if launched, will succeed in pushing Iraq to comply with international arms inspectors.

President Clinton sent his senior foreign policy team to Capitol Hill Wednesday to seek a congressional show of support in a nonbinding resolution backing the use of force against Iraq.

"We all hope we can avoid the use of force," Clinton said. "But let's face it, in the end that is up to Saddam Hussein."

The Iraqi leader, he said, "must let the weapons inspectors back with full and free access to all suspect sites."

The State Department dismissed an Iraqi proposal to open eight presidential complexes for what Foreign Minister Mohammed Saeed al-Sahhaf said could be an inch-by-inch search.

"We have yet to hear about a concrete Iraqi offer to reverse course and allow the U.N. inspectors the access to do their jobs," spokesman James P. Rubin said. "This latest iteration appears to fall short again

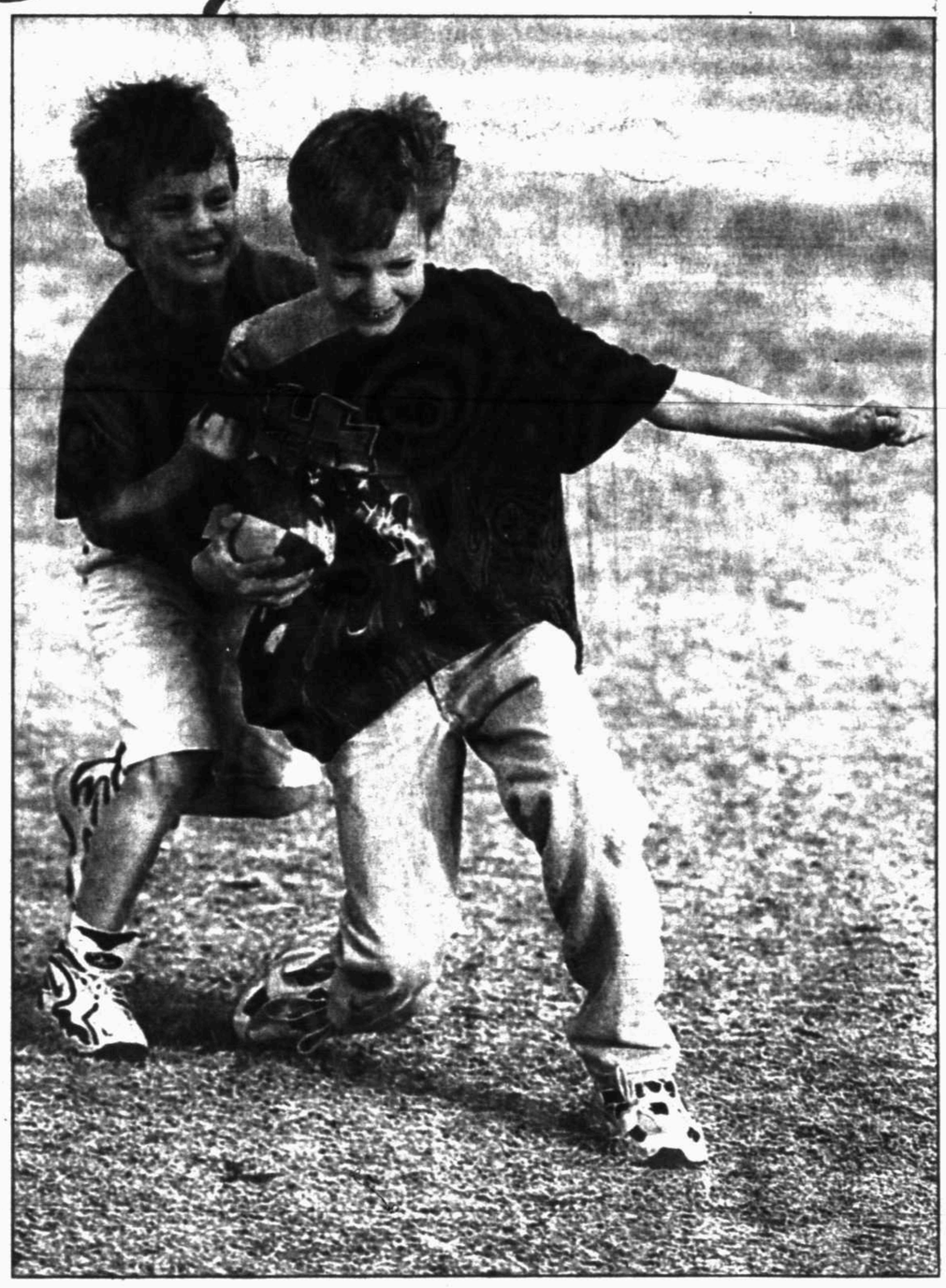
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Aviation Electronics Technician Airman Neil Shimke, from Portland, Maine, left, greets U.S. Secretary of Defense William S. Cohen during the secretary's visit to the aircraft carrier USS George Washington in the Persian Gulf Wednesday. Cohen, completing a four-day swing through the gulf states, came to the aircraft carrier Wednesday to meet with pilots, sailors and Marines who could be on the cutting edge of the military operation against Iraq now dubbed "Operation Desert Thunder."

Play ball



Eight-year-old Zack Hawkins tries to pull down Mathew Kuzmich, 10, as they and friends play a game of football Wednesday afternoon at Cowden Park. Mathew celebrated his birthday with a game of football and cake with friends.

Photo by Tim Fischer

Baressi's $117,603 annual salary about average in W. Texas

By Richard Enos
Staff Writer

Midland Independent School District Superintendent Joseph Baressi's salary ranks in the middle of the pack for West Texas, and is $13,000 less than that of his counterpart at Ector County public schools.

Baressi earns $117,603 annually, plus an $11,400 yearly car allowance for auto expenses. That's well below top state salaries in a recent Associated Press poll. He is in the first year of his current three-year contract.

The superintendent said he's produced positive results in his 16 years at his job and said he has plenty of responsibilities for this district of 23,000 students.

"I think I've done well," Baressi said. "I think we have a positive trend in our TAAS scores across the district. I think our SAT scores are the highest in West Texas."

> **'I think I've done well.'**
> — Joseph Baressi
> MISD superintendent

According to an Associated Press and a Reporter-Telegram survey, Baressi's salary is within the norm for Texas and even West Texas. Houston-area Spring Branch schools pay the best, at $191,000.

For major West Texas cities, ECISD Superintendent Vernon Stokes tops the list with $130,000 a year plus a $6,000-a-year car allowance.

Salaries for other area superintendents are: San Angelo, $100,000; Abilene, $112,000; Amarillo, $117,700; and Lubbock, $122,000.

Car allowance amounts were not available for the other districts. According to MISD business office estimates, car allowances normally range from about $7,000 to $12,000 a year.

Statewide, public school superintendents, such as for Spring Branch, can make up to $191,000 annually, according to the Associated Press. Schools near Wichita Falls had among the lowest salaries in the state at $58,179.

A superintendent of schools is similar to a chief executive officer of a corporation and is the top manager of school personnel. The position is appointed by

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Snowboarding and marijuana: It shouldn't surprise organizers of '98 Winter Olympics

By Ted Anthony
Associated Press

■ **News analysis**

NAGANO, Japan — OK, was anybody really surprised when a snowboarder was stripped of his gold medal because marijuana was found in his system?

The people who put together the 1998 Winter Olympics should have expected something — anything — in allowing snowboarding to become a medal sport. It would have been hard to miss the brash, counterculture attitude of this rock 'n' roll, Generation X sport.

"If you were going to predict anything happening at the Olympics with a recreational drug, this is the sport you'd predict it in," said Art Taylor, director of youth sports at Northeastern University's Center for the Study of Sport in Society.

"Maybe," he said, "it moved into the Olympics too quickly."

Few wanted snowboarding in the Olympics more than Ross Rebagliati, 26, a spirited Canadian with tousled blond hair, angled jaw and carefree grin — a surfer dude straight out of central casting. He won the first-ever Olympic snowboarding gold Sunday in the men's giant slalom.

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Canadian snowboarding champion Ross Rebagliati, of Whistler B.C., is mobbed by the media as he arrives for his appeal before the International Olympic Committee in Nagano, Japan Wednesday. Rebagliati, who won the Olympic gold medal for snowboarding in the men's giant slalom Sunday, tested positive for drugs.

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Iraqi civilians find themselves neighbors to potential U.S. targets

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Across the street from a row of brick and stucco homes, a huge block of a building under an Arab-style dome is being built — a new palace compound for President Saddam Hussein.

Another of Saddam's four Baghdad palaces also has families living just outside its 12-foot-high concrete walls. Like many public buildings, some targeted in past U.S. air raids, both are in densely populated parts of this city of five million.

Given this geography — and threats of a new American attack — Iraqis are worrying about what will happen to them if bombs and missiles strike again, especially since hospitals are ill-prepared for casualties.

"It's the talk all over the city," said Walid Rashid, a student at Mustansariya University.

A few Iraqis privately admit they fear death or injury in any attack. One said he and his wife whisper about it after the children are in bed. But those talking to reporters, who almost always are accompanied by government escorts, say they are not afraid of American bombs.

Some say this is because of the Islamic belief that everyone's day of death is fated. Others claim their fears have disappeared over the years, following the 1980-88 Iran-Iraq War, the Persian Gulf War and two American strikes since.

Saddam is believed to have about 60 palaces nationwide. Always wary, the president is thought to sleep in a different place — often various palaces — each night. U.N. inspectors fear Iraq is concealing vital weapons components in these sprawling presidential compounds.

Iraq maintains that allowing arms inspectors into the palaces would violate its national sovereignty. The inspectors must certify all such lethal weapons have been destroyed before the lifting of U.N. sanctions, imposed after the 1990 invasion of Kuwait, which led to the Gulf War.

Besides the Baghdad palaces in well-off Qadissiya and middle-class Adhamiya neighborhoods, there is a third palace in a park near the monument to Iraq's unknown soldier. It often is used for ceremonies. The fourth capital palace, built in the 1950s and damaged in 1991 bombing, occupies a long stretch on the banks of the River Tigris.

Some of Saddam's palaces, and other buildings that could be targeted by U.S. strikes, are in densely populated parts of Baghdad.

It's uncertain whether the palaces will be targets. U.S. officials say the attacks would strike at bunkers storing chemical and biological weapons, which Iraq denies it possesses.

American analysts and congressmen also have talked about the need to hit at the country's infrastructure and the elite Republican Guard, which one Iraqi said was deployed "everywhere" to protect the president.

Philippe Heffinck, director for the U.N. Children's Fund in Baghdad, would not speculate how a new attack might affect Iraqi families, but said Iraq's infrastructure remained fragile seven years after the Gulf War damage. This includes schools and hospitals as well as possible targets, such as factories and electrical plants.

When talk of a new U.S. attack first arose, there was a run on kerosene lanterns because electricity plants were hit during the Gulf War. Rashid, the 21-year-old student, said his parents worry about food shortages.

Most people feel "nothing worse can happen" than in 1991, he said.

The civilian death toll in the 43 days of Gulf War bombing is much disputed. Iraq says it was at least 35,000; U.S. estimates are 2,500 to 3,000; the environmental group Greenpeace put it at 5,000 to 15,000, based on a survey of Iraqi rescue workers and American officials.

On Feb. 13, 1991, missiles hit what U.S. officials believed was an underground command post in Baghdad. It turned out to be the al-Ameriya civilian shelter, and nearly 400 men, women and children were killed.

At least six civilians also died in U.S. attacks in 1993 and 1996 to punish Iraq. One was Leila al-Attar, a painter whose house next to the targeted Iraqi intelligence headquarters was flattened by a missile.

This time, U.S. officials say attacks could last four or five days and be harsher than the '93 and '96 "pin pricks" should Iraq persist in defying U.N. demands for free access to sensitive sites, especially Saddam's palace compounds.

Iraqi doctors said Baghdad's hospitals would be hard-pressed to handle a large number of casualties in an attack. They gave a long list of equipment now in short supply that would be needed in an emergency.

Dr. Fatah al-Sudani, 35, said his hospital — designated an emergency center for the vast al-Thawra district in past crises — lacks sufficient supplies of antibiotic and antiseptic drugs, anesthesia, syringes, even sutures to sew up wounds.

"We don't have enough sutures to perform Caesarian sections," he said. "The operation has had to be limited."

In Egypt, the most masculine habit takes on softer edge

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — Dice tumble over backgammon boards, cups slam on wooden tables and the thick smoke from a gurgling water pipe wafts into the nighttime air.

But what's that peeking from behind the swelling smoke? Lipstick? Long hair? Painted nails?

To the chagrin of many Egyptian men, women have taken up the water pipe, long a tradition that was the most masculine of male habits, puffed in the thousands of cafes that serve as the hub of men's social life in the Arab world's biggest and most spirited city.

"In my opinion, it is sacrilege," declares Ahmed Sadiq, a waiter at a cafe coated with a generation of grime. "If women sit here, it's not natural. It goes against the nature of Egyptians."

In Cairo, there are cafes for the deaf, there are cafes for literati, and there are cafes for chess players. There are all-night cafes, and there are cafes where Cairenes run their daily affairs.

For centuries, in those cafes, it was a man's world.

And in that world was the smoke of the water pipe, known alternatively as the shisha, nerjilla, arkila, qalyan or hooka. All share the distinctive looping hose that draws the smoke of burning, syrupy tobacco through water and into waiting lungs.

But recently, the shisha and the style of smoking it has experienced a transformation, making it, well, more feminine.

Once one of the easier ways to catch hepatitis, the shisha now comes with a removable plastic mouthpiece known as a mabsam.

Even more striking is the explosion in flavored tobacco that has hit the upscale cafes women frequent — a far cry from the days when honey-flavored tobacco was the most exotic a man might sample.

"I have apple-flavored tobacco, I have rose flavored, I have strawberry and I have mint. I even have licorice and fruit cocktail," said Bahgat al-Kurdi, a vendor at the neighborhood shop selling tobacco.

"Everyone has their own mood," he adds.

And his customers?

"There's no man in Egypt that would smoke strawberry or even apple," he insists. "Only women would smoke these. Why? Because the tobacco is lighter and women are kind of fragile."

At an upscale cafe near one of Cairo's five-star hotels, a young woman in black veil drags confidently on a shisha burning apple-flavored tobacco. The water purrs, and she knowingly exhales a plume of smoke that would make any male aficionado proud.

"Shisha is beautiful for the mood," said Mona Mirza, sitting with her husband. "It's so much better than cigarettes."

Such a scene fires up more conservative elements in Cairo.

Many men still see it as vulgar and indecent for women to smoke shisha, fit only for the ma'alima, the rough-and-tumble woman who runs a poor neighborhood through a mix of intimidation and gusto.

Al-Haqiqa, a weekly tabloid, lamented the decadence that came with young men and women smoking shisha together.

Former Yeltsin security chief to run for governor in Siberia

MOSCOW (AP) — Russia's former security chief and presidential hopeful, Alexander Lebed, will seek the governor's post in Krasnoyarsk, a key industrial region in central Siberia, a news agency reported Wednesday.

Lebed finished a strong third in the 1996 presidential race, but he has been less and less visible since he was fired as President Boris Yeltsin's security chief in October 1996.

Winning a governor's post would give him a new public platform and would automatically make him a member of the Federation Council, the upper house of Russia's parliament.

Lebed has submitted his nomination to the regional election commission, election officials said Wednesday. He would face 15 other contenders in the April 26 election, according to the ITAR-Tass news agency. Lebed would probably be favored to win.

Lebed's popularity peaked when he negotiated an end to the war in separatist Chechnya in August 1996, but he was ousted by Yeltsin only weeks later amid Kremlin infighting. Lebed has repeatedly said that he would run for presidency in 2000, when Yeltsin's term expires.

But Lebed's popularity has declined since he lost his Kremlin job and he has largely vanished from public view. He has traveled across Russia in an attempt to develop a political movement he created last year, but with little apparent success.

Recent polls suggest that Lebed is still among the leading potential presidential contenders, along with Moscow Mayor Yuri Luzhkov, First Deputy Prime Minister Boris Nemtsov and Communist Party leader Gennady Zyuganov.

Mudslide buries mining camp; 50 feared dead

LA PAZ, Bolivia (AP) — A mudslide blamed on El Nino's heavy rains dumped tons of mud and rocks on a gold mine camp near Bolivia's border with Peru early Wednesday, killing as many as 50 people, officials said.

Rescue crews recovered 19 bodies by midafternoon, presidential press secretary Patricia Balda told The Associated Press. Twenty-one more miners were missing and feared dead, she said.

But the head of the civil defense agency, Carlos Montero, said the death toll may reach 50.

The mudslide occurred in the Mocotoro camp in the Tipuani mountains, about 130 miles northwest of the Bolivian capital, La Paz.

Balda said heavy rains in recent days in the area were caused by El Nino, a period warming of water in the Pacific Ocean that has caused serious damage throughout Latin America this year.

Montero said President Hugo Banzer ordered the military to help the Red Cross and the Civil Defense in the rescue operations.

"We are afraid that as many as 50 miners may have been killed, buried," Montero told the AP.

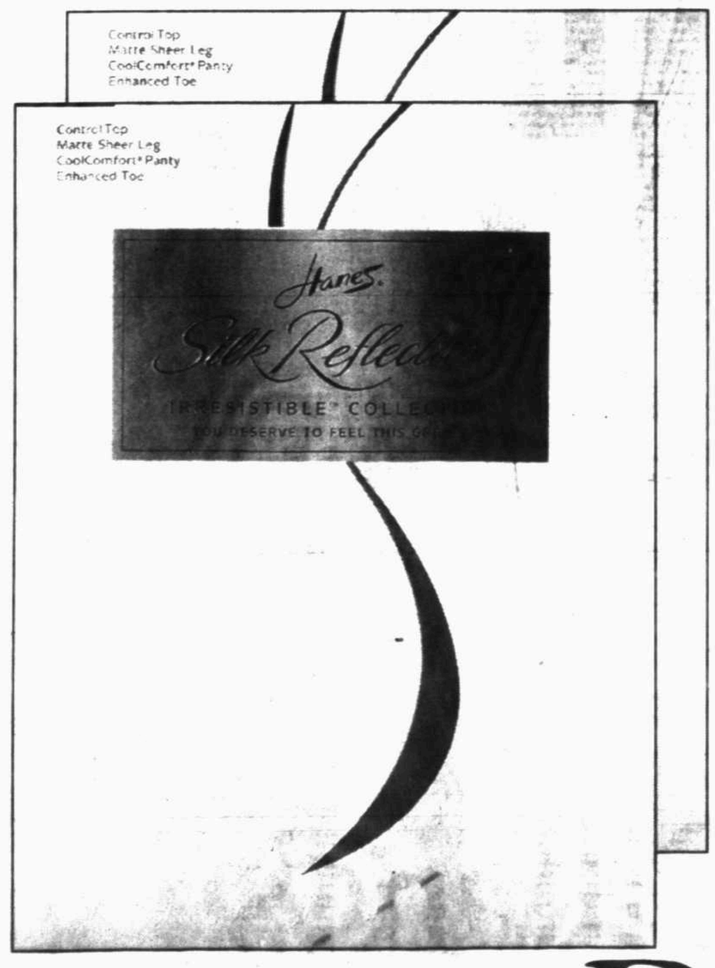
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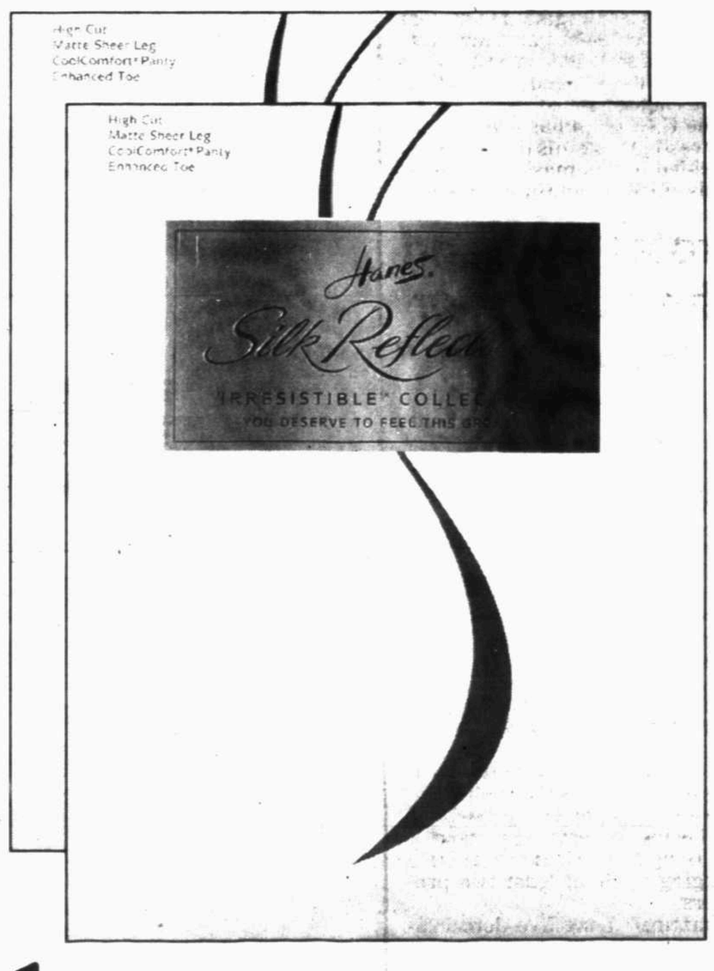


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Canadians reeling once again from an Olympic drug debacle

TORONTO (AP) — Ten years after the Ben Johnson scandal, the Nagano Games were supposed to be Canada's best Olympics ever.

But dismay replaced pride when news broke that the country's new snowboarding hero faced losing his gold medal after drug tests turned up traces of marijuana in his system.

"It's a bit like deja vu and a nightmare all over again," said Canadian Olympic Association chief Carol Anne Letheran.

But if Canadians felt betrayed by Johnson, they rallied behind snowboarder Ross Rebagliati.

"No one's angry or embarrassed," said John Wells, editor of the twice-weekly newspaper in Rebagliati's hometown of Whistler, British Columbia. "If anything, they're quite protective of Ross."

Rebagliati was a front-page national hero Monday after winning the first-ever Olympic snowboarding event. He was back on the front pages Wednesday, and the focus of virtually every TV and radio newscast as Canadians tried to absorb the bad news.

"Gold medal gone to pot?" blared the tabloid headline on the Toronto Sun.

Even at Parliament in Ottawa, the debacle was topic No. 1.

Opposition leader Preston Manning, whose right-wing Reform Party has a tough anti-drug stance, took a pro-Rebagliati position.

"We shouldn't give up that medal without a fight," he said.

Heritage Minister Sheila Copps, whose portfolio includes the Olympic program, declined comment pending the outcome of a Canadian appeal of the disqualification.

Should the appeal fail, Rebagliati would join Johnson as the only Olympians to lose gold medals because of drug tests. Johnson was stripped of his medal and 100-meter world record in 1988 in Seoul for using the anabolic steroid stanozolol.

Rebagliati told Canadian officials he hadn't used marijuana since April 1997, but was in close contact with marijuana smokers Jan. 31 in Whistler before he left for Nagano.

Many Canadians were outraged that Rebagliati faced the same penalty as Johnson even though marijuana, unlike steroids, is not considered a drug that improves performance.

"Pot doesn't affect your performance — it's like alcohol," said Alex Taylor, editor of a Calgary snowboard magazine. "If he had tested positive for drinking, no one would say anything."

In Whistler, Canada's trendiest ski resort town, Rebagliati's friends said they still planned a big welcome home party next week.

"My plan is to go ahead with everything, regardless," said party organizer Graham Turner. "Ross has still got the gold to everyone in Whistler. He just might not be on the cover of the Wheaties box."

Rebagliati and Johnson are not the only top Canadian athletes ensnared by drug tests.

Olympic rower Silken Laumann, who was eventually exonerated, lost her gold medal at the 1995 Pan American Games after using an over-the-counter decongestant which contained a banned stimulant.

Four Canadian weightlifters selected for the Seoul Olympics were disqualified. They went so far as to try duping drug testers by inserting another person's urine into their bladders.

Problems arose almost as soon as the team arrived in Japan, when French-speaking athletes from Quebec felt slighted by the almost exclusive use of English at an official welcoming reception. Ken Warren, president of the Canadian Olympic Association, felt compelled to apologize after the gaffe created a furor in Quebec.

Jackson visit to Congo ends short of goal

KINSHASA, Congo (AP) — After being turned away from meeting Congo's president, Jesse Jackson expressed concern Wednesday at continued human rights abuses in the central African country.

Jackson told journalists shortly before ending a three-day visit to Congo that he was concerned that authorities continued to ban opposition political activities and prosecute civilians in military courts.

Civilians convicted by military trial of murder or robbery regularly are executed by firing squad. President Laurent Kabila banned political gatherings and other activities soon after taking power of the country formerly known as Zaire in May 1996 following eight months of fighting.

"These are uncomfortable topics, but they must be faced squarely by any Congolese genuinely committed to reform," said the U.S. civil rights leader who is President Clinton's envoy to Africa.

Jackson said he was unable to raise human rights questions with Kabila because Congo authorities abruptly canceled a Tuesday meeting between the two men.

Jackson said the president gave no reason for the move, but Congo's foreign minister, Bizima Karaha, expressed disappointment that Jackson had met earlier with community activists and opposition leaders.

Jackson said a U.N. human rights team had begun making progress in attempts to investigate massacres allegedly committed by Kabila's rebel forces during the conflict that toppled longtime dictator Mobutu Sese Seko.

Jackson gave no details except to say that the team was in Mbandaka, in western Congo. The team started its investigation there last year, but left after just a few days because of security concerns. Most of the killings allegedly took place in the country's east.

The U.N. team has been trying to investigate claims that Kabila's Tutsi-led forces massacred thousands of Rwandan Hutu refugees.

Protests hound Chinese leader in Hong Kong

HONG KONG (AP) — Outnumbered by police, pro-democracy protesters dogged China's legislative leader during his first visit to Hong Kong with small but noisy demonstrations.

At least six people were arrested, but the protests did not interfere with meetings between Qiao Shi, head of the National People's Congress, and Hong Kong officials.

Qiao is one of the most powerful Chinese leaders to visit Hong Kong since its return to Chinese rule July 1.

Police controlled demonstrations outside the former residence of Britain's colonial governor, outnumbering protesters by about 5-to-1. Hong Kong TV showed police dragging away at least two protesters.

Chanting "Long live democracy!" and "Build a free China!" protesters gave a petition to a policeman outside the residence. It demanded that China's government reverse its verdict that democracy demonstrations in Beijing's Tiananmen Square in 1989 were rebellious and anti-government.

At that meeting, Qiao repeated calls for political restructuring in China and promoting rule of law.


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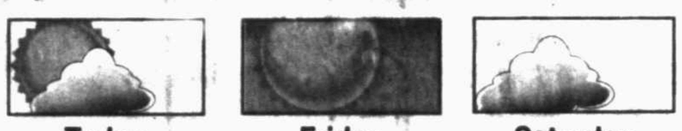
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Midland forecast

3-day forecast



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Partly cloudy	Sunny	Cloudy
High 62	High 65	High 69
Low 30	Low 27	Low 42

Today's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies with winds from the east to northeast at 5 to 10 mph. The high will be between 60 and 65, according to the National Weather Service.

Tonight calls for fair skies with a low near 30.

Friday calls for mostly sunny skies with a high in the mid-60s.

After an overnight low of 31, Tuesday's high was 62, compared to the record high for that date of 85 set in 1962. The record low was 11 set in 1931.

Yesterday's precipitation

Rainfall Tuesday	.00 in.
Rainfall Wednesday	.00 in.
Total for month	.40 in.
Total for year	.56 in.

Yesterday's temperatures

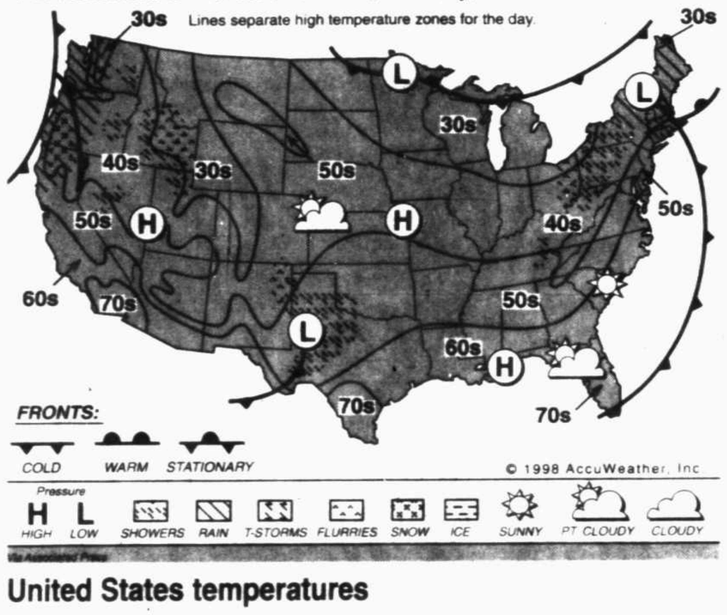
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National forecast

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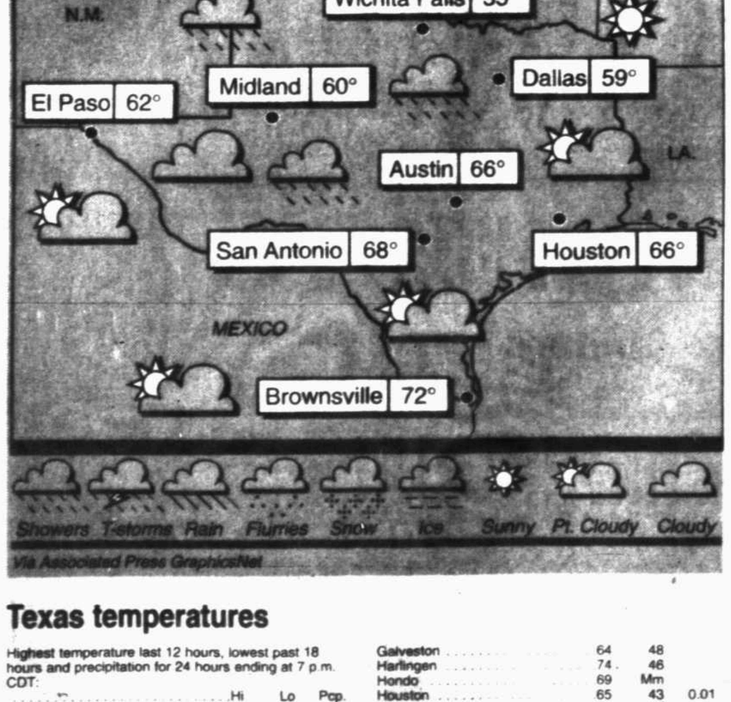


United States temperatures

Temperatures indicate previous day's high and overnight low to 7:35 p.m. EST

	Hi	Lo	Prc	Otlk
Albany,N.Y.	47	30	rn	
Albuquerque	47	23	cdy	
Anchorage	33	28	cdy	
Asheville	49	37	.34	cdy
Atlanta	62	46	.15	cdy
Atlantic City	51	24	clr	
Baltimore	50	28	cdy	
Billings	45	29	cdy	
Birmingham	55	48	.73	cdy
Bismarck	46	30	cdy	
Boise	45	33	.19	cdy
Boston	49	34	rn	
Buffalo	49	33	rn	
Burlington,Vt	47	35	rn	
Casper	40	24	cdy	
Charleston,S.C.	71	42	.08	clr
Charleston,W.Va.	58	46	rn	
Charlotte,N.C.	57	42	.09	cdy
Cheyenne	40	17	cdy	
Chicago	45	41	.53	cdy
Cincinnati	48	41	.32	cdy
Cleveland	54	39	.15	rn
Columbia,S.C.	65	36	.07	clr
Columbus,Ohio	53	46	.23	rn
Concord,N.H.	47	21	rn	
Dayton	47	44	.34	cdy
Denver	44	17	clr	
Des Moines	33	31	.04	cdy
Detroit	42	37	.43	cdy
Duluth	30	24	cdy	
Evansville	50	41	.44	cdy
Fairbanks	10	-2	cdy	
Fargo	29	26	cdy	
Flagstaff	40	17	clr	
Grand Rapids	38	35	.43	cdy
Great Falls	47	32	clr	
Greensboro,N.C.	52	32	.28	cdy
Hartford Spgfld	51	35	rn	
Helena	42	28	cdy	
Honolulu	80	74	clr	
Indianapolis	48	44	.27	cdy
Jackson,Miss.	57	51	1.30	cdy
Jacksonville	76	45	cdy	
Juneau	43	39	rn	
Kansas City	35	34	.06	cdy
Las Vegas	59	39	cdy	
Little Rock	50	45	.60	cdy
Los Angeles	64	52	cdy	
Louisville	50	41	.18	cdy
Memphis	49	46	.95	cdy
Miami Beach	76	64	cdy	
Milwaukee	37	35	.69	cdy
Mpls-St Paul	34	31	cdy	
Nashville	53	49	.08	cdy
New Orleans	64	54	.53	cdy
New York City	55	33	rn	
Norfolk,Va.	62	39	cdy	
North Platte	47	20	clr	
Oklahoma City	57	38	cdy	
Omaha	33	32	clr	
Orlando	77	52	cdy	
Philadelphia	56	31	clr	
Phoenix	64	47	clr	
Pittsburgh	57	37	.05	rn
Portland,Maine	41	23	rn	
Portland,Ore.	53	40	.37	rn
Providence	49	34	rn	
Raleigh-Durham	57	30	.07	cdy
Rapid City	49	17	cdy	
Reno	48	32	.03	rn
Richmond	57	32	.16	cdy
Sacramento	55	46	.05	rn
St Louis	52	45	.82	cdy
Salt Lake City	38	32	.15	cdy
San Diego	64	54	clr	
San Francisco	58	49	.12	rn
San Juan,P.R.	81	74	cdy	
Santa Fe	45	18	cdy	
St Ste Marie	35	29	.02	cdy
Seattle	49	41	.11	rn
Shreveport	64	47	.01	cdy
Sioux Falls	33	31	cdy	
Spokane	45	35	.06	rn
Syracuse	48	25	rn	
Tampa-St Ptrsbg	74	57	cdy	
Topeka	37	34	clr	
Tucson	62	40	clr	
Tulsa	52	41	cdy	
Washington,D.C.	53	34	.14	cdy

State forecast



Texas temperatures

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

	Hi	Lo	Pcp.
Abilene	61	34	
Alice	70	43	
Amarillo	54	26	
Arlington	64	41	
Austin	68	45	
Beaumont	66	45	
Brownsville	74	48	
Burnet	64	41	
Childress	59	32	
College Station	63	42	
Conroe	63	45	
Corpus Christi	79	49	
Corsicana	62	39	
Cotulla	73	42	
Dalhart	53	24	
Dallas	63	42	
Del Rio	72	37	
Denton	63	36	
El Paso	57	29	
Fort Stockton	64	35	
Fort Worth	62	39	
Galveston	64	48	
Harlingen	74	46	
Hondo	69	Mm	
Houston	65	43	0.01
Huntsville	63	42	
Junction	65	30	
Kingsville	72	44	
Laredo	76	39	
Lubbock	57	24	
Lufkin	63	42	
Marfa	57	18	
McAllen	77	48	
Mineral Wells	65	36	
Navy Corpus	67	45	
New braunfels	71	37	
Palacios	67	45	
Paris	59	41	
Rockport	68	48	
San Angelo	62	30	
San Antonio	70	38	
Terrell	61	41	
Victoria	68	41	
Waco	64	40	0.01
Wichita Falls	61	34	
Wink	63	26	

ATTACK: Many in Congress want more information

(From 1A)

of this very simple standard."

The congressional resolution, which seemed sure of quick passage when Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott first raised it two weeks ago, now is bogged down over concerns about precisely what kind of airstrikes the administration is planning. Lawmakers also question whether the strikes will succeed in forcing Iraq to allow unfettered U.N. inspections of its suspected chemical and biological arms sites.

Lott said Wednesday he and other lawmakers want the administration to request congressional action. "I don't know if we can do it in one day," he said, but "there's no need to rush to judgment." Asked if he was concerned that an attack might occur while Congress is in recess, Lott said, "I don't think the bombs will fall until we are back in action."

House Speaker Newt Gingrich said his fellow House Republicans "want to know what are the plans, what are the goals? Is the president prepared to pay for this?" Despite what Gingrich described as "a strong feeling about supporting the position against Saddam, ... the members have not been briefed enough" to give their unqualified support.

Later, Gingrich and Clinton met privately at the White House on the Iraq situation.

Rep. Benjamin Gilman, R-N.Y., chairman of the House International Relations Committee, said that the reservations in the House come down to "a matter of commitment, a matter of cost and a matter of ultimate effectiveness." But if diplomatic efforts fail, he said, "we have no alternative" but military action.

Congress will be in recess next week, returning Feb. 23. No House action is expected this week. In the Senate, Lott and Minority Leader Tom Daschle hoped to bring the resolution to a vote today, but not if they can't muster solid support.

Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., said lawmakers "are torn between their desire to support the president as their commander in chief and their very serious concerns



AP Photo

Members of the Peace Action group take part in a demonstration outside the White House Wednesday, calling on President Clinton not to attack Iraq. President Clinton said Wednesday that if Saddam Hussein won't act, the U.S. must be prepared to.

and reservations."

Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, National Security Adviser Sandy Berger, Deputy Defense Secretary John Hamre, Gen. Henry H. Shelton, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and Budget Director Franklin Raines discussed Iraq privately Wednesday with several senior Republican senators. The senators pressed the administration to make a public appeal for support for strong action against Iraq.

"We want the president to explain (the mission) to the American people — including that there will be civilian casualties" in Iraq, McCain said. The administration officials, he said, acknowledged a bombing campaign alone won't solve the crisis over Iraq's biological and chemical weapons capability.

"A lot of us still need more information," McCain said, but he was pleased that the administration "is at least committed to a very robust campaign." And there is no disagreement, McCain said, "that the status quo of Saddam Hussein continuing to develop weapons of mass destruction ... is unacceptable."

Other lawmakers are concerned that the language of the resolution is too broad and may give the administration too much leeway to wage war on Iraq. Others are hesitant to sign on to a plan they have not yet seen.

"I don't want to endorse it in advance not knowing what the policy is," said Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas.

Zinni, the Marine general who heads the United States Central Command responsible for the Gulf region, said "a few more pieces" of the American military buildup are still on their way to the region and are expected "within a week or so." Asked how Saddam should feel right now, the general replied curtly, "nervous."

Asked about possible targets of an airstrike, including his previous statement that he would target "what Saddam holds dear," Zinni said: "I think the things that obviously allow him to stay in power, threaten his neighbors, threaten the use of weapons of mass destruction — the things that are involved in the control of those sorts of assets, and those are the kind of things I feel he holds dear."

Zinni was accompanying Defense Secretary William Cohen on a tour of troops in the region. One stop took them to the USS George Washington in the Persian Gulf, where Rear Adm. Michael Mullen declared the nine-ship armada under his command "ready to go." But Mullen, like Zinni, indicated that a strike order may be at least days away.

"I can tell you I have no orders which put us on any kind of timeline with regard to that right now," Mullen told The Associated Press. "We're very much in sync with the diplomatic efforts, which are ongoing, and I would expect that those will continue until they bear no fruit and after that we'll have to see what happens."

DRUGS: Controversy to be tough on snowboarding

(From 1A)

Today, he finds himself at the center of the first major controversy since the games began. Not only was marijuana residue found in his urine, but he faces the added humiliation of being sanctioned for a drug that few would consider performance-enhancing.

"This will undoubtedly be tough for the sport," said Carol Anne Letheren, head of Canada's Olympic association.

Rebagliati maintains that the 17.8 nanograms per milliliter of marijuana in his system came from secondhand smoke at a going-away party last month in Canada, and that he hasn't smoked pot since last April.

"The public sort of looks at this and thinks, 'Ah — snowboarders are all wild and crazy,'" said Rob Roy, a coach for the U.S. snowboarding team. "That's not good."

The perception has precedent.

Consider this from Rebagliati, interviewed by Associated Press Television hours before he learned of the test results: "I've always just done the things I wanted to do and don't do the things I don't want to do."

Or this: "I don't care if they accept us or don't accept us. Snowboarding is a fact of life."

Such statements, while made good-naturedly in the glow of gold-medal euphoria, underscore the risk the Olympics establishment took in admitting snowboarding.

"These kids live on the edge," said Lewis H. Carlson, head of the American Studies program at Western Michigan University, who has studied the popular culture of the Olympics. "Snowboarding captures a lot of the verve of America — the speed, the gambling and taking chances, the creativity. But any sport that we associate with surfing eventually goes back to California, which Americans in the heartland have been suspicious of for a long time."

They're not the only ones. Many ski resorts ban or severely restrict snowboarding, and some say the close votes on Rebagliati's sanction reflect the ambivalence many in the Olympic establishment feel toward the sport.

"For these Olympic organizers, this probably makes them ask, 'Why did we bring these people in who have these funny habits?'" Taylor said. "We're dealing with a sport that's new, and suddenly it's in this highly cultured, highly international environment. And that does create a culture shock."

Snowboarding in the Olympics is governed by the rules of the International Ski Federation. That raised hackles among snowboarders, who wanted to be represented by the International Snowboarding Federation.

Norwegian snowboarder Terje Haakonsen, a three-time world champion, is boycotting the Olympics because of that.

Before Rebagliati tested positive, he scorned Haakonsen's decision to stay away.

"He screwed up his place in the history books," Rebagliati said. "At least history will remember me."

■ See more Winter Olympics coverage in Sports/section C

SALARY: Spring Branch highest paid at $191,007

(From 1A)

elected school boards; superintendents implement policies and goals adopted by the boards.

Baressi said he has complied with the MISD school board's annual goals and has given the board's direction to his staff.

For MISD, board goals include improving student performance in reading, writing and math; improving academic standards; developing an MISD technology plan; and achieving unitary status under the Agreed Judgment — or becoming officially desegregated and free of federal court oversight.

At Tuesday's meeting, board members gave Baressi his confidential annual appraisal in closed executive session and evaluated his compliance with board goals. Baressi gives himself good marks.

"I think the unitary status effort is something above and beyond what we normally do," he said. "The Agreed Judgment was a negotiated document ... and we're carrying it out."

A school board is the only authority that can extend a superintendent's contract, or reprimand or fire the official.

Jackie Hamilton, MISD board president, said Baressi has done an excellent job during her eight years on the board.

"I think he's a very positive person," she said. "I think he does a good job and I think he strives to make sure that every kid can read, write and do the arithmetic. That's not easy to do with 23,000 students."

Ms. Hamilton said the superintendent has a heavier workload than in some other districts. The district several years ago chose not to refill several top administrative positives to save money, she said.

"I think that's (his salary) a lot of money, but I think that he earns that," Ms. Hamilton said. "We don't have two to three assistant superintendents like many districts have."

Board member Adela Marmolejo said she has differences with Baressi on the board goals. But she gives him generally high marks. Baressi has told her that he wants to make "all of the board members winners" in implementing the board goals.

"It's going to be hard to make all of the board members winners, when we have seven different board members and seven different directions," she said. "I think he does a pretty good job."

Ms. Marmolejo said she'd like to see Baressi reach out more to Hispanic parents and put in place programs to breach cultural barriers.

Over at ECISD, Superintendent Vernon Stokes said he is working with the ECISD school board to implement district goals for staff and its 28,600 students.

"I've been able to create a stronger focus on curriculum, instruction, and student performance," he said. "That's our primary emphasis in this district."

In an unusual situation, Stokes operates on a month-to-month contract. He's been superintendent for 11/2 years.

Surprisingly, large city districts like Dallas and Houston do not top the pay list, according to the Associated Press.

Houston Independent School District Superintendent Rod Paige receives base pay of $165,300, but that's below Spring Branch, where the superintendent receives $191,007 to oversee 30,766 students. Fort Bend's superintendent sees a $189,000 paycheck to supervise a 49,000-student system.

Suburban districts like Fort Bend and Spring Branch surpass many counterparts at large urban districts like Dallas, which paid its last superintendent $175,000.

The Texas Association of School Boards in Austin is forecasting even bigger salaries for superintendents as accountability standards rise and competition heats up.

The average turnover rate statewide for superintendents this school year is 20 percent, compared with about 9 percent or 10 percent for teachers and other school employees, according to TASB.

The average tenure of a superintendent in Texas is about five years.

Lotto Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Lotto Texas numbers drawn Wednesday by the Texas Lottery:

29-31-33-34-36-39

Estimated Lotto Texas jackpot: $4 million

Pick 3 Texas

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

1-8-8

Corrections

The U.S. State Department will start issuing its new "Laser Visa" card on April 1 for Mexicans who wish the visit in the United States. Initially, the card will be issued in the U.S. Consulate General's Office in Ciudad Juarez, Mexico. Issuing cities will be expanded in Mexico from there. The card — which will have an embedded computer chip to record information on the bearer — is to replace the Immigration and Naturalization Service's border-crossing card by Sept. 30, 1999.

A story in Wednesday's edition gave the incorrect date for when the card will go into effect.

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Midlander Samatha Talley-Anderson is portraying Miss Adelaide in Midland Community Theatre's production of "Guys and Dolls."

Her name was inadvertently misspelled in a story in Sunday's edition.

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The Reporter-Telegram regrets the errors.

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Israel's troubled jubilee kicks off with tree-planting

For many Israelis, though, the miracle was that the celebration got under way at all. Among other problems, four chairmen of the planning committee have quit.

KIRYAT GAT, Israel (AP) — A modest tree-planting ceremony Wednesday kicked off Israel's 50th anniversary jubilee, a birthday bash plagued by budget problems and infighting among the planners.

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and other officials joined 2,000 residents of the southern town of Kiryat Gat for the ceremony. But opposition lawmakers were angry about being left out, and Jerusalem Mayor Ehud Olmert said Israel's capital should have played host to the event.

"People think this is a joke," Olmert complained, saying Netanyahu could not give him a reason for the choice of Kiryat Gat.

Some noted that the ceremony could have been combined with observances Wednesday marking 49 years of lawmaking at the Knesset, or parliament.

"The whole thing is a travesty," opposition lawmaker Uzi Baram said. "Neither I nor anyone else from the Labor party was invited. This is Israel's birthday, not Mr. Netanyahu's."

The prime minister rejected the criticism.

"I hear voices saying that there are many things wrong with this jubilee," Netanyahu said at Kiryat Gat. "I want to tell you that people who have a miracle don't recognize it. A miracle is happening here!"

People in the audience clapped and some wept. One man waved a huge blue-and-white Israeli flag.

For many Israelis, though, the real miracle was that the celebration got under way at all.

Four chairmen of the planning committee have quit. Tourism Minister Moshe Katsav resigned last week saying he felt snubbed by a decision giving the prime minister's office some oversight of the celebrations.

Original plans involved a flurry of events in Israel and abroad, but financing was cut from $70 million to about $30 million — and even then, President Ezer Weizman dismissed the effort as a waste of money.

Jews of Middle Eastern descent also complained that the plans reflect a longstanding bias in Israel in favor of Western culture.

A proposal by one of the ex-chairmen, former finance minister Yitzhak Modai, to celebrate the jubilee by granting a mass clemency to criminals was rejected by opposition lawmakers and jurists. Some critics suspected a ploy to end the trials of some Netanyahu political allies.

The jubilee's scaled-down program includes a chess competition, a quiz for youth, a dance festival, art exhibits and a march. Even that program, however, has run into snags.

Plans for inviting the Miss Universe contest to the Red Sea resort of Eilat hit trouble last week when funding questions came up. Eilat officials claimed organizers were buckling to the religious lobby.

Even hopes of a windfall of tourist dollars during the jubilee anniversary have been dampened. Fears that the Iraqi crisis could escalate into war already have led to hotel-room cancellations.

With the celebration's turbulent history, Wednesday's event was received by Israelis with no small amount of apathy and confusion.

"Oh, it started today? I thought that happened in December," said Marta Inbar, a 31-year-old choreographer from the northern city of Haifa.

She alluded to the first effort to kick off the celebrations, which fizzled when Weizman would not agree to start the jubilee with Netanyahu's ceremonial lighting of the first Hanukkah candle.

Wednesday's opening ceremony fell on Tu B'shvat, Israel's version of Arbor Day. Fifty trees were planted in a new forest in the arid town, one of them by Netanyahu, next to a sign that said, "Prime Minister."

Kiryat Gat residents seemed to welcome the attention. But most were skeptical it could alleviate their main concern — 15 percent unemployment.

"It's nice that they came here, but in general this is a waste," said Zvi Steiner, an unemployed factory worker.

Israel marks its anniversary by the Hebrew calendar, and the actual anniversary this year falls on April 30.

Casinos in Turkey close under government order

ANKARA, Turkey (AP) — The luck ran out for Turkey's casinos Wednesday.

A government decree closing them went into effect, putting an estimated 20,000 people out of work and giving dedicated gamblers lots more free time.

Ankara's government says the gaming halls are a hotbed of money-launderers, tax evaders and mobsters. The campaign began last year when the government, then dominated by an Islamic party, said the gaming houses bred immorality and should be closed on religious grounds.

People have been flocking to the country's 76 casinos in recent weeks for last rolls of the dice or first glimpses by the curious.

"I feel bad for all these people," said Sefik Ataman, looking around the casino at the Sheraton Hotel here. The Turkish businessman from Konstanz, Germany, said he came for one last look.

Casinos in Turkey are a far cry from the pharoanic extravaganzas in Las Vegas.

The Sheraton casino — one of Ankara's nicest — is entered through an unmarked door at the far end of the lobby. Visitors walk underneath a metal detector, past a sign barring firearms and through mirror-covered doors.

The dealers were glum Tuesday in the smoky haze. The tables were full, and many had with people waiting for seats at roulette, poker and blackjack tables. The casino also has a slot area and private gambling room, where managers proudly declare that singer Julio Iglesias once had an excellent time.

"People should be able to play with their own money," said Ozlem Guler, an executive secretary who said she comes five to 10 times a month.

Casino gambling became legal only 18 years ago, and has always had an ambiguous relationship with the authorities. Turks once needed a permit to gamble. Recently, the government barred free buffets.

An Islamic-minded government campaigned against them. Parliament last June passed a law closing them after a wave of newspaper stories describing the horrible fruits of gambling debts — suicides and broken families.

The president vetoed the bill, but even after the Islamic government was replaced by a secular, center-right administration, the legislature overrode the veto. The new government said casinos were a haven for money-launderers, tax evaders and gangsters.

The industry brought in $134 million to government coffers last year, said Erhan Akbulut, head of the Turkish gaming association. Some tourism officials say the ban will cut into tourism revenues.

The croupier's loss could be the travel agent's gain.

Seda Yakut, the Sheraton casino's guest relations manager, said she would probably start taking tour groups to casinos in the Turkish part of Cyprus, Russia, Bulgaria or elsewhere.

First photograph of epileptic prince appears

LONDON (AP) — A photograph of Prince John, a younger brother of King Edward VIII who was hidden from public view because he was an epileptic, appeared Wednesday — reportedly the first picture ever published of the boy, who died in childhood.

The Independent newspaper said its picture of John, a smiling, serene-looking child in a sailor-suit, was among two albums of photographs belonging to the Duke of Windsor, John's eldest brother.

The Duke of Windsor reigned for less than a year as Edward VIII before abdicating in 1936 to marry a twice-divorced American, Wallis Simpson. He was succeeded by his brother, George VI, Queen Elizabeth II's father.

The Independent said the photographs, some depicting the duke's courtship of Mrs. Simpson, were given by the Windsors to an unidentified French family in Paris, where the couple both died in exile.

John, who was born in 1905 and died in 1919, lived mostly in a home with his nanny at Sandringham, the royal estate in eastern England.

At that time, epilepsy was considered untreatable and John was apparently kept out of sight in case he embarrassed the royal family by having a seizure in public.



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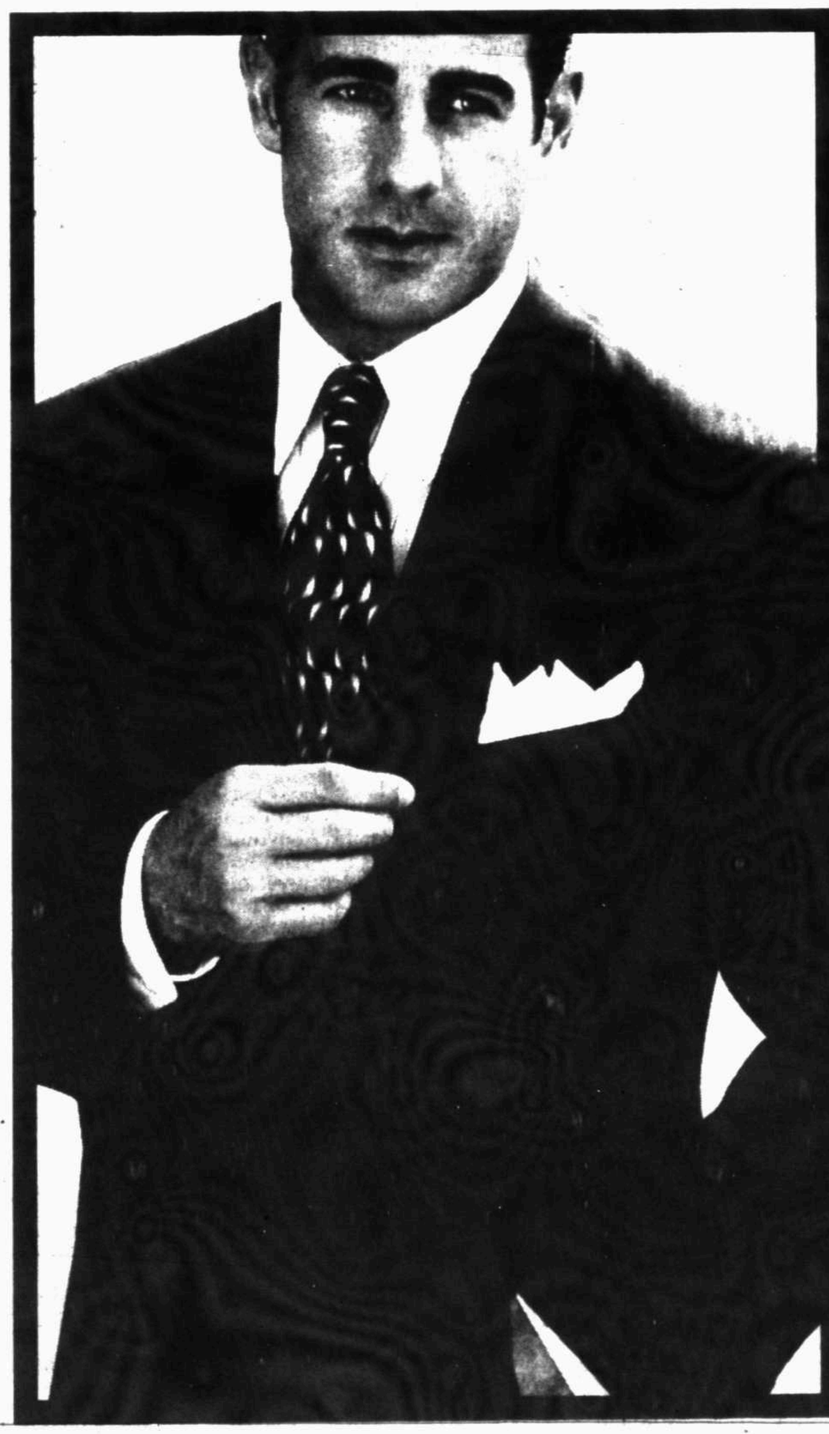
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Fresh snow blankets quake-devastated northeast Afghanistan

RUSTAQ, Afghanistan (AP) — Thousands of people huddling against the cold overwhelmed aid workers reaching earthquake-wracked northeastern Afghanistan on Wednesday with supplies too meager to ease the enormous suffering.

Shivering survivors cowered beneath plastic sheets, their only protection against the cold and snow. Women clinging to infants wrapped in ice-caked blankets begged relief workers for help.

"Please help us, we have lost everything," a veiled woman shouted, stumbling down the muddy road from the village of Kezer as aid workers drove past. A man standing at her side simply wept.

One week after the magnitude-6.1 earthquake and subsequent aftershocks killed more than 4,000 people, snow, fog, mud and civil war continued to frustrate rescue efforts.

Those obstacles were compounded by fresh fears that the death toll may rise. Jacques Tremblay, an official with the aid group Doctors Without Borders, said 4,300 people are missing, either trapped or dead in the remote villages and hamlets hardest hit by the quake.

Of the 27 remote villages obliterated in the quake, only two have roads. Ghanji, eight miles from the regional center, Rustaq, is one of them. The road is little more than a trail.

Villagers from the tiny hamlet gathered on a cliff to watch a Red Cross aid convoy approach. They quickly realized their suffering was far from over.

The convoy consisted of only one car full of supplies, a backup car and three cars bringing reporters.

Village elders determined which families were neediest and then called out family names as the aid was passed out: blankets, five tents, cooking supplies and children's boots. The supplies had to be carried the last few hundred yards; the cars could go no farther.

People in the town told of tragedy. One woman, Safar Bibi, said she came the night of the earthquake for her cousin's wedding. Both bride and groom were 15 years old.

"They both died that night," she said.

People streamed into Rustaq from dozens of mountain villages buried by landslides that toppled mud and brick homes. Refugees lined the road, hoping for aid.

Doctors without Borders was one of the first to reach the region. The clinic at Rustaq, barely able to handle 30 patients, is bursting with 150. Many were badly burned and suffering multiple fractures.

In a frigid corner, a man — barely 20 — screamed and clutched his injured leg. A surgeon rushed over, administered the little anesthetic available and, without scrubbing up, amputated, witnesses said.

Yet aid workers say the people who reached Rustaq —about 90 miles northeast of the Afghan capital Kabul —are fortunate.

Thousands more are believed to be trapped in their devastated villages, having survived the quake but too weak to leave, said Alexander Faite of the Red Cross. "We are afraid that hundreds will die if we don't get aid to them," he said.

Snow fell on the mountain passes for two days. Even donkey caravans were stuck in waist deep snow. On Wednesday, the weather began to clear.

"We are hoping in the next couple of days we will get lots of supplies in here. Blankets, plastic sheeting, food, medicine. We need everything," Faite said.

In neighboring Pakistan, a U.N. plane loaded supplies and prepared to leave Thursday if the weather held, said Sarah Russell, a U.N. spokesman. Flights were canceled the two previous days.

The area, including the closest airstrip, was buried under one foot of snow. Aid workers feared survivors would die of exposure or disease.

Emergency supplies piled up in Tajikistan, Pakistan and India, awaited transportation to at least 15,000 people left homeless by the tremors. The Red Cross was negotiating to use government and privately owned helicopters to fly in essentials, officials in Rustaq said.

Rescue efforts were further hampered by almost 20 years of civil war, which has destroyed Afghanistan's infrastructure and erected impenetrable front lines across its shattered highways.

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Pakistani ethnic groups clash over alleged love affair

KARACHI, Pakistan (AP) — It was a Shakespearean love story playing out Wednesday in Pakistan's largest city: A young couple from hostile ethnic communities apparently ran off together, leading to bloodshed and rioting.

Pathans went on a rampage in Karachi, claiming a Mohajir man kidnapped a Pathan woman. His family says the couple eloped. Two bystanders were killed, eight people were injured and the lovers went into hiding.

The mob violence that spread through the city raised fears of a revived blood feud among ethnic Pathans and Mohajirs.

The Romeo of this tale is Kanwar Ahson, a political activist of the Mohajir Qami Movement and nephew of a Pakistani member of parliament.

Two years ago, Ahson took refuge for six months in the household of his Juliet, Rifat Afridi, to evade a police crackdown on the MQM, according to published reports.

Tensions between the two communities then were at a low ebb, despite their antagonistic history. In the mid-1980s, about 1,000 people were killed during months of violence that began when a bus driven by a Pathan struck and killed a Mohajir girl.

The Afridis reportedly refused to let Ahson marry their daughter, saying she already was betrothed. Backing out would disgrace the family.

The couple, both in their 20s, disappeared last week. Police, who believe she left of her own free will, said they may have fled to Lahore, 300 miles north of Karachi. A Pathan council on Monday gave the provincial government 24 hours to find the couple and return the woman home.

Two senior police officers were fired Tuesday for failing to solve the disappearance, an attempt to appease Pathan extremists as the deadline passed with no sign of the couple.

On Wednesday, Pathan gangs burst from shantytown colonies into middle-class neighborhoods, smashing car windows and traffic lights, stoning passing vehicles and luxury international hotels.

Stray gunfire killed Hari Ram, a 55-year-old man riding a bus, and Habib Gul, a laborer who was passing by.

Six policemen were dragged from a police van and beaten. Two doctors were injured because they couldn't get out of their car after a mob set it alight — that incident prompted a general strike by the city's doctors.

Stores were closed, and traffic on the street was light. Black smoke from burning tires rose over parts of Karachi.

Police fired tear gas and live ammunition in the air to keep the mobs on the run, and by evening the violence had tapered to sporadic incidents.

Pathans, a conservative Muslim group originally from the hills of northern Pakistan and Afghanistan, are the third-largest group among Karachi's 13 million people.

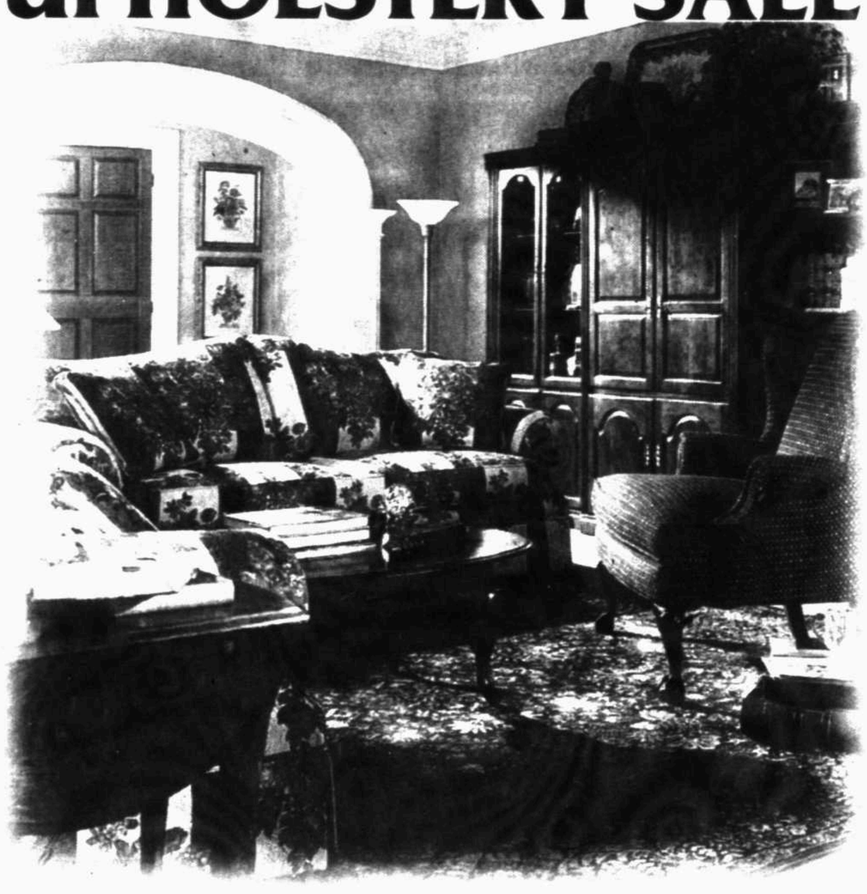
Mohajirs are Muslims who migrated from India after the subcontinent was partitioned by the British in 1947 into the Islamic state of Pakistan and the predominantly Hindu country of India.

The Mohajir Qami Movement was founded in 1983 to represent Mohajirs, who have complained of persecution in Pakistan. It is a major political force in Karachi, where Mohajirs comprise 60 percent of the population.


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Students work on campus for free education

■ College of the Ozarks requires that its undergraduates work in exchange for a free education.

By John Rogers
Associated Press

POINT LOOKOUT, Mo. — There's a new classroom building going up at the College of the Ozarks.

No big deal in that. New buildings spring up on college campuses all the time. Except elsewhere, the students don't usually build them.

Here they do, and that's not the half of it. Students also run the college's fire department, airport and restaurant, and raise cattle and pigs, some of which wind up, in one form or another, on the menu.

In exchange for all that, they get a free college education.

"This is Hard Work U," drawls Jerry Davis, president of one of the Ozarks' best-kept educational secrets.

All students at the College of the Ozarks are required to work 15 hours a week on the 930-acre campus of rolling hills and mountain vistas.

"We try to establish a work ethic, to show what it takes to work, as well as the role of work," says Michael Howell, a history professor.

Glen Thompson works not one but three jobs, as a jack-of-all-trades in the music department, a firefighter and a groundskeeper.

In the music department, he hauls equipment, helps set up for concerts and does clerical work. As a groundskeeper, he was in charge of a mowing crew in the summer. And at the fire department, he has done everything from battling a brush fire to administering aid to athletes with broken bones.

Although the work is tiring, Thompson says he comes from a family of hard workers, and he enjoys the excitement of occasionally being called out of class to answer an emergency.

"The only time I run into trouble studying is not with work but if I start goofing around," he says.

The college, founded in 1906, draws many of its 1,500 students from Midwestern farms or families who have worked overseas as missionaries, so they are used to hard work. Those admitted can have a family income of no more than $20,000 to $42,000 a year, depending on the size of the family and how many members are in college.

> **'We try to establish a work ethic, to show what it takes to work as well as the role of work.'**
> — Michael Howard, College of the Ozarks history professor

Not only is there no tuition, but room and board ($1,100 a semester for those who stay in the dorms) can be worked off, too, by taking a summer job on campus.

"I think this is the only college today that promotes work and discourages debt," Davis says.

Students can't even take out a federally insured loan since the college dropped out of the program a few years ago. Officials feared they were sending students the wrong message by encouraging them to rack up thousands of dollars in debt before going out into the world.

Anyone who came to the college to have fun picked the wrong place. The school has no social fraternities and says its mission is to provide a Christian education. That means, among other things, being polite to teachers, taking hats off in the cafeteria and offering prayers before meals.

"We're pretty old-fashioned," Davis says. "There are no coed dorms, none of that here. Most of us grew up with standards of decency. We realize that's not the case with everybody anymore, but we don't want to be just like everybody else."

Angela Ussery says such strictness in the '90s doesn't bother her at all. The outgoing 19-year-old says her goal is to become the host of the "Today" show: "Because you've got to dream big, right?"

The college relies on donations and, of course, student labor. But Davis says it cannot meet its annual budget of $24 million without dipping into its $200 million endowment.

Mike Wonderly, a 33-year-old student, helped construct the school's agricultural building. The construction work is hard and sometimes even dangerous, and some students complain of being too tired to study.

"But it's kind of a tension release for me," Wonderly says. "You can be kind of stressed-out doing homework and stuff, and then you go to work and laugh with the guys. And it's something you accomplish, too. You can look around campus and say, 'Hey, I did that.'"

Study: Papilloma common in female students

BOSTON (AP) — Sixty percent of women students at one New Jersey campus caught the papilloma virus during three years of college. The sexually transmitted infection usually went away within a few months.

The finding, reported in Thursday's issue of the New England Journal of Medicine, underscores the high risk of catching this virus among young women, as well as its typically passing nature.

Human papilloma virus — HPV — can cause warts but otherwise is almost always harmless. However, it can trigger cervical cancer in a tiny percentage of those infected.

The virus can cause abnormal cell growth that is picked up by Pap tests. Since doctors cannot predict precisely who will go on to develop cancer, they sometimes remove this abnormal tissue surgically.

The study was conducted by Dr. Robert D. Burk and others from Albert Einstein College of Medicine in New York City.

Every six months, doctors tested 608 women students for the virus at Rutgers University. At the start, 26 percent were already infected. Over the three years, 60 percent had the virus at some point.

Seventy percent of the infections went away after one year, and 91 percent after two years.

Midland Travel's Grand Opening

The Midland Chamber of Commerce M-Squard was on hand Thursday, February 5 for the Grand Opening of the new Midland Travel. Midland Travel recently relocated their office to 4410 N. Midkiff, across from the Midland Park Mall in the Courtyard Shopping Center. "This location will provide our community with a fast and friendly, full-service travel agency with easy access and convenient parking," said Ms. Deena Szymanski, Manager of Midland Travel.



Ribbon cutting at the new location of Midland Travel

The M-Squad, led by Ms. Rose Harvell, Captain, presented Mr. Richard A. Cooper, President and Owner and Ms. Deena Szymanski, Manager of Midland Travel with a plaque commemorating the occasion. Mr. Cooper said, "We are committed to giving the Permian Basin a travel agency that is understanding of the wants and needs of this area."

The ribbon cutting ceremony took place Thursday, 10:30 am with travel consultants, Mary Olssen, Laura Brown and Arlgen Cantu. Mr. Chad Schwestka, Area Sales Manager for American Airlines/American Eagle was a special guest. Mr. Schwestka spoke briefly of the changes in the industry and how they will effect the travelers of the Permian Basin. Mr. Schwestka said, "American Eagle is dependable and very customer focused and has one of the best records of a regional airline."

Midland Travel and KMID Big 2 will continue the celebration of this event with a cruise for two to the Bahamas, courtesy of Premier Cruises. Air transportation provided by American Airlines/American Eagle. Listen to KMID Television for the finalist names to be drawn. The cruise will be given away sometime early March. Stop by the new Midland Travel and sign up for your chance to win.

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Pioneer move may have not-so-dark lining

Announcement Tuesday by Pioneer Natural Resources that it will downsize its work force and divest itself of a number of producing properties in the Permian Basin will mean uncertainty and in some instances hardship for some Midland families.

The move will also mean disruption for a number of Midlanders as Pioneer — formerly known as Parker & Parsley — transfers a number of administrative personnel to its Dallas headquarters. We will hate to lose them as residents of Midland, but the change was far from unexpected since Parker & Parsley had merged with Mesa to form Pioneer Natural Resources Co. late last year.

With Pioneer releasing some of its producing oil properties it is likely those may end up in the hands of highly competent independent oil operators who will carry on aggressive development programs.

It stood to reason then that having the company headquarters in Dallas and its administrative offices in Midland would prove inefficient. With the move announced, some employees no doubt will accept the relocation to Dallas; others may choose to remain in Midland and seek other employment.

Observers note that with the local economy "vibrant" at the present time and the job market strong, it's likely those who choose to remain here can find employment. Houses becoming available as a result of the Pioneer move likely can be absorbed by the market.

Observers also point out that the oil industry appears to be healthy enough at the present time to absorb the shockwaves created by the Pioneer announcement. In fact, with Pioneer releasing some of its producing oil properties it is likely those may end up in the hands of highly competent independent oil operators who will carry on aggressive development programs intended to maximize their acquisitions.

That may be the somewhat shiny — if not quite silver — lining behind Pioneer's announcement.

ANOTHER VIEW

Arab leaders should stand up to Saddam

Despite considerable coaxing of Arab allies in recent weeks, the Clinton administration has failed to reassemble the coalition of nations that fought alongside America in the Persian Gulf war. Saudi Arabia is the latest country to rebuff Washington.

Except for Kuwait, no Arab country publicly endorses the use of military force against Iraq. Privately, though, most confess they would be delighted if Washington's attacks drove Hussein from power or fatally weakened his rule. It is disappointing that American allies who are among those most at risk from Iraq's development of germ and nerve gas weapons feel compelled to engage in such a diplomatic charade.

Granted, the issues today are not the same as they were in 1990 ... (b)ut Iraq is a proven threat to the region. A decade ago, Baghdad showed its willingness to use poison gas against Iran and against its own Kurdish minority. Persian Gulf governments once believed Iraq would use its military strength to shield them from an Iran intent on exporting its militant Islamic revolution. But today, with Iran courting better relations with its neighbors, the most immediate threat comes from Iraq.

Washington is doing all it can to root out Iraq's terror weapons by peaceful means. If military force is required to assure that U.N. weapons inspectors can complete that job, America deserves Arab support. Arab leaders should stand united, not against Iraq or its people, but against the crimes of its dangerous dictator.

— The New York Times

GEORGE WILL

U.S. lacks will to achieve political objective in Iraq

WASHINGTON — Saddam Hussein's promises are made of pie crust, so why use force to produce more of them? This question arises because America lacks a convincing connection between its political objective and the military assets — including national will — it has to achieve it.


Will

Defense Secretary William Cohen recently said air attacks would be "directed toward limiting, curtailing, really preventing him from reconstituting his capability in the near future at least." The last six words heavily conditioned the preceding ones, and then President Clinton said the objective is to "substantially reduce or delay" Iraq's capacity to make and deliver weapons of mass destruction.

Even if that can be done, it may not be worth doing, because the achievement may be evanescent (lasting only into "the near future") and costly in terms of complicating the U.S. position. Hence the importance of asking Admiral Yamamoto's question: "Then what?"

Asked if he could execute an effective surprise attack on U.S. naval forces, Yamamoto said yes, and I will then be unobstructed in the Pacific for perhaps a year. But then what?

When U.S. airstrikes end, the end will be explained with reference to some standard of sufficiency, presumably the "substantial" reduction or delay of Iraq's most dangerous capacities. Then what?

The assertion of sufficiency will be cited as justification for ending sanctions and inspections. The United States will have no grounds for using additional force "in the near future at least."

Like U.S. "nation-building" in Somalia and Haiti, the admonitory use of air power—to signal resolve, or to persuade — suggests that central "lessons of Vietnam" remain unlearned. Regarding the use of air power to strip a determinedly outlaw regime of a military capacity as multiform, mobile and concealable as Iraq's chemical and biological capabilities, remember, the rationale for renewed air attacks is: In spite of five weeks of heavy attacks in 1991 and subsequent inspections, Iraq's capacity remains extremely menacing.

Which underscores the "tyranny of five guesses" governing disarmament by air power: Success requires that the targets identified are pertinent; that almost all pertinent targets are identified; that all are hit; that all those hit are destroyed; that the destruction also cripples the enemy's capacity to, in Cohen's formulation, reconstitute his capability "in the near future."

Trying to hit most of his laboratories and missiles may be akin to using high-performance aircraft to bomb trucks on the Ho Chi Minh trail. If Saddam's arsenal is as dangerous as the administration's hot rhetoric asserts, and it may well be, that is because of his political character. Therefore the administration should be making the case for commensurate measures, meaning measures designed to remove him.

Such measures could include indicting him as a war criminal, recognizing a provisional government in exile and funding it with Iraq's frozen assets, stripping his regime of its U.N. seat and, most important, using ground forces to occupy sparsely populated southern Iraq, which includes the nation's largest oil field.

That is one answer when advocates of air attacks on Iraq answer the skeptics' "Then what?" question with a question: "If not such attacks, what?" Another answer, although not as cathartic as air attacks or use of ground forces, is:

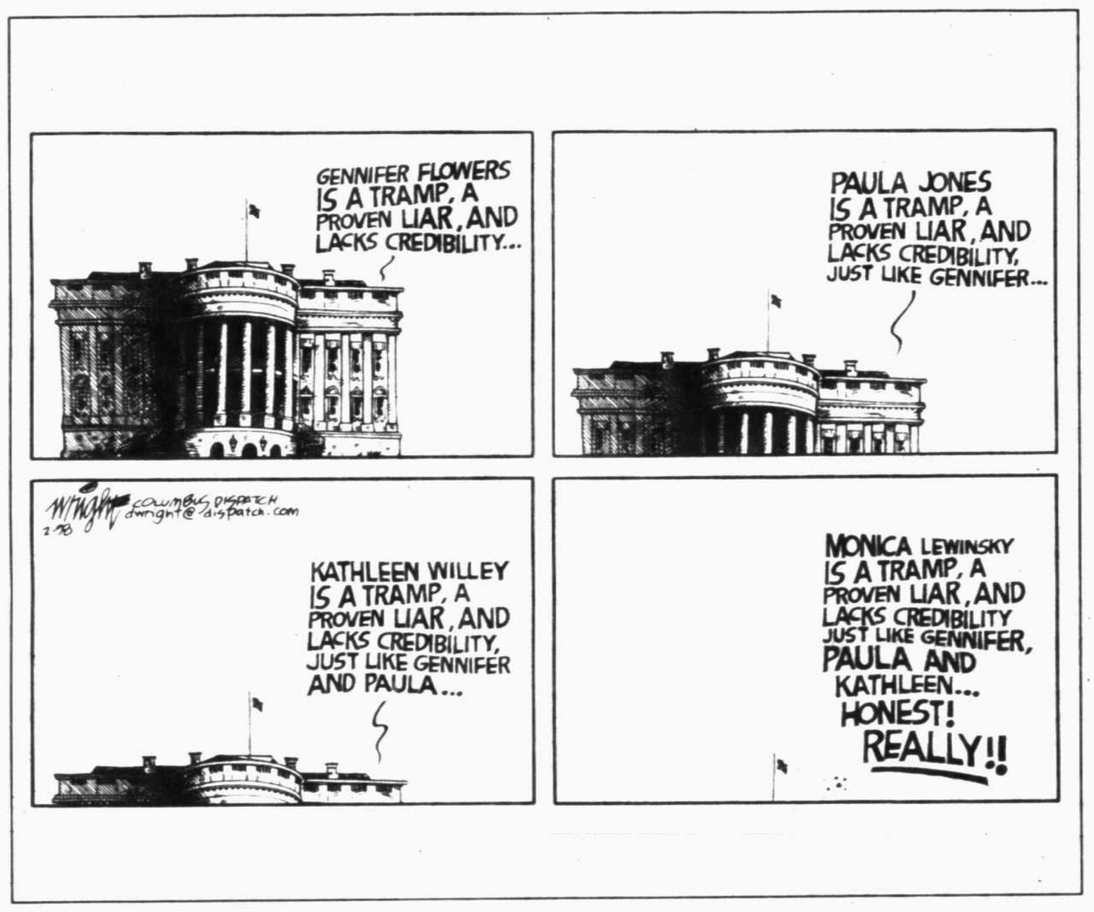
During four decades of Cold War, the United States, while waiting for the Soviet regime to change, largely deterred and contained that regime, which was potentially far more dangerous to the United States than Iraq is. Granted, Saddam's Iraq can be more regionally destabilizing than the Soviet Union was, and his chemical and biological weapons have terrorist applications that it is all too easy to imagine him countenancing. Still, Saddam was deterred from using such weapons during the Gulf War by U.S. threats of massive retaliation.

In their history of the Gulf War, Michael Gordon and Bernard Trainor note that after the war, the Pentagon completed a report on Iraqi war crimes, including the murder by execution and torture of 1,082 Kuwaitis and the abuse of prisoners of war, with special attention to Jews. "But the Bush administration never released the Pentagon report, thus avoiding focusing attention on the fact that Saddam Hussein was still in power and that there was little Washington could do to bring him to justice."

We can do more than airstrikes; we can do less, and try to make Saddam less of a preoccupation. It may be easier to make a case for either course than for the military policy taking shape. If it is to be exclusively an air policy, the principle should be: the longer and heavier the better, to increase the chances, however slight, that somehow the regime will be a casualty.

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ART BUCHWALD

Blowing smoke rings to balance the budget

One of the ways the president hopes to have a balanced budget is by putting a $1.50 tax on cigarettes — as well as levying fines on tobacco companies to get the United States well.


Buchwald

If Clinton has his way, Americans will have to smoke one trillion, three hundred billion cigarettes just to break even.

The question arises as to how many Americans must continue smoking — or, worse still, go back to smoking — to balance the budget.

It has been the policy of this administration, as well as previous ones, to discourage the use of tobacco, particularly among teenagers.

But now the economic salvation of the country may need to take priority over poor health and misdemeanors.

In order to raise revenue from taxes, the government will have to kill all the no-smoking regulations in regards to public places.

The Marlboro Man might appear on dollar bills and 32-cent postage stamps. Joe Camel could show up on White House billboards.

If the president hopes to accomplish his goal, he might get Chelsea to start smoking, and when he is seen publicly with Hillary he could light two cigarettes and hand one to her.

Secretary of State Madeleine Albright might light up a cigar during the State of the Union address, and sample packs of cigarettes would be handed out to our armed forces on land, sea and in the air.

Clinton does not necessarily have to come out for smoking. But he will send a message to the nation that the more they puff the larger the budget surplus will be.

It's obvious the tobacco companies are in a dither that their product was selected to give the United States financial security, but a government official said, "We had to tax either nicotine or arsenic."

The president of one of the largest tobacco companies said, "What is good for R.J. Reynolds is good for America. And this tax is no good."

But the budget office was elated. "It is a social thing," an OMB spokesman said. "For several years now people have looked on smokers as pariahs. Now when you see someone smoking on the sidewalk, you know he is doing it to pay for his mother's Social Security."

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TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Thursday, Feb. 12, the 43rd day of 1998. There are 322 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Feb. 12, 1809, Abraham Lincoln, the 16th president of the United States, was born in present-day Larue County, Ky.

On this date:

In 1554, Lady Jane Grey, who had claimed the throne of England for nine days, was beheaded after being charged with treason.

In 1733, English colonists led by James Oglethorpe founded Savannah, Ga.

In 1870, women in the Utah Territory gained the right to vote.

In 1892, President Lincoln's birthday was declared a national holiday.

In 1907, more than 300 people died when the steamer Larchmont collided with a schooner off New England's Block Island.

In 1909, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People was founded.

In 1915, the cornerstone for the Lincoln Memorial was laid in Washington, D.C.

In 1924, George Gershwin's "Rhapsody in Blue" premiered in New York City.

In 1940, the radio play "The Adventures of Superman" debuted on the Mutual network with Bud Collyer as the Man of Steel.

In 1968, "Soul on Ice" by Eldridge Cleaver was first published.

In 1973, the first release of American prisoners of war from the Vietnam conflict took place.

Ten years ago: The Pentagon charged that two Soviet Navy vessels deliberately bumped two U.S. warships in the Black Sea as the American vessels sailed through waters claimed by the Soviet Union. Alexander M. Haig dropped out of the race for the Republican presidential nomination.

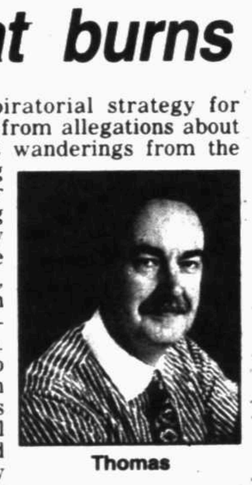
Five years ago: In a crime that shocked Britons, two 10-year-old boys lured 2-year-old James Bulger from his mother at a shopping mall in Liverpool, England, then beat him to death.

One year ago: The highest-ranking official to flee communist North Korea, Hwang Jang Yop, asked for political asylum at South Korea's consulate in Beijing. The Clinton administration gave permission to 10 U.S. news organizations to open bureaus in Cuba.

CAL THOMAS

Fiddling around while fellow Democrat burns

The left-wing conspiratorial strategy for diverting attention from allegations about President Clinton's wanderings from the marital bed is becoming clear: expose other Democrats, reinforcing the view that "everybody does it," and so long as the economy remains strong, none of us should concern ourselves with what a public official does in private.


Thomas

The latest participant to be revealed as a player in the adultery game is Democratic National Committee Chairman and Colorado Gov. Roy Romer, who last week publicly acknowledged a 16-year "very affectionate relationship" with a longtime aide, 51-year-old Betty Jane Thornberry. She now works in a high position at the Department of Housing and Urban Development, which she no doubt got on her own without any special consideration.

The relationship was exposed by Insight magazine, which said it was given videotapes which show the 69-year-old Romer kissing and embracing Thornberry. Other tapes reportedly show him spending the night with Thornberry at her Washington home. The story is especially significant because Romer has been a staunch defender of President Clinton's veracity in the numerous sexual and other allegations surrounding the President's conduct in office. As Sen. Ben Nighthorse Campbell (R-Colo.) noted, "Any defense (Romer) does of the President's escapades will be taken with a grain of salt, or tongue in cheek. For 16 years, he lied and lied and lied."

During a hastily called news conference in Denver, Romer sounded as dissembling as President Clinton in his attempts to explain relationships with Monica Lewinsky, Paula Jones and Gennifer Flowers. "It is not a sexual relationship," said the governor. "But it is a very affectionate relationship. I'm not trying to define where affection ends and sex begins." Most people could make such a distinction, but even Hillary Clinton has spoken of her husband's "affection" for women, so perhaps Romer is taking his lead from the First Lady.

As Bea Romer, his wife of 45 years, stood near him looking uncomfortable, Gov. Romer said, "I also have a very workable and close relationship with my wife." He referred to the arrangement as "negotiated" and that it "has allowed our family to stay together."

Asked why he didn't admit to the affair in 1990 and in 1994 when he was running for elective office, Romer said he didn't have the "confidence that you could be this forthcoming and still be given a chance to serve public life."

Insight's senior editor, Jamie Dettmer, had it right. Dettmer said, "Part of our role is to expose humbug when we find it. Romer's been very staunch in defense of President Clinton and in telling America, I'm taking the president at his word, and you can trust me. I'm a man of high ethical and moral standards."

Romer is the father of seven children and the grandfather of 15. He said, "My ability to communicate on whether children should have education and good health, or how families should communicate and relate with each other, is not diminished by this. In fact, it's probably enriched by it."

Enriched? I don't think so. Do you suppose Bea Romer said: "That's OK, honey, the economy is strong, so you go out and have a good time with your bimbo"?

The more we say we tolerate such things in our leaders, the more we will get of it, and the more it will be accepted as "normal." Virtue isn't caught, like catching a cold. To get in moral shape requires resisting temptation and embracing integrity — not embracing a woman not your wife.

Worse than adulterous behavior is the growing acceptance of it by the public, if the polls are right. Women, especially, should realize that if they don't demand upright behavior in public men, they might soon be facing "downright" behavior in their own men.

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Reno seeks independent counsel in Babbitt case

By Nancy Mathis
Hearst News Service

WASHINGTON — In another setback for the White House, Attorney General Janet Reno on Wednesday requested the appointment of an independent counsel to determine whether Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt lied to Congress about his handling of an Indian casino permit.

Critics charge Babbitt denied a casino permit for a poor Wisconsin Indian tribe after wealthier rivals made large campaign contributions to the Democratic Party and a top White House official pressed for a decision. Babbitt denies the allegation.

Although Reno sought to narrow the scope of the investigation to Babbitt's actions, her request still could open a new round of investigations and possibility provide a back door for probing senior White House officials' fund-raising activities in 1996.

Babbitt said he was disappointed with the decision.

"If it's true that only an independent counsel can resolve a matter like this ... then I think the list of hidden costs one has to pay for public service has just grown a little longer," the secretary said in a statement.

President Clinton expressed confidence that Babbitt would be cleared.

"I have known Bruce Babbitt for many years. He is a man of the highest integrity and dedicated public servant. I am convinced that when this matter is concluded he will be vindicated," Clinton said. "I look forward to his continuing service to the American people."

At issue is whether Babbitt fibbed to a lobbyist friend to get him out of his office or lied to Congress about receiving White House pressure to reject the gambling permit.

The attorney general sought to limit the probe to Babbitt's testimony before Congress and whether his decision to deny the casino permit violated federal law. But the Babbitt case could give an independent counsel power to investigate Republican accusations about the Democratic Party's fund-raising practices that operated in concert with White House officials.

A three-judge panel will make the appointment, and it will set the scope of investigation. The same panel appointed Whitewater investigator Kenneth Starr, who has recently broadened his probe to include allegations the president had sex with a former White House intern and urged her to lie about it.

Reno refused last year to appoint an independent counsel to investigate the fund-raising roles of President Clinton and Vice President Al Gore. Republican-led Senate and House committees spent much of 1997 conducting their own investigations.

Reno's decision means another major headache for a besieged White House already battling allegations about the president's relationship with former intern Monica Lewinsky.

It also is a personal setback for Babbitt, the former Arizona governor and 1988 presidential candidate known more for his wit and unblemished record.

Babbitt's problems stem from his July 1995 decision to deny a casino permit request to three Chippewa tribes in Wisconsin that wanted to convert a failed dog track into a gaming house.

The tribe's request was opposed by five other tribes in Minnesota and Wisconsin that feared the new casino would affect their own gambling houses. Residents of Hudson, Wis., where the new casino would be built, also voted against it in a local referendum. The permit request was supported by the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

Before Babbitt's 1995 decision, lobbyists from both sides attempted to press their case.

Patrick J. O'Connor, a former Democratic National Committee treasurer, represented the opposing tribes while Paul F. Eckstein, a close friend of Babbitt's, lobbied for the Chippewa.

O'Connor pressed his case to White House officials and Democratic Party Chairman Don Fowler, who spoke to Harold Ickes, the deputy White House chief of staff who oversaw Clinton's campaign.

Eckstein sought and received a meeting with Babbitt to make a case for delaying the decision until the secretary could meet with tribal officials.

However, Eckstein testified that Babbitt told him that Ickes wanted a decision made that day. He said Babbitt asked if he realized how much in campaign contributions the rival tribes had made to the Democratic Party, suggesting it was "half a million dollars." The opposing tribes eventually contributed $286,000 to the Democratic Party.

Babbitt later gave conflicting accounts of his meeting with Eckstein to members of Congress.

In a 1996 letter to Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., Babbitt said he never made the remark to Eckstein about Ickes. However, during testimony last year before a Senate committee, Babbitt said he did mention Ickes and that it was a white lie to get Eckstein out of his office.

Anti-cloning bill put on indefinite hold

WASHINGTON (AP) — A Senate bill to ban human cloning was put on indefinite hold Wednesday when lawmakers from both parties expressed concerns it could slow scientific research.

Despite overwhelming opposition to the idea of human cloning, supporters of the bill, promoted by the Republican leadership, could muster only 42 votes for a motion to bring the legislation to the Senate floor, well short of the 60 needed. Twelve Republicans joined all 42 voting Democrats in keeping the bill off the floor.

Among those Republicans, two spoke of diseases that had affected their own families and the importance of keeping all avenues open for new treatments.

Sen. Strom Thurmond, R-S.C., said his daughter had diabetes, and "I am concerned that this bill may be written so broadly that it will restrict future promising research which could lead to improved treatment."

Sen. Connie Mack, R-Fla., said he lost his father, mother and brother to cancer and he and his wife had both been diagnosed with the disease. Go slow on legislation, he said, "so we have the opportunity to hear from those patient groups who represent people like myself."

The main sponsors of the legislation, Sens. Kit Bond, R-Mo., and Bill Frist, R-Tenn., stressed that their bill would not impede existing scientific research in in vitro fertilization, stem cells, transplation or animal cloning.

What it would do is permanently ban a procedure known as somatic cell nuclear transfer, the same procedure used to clone the Scottish sheep Dolly, when it is used to clone a human embryo. It would impose prison terms of up to 10 years for violators.

Supporters called for quick action on the bill after Chicago physicist Richard Seed said last month that he planned to clone a human.

The cloning of human embryos, Bond said, could "lead us down the slippery slope that would allow the creation of masses of human embryos as if they were assembly line products, not human life."

But the White House also said the bill was "too far-reaching because it would prohibit important biomedical research" and said a more reasonable approach was a bill offered by Sens. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., and Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass.

The Democratic bill does not ban the technique, but puts a 10-year moratorium on the implantation of cloned cells in a woman's uterus, which would be necessary to create a cloned human being.

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Democrats uneasy about Clinton's support

By Ron Fournier
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — If you want to make Democratic candidates squirm, ask if they want President Clinton's help on the campaign trail.

Many will hem and haw, stall for time or dodge the subject. Some just won't answer.

Interviews with candidates and Democratic leaders around the country reveal strong undercurrents of anxiety: Despite the president's high poll numbers, party leaders fear the Monica Lewinsky controversy could haunt them in November's elections and make it harder to recruit candidates.

"It has had a very chilling effect on candidates running for office," said Philip Perington, chairman of the Colorado Democratic Party. His problem is double-barreled: Democratic Gov. Roy Romer, who is married, admitted last week to a "very affectionate relationship" with a former aide.

Republicans are wary of the issue, too.

They want to capitalize on Clinton's woes without appearing mean-spirited. So far, the GOP strategy has been to question the president's integrity on a wide range of issues, not just his sex life.

Few Democrats have linked the Lewinsky matter to their decisions not to run, but a handful of top-tier candidates have pulled out since the scandal broke.

Leon Panetta, former White House chief of staff, said the controversy "established another challenge" in his potential bid for governor of California. He decided not to run.

Two highly touted Georgia Democrats announced in late January that they would not challenge vulnerable GOP congressmen. John Ellington and David Bell did not blame the Lewinsky matter for their decisions, but the timing still raised eyebrows.

"They were the first casualty of the Clinton scandal," said Charles Bullock, political science professor at the University of Georgia in Athens. Republicans also point to Mike Dugan, a district attorney from Oregon who decided Feb. 2 not to run for the seat being vacated by retiring Republican Rep. Bob Smith.

"In politics, the greatest level of fear is the fear of the unknown," said Ed Brookover, political director at the Republican National Congressional Committee. The next test of the controversy's impact will be in Ohio and Pennsylvania, where candidate filing deadlines are coming up.

Rep. Martin Frost, D-Texas, chairman of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee, said the controversy is having "virtually no effect" on recruitment. "We have continued to recruit very good candidates," he said.

Indeed, A-list Democrats such as Patrick Casey in Pennsylvania, Glenn Jernigan in North Carolina, Joe Turnham in Alabama, Chris Gorman in Kentucky and Phil Maloof in New Mexico took steps to challenge House Republicans since Lewinsky's allegations surfaced. They fretted about the impact of Clinton's troubles but gambled that voters will keep their focus on local issues.

Still, some Democratic candidates worry about the controversy's impact — especially if the news for Clinton worsens.

"If there's an earthquake in Washington, you feel the tremors here in Alabama," said Turnham, who is planning to run against GOP freshman Rep. Robert Riley.

At the very least, many officials predict a brutish, personal campaign that could scare off Republican and Democratic candidates alike. "I have to wonder, do I want the world to know my deepest, darkest secrets?" Turnham said.

GOP consultants, for their part, say they will urge their clients this fall to attack Democratic candidates who they think go too far to support the president. That may help explain the hesitance within Democratic ranks.

Perington, the Colorado chairman who voiced disenchantment with both Romer and Clinton, hesitated when asked if he believed the president's denials of an extramarital affair and cover-up. "I can't go down that road," he said. "I don't know. I'm not in Washington."

Casey, son of the popular former Pennsylvania governor, talked about "unanswered questions." Turnham said he was "extremely concerned" about the allegations. With a sense of doubt, Jernigan said, "It would be my hope that they are only allegations."

Do they want Clinton to campaign for them?

"We haven't discussed it," Turnham said.

"I'm not going to answer that," said Gorman.

Marines relieve colonel of command after ski-lift accident

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Marine Corps relieved a colonel of command and accused him of ordering subordinates to get rid of videotapes showing Marine aircraft in low-flying training missions similar to one in which cables on an Italian ski lift were severed and 20 skiers killed.

Maj. Gen. Michael Ryan, commander of the 2nd Marine Aircraft Wing, announced Wednesday he had relieved Lt. Col. Stephen Watters of command last Friday, three days after the accident. Watters was not the commander of the squadron involved in the accident, but his squadron rotates with three others between the Marine Air Station at Cherry Point, N.C., and the NATO base in Aviano, Italy, from where the electronic intelligence-gathering plane that hit the ski lift flew.

The Marine Corps said planes of Watters' squadron broke regulations in an incident 10 months ago by flying too low. After the ski-lift accident prompted an investigation probe of low-flying incidents, Watters ordered his officers to make any homemade videos of their low-flying training "disappear," the Marines said.

Ryan said relieving Watters "prevented the possible destruction of the tapes" in the event they could become evidence.

"In my 30 years of experience as an aviator, I have found these types of violations to be rare, and when uncovered, those involved are held accountable," Ryan said in a statement. Legal action against Watters, who joined the Marines in 1979, is under consideration, the corps said.

Last week, a Marine jet on a training flight from the Aviano base severed a ski-lift cable and sent a gondola crashing 300 feet to the ground. The 20 people inside, mostly German vacationers, were killed.

The U.S. military has acknowledged the plane, an EA-6B Prowler, was well below the approved altitude of 500 feet.

Study questions use of clog filters

BOSTON (AP) — A new study raises doubts about the safety of installing filters in the veins to try to stop dangerous blood clots from lodging in the lungs.

The filters have been used since the 1960s in people who are at high risk of pulmonary embolisms — clots that form in the legs, break loose and obstruct blood flow in the lungs.

About 30,000 to 40,000 of the filters are inserted in the United States annually, but until now they have not been subjected to rigorous testing of their effectiveness.

French doctors, in a study published in Thursday's issue of the New England Journal of Medicine, found that the filters do indeed reduce the risk of clots in the lungs. But this is offset by a greater risk of clots later developing in the legs.

The filters are placed in the inferior vena cava, a vein that carries oxygen-depleted blood from the body to the heart.

Dr. Herve Decousus of Bellevue Hospital in Saint Etienne directed the study, conducted on 400 people. Half received filters, and half did not.

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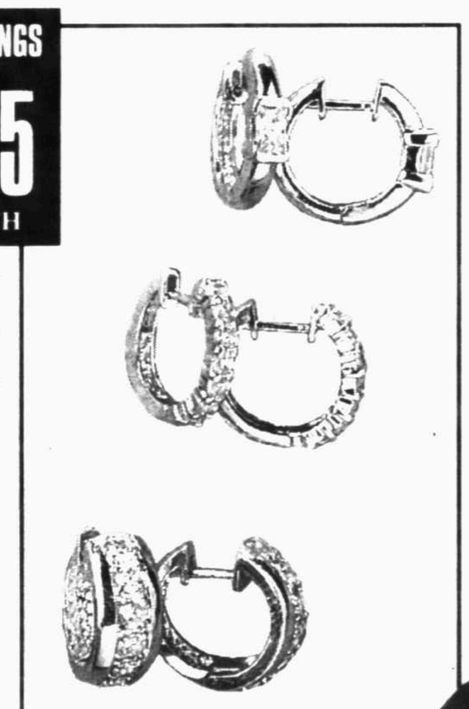
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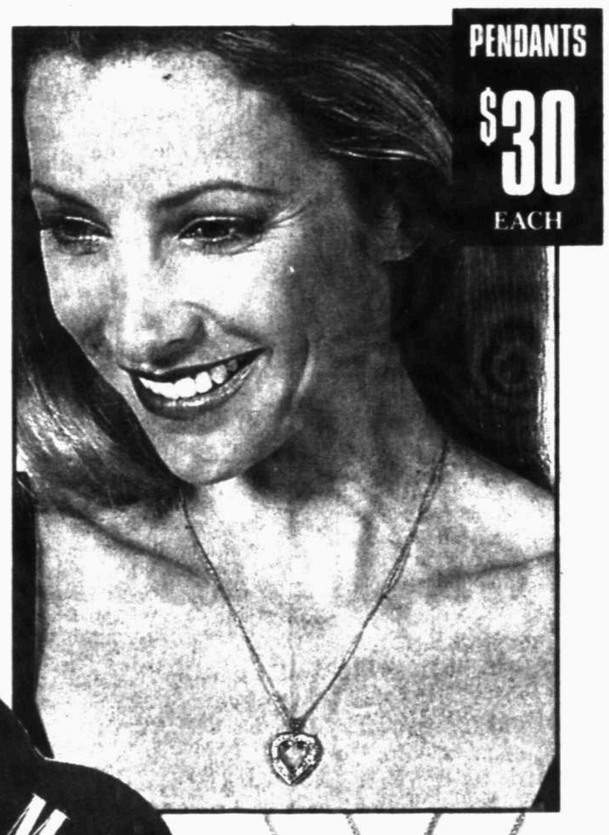
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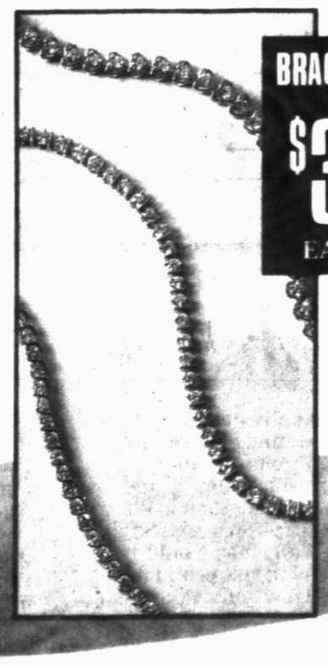


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Band fund-raiser

The Lee High School Band has planned a garage sale fund-raiser Feb. 28 to help finance the group's upcoming concert at Carnegie Hall in New York City. Members of the public can help in this effort by donating items for the sale. For additional information, call 520-7637. Those making donations will be provided a tax deductible receipt.

Chemical spill

SONORA (AP) — A 56-mile section of Interstate 10 in West Texas could remain closed up to three weeks because of a hazardous chemical spill earlier this week.

The Department of Public Safety said Wednesday that cars traveling on the major east-west highway in the region will be forced to take a 100-mile detour.

The cleanup could last anywhere from three days to three weeks, the DPS said.

The affected area is about midway between Junction and Sonora, which are 56 miles apart. The only way to reroute traffic is to send motorists on a 100-mile loop that connects the two towns.

The detour meant big-city gridlock for the tiny communities on the temporary route.

Phone scams

BROWNSVILLE (AP) — Telephone scams targeting Spanish-speaking customers are on the rise, with complaints to the state Public Utility Commission increasing nearly seven times since September.

In an effort to combat the problem, PUC Chairman Pat Wood traveled to the Texas-Mexico border this week to offer residents some tips on how to avoid falling prey to unscrupulous solicitors.

"The main point here is that they do not have to get anything other than what they really want," Wood said Tuesday in Brownsville.

In September, the PUC received 22 complaints from Spanish-speaking customers about fraudulent telephone practices. That number increased to 153 last month, Wood said.

The problems include a practice known as "slamming," in which a person's long-distance company is changed without permission, and "cramming," where phone companies charge customers for items they did not ask for, such as caller ID and call waiting.

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Flatlanders Toastmasters Club, Chevron Bldg., 15 Smith Rd. 11:30-12:30 p.m., 987-7286.

Share Success-Basics of Goal Setting, Mr. Gatti's (party room 1), 3205 W. Cuthbert Ave, noon, 570-4533.

Survivors Group for Sexual Abuse, Rape Incest Victims, 6 p.m., Glenwood Hospital, 3300 South FM 1788, 563-1200.

Post traumatic stress disorder support group for women, 6 p.m., Community National Bank, 601 E. Florida Ave., 570-9412.

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) No. Tx139, 7 p.m., 1007 Austin St., 694-8643.

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TABC cracks down on video gambling games

By Alice Ashmore
Staff Writer

If you hold a liquor permit or license, and have gambling-type video games on the premises, watch out — the eyes of the state of Texas are upon you.

A recent ruling by Texas Attorney Dan Morales declaring the machines illegal is causing the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission to crack down on bars and retail establishments that offer the games.

TABC Administrator Doyne Bailey has instructed agents statewide to begin issuing written warnings to establishments in violation of the new ruling. "The legality of 'eight-liners' and other types of video gambling machines has been addressed by the attorney general of our state and use of these machines on our licensed premises is a violation of the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Code," Bailey said.

"We're contacting the retail establishments that have the eight-liners on their premises and asking them to remove the machines," said Sgt. Scott Armstrong of the regional TABC office in Odessa. "They should be receiving a letter in the near future."

The regional TABC office oversees approximately 1,100 liquor licenses and permits in a 28-county area, according to Armstrong. "We're giving them ample time to have them removed from the premises," he said. "We're not just going to go out and start writing warnings and initiating administrative cases — we are going to give them ample time."

When asked how many establishments the new order would effect, Armstrong replied, "not many."

Bailey said that upon detecting the illegal machines, TABC agents have been instructed to issue a written warning and allow a permit holder the opportunity to unplug and remove the machines from the premises.

The Reporter-Telegram called a number of local bars, but was unable to locate any that still had the machines in place. Jeff Hashman of The Brewery in Odessa said that most of the bars he knew of removed their machines when arcades featuring the machines began to proliferate. "Most of the bars got rid of them — we pulled ours out of here the first of December."

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AP Photo

Denying involvement

Diane Zamora holds up a weight, as instructed by prosecution attorneys, for the jury during the morning session of her capital murder trial in the Tarrant County Court House Wednesday. Zamora, a former Naval midshipman accused of ordering her ex-fiance to kill his one-time lover and helping him do it, continued to deny her involvement. Story on page 3B.

Winfrey lawyers grill expert on livestock prices

AMARILLO (AP) — Oprah Winfrey's attorneys asked an agricultural economics expert on Wednesday why he testified that her talk show caused "a dramatic shock" in cattle prices but he never wrote that in his weekly newsletter.

Defense attorney Charles Babcock questioned Wayne Purcell, head of a research institute that emphasizes livestock pricing, about two weekly newsletters he sent out following an April 16, 1996, "Oprah" show about dangerous foods.

"You say in your newsletters on April 16th and April 23rd, what's happening in the market," Babcock said. "And you make no mention of 'The Oprah Winfrey Show' causing an unexpected shock.

"But once you're paid $8,000 by the plain-

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Two arrested in fake T-shirt scam

By Rick Lopez
Staff Writer

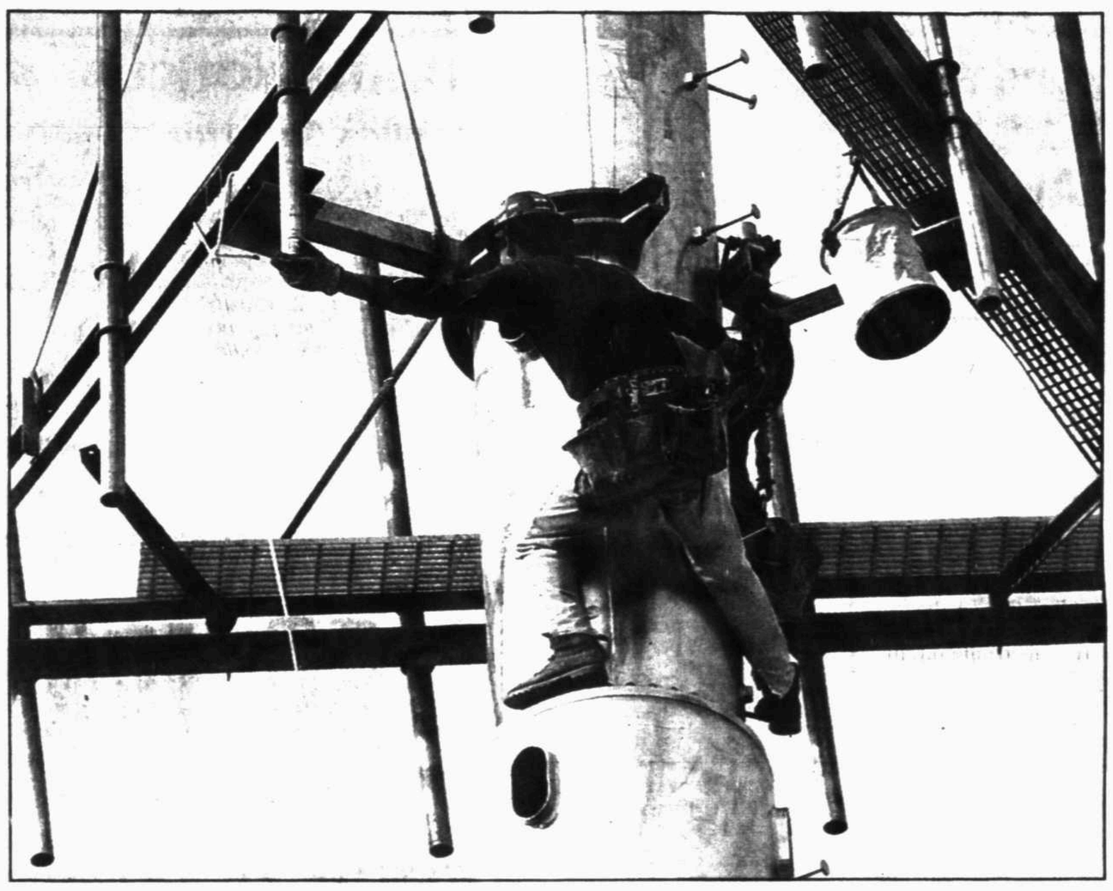
Two men arrested Sunday for allegedly selling World Class Wrestling merchandise at a local event are not only facing state prosecution for copyright violation, but are also the subject of a federal investigation, officials said Wednesday.

Isaiah Booth Jr., 43, and Perry Gaines, 39, were arrested at Midland College Chaparral Center for selling T-shirts with logos and pictures of WCW celebrities. The men were selling the items at the WCW wrestling match held there that evening.

Police did not know how many shirts were sold, or at what price, but did say that the items they recovered were worth about

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Lines of communication



Curt Wilcott/Reporter-Telegram

Robert Smith works on a 130-foot communications tower near Caldera Boulevard. The tower will be shared by Southwestern Bell and Pokalambro Communications for cell phone service to Midland and Odessa. A Lubbock company erected this tower and also one near the intersection of Illinois Avenue and Midland Drive and one in front of Music City Mall in Odessa.

Candidates step up campaigns at Republican Women's luncheon

By Mella McEwen
Staff Writer

Candidates for local and state offices had a chance to tout their qualifications Wednesday at the Midland County Republican Women's luncheon.

First to speak was Tony Garza, former Texas secretary of state and currently a candidate for the Texas Railroad Commission. Garza, running against Steve Stockman, described himself as a conservative candidate who wants less government, less regulation, fewer taxes and more family-based policies.

As railroad commissioner, Garza said he would like to promote policies that "get the federal government out of the way and let Texas drive its own oil and gas policy."

The four candidates for county judge then addressed the crowd.

Dianne Anderson stressed her experience as a business owner as well as her experience on the Midland Independent School District board in setting and overseeing budgets.

She noted that the county judge occupies a full-time position and acts as administrator for the county. She cited among issues facing the office: juvenile crime, increasing demand for county services and increasing tax rates.

Steve Hershberger, noting that the county judge acts as county administrator, said that he would be a "no-nonsense administrator who works to see that each department works effectively for you."

But the position also calls for a full-time trial judge. Hershberger said the county has a need for that "as we see juvenile crime grow and pending driving while intoxicated (DWI) cases cross the 1,000 barrier."

Keith Jobe pointed out that the judge is not required to be an attorney and cited his 10

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Garza says he would support oil industry



Garza

By Gary Shanks
Staff Writer

Describing himself as a "common-sense, conservative Republican," Tony Garza vows to support the oil and gas industry if elected to the Texas Railroad Commission.

If elected, Garza plans to make the Railroad Commission more supportive of the oil and gas producer, he said.

"I will provide leadership on environmental and tax issues, and focus on getting Washington out of our business," Garza said.

Garza would like to see environmental policy "based on sound science and cost-benefit analysis."

If elected, he plans to work for tax-policy changes that would "allow for expanded recov-

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ED TODD

We should embrace truth, honor while we still have time

Time is outrunning us all.

Between the tick and the tock, a whole hour passing on by and then a day, a week, a month, a year. Pretty soon, either end of one's lifespan seems all too brief, particularly the latter years on Earth.



Todd

Time goes on.

In retrospect, the earlier years seem interminable. For instance, time between Thanksgiving and Christmas seems to go backward for the child. And after Christmas Eve and the twinkle that becomes Christmas Day, time seems to fly away in the wake of great expectations.

After the euphoria and then into the mundane school-days routine, time once again gets stuck in the mud and slows down almost to a halt.

But those days pass on by.

They did, and they still do.

And now, for those to whom middle-age appears so youthful, time has caught the Midnight Express. Time is steaming by so fast that you can hardly count the telegraph poles while being enchanted by the clickety-clack of those hot steel wheels rolling steadfastly over those meandering rails between station houses.

Time and time again, I have owned up to being an old fogey, sometimes a curmudgeon, especially on my notions and concepts of how "things once were" and how they "ought to be again."

And, in my recollections, things "back then" spoke of stability and honor in my rural and country-town upbringing at mid-century. Well, that would be from 1938 until jets overtook prop jobs in the skyways, television shot radio out of the saddle for quite a spell, offset printing just about made letter press extinct, and computers put typewriters into collectible and antique status and even fit for museums.

Still, there's hope. Have you noticed the subtle return of the stately, and pricey, fountain pen?

A nickel, similarly to the old silver dollar, was the standard in the marketplace back then. Nary a penny was taken for granted. A quarter would get you into a first-class movie theater replete with high-brow architecture and resplendent designs, which were entertaining and mesmerizing in themselves and worth the price of the silver-screen ticket. There were no shoe-box movie houses back then on Main Street.

Depending on where you trade today, a dollar, or maybe a 50-cent piece, will get you what a nickel or a dime bought you 50 years ago. Witness to that is the price of a cup of coffee.

Everything else has taken off like a stone out of a slingshot: What were $2,000 automobiles are now priced at

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POLICE REPORTS

Driver arrested

ODESSA — A 23-year-old woman was arrested Wednesday morning in connection with a hit-and-run car accident last week.

Jennifer Denise Bishop, 23, was charged with felony failure to stop and render aid. She was taken to the Ector County Detention Center, were bond was set at $5,000, jail officials said.

Her charges stem from a Sunday accident that occurred in the 200 block of East 17th Street.

Ms. Bishop allegedly crashed into a motorcycle driven by Julia Jordan. Ms. Jordan was taken to Odessa Medical Center and Hospital.

Ms. Bishop also was cited for making a left turn from the wrong lane.

Midland Police Department
Tuesday

Burglary of a habitation: At 5:40 p.m., a residential break-in was reported from 606 Brooks Ave.

Assault: An assault report was made from 3001 N. Midland Drive. Police were notified at 10:55 p.m.

Wednesday

Criminal mischief: Tires were slashed at 1904 Morgan Way. Nettie Williams made a report at 7:49 a.m.

Midland County Sheriff's Office
Tuesday

Criminal mischief: A car was vandalized at 5007 W. County Road 116. Beatrice Leonard Altom made a report at 3:42 p.m.

Criminal mischief: Sugar was poured down a gas tank at 5007 W. County Road 116. Ben Rios made a complaint at 7:54 p.m.

Wednesday

Theft: A car theft occurred at 907 W. Dakota St. Lori Ramos made a report to authorities at 9:45 a.m.

Assault: At 1:24 p.m., Lonnie Burcham made an assault report from 6301 E. County Road 60.

GAMES: TABC cracking down

(From 1B)

"To tell you the truth I can't think of anyone that still has them," he said.

According to the TABC, the minimum administrative penalty for possession of the machines is a 15-day suspension or a $2,250 fine.

"As with other criminal offenses, our agents will be working closely with local prosecuting authorities to guide them in their handling of these cases," Bailey said.

OPRAH: Purcell says mad cow, not E coli, to blame for low price

(From 1B)

tiffs, you come in and blame everything on Oprah Winfrey. Isn't that hypocritical?"

On Tuesday, Purcell testified that the show, which contained a 10-minute segment on mad cow disease, caused "a significant and rather dramatic shock from outside the normal influences" of the cattle market, dropping prices from $61.90 to $55 per hundredweight within days of its airing.

Purcell is testifying on behalf of cattlemen suing Ms. Winfrey, her production company and vegetarian activist Howard Lyman for defaming U.S. beef.

Under questioning by cattlemen's attorneys, Purcell said legal liabilities policies at Virginia Tech, where he teaches, prevented him from naming Ms. Winfrey's show as the cause.

"As a point, I would never mention any specific show ... because the university is concerned about liability," Purcell said.

Because the dangerous foods episode also included a segment on E. coli infected meat that featured a family who had lost a child to the bacteria, Babcock attempted to show that the mad cow segment may not have been to blame for any drop in prices.

"It could have been the E. coli segment that caused what you're calling an 'extraordinary shock,' is that right? You don't confirm from where in the show do you?" Babcock said.

"No sir, but I have an opinion," Purcell said, before Babcock discontinued his questioning.

On re-direct, plaintiff attorneys asked Purcell his opinion about which part of the show was to blame.

"The mad cow disease segment," he said. "The E. coli segment had some very traumatic moments, but this was, relatively speaking, old news. Any impact on the market had long been recognized. It didn't have shock potential."

Purcell said the show's impact was so intense that the "shock" depressed cattle prices for 11 weeks "and may still have an impact today."

Ms. Winfrey's attorneys contend cattle prices had already dropped to $59 per hundredweight by the time the show aired and bounced back to that price within three weeks of the show.

They say any drop after the show was the result of drought, poor exports, oversupply and other negative media attention on mad cow disease.

Lyman's attorney, Barry Peterson, attempted to show that the drop in cattle prices could have been seasonal.

Purcell acknowledged that the spring is a period "in the year when prices will typically go down and then go up."

Texas cattlemen are suing for more than $10 million in damages under a state law that protects agricultural products from defamatory remarks.

Mad cow disease — formally known as bovine spongiform encephalopathy — is a brain-destroying disorder that has afflicted cattle in Great Britain.

In 1996, British scientists said humans might have contracted a similar disease by eating infected beef. Mad cow disease has never been detected in the United States.

TODD: Blemished past no excuse for remaining on the prodigal trail

(From 1B)

$20,000 or more.

And all that rationalized hogwash about inflation and adjustment doesn't detract from this observation: Stability has gone to pot.

If the rich get richer and the poor get poorer and if it takes more money to make a fellow either rich or poor (as opposed to being filthy rich and entirely destitute), then what has mankind and womankind wrought?

Chaos.

Indeed, have honor and chivalry been forsaken by greed and ambition? Is nobility asleep? Though not dead, is it endangered? Is there anything ennobling in the worldly pursuit of success and progress and security in this material world?

If our forebears were not the sterling saints that we had presumed them to be, does that give us the right to judge them and not to accord them respect for their ennobling deeds and, sinners all, for at least trying to do good?

A blemished past is no good excuse to continue on the prodigal trail.

And the premise that "no one is perfect" does not give any soul the license to behave wickedly and with evil and malice in the heart.

And just because aberrant behavior is becoming acceptable in the mainstream does not make it acceptable and proper and decent.

Honor is wounded today. Trust and decency are tarnished. Honesty is corroding. The speaking of half-truths, outright lies, and gobbledygook designed to mislead is becoming the norm.

That is no good.

The creeping-up of time on the aging observer reveals the unfair inconsistencies and dishonor in many quarters, especially in the business and political world, and, sin being sin, elsewhere in the secular realms and in the ecclesiastical corners.

Alas. There is good here and there. There is honor somewhere. There is chivalry begging to shine. There is kindness crying out. There is truth alive.

And it behooves each person, each child of God as we each are, to seek out and to act on that which is right and decent according to Holy Scripture and honorable conscience.

My prayer is that, before earthly time runs out on each of us, we all embrace truth and honor and love for one another.

Ed Todd is a staff writer for the Midland Reporter-Telegram.

OBITUARIES

Luella Chaffin

Luella Chaffin, age 71, of Midland died Wednesday, February 11, 1998, in Midland Memorial Hospital.

Funeral services will be held at the First Christian Church, Friday, February 13, at 2 p.m. with the Rev. Tommy Potter officiating. Interment will be in Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

She was born August 13, 1926, in Alpine, Texas. She was raised in the San Angelo and Lakeview areas, graduating from Lakeview High School in 1942. She began her career with Skelly Oil Company and worked as a bookkeeper and office manager at Pennzoil, J.E.. Jones Drilling Company, Charles Marsh and for other independent oil operators in the Midland-Odessa area for over 50 years. Since 1980, and until her death, she was employed as office manager for Monroe Properties in Midland.

She married Edwin Lee Chaffin, July 30, 1949, in Midland after his discharge from the Navy, after World War II. They have lived in Midland since the late 1940s. Luella was a member of the First Christian Church and was active in many local charitable organizations.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Aubrey Herbert Fulcher and Ella Florence Stockton Fulcher.

Survivors include her husband, Edwin Lee Chaffin; two sons, Charles David Chaffin and Joel Steven Chaffin; two daughters, Carol Irene Wright and Debra Ann Rowe; four grandchildren; two sisters; and several nieces and nephews.

Memorial contributions may be directed to the First Christian Church, 1301 W. Louisiana, Midland, Texas 79701.

Louise Edwards

Midland rancher Louise Jenkins Edwards, the beloved mother of Midlanders Jan Williams and Nancy Witten, died on Tuesday, February 10, 1998, following a valiant life.

She was 75. Mrs. Edwards died in Midland hospital.

Funeral services are to be held at 11 a.m. today, Thursday, February 12, 1998, in the Ellis Funeral Home Chapel in Midland. Burial is to be in Resthaven Memorial Park. Officiating is to be John Snider, minister of the Greenwood Church of Christ.

Mrs. Edwards was born on October 8, 1922, in the Lost Prairie community of Limestone County, Texas, to John S. Sims and Fannie Mahan Sims.

Mrs. Edwards, who had ranched in Midland for many years, operated the T.P. Edwards Feed and Farm Supply Store in southeast Midland.

She was twice widowed. Her first husband, the father of her children, was D.H. "Doc" Jenkins, her "true love." Subsequently, she was married to T.P. "T" Edwards, a West Texas rancher and cowboy who became a "loving grandfather."

"When God made my mother, I think He threw the mold away," said Nancy Witten. "Mother did a lot of kind things for a lot of different people, and she did it quietly."

Jack Everett, a World War II paratrooper and retired schoolteacher who raised livestock, particularly horses, said that Mrs. Edwards was "a fine lady" and was most "honest." Though not a veterinarian by training, Mrs. Edwards had a knack for determining what ailed animals, be they horses, goats, cattle, swine, sheep, dogs, cats, rabbits, or birds. She could "fix 'em up" with her good-hearted advice and ways.

Mrs. Edwards was preceded in death by her husbands, D.H. "Doc" Jenkins, who died in 1962, and by T.P. "T" Edwards, who died in 1985, and by a brother, A.W. Sims of Groesbeck.

Survivors include her two daughters, Jan Williams and Nancy Witten; four sisters, Doris Davis and Esta Hardison, both of Groesbeck, Johnie Curtis of Waco, and Nell Gaede of Manhattan, Kan.; two brothers, A.G. Sims and Steve Sims, both of Groesbeck; four grandchildren, Aimee Witten, Zeno Witten, and Holly Williams, all of Midland, and Michael Williams of Austin; nephews and nieces, and many friends and acquaintances.

Pallbearers are to be Guy Stewart, George Anderson Jr., Roy Slayter, Joe Coots Jr., Bobby Matthews, Kevin Shoemaker, Mike Smith, and Alan Morgan.

Honorary pallbearers are to be Bill Fulgham, Jack Everett, Junior Harvey, Max A. Schumann Jr., James Mahorney, Ed Hodge, Morgan Stewart, Bob Busbee, and Sam Weaverling.

Obituary & Death Notice policy

There is no charge for death notices of residents or former residents of Midland or for those who have Midland relatives. We also publish death notices for residents of the surrounding West Texas area.

Free death notices include date and place of death, service and burial information, funeral home handling arrangements, date and place of birth, brief biography, survivors and memorials. A longer, more detailed obituary is available for a charge. It may include tributes, expanded biography, organizational associations, notes of appreciation, pallbearers, honorary pallbearers and a photo.

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

DEATH NOTICES

Matilda Gutierrez

STANTON — Matilda Gutierrez, 88, of Stanton died Wednesday, Feb. 10, in Stanton.

Services are to be 3 p.m. Friday, Feb. 13, at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Stanton. Burial is to follow at St. Joseph Cemetery under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home in Stanton. Rosary is to be recited 7 p.m. today, Feb. 12, at the church.

She was born Feb. 4, 1910, in Campbellton.

She lived in Stanton for 48 years. She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church and Guadalupanas.

Survivors include her husband, Bernardo Gutierrez of Stanton; a son, Manuel Gutierrez of San Antonio; four daughters, Elena Samora of Eastland, Julia Romero of Stanton, Priscilla Garza of Lenorah and Mary Hernandez of Big Spring; two sisters, Virginia DeLaGarza of Pleasanton and Lupe Tuscano of Sweeny; three brothers, Rafael Benavidez of Sanderson, Miguel Benavidez of Three Rivers and Cecelio Benavidez of Oklahoma; 19 grandchildren, 33 great-grandchildren and 15 great-great-grandchildren.

Claude Douglass Jr.

FORT WORTH — Claude Douglass Jr., 62, father of Midlander Daniel Douglass, died Tuesday, Feb. 10, in Fort Worth.

Services are to be 2 p.m. Friday, Feb. 13, at St. John Episcopal Church with the Revs. Canon Billie Boyd and Wm. Belury. Burial will be in the garth of St. John Episcopal Church under the direction of Thompson's Harveson & Cole Funeral Home in Fort Worth.

He was born Nov. 25, 1935, in Wetumpka, Okla.

He was a resident of Fort Worth since 1967. He was vice president of Douglass Storage Systems and a former associate of W.W. Cannon Co. He was a member of St. John Episcopal Church, Tabernacle Lodge No. 1195 AF & AM, Moslah Temple Shrine, The Association of the U.S. Army, The American Legion Post 569 and VFW.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Douglass of Fort Worth; another son, Judd Douglass of Arlington; a sister, Anne Hudson of Techapie, Calif.; and several cousins.

Memorials may be made to discretionary fund at St. John Episcopal Church or Multiple Sclerosis Society.

John McFarlane

John McFarlane died Wednesday, Feb. 11, in Midland.

Services are pending with Ellis Funeral Home.

Ella Falke

WEIMAR — Ella Edna Falke, mother of Midlander Eileen Piwetz, died Monday, Feb. 9 at a Weimar hospital.

Services are to be today, Feb. 12, at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Weimar with the Rev. John Bily officiating. Burial is to follow at St. Michael's Cemetery under the direction of Hubbard Funeral Home in Weimar.

She was born Oct. 4, 1910, in Wildwood.

She was a seamstress in Weimar for 20 years. She was a member of the St. Ann's Society, the Parkview Auxiliary Golden Girls and the St. Paul E. H. Club.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Adolph R. Falke, and two sisters, Emma Oncken and Susan Ripper.

Other survivors include a son, Thomas Falke of Industry; four grandchildren; and two nieces.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers, memorials be directed to Midland College Circle Fund.

Winnie Hood

Winnie Hood died Wednesday, Feb. 11, in Midland.

Services are pending with Ellis Funeral Home.

SHIRT: FBI is investigating scam

(From 1B)

$5,000, Midland Police Department Public Information Officer Tina Sanders-Jauz said.

She said police made the arrest at about 8 p.m. after they received information on the operation. The men were taken to the Midland County Detention Center on charges of engaging in organized criminal activity, a third-degree felony. They remained there as of Wednesday in lieu of a $40,000 bond, jail officials said.

Meanwhile, Midland FBI Supervisory Special Agent Terry Kincaid noted that his office has launched its own investigation into the matter.

Kincaid explained that copyright and trademark infringement are violations of federal laws. Though the investigation is still in its early stages, authorities suspect that the two men have pulled the same operation in other states.

Jail reports indicate that Booth is a resident of Van Nuys, Calif., and Gaines is from Jonesboro, Ariz.

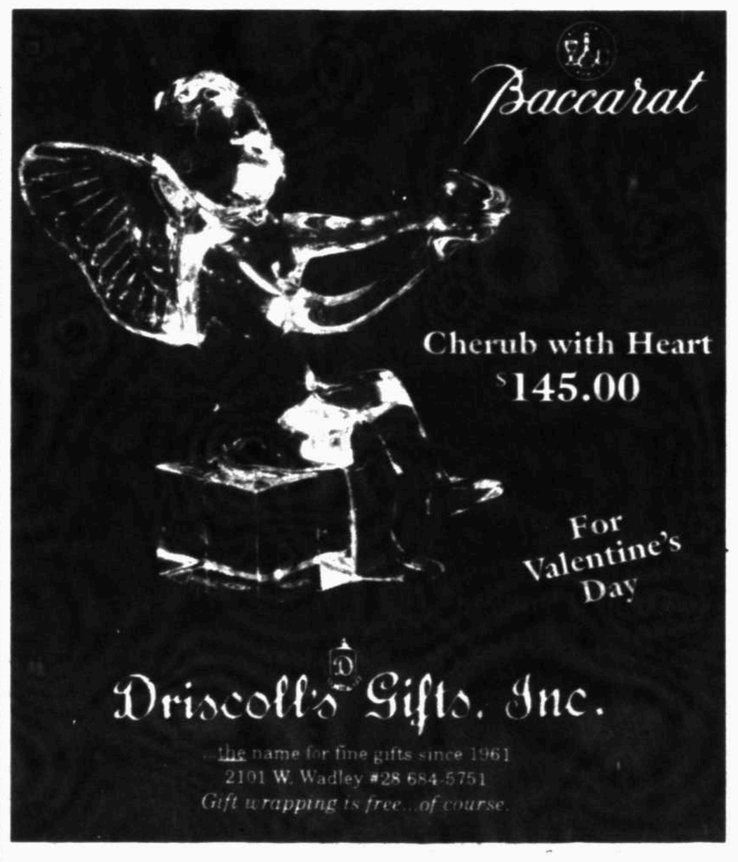
The agent added that hundreds of T-shirts the men were planning to sell are now in the possession of federal agents.

According to reports from the U.S. Customs Service, counterfeit products cost American businessmen an estimated $200 billion in losses each year. A first violation is punishable by a fine equal or less to the domestic value of the merchandise if it was genuine. A second violation can result in a fine that is twice the amount of the domestic value if the merchandise was genuine.

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Zamora calls accusers 'liars,' says boyfriend was 'violent'

By Evan Moore
Hearst News Service

FORT WORTH — Former Navy midshipman Diane Zamora — who allegedly bragged of ordering her boyfriend to kill her romantic rival and signed a confession saying she helped by hitting her on the head with a dumbbell — testified Wednesday that her accusers were "liars" or "confused" or "inaccurate."

Prosecutor Mike Parrish, however, chipped away at Zamora, 20, sometimes reacting to her answers with looks of incredulity.

He centered on her daylong Tuesday testimony, in which she asserted that she had never intended that her ex-fiance David Graham kill Adrianne Jones, that she didn't participate in the December 1995 slaying, that her confession to police was concocted to protect Graham and that her admissions to others were only vague references to the crime.

"I wanted to take the blame because I loved him," she said.

"Not only that," Parrish said, "you're guilty."

"No, I am not," she responded.

A tearful Zamora had laced her testimony Tuesday with references to her former boyfriend as a violent youth who demanded sex as often as seven times daily, threatened her repeatedly and carried out the killing of 16-year-old Jones almost single-handedly.

Parrish began his cross-examination Wednesday by asking Zamora if she had told her former U.S. Naval Academy roommate, Jennifer McKearney, that Jones was "a tramp and a slut" who deserved to die for having had sex with Graham, as McKearney had testified.

"No," Zamora replied.

The prosecutor followed by asking Zamora about entries in her daily planner from 1996, including one on April 10 in which she wrote, "I told mom." He then produced vehicle registration records for Zamora's Mazda, showing her parents had sold the car just days after the April 10 entry.

Zamora, however, under questioning by defense attorney John Linebarger, said the April 10 entry reflected the date she had told her mother that she was having sex with Graham and the subsequent sale of the car was for financial reasons.

"Did you put a gun in lay-away for David Graham's Christmas present in 1995?" Parrish asked.

"No," said Zamora. "That's not what David wanted."

"What did he want?" asked Parrish.

"Sex," she replied.

Parrish asked about Jay Guild, a boyfriend from the Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md., who testified Zamora had told him that she and Graham had killed Jones. Guild eventually was forced to resign from the school for failing to report Zamora.

"Did you tell Jay Guild you would kill Adrianne Jones again if you could?" Parrish asked.

"No, because I didn't kill her," Zamora replied.

Parrish continued with questions about Christina Mason, a self-described "best friend" from Zamora's high school days. She testified that Zamora had told her in detail about Jones' slaying within days of the crime.

Specifically, Parrish asked about Mason's testimony that Zamora had told Graham, "Shoot her! Kill her! Shoot her!" as Jones was fleeing from the pair in a secluded area near Joe Pool Reservoir southwest of Dallas.

"Christina Mason is a liar," Zamora replied.

Parrish then turned to the statement of Graham, a seven-page document in which the former U.S. Air Force cadet said that he and Zamora had planned Jones' murder in retribution for a tryst Jones had had with him, and that they had lured the girl from her home in the early morning hours of Dec. 4, 1995.

Committee weighs law to allow commitment of sex offenders

AUSTIN (AP) — A legislative committee Wednesday continued hearings on a proposal to implement "civil commitment," a new law that would allow the state to institutionalize some violent sexual predators for treatment after their prison terms end.

The legislation would give the state a new method of dealing with such criminals if it is determined that they are a continuing danger to the public and likely to commit further sex offenses.

"The status quo is simply not sufficient to handle this type of unique threat to our communities," said Sen. Florence Shapiro, R-Plano, who chairs the Senate Interim Committee on Sex Offenders.

"We must put into place a new system with which to protect the public," she said. "Treatment is essential for a sexually violent predator. There may not be a cure. But they must be treated."

Several other states have or are considering civil commitment laws. Last year, the U.S. Supreme Court upheld a Kansas law that could serve as a model for legislation in Texas.

Ms. Shapiro, who has sponsored several bills to toughen the state's laws against sex crimes, said such a measure is the logical next step.

"Texas has been at the national forefront in its efforts of dealing with sex offenders. Now it is time for us to take this progressive next step," she said.

Backers of such legislation say that sexual predators who likely will attack again must be kept off the streets.

But others, including some mental health advocates, say they are troubled by the proposal.

Among concerns voiced at Wednesday's hearing: the state's already limited mental health funds might be diverted to such a program; including violent sexual predators in mental health treatment could give an undeserved stigma to the mentally ill; and such offenders shouldn't be treated in the same facilities that are treating already vulnerable patients.

GARZA: Candidate originally announced for land commissioner

(From 1B)

ery of oil and gas," he said.

"It is possible to improve the recovery of oil and gas in Texas by ensuring that new environmental costs are completely justified before implementation," he said. "As wells produce less and less oil over time, these additional costs can frequently mean the difference between profitability and closure of the well."

As a regulator of the industry, he plans "to respect the marketplace and be fair in dealing with the industry," he said.

Texas oil production is currently 3.4 million barrels per day, which is less than half the production of 25 years ago, he said. Because of this, changes need to be made in the "basic regulatory structure," according to Garza.

Garza had originally announced a campaign for Texas Land Commissioner in the upcoming elections, but after "a change of heart" changed his bid to Railroad Commissioner, according to staff at his Austin office.

Garza has already garnered the support of such groups as the Texas Farm Bureau and the Southwest Cattle Ranchers Association.

Most recently, Garza served as Gov. George W. Bush's first appointee and was sworn in as the state's 99th Secretary of State in January 1995.

He has served as the state's chief elections officer, chief protocol officer and as senior advisor to the governor.

He has worked with the Texas Legislature to reform election laws and to guarantee the rights of military voters.

Garza was raised in Brownsville, where his family still resides. He received a degree in business administration from the University of Texas at Austin and a law degree from Southern Methodist University.

Before going into public service he was a practicing attorney in Brownsville and is currently a partner of the Houston-based law firm of Bracewell and Patterson.

STUMP: Candidates speak at Republican Women's luncheon

(From 1B)

years experience as a justice of the peace as qualifying him for the position. He also said he believes the fact that he is not an attorney "gives me an edge in that I will have new or different perspectives."

Bill Morrow stressed his experience as both an attorney and businessman, noting that he has not only had his own law practice but served as corporate counsel for Magnatex and Elcor.

He added that he has gained budgetary experience not only from his business experience but from his service on the City Council and during his service on the Texas Rehabilitation Commission.

County Clerk Alice Brown, who is running for re-election, told the audience that in 1996 she campaigned on the promise of computerizing and improving the efficiency of the office. "With the assistance of my deputies and the diligence of the office staff, I've accomplished most of my campaign goals."

She said she also has initiated cross-training among her office staff and in the future plans to accomplish the duplication of vital records off-site.

Her opponent, Shauna Hodges Brown, asserted that Alice Brown's predecessor had duplicate sets of records off-site and said that, if elected county clerk, she would stress customer service.

"We're there to provide the county taxpayers a service, not just hand out documents and collect fees. My office will do this in a professional, efficient and courteous manner." She also would implement additional cross-training to reduce waiting time, shuffling of customers and phone transfers, she said.

She cited as her qualifications her experience in both the County Attorney's and District Attorney's offices and her work with other county clerk offices across the state, her experience with budgets and her relationship with the Commissioners' Court.

Four Midlanders are seeking the position of Precinct 2 on the Commissioners' Court.

Mike Bradford told the gathering that he recently completed a 13-month tenure as foreman of the special grand jury that looked into the city's gang problem, which he said gave him access to current events around the city. And, he said, his degrees in business administration give him experience in setting and working with budgets as well as the knowledge that each budgetary decision has a ripple effect throughout the organization. He said that if elected he would maximize the county's assets to get the best returns with the most security.

Charles A. Davis III said that as a business owner he has a feel for the economy and is aware of the questions industry leaders ask when considering moving to Midland. And before he'd approve any tax expenditure, he said, he would have to be assured it would be the best for the county.

Bill Jackson told the group that "taxes are a fact of life, but their uses depend on the quality of the people elected to manage them" and that he wants to give residents the quality of life they deserve.

Pat Schneider said she would use the experience she has gained over the last five years as a City Council member to serve the precinct, using her knowledge of budgets, taxation and water issues.

Commissioners' Court Precinct 4 incumbent James Brezina cited his experience on the court in seeking re-election. He said that as a county commissioner he has voted his conscience, handled tax dollars wisely and wants to serve the precinct for another four years.

His opponent, Randy Prude, said that his qualifications include his experience building a successful business as well as his work with various non-profit groups and his love of new challenges and working with diverse groups.

The two issues, he said, are crime and the budget. He noted that he has been a burglary victim and said that tax revenues belong to the taxpayers, not the county commissioners. He added that the county has a budget surplus that he said should be given back to the voters.

Seeking the post of commissioner of the General Land Office are David Dewhurst, Don Loucks and Jerry Patterson.

Loucks said he believes property rights are the most important issue facing Texas and the United States and that they are "under stealth attack" from such programs as the American River Heritage Program. His goal, he said, is to educate the voters "so you can elect the right people to fight for property owners and pass property rights legislation."

Patterson, a five-year member of the Texas Senate, noted that he was instrumental in writing the recent concealed handgun legislation and helped pass the home equity law and coastal management legislation.

"Republicans can no longer win based on rhetoric alone," he said. "We're no longer the outsiders; we must transition from rhetoric to reality. We need specificity." He urged voters to read campaign literature and educate themselves about the land commissioner's race.

Two local residents spoke for statewide candidates who could not attend the luncheon.

Jess Ann Thompson endorsed Susan Combs, candidate for agriculture commissioner, citing her endorsement by both agriculture and business interests and her experience operating a ranch at Marathon with her brother.

Al Schorre spoke for Dallas Judge Mike Keasler, who is seeking the office of judge on the Court of Criminal Appeals Place 1. Schorre listed Keasler's experience as a prosecutor as qualification for his election.

Murff Bledsoe, seeking election as judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 2, said he would bring to the position an understanding gained from trying both big and small cases as a 13-year prosecutor for Bell County, while keeping crime victims in mind.

Seeking a place as judge on the Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 3, is Herb Hancock, who said the court is an important one that handles appeals of criminal cases from across the state and issues decisions on the ability of district attorneys to introduce evidence and how that evidence should be viewed during trial. He said that as a 25-year prosecutor, "I've tried everything from traffic tickets to capital murder."

Donna Ballard, who is running for the office of member of the State Board of Education, District 1, said she had previously won and run on a platform of returning respect, discipline and accountability to the state's schools, returning schools to the basics while keeping out textbooks with errors or that offend family values. "I've turned my rhetoric into policy," she said.

Her opponent, Mary Helen Cantu, listed as her qualifications her experience as a teacher in Brownsville and Laredo, her certification as a special education teacher and her experience as a businesswoman sitting on various local and state boards.

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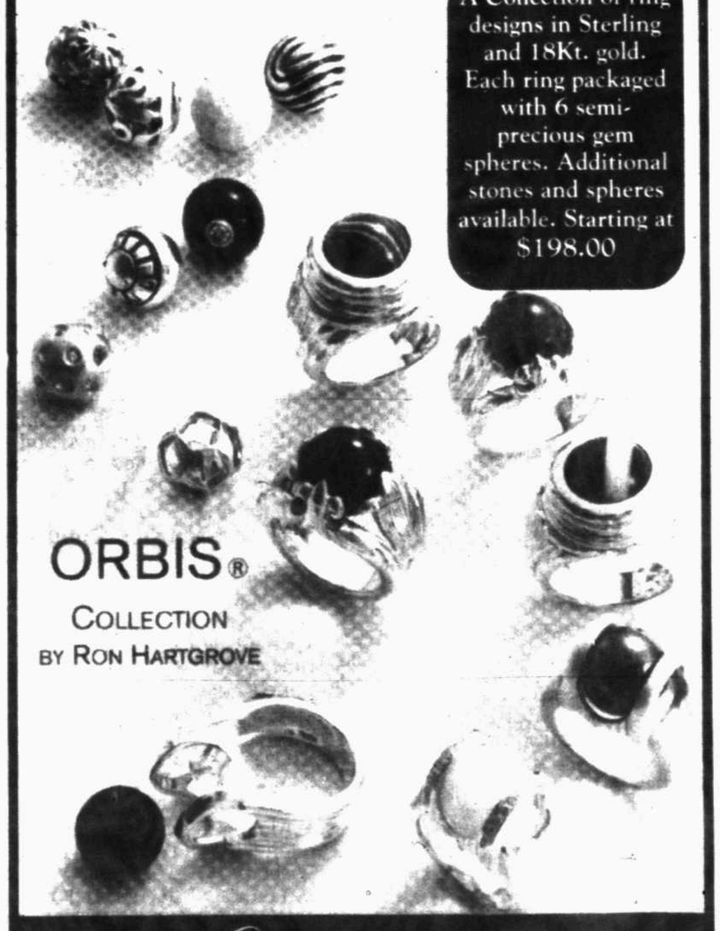
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Lewinsky's mother testifies for 2nd day with more questioning to come

By John Henry
Hearst News Service

WASHINGTON — Monica Lewinsky's mother was ashen and near tears Wednesday as she ended her second day of testimony before a grand jury investigating an alleged presidential affair and cover-up involving her daughter.

A distraught Marcia Lewis, who left the U.S. District courthouse immediately after she was treated briefly by a nurse, was ordered to return for still more questioning by assistants to special prosecutor Kenneth Starr.

"No mother should ever be forced by federal prosecutors to testify against their child," said Lewis' attorney, Billy Martin. "As you can imagine, this is a very emotionally draining and difficult time for my client."

As Lewis spent her second day behind closed doors with the grand jury, her daughter's attorneys asked a federal judge to order Starr to abide by an agreement they say would give the former White House intern full immunity from prosecution if she testifies before the grand jury.

Lawyer William Ginsburg, who specializes in medical malpractice lawsuits, has said Starr initially approved the immunity deal, then backed away. Starr said last week there was no deal.

Meanwhile, prosecutors postponed Lewinsky's appearance before the 23-member panel. Lewinsky, who has spent the past week in Southern California visiting her father, had been subpoenaed to appear today.

She is scheduled to return to Washington today or Friday with Ginsburg.

Lewinsky "feels very upset and she feels bad that her whole family has been dragged into this," Ginsburg said. "She feels terrible that she faces the full force of the U.S. government with very few resources and has to settle for a medical lawyer from California, which is the best she could do in the circumstances."



AP Photo
Chris Ann Becki, right, and Jennifer Rubin react to life-size cut-outs of President Clinton and Monica Lewinsky, in a Marilyn Monroe pose, outside federal court in Washington Wednesday.

Under the direction of Starr and his assistants, the grand jury is looking into allegations that Clinton carried on an 18-month sexual affair with Lewinsky, now 24, then urged her to lie about it.

Lewinsky, who lived in her mother's Watergate apartment while working at the White House and later at the Pentagon, reportedly talked at length with her mother about the alleged relationship with Clinton.

Both Clinton and Lewinsky have submitted sworn testimony in Paula Jones' sexual harassment lawsuit saying they did not have sex. Clinton has publicly denied having sex with Lewinsky and said he never told anyone to lie.

If Starr finds evidence that Clinton lied under oath or urged others to lie, he could submit the information to the House of Representatives, which would decide whether the evidence warranted impeachment hearings.

If so, those hearings would be held by the House Judiciary Committee, which is preparing to hire more attorneys who could be shifted to work on impeachment proceedings if Starr forwards incriminating evidence about the president.

Judiciary Committee Chairman Henry Hyde, R-Ill., confirmed Wednesday that he and House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., have held private talks, but he declined to discuss the details of their discussions.

"I cannot deny that we have thought about it and talked about some hypothetical problems," Hyde said.

"But I do not want to make that leap and make it look like we are getting ready for an impeachment," he added. "We are not. And we won't until we have evidence, and we do not have evidence. And we won't unless and until the independent counsel turns it over to us."

Gingrich declined to discuss the matter.

Meanwhile, first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton predicted that the allegations about a presidential affair and cover-up eventually will go away.

"I don't anticipate that this will evaporate, but I anticipate that it will slowly dissipate over time by the weight of its own insubstantiality," she said. "Americans are smart, fair-minded, savvy, and I think they see things for what they are, draw their own conclusions and know the evidence of their own experience."

Also Wednesday, Sen. Robert Torricelli, D-N.J., urged Attorney General Janet Reno to begin an investigation into possible conflict of interest involving Starr and his handling of the Lewinsky-Clinton inquiry.

In a seven-page letter to Reno, Torricelli said Starr has conflicts because he continues to be associated with a private law firm and has associated with "persons and interests that seek to undermine the president as part of their political agenda."

Torricelli also questioned whether Starr colluded with lawyers for Paula Jones, a former Arkansas state employee whose lawsuit alleges that as governor Clinton summoned her to a hotel room, exposed himself and asked for oral sex.

"Such collusion, even if indirect, would constitute misconduct of the highest order and provide grounds for Mr. Starr's removal," said Torricelli, a member of the Senate Judiciary Committee.

Last last week, Rep. John Conyers, D-Mich., wrote Reno urging her to investigate Starr and his team of prosecutors for possible "misconduct and abuses of power" and disclosure of secret grand jury information.

Gore endorses stand against tobacco

By Jim Abrams
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Vice President Al Gore gave the administration's blessing Wednesday to a tough Democratic plan to raise cigarette taxes and impose new restrictions on the tobacco industry.

"President Clinton strongly supports this bill and would gladly sign this bill if Congress puts it on his desk," Gore said before a packed Capitol Hill audience of schoolchildren, anti-smoking advocates and a dozen Democratic senators.

The legislation, put together by a Senate Democratic task force on tobacco, would raise the cigarette tax by $1.50 a pack over three years, give the Food and Drug Administration full regulatory authority over nicotine, hold the tobacco industry responsible for reducing teen smoking and help tobacco farmers move into other crops.

It would not, as provided in the agreement reached between the tobacco industry and state attorneys general last year, give the industry immunity from future health-care-related lawsuits.

Republicans have been cool to the Democratic plan. "This is an issue that cries out for bipartisan leadership and, frankly, a bill written solely by the Democratic caucus is not going to get the job done," said Sen. John Chafee, R-R.I., a leader on health care issues.

Industry spokesman Scott Williams said the Democratic bill was unacceptable. "Based on the terms of Senator Conrad's approach, the industry would be unable to consent to these provisions."

Sen. Kent Conrad, D-N.D., is the head of the 21-member Democratic task force that produced the bill. He stressed that Democrats were ready to take on the industry. "For too long tobacco companies have waged war on our kids. It's time to counterattack."

The administration has been reluctant to endorse any single approach to the tobacco issue, stressing that it would back any bill that meets its core principles of reducing teen smoking, affirming the federal government's authority to regulate tobacco products, limiting tobacco marketing, helping smokers quit and protecting tobacco farmers.

But Gore was enthusiastic about the Democratic bill. "It meets all five of the president's principles and in our view therefore meets America's challenge of reducing teen smoking." House Democrats, led by Rep. Vic Fazio of California, are preparing a companion bill.

Conrad said his bill, which would impose the $1.50 tax in three years rather than the 10 years suggested by the White House, would produce $82 billion in revenues over five years and $500 billion over 25 years.

The administration says that money can be used for health care and child care.

On the Republican side, Senate Majority Whip Don Nickles of Oklahoma has asked committee chairmen to submit tobacco legislation covered by their particular jurisdictions by March 16.

Sen. James Jeffords, R-Vt., chairman of the Labor and Human Resources Committee, will offer a bill Thursday focusing on public health issues and FDA authority.

Senate Democratic leader Tom Daschle of South Dakota said his party wants to work with Republicans and characterized the Conrad bill as "a very good beginning."

Daschle said Democrats were generally opposed to giving the tobacco industry any kind of immunity from lawsuits but "at the end of the day, it depends on what the bill looks like. I think everything has to be on the table."

Repeal of gay rights law stirs Maine, tourists

AUGUSTA, Maine (AP) — Maine voters' decision to repeal the state's gay rights law confounded its defenders, who thought opinion polls were in their favor.

One expert said that shows the risks of taking such surveys.

"You can't get people to admit on the phone truthfully that they're for discrimination," said Bowdoin College professor Christian Potholm, a pollster who serves as an adviser to Gov. Angus King.

Tuesday's narrow decision made Maine the first state to repeal a gay rights law.

Calls trickled in to King's office Wednesday from upset tourists vowing not to come back.

Eight left similar messages, "saying ... because of the vote, they no longer feel safe," King spokesman Dennis Bailey said.

But three times as many callers kept up an anti-King barrage, critical of the governor's prominent role as a champion of gay rights.

Repeal advocates had urged the rejection of favoritism for what they called an undeserving group.

"I think people were concerned about the phrase 'special rights,'" King said.

The law struck down by a "people's veto" would have barred discrimination because of sexual orientation in employment, housing, public accommodations and credit. It was similar to legislation in 10 other states.

In unofficial returns from 634 of 663 precincts, 137,903 voters or 51 percent favored repeal, while 129,925 or 49 percent endorsed the law.

Voter turnout was close to 30 percent, higher than officials had anticipated for a single-issue midwinter election.

Just over two years ago, Maine voters rejected an anti-gay rights referendum proposal by 53 percent to 47 percent.

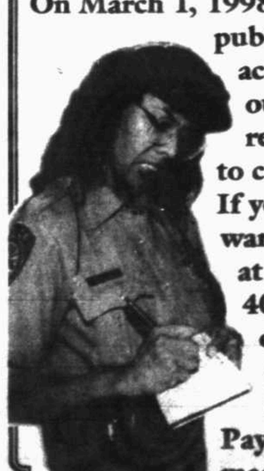
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■ Treatment found for molesters

BOSTON — A drug that blocks the male sex hormone testosterone appears to be highly effective in keeping child molesters under control.

The drug was tested in Israel on men with a history of pedophilia. It totally stopped their sexual fantasies and desires as well as their abnormal sexual behavior.

The drug, called triptorelin, is made by the Swedish company Ferring Pharmaceuticals, which helped pay for the study. The results were published in Thursday's issue of the New England Journal of Medicine.

The study, directed by Dr. Ariel Rosler of Hadassah University Hospital in Jerusalem, was conducted on 30 men. They were given monthly injections of the drug.

The drug appeared to be 100 percent effective in the 24 men who stayed on the treatment for at least a year.

Triptorelin is not available in the United States, where sexual offenders are sometimes treated with Depo-Provera, a drug that also blocks testosterone. Even though triptorelin was not compared with this and other drugs, the researchers said it appears to be more effective and carry fewer side effects.

In an editorial, Dr. John M.W. Bradford of Royal Ottawa Hospital in Canada noted that one shortcoming of the study was its lack of an untreated comparison group. But he added, "It is hard to argue in favor of such a design in this disorder."

■ Sinatra hospitalized for tests

LOS ANGELES — Frank Sinatra remained hospitalized Wednesday for non-emergency tests with no word as to how long the entertainer would stay at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center.

Sinatra, 82, was admitted to the hospital early Tuesday, nearly 13 months after he suffered a heart attack. He also spent a night there for a check-up 2 1/2 weeks ago.

Hospital officials and Sinatra spokeswoman Susan Reynolds wouldn't release any details about his condition other than to say it was not serious.

"Out of respect for his personal request for privacy, there's no comment," Reynolds said. "He hopes and feels confident that everyone will understand."

Rumors have circulated about Sinatra's health for months. A year ago, he visited the hospital three times in the space of two months. He has not been seen in public since his heart attack in January 1997.

■ Gunman opens fire in casino

RENO, Nev.— A 78-year-old man allegedly shot and wounded five people in a casino and was caught as he tried to shuffle away using his walker.

None of those wounded were seriously hurt.

Jesse Rosson may have been jealous that his wife or girlfriend was at the casino with another man, said Barry Phillips, a spokesman at Club Cal-Neva, where the shooting took place Tuesday night.

Police said only that Rosson targeted a man and woman in their 50s.

Two of the wounded refused to go to the hospital and remained at the casino to gamble, Phillips said.

Compiled from Reporter-Telegram wire services.

Abortion politics hinder foreign policies

By Martin Crutsinger
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Clinton administration drive to support the International Monetary Fund's effort to resolve financial crises in Asia gained support from two former presidents and scores of business executives Wednesday. But the push for congressional approval once again was becoming entangled in abortion politics.

Former Presidents Jimmy Carter and Gerald Ford, 88 business executives and several cabinet officials from past administrations signed a two-page advertisement published in various newspapers urging Congress to resist "a dangerous drift toward disengagement from the responsibilities of global leadership."

The former officials and business executives, from such corporate giants as AT&T, Boeing and General Motors, urged Congress to provide $18 billion the administration is seeking to replenish resources of the IMF, the agency taking the lead in assembling $100 billion in rescue packages for South Korea, Indonesia and Thailand.

Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin, continuing an uphill battle for congressional approval, told a House Appropriations subcommittee on Wednesday that U.S. support for the IMF is critical to ensure that the lending agency has funds to cope with any widening of the current crisis or to deal with future problems.

"To make the most of the opportunities and manage the risks, we must participate in and lead in the international institutions that help shape the global economy," Rubin told the panel. He said since 30 percent of American exports go to Asia, it is critical to the U.S. economy that the situation be stabilized.

Rep. Sonny Callahan, R-Ala., chairman of the appropriations panel, said his district already has felt an impact from the financial turmoil in Asia: A paper millhad to shut down for several weeks because its primary Indonesian customer could not pay for its orders.

But Callahan warned Rubin that IMF funding is becoming entangled once again with abortion funding. At issue are GOP-proposed restrictions on international family planning groups that receive federal funds and perform abortions overseas or that lobby foreign governments to liberalize abortion policies. President Clinton has threatened to veto any bill containing such a clause.

Callahan said because of the opposition by some liberal Democrats to the IMF funding measure on labor and environmental grounds, the administration would need support from anti-abortion forces to win House passage.

"You have to recognize that linkage (of the anti-abortion measure and IMF support) is a reality whether anyone likes it or not," he said. He urged the administration to consider either accepting the language or coming up with a compromise acceptable to anti-abortion forces.

Rubin made no commitments and was urged by committee Democrats to resist compromise on family planning.

Rep. David Obey, D-Wis., noted that congressional support for IMF funding was blocked last fall over the same debate and left financial markets troubled about the IMF's capacity to respond to a crisis.

"We are going to be sitting here fiddling while Rome burns" unless Congress acts promptly on the IMF request, Obey said.

One suggested response to the current crisis — directing the U.S. Export-Import Bank and the credit agencies of other rich countries to step up lending to hard-hit Asian countries — is gaining support, Rubin said.

Federal judges refuse to block logging request

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — A federal appeals court refused Wednesday to block the logging of 6,000 century-old red pines in the Superior National Forest until an appeal by environmentalists is heard.

The 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals' ruling leaves the door open for the 85-foot-tall northern Minnesota trees to be cut as soon as a crew is available.

Tony Vukelich, the sawmill operator who paid the U.S. Forest Service $200,000 for logging rights on the site near Orr, said Wednesday logging would begin within a week, but that he didn't want to say which day.

"We don't really want to turn the first day into a media circus," he said.

Leslie Davis, founder and president of Minneapolis-based Earth Protector, the environmental group trying to block the logging, said he would ask Vukelich to cut some 60-year-old plantation pines elsewhere in Superior, instead of the so-called Little Alfie tract of pines.

"We could reach some sort of reasonable settlement," Davis said. "We would be able to ransom Little Alfie."

Vukelich scoffed at Davis' proposal. He said Davis promised in the past to get state money to retrain timber workers and cover Vukelich's loss if the timber is not cut.

"Neither of those checks came and I don't imagine we're going to get much out of a swap, either," Vukelich said.

Last year, the U.S. Forest Service ruled 6,000 red pines could be cut without damaging the ecosystem. The Forest Service also put 2,000 rarer old white pines and 2,000 old red pines at the site off-limits, but environmentalists say anything short of protecting the entire tract is unacceptable.

Environmentalists noted that since the sale of the timber in 1995, the Forest Service has adopted new protections for timber. They believed the sale should have been reconsidered using the new standards. Forest Service officials conceded that under the new standards, the sale might not have been made at all.

Wednesday's ruling followed a federal judge's decision last week to dismiss Earth Protector's lawsuit against the Forest Service and Cusson Camp Co., Vukelich's company.

Earth Protector appealed to the 8th Circuit, but a three-judge panel of the court denied without comment its request for an injunction against logging until the appeal is resolved.

Chicago officer finally cleared of criminal charges

CHICAGO (AP) — He was called a corrupt cop — forced to surrender his badge and gun and endure a three-year ordeal during which he was accused of betraying his oath by participating in a holdup.

Then prosecutors discovered that it was all a case of mistaken identity. A neighborhood grocer had wrongly picked 28-year-old policeman Arcenio Cruz out of a lineup back in 1995.

"Was it embarrassing? It was very embarrassing," Cruz said Monday after being reinstated to the force.

The nightmare has been all the worse, Cruz said, because the partner he rode with for a year and trusted — Alex Sierra — is charged in the robbery. Two witnesses have cleared Cruz while implicating Sierra.

"I was very shocked," Cruz said. "In the car, he was a very good police officer. You think you know somebody."

He added: "You wonder, can you ever trust anybody again?"

It all began when Cruz was asked to stand in a lineup. He wasn't especially worried at first, since officers frequently act as stand-ins.

"But when they started taking longer than the normal time — then you start to think," Cruz recalled. He stayed at the detective headquarters for 12 grueling hours.

A West Side grocer had picked him out as one of the holdup men who took $700 in cash and $800 in fireworks from his store at gunpoint in 1994.

The next day Cruz was pulled off the street and stuck with a new job, answering phones and filling out reports. As months went by, friendships with other officers eroded. He became increasingly depressed, ballooned to 200 pounds and lost his girlfriend.

County prosecutors declined to press charges against Cruz, but in 1997 a federal grand jury indicted him and Sierra on charges of conspiracy to commit robbery. A witness had reported license plate numbers on the getaway car that were similar to those on a license registered to Sierra.

The police department suspended Cruz and moved to fire him.

The indictment may have been the low point for Cruz. Accompanied by his family, he was beset at the courthouse by lights, cameras and shouted questions.

"They were all over my family on the sidewalk in front of the building," Cruz said. "I was just like, I don't believe this. This is the worst thing that could ever happen."

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, Feb. 12, 1998:
Stay in control, despite occasionally feeling frustrated. Not everyone is here on Earth to grant your every wish. You have a choice between a key partnership and another goal. Discussions are often difficult, but they are important and will enhance your well-being. You will be more successful dealing with others one-on-one, as opposed to group settings. If you are single, you desire a quality relationship, and one will cause you to evaluate what is important to you in life. If attached, the two of you can work through anything. VIRGO understands you.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ Strengthen your work ethic, though you will be challenged by news. Think through a decision before you proceed. Be even, mellow and direct. Research, and experiment with different ideas. You might question another's decisions. Tonight: Work as late as you can.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ A partner pushes hard. You have had enough; consider establishing firmer boundaries. You could be exhausted by what is going on. Use your imagination and creativity. Your instincts are on with someone who is in charge. Tonight: Kick up your heels.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★ You come from a solid foundation. Refuse to push; you won't want to get cornered. Carefully review a puzzling situation. Examine domestic interests, and don't necessarily give in to a boss or authority figure. Talk about solutions to get what you both want; you'll be effective. Tonight: A night off.
CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ Reach out, and teach others what is important. Reorganize, and structure your work differently. Pay attention to obvious signals, and follow through. A boss asks for more participation. Talk money, and take a stronger stand. Listen carefully. Tonight: Run errands.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★ Others clearly are ready to gamble, especially with your funds. Place limits (and stop signs, if necessary) in their path. A discussion with someone who is at a distance helps you gain perspective. You build a stronger foundation in a partnership. Tonight: Do your own thing.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★★ Open up to new possibilities and adventures. Think through a major obstacle on the home front. There might be an important message going around; listen to it. A discussion with a good friend or partner is right in line. Tonight: You call the shots.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★ Say little, as misunderstandings run rampant. How you view a change, and what you are willing to do, can make all the difference in the outcome of events. Be sensitive to your needs. Quit selling out; after all, only you get hurt. Tonight: Do some thinking.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ Financial changes can distress you, but you know how to deal with them. Talking about an office change or a different way of handling work is helpful. Someone's ideas please you. Go for what is good for you. Make time to network. Tonight: Where your friends are.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★ Pressure is intense with a boss. You seem to be in a contrary mood, but then, you think others are. If possible, figure out how much you are projecting. A talk with a good friend could give you more insight and perspective. Tonight: Take action to solve a problem.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★★ Reach out, and find an expert. Make travel plans, and be ready for a change of pace. You might not agree with another's perspective, but it helps you see all points of view. Consider options, and make investments that build security right now. Tonight: Go for exotic cuisine.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ Pressure is intense as you review what you need from a partnership. Emphasize friends and aspirations. Decide what you want, even though you might not be able to realize it now. It is important to express ideas and keep communications rolling. Tonight: Be romantic.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Others don't seem to be working with you; in fact, some take a direct stand opposing you. Worry less about the consequences, and be who you are; otherwise, you might feel run over. Follow intuition about a money matter; this could be a winner. Tonight: Make dinner plans.

PEANUTS



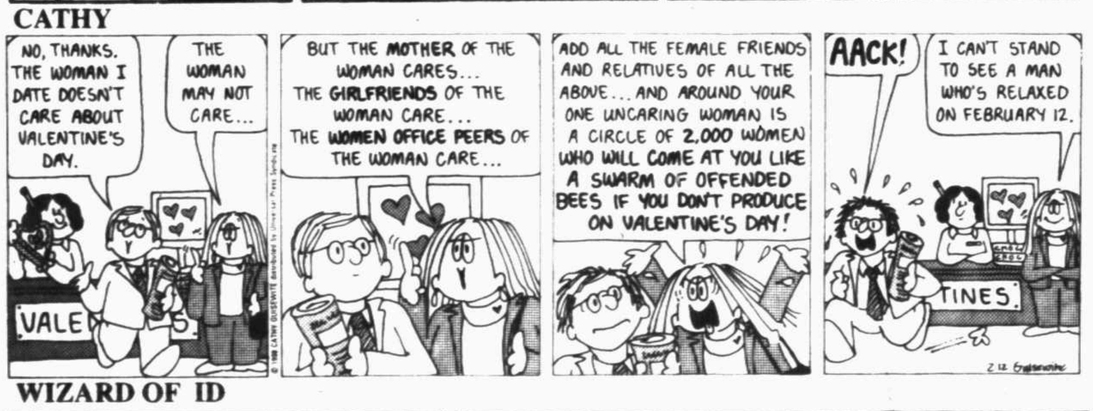
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The bidding

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
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4 ♡	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: Queen of ♠

Before playing to the first trick, take time to plan your campaign. Experience convinces us that more contracts are lost at trick one than at any other time in the play.

South had a rebid problem after North's one-no-trump response. Both three no trump and four hearts merit serious consideration. South chose the latter to protect the king of spades and queen of clubs from attack at the opening gun.

When dummy appeared, declarer could see four possible losers — one in each suit. A winning club finesse would eliminate one; a successful heart finesse and a 3-2 trump break would also accomplish the mission. What is the key card in dummy that determines the best line and how should declarer proceed?

Take full marks if you chose the jack of clubs and, as a result you decided that no finesse is necessary! Win the first trick in hand with the king of spades and bang down the ace of clubs, followed by the queen. West wins and perseveres with spades. Win on the table, discard one of your losers on the jack of clubs and you have a free shot at an overtrick by taking the trump finesse. Even though the king is well placed, you still have to lose a trump trick because of the 4-1 split. But you have 10 tricks — five trumps, two in each black suit and the ace of diamonds.

Note that if you won the first trick in dummy you must go down no matter what line you choose. Don't blame bad luck for your defeat when the right line was a near certainty to deliver the goods.

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THURSDAY EVENING — February 12, 1998 — For Complete Information Please Check Movie Listings

Broadcast	O	C	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3) KMID	2	3	News 541	Wheel of Fortune	When Cars Attack 5909		The Perfect Getaway ('98) (Adrian Pasdar, Alicia Coppola) 8473				News 98218	Cheers 74638	Nightline 8025	Keenen I. Wayans
(5) KPEJ	24	5	The Simpsons	Home Improvement	The World's Funniest! 50164 (TVPG-DSV)		New York Undercover: Mob Street 69812		Team Knight Rider 89676 (TVPG-V)		Home Improvement	Mad About You	Vibe 83638	
(7) KOSA	7	7	News 4831	Grace Under Fire	XVIII Winter Olympics: Alpine Skiing, Cross-Country Skiing, Figure Skating, Snowboarding, Speed Skating 121102						News 2617229	Late Show With David Letterman (10:35)		Olympics
(9) KWES	9	9	News 9305	Seinfeld 9137	Friends 5473	Seinfeld 9541	ER ('94) *** (Anthony Edwards, George Clooney) 38368				News 8999909	The Tonight Show With Jay Leno (10:35)		Late Night Conan
(12) KMLM	42	12	Jewish	J. Hagee	The Light of the Southwest 76386				Eve. News	J. Meyer	Richard Roberts 64305		Israel Tour	Lyons
(13) KOCV	36	13	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer 796305		West Texas Journal	Small Business	Mystery!: Cadfael 2: The Virgin in the Ice 657218 (TVPG)			Foto-Novelas	Telecourse 860560			
Cable	O	C	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(8) CNBC		8	Business Center	Great Stuff	Equal Time W/Bay	Chris Matthews	Rivera Live 2456541		The News With Brian Williams 2476305		Charles Grodin 2446164		Rivera Live 3892164	
(10) WGN		10	Family Matters	Coach 635657	Over the Top (PG, '87) ♦ (Sylvester Stallone, David Mendenhall) 402541				News 873980		Beverly Hills, 90210: Emily 863367 (TVPG)		In the Heat of the Night 408725 (TV14-V)	
(11) WTBS		11	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith	Thunder 765541 (TV14)		Thunder 781589 (TV14)		They Live (R, '88) ** (Roddy Piper, Keith David) 3589183				Thunder (11:10) 3148638 (TV14)	
(14) FAM		14	The Waltons: The Song 555251 (TVG)		Rescue 911 107638 (TVPG)		Love-Struck ('97) ** (Cynthia Gibb, Annabelle Gurwitch) 118102				The 700 Club 106909		Bonanza: Ambush at Rio Lobo 745947 (TVG)	
(24) BRAV		24	Bravo Profiles 245183		Quadrophenia (R, '79) *** (Phil Daniels) 415016				B.B. King: Blues		Jamis (R, '75) *** 141893			
(26) BET		26	Planet Groove: The Musical Messenger 447589				Hit List 448218		Comicview 428454		BET Tonight		227	Mid. Love
(27) DISN		27	A Goofy Movie (G, '95) ** 2230454			Ray J in Concert With Brandy 1478657 (TVG)	The Marva Collins Story (8:30) ('81) ** (Cicely Tyson) 3793283				Walt Disney Presents 898299 (TVG)		Zorro 164744	Mickey Mouse Club
(28) CNN		28	Moneyline	Crossfire	The World Today		Larry King Live 787763		The World Today		Sports	Moneyline	Newsnight	Showbiz
(29) ESPN		29	SportsCenter (5:30) (TVPG)	College Basketball: Minnesota at Iowa 504928				College Basketball: Cincinnati at St. Louis 222812				SportsCenter	College Basketball 669454	
(30) USA		30	Highlander: Promises 920541		Walker, Texas Ranger 763183 (TVPG)		Renegades (R, '89) ** (Kiefer Sutherland, Lou Diamond Phillips) 783947				Silk Stalkings 762454 (TV14-S)		Highlander: Methuselah's Gift 196657 (TVPG)	
(31) FX		31	Miami Vice 8694560		The X-Files 1274218		NYPD Blue 1250638		In Color	In Color	The X-Files 1273589		NYPD Blue 5621926	
(32) A&E		32	Law & Order (Part 1 of 2) 382367 (TVPG)		Biography 125809 (TVPG)		American Justice: Hot Pursuit 134657 (TVPG)		The Unexplained: CIA Psychics 114893 (TVG)		Law & Order 117980 (TVPG)		Biography 558473 (TVPG)	
(33) TLC		33	Vila's Home Again	Vila's Home Again	Medical Detectives	Without Warning	Century of Flight 442909 (TVG)		Speed Freaks 455473 (TVG)		Medical Detectives	Without Warning	Century of Flight 875473 (TVG)	
(34) NICK		34	Doug 965454	Rugrats 989034	World of Alex Mack	Happy Days	The Wonder Years	The Wonder Years	I Love Lucy	Mary Tyler Moore	Taxi 652638 (TVG)	Newhart 661386	Dick Van Dyke	Bewitched 835034
(36) LIFE		36	Intimate Portrait		Unsolved Mysteries		Desperate Journey: The Allison Wilcox Story				Perfect	Gold. Girls	Gold. Girls	Mysteries
(39) OUTDR		39	Great Outdoorsman	Wilderness Camper	A Fall From Freedom 5148812		Skiing: FIS World Cup Freestyle 5157560		Snowboard Show	Skier's World	A Fall From Freedom 5147183		Skiing: FIS World Cup Freestyle 9483164	
(42) UNI		42	Esmeralda 95198 (TVPG)		Maria Isabel 38980 (TVPG)		Alguna Vez Tendremos Alas 54928 (TVPG)		Bienvenidos 34164 (TV14)		Impacto Extra	Noticiero Univision	Al Ritmo de la Noche 312812 (TV14)	
(43) PSN		43	IHL Hockey: Detroit Vipers at Orlando Solar Bears 459218						Fox Sports News		College Basketball: Stanford at UCLA 802725			Fox Sports News
(44) COM		44	The Daily Show	Ben Stein's Money	Haunted Honeymoon (PG, '86) ♦ (Gene Wilder, Gilda Radner) 9483299				Gallagher: Stuck	Make Me Laugh	The Daily Show	Ben Stein's Money	Saturday Night Live 8472183 (TV14)	
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(20) DISC		20	Gimme Shelter 397299 (TVG)		Wild Discovery 123541 (TVG)		Strange but True	Movie Magic	Wings: Whispering Death 129725 (TVG)		Justice Files: Out for Justice 122812		Wild Discovery 563305 (TVG)	
(21) AMC		21	My Six Loves (5:15)		Ride a Crooked Trail ('58) 963306			Sun Valley Serenade ('41) 889724			The Family Jewels ('65) ** (Jerry Lewis) 879218			
(22) TNN		22	Dallas 607909 (TVPG)		Champ. Bull Riding		Prime Time Country		Today's Country		Dallas 430164 (TVPG)		Dukes of Hazzard	
(23) TNT		23	Babylon 5 623947		The Return of a Man Called Horse (PG, '76) *** 19289102						Ultimate Rush (5:45) (R, '72) *** 28997086			
(46) HBO		46	William Shakespeare's Romeo & Juliet (R)		Heat (R, '95) *** (Al Pacino, Robert De Niro) 837454						Shock Video 2: Crime and Punishment		Gia ('98) (Angelina Jolie) 2858021	
(47) MAX		47	Black Sheep (5:30) (PG-13, '96) ♦ 109979		Splash (PG, '84) *** (Tom Hanks, Daryl Hannah) 721367				Savage (R, '96) (Olivier Gruner, Luke Askew) 6369837				The Nurse (10:45) (R, '98) 815653298	
(48) SHOW		48	Movie (4:45)	Black Filmmaker	Sneakers (PG-13, '92) *** (Robert Redford, Dan Aykroyd) 5001536				Lap Dancing (8:05) (R, '96) (Lorissa McComas) 27195755		Stargate SG-1: Solitudes 4720638 (TVPG-L)		Movie (11:20)	
(49) TMC		49	Eddie and the Cruisers II: Eddie Lives! (5:15) (PG-13, '89) ♦ (Michael Paré) 89512989				Jumanji (PG, '95) ** (Robin Williams, Bonnie Hunt) 9954744				Cemetery Man (9:45) (R, '94) ** (Rupert Everett) 88901057		Movie (11:25)	
(50) VC1		50	A Simple Wish (G)		My Best Friend's Wedding (PG-13, '97) 6898726				Speed 2: Cruise Control (PG-13, '97) ** 61234416				Movie	
(51) VC4		51	My Best Friend's Wedding (5:30) (PG-13, '97) ** (Julia Roberts, Dermot Mulroney)		My Best Friend's Wedding (PG-13, '97) ** (Julia Roberts, Dermot Mulroney)				My Best Friend's Wedding (PG-13, '97) ** (Julia Roberts, Dermot Mulroney)				Movie	
(88) PLAY		88	Dirty Little Words (AC, '97) (Lasus, Chandler)				Private Liaisons		Best of Most Wanted		Castaway Island 1 (AC, '97) (Jon Dough, Lasus)			
(89) HC		89	Hostile Intent (5:20)		Toughwoman World Championship 5295473						Search 10: The Coeds		In Search of a 10	



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Cable network decided against president, Hillary as most romantic couple of 1998

NEW YORK — Cancel that Valentine.

The Romance Classics cable network was all set to choose **President** and **Hillary Rodham Clinton** as its most romantic couple of 1998 when, er, current events got in the way.

Instead, the network chose "Tonight" show host **Jay Leno** and his wife, **Mavis**.

Romance Classics had the news release all ready for the Clintons, but scrapped it after the **Monica Lewinsky** sex allegations broke.

Leno, who has been pounding the president with one-liners about Ms. Lewinsky, met his wife 18 years ago after spotting her while onstage at a comedy club. He later loitered near the women's room until she passed by.

"Unlike many Hollywood couples, they've avoided the pitfalls of celebrity romance," said the network's president, **Kate McEnroe**.

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WASHINGTON — While **Kenneth Starr** investigates **President Clinton**, his daughter is preparing to become **Chelsea's** schoolmate.

Carolyn Starr, a senior at the private Potomac School in McLean, Va., has accepted early admission to Stanford University, The Washington Post reported Wednesday. Chelsea Clinton enrolled at Stanford last fall.

Ms. Starr plans to focus on Japanese studies and English, the newspaper said.

Stanford had no comment.

Ms. Starr also applied to Pepperdine University in Malibu, Calif., where her father has postponed acceptance of the law school deanship to complete the Whitewater investigation.

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NEW YORK — **Uma Thurman's** childhood Barbie scenarios were on the unusual side.

"I played with them for hours and made them into sex slaves," she said in the March issue of Esquire. "They had boyfriends, and they were addicted to them, and then some other guy would come and lock them in a room."

So what does it all mean?

"To turn that which is your greatest fear and that which therefore has the greatest tyranny over you into a mental exercise, whether it be fantasy, whether it be a desire to be overpowered mentally or physically or anything else, it's a way of taking control," Ms. Thurman said.

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PHOENIX — **Axl Rose** was arrested on charges of cursing out a security officer who wanted to inspect his bag at an airpot.

The Guns N' Roses lead singer began yelling obscenities Tuesday night when the officer wanted a look at an unidentifiable item that showed up on the X-ray screen, police said.

Rose spent a few hours in jail before being released early Wednesday.

"A lot of people would have been quiet," Rose publicist **Bryn Bridenthal** said. "The other response is to say something back. It isn't like he assaulted anyone. In our world, it's kind of a non-incident."

Bridenthal said Rose had spent the weekend in Phoenix with friends and the bag contained a glass art piece he had received as a gift. She said Rose was concerned it would get broken by rough handling.

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PALM BEACH, Fla. — The battle between **Donald Trump** and town leaders over restrictions on his private club is being pulled out of court.

"We agree it's much better to solve certain issues outside the courtroom than inside," Trump said.



Battle between Donald Trump and town leaders is being pulled out of court.

The developer and the town have been in court since December 1996, after the local council turned down Trump's request to lift membership, traffic and parking limits on the club at his Mar-a-Lago estate.

Trump said he again will ask the council to ease the restrictions he agreed to in 1993 when he opened the club.

"I've always found that conversations with the town go better when we haven't got a $100 million lawsuit hanging over our head," Council President **Lesly Smith** said.

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BUENOS AIRES, Argentina — An elderly **Emilie Schindler** is ailing financially and will receive a monthly subsidy from the government.

The 90-year-old widow of **Oskar Schindler** will receive the equivalent of $1,000 a month, under an order Monday from President Carlos Menem.

The Schindlers moved to Argentina in 1949. Eight years later, Schindler left his wife penniless and with mounting debt, and returned to Germany.

Schindler, credited with saving 1,300 Polish Jews from Nazi concentration camps by putting them to work in his arms factories, was the basis of Steven Spielberg's "Schindler's List."

Mrs. Schindler said the success of the Oscar award-winning movie has done little to help her financially.

Compiled from Associated Press wire reports.

DAILY CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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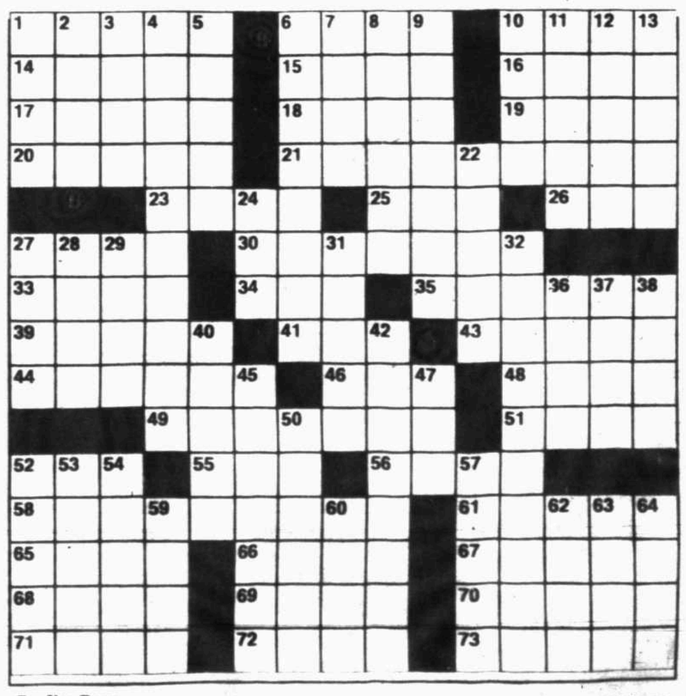
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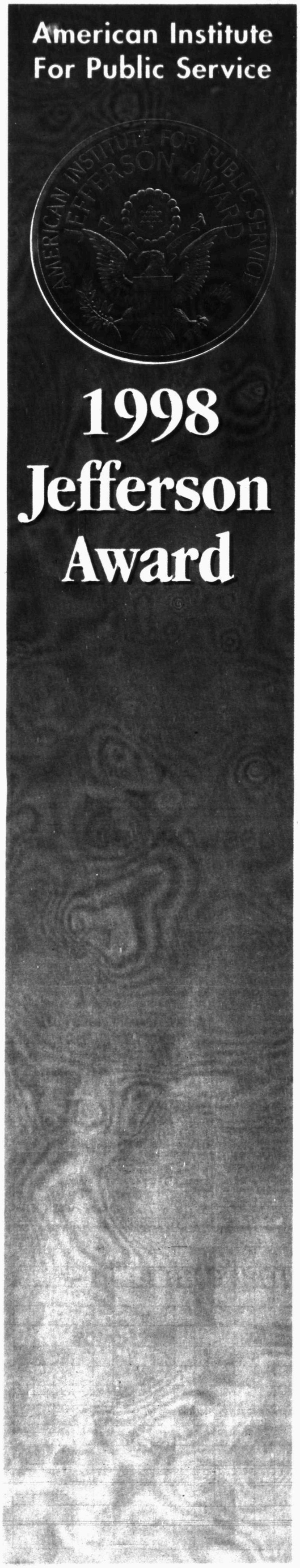
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1998 Permian Basin Jefferson Awards

Beginning this year, the *Midland Reporter-Telegram* is sponsoring the Permian Basin Jefferson Awards, which will honor outstanding area residents who deserve recognition for selfless community service.

The *Midland Reporter-Telegram* invites its readers to make nominations for the 1998 Jefferson Awards, which recognize the dedication, sacrifice and accomplishment of people who serve others.

This is the 26th anniversary of the national Jefferson Awards program, which is named for Thomas Jefferson.

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Figure skating (men's, short program), alpine skiing (men's Super G), speed skating (men's 1,500m), cross-country skiing (men's 10km classic, women's 10km freestyle, pursuit), snowboarding (men's and women's halfpipe) (same-day tape), 7 p.m., CBS.

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Sports Today

WJCAC BASKETBALL — Midland College women at Howard College, 6 p.m.

Midland College men at Howard College, 8 p.m.

Howard tickets

Tonight's doubleheader with the Midland College basketball teams at Howard College is dollar night at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

Admission is only $1.

MHS playoff set

The play-in game to determine the third place representative from District 4-5A is set for 6 p.m. Friday night at Chaparral Center when the Midland High girls basketball team hosts Abilene Cooper.

The game will be played prior to the 4-5A boys game between Midland Lee and Odessa Permian scheduled for 7:30 p.m. at the Chap Center.

The Lady Dawgs forced the extra game when it defeated Cooper 51-43 Tuesday night to lock the two teams in a tie for third place. Friday night's winner will advance to the UIL playoffs beginning next week.

Aikman's contract

IRVING — Dallas Cowboys quarterback Troy Aikman has restructured his contract to give the team more room under the salary cap.

Agent Leigh Steinberg said Tuesday that Aikman activated a clause in his eight-year, $50 million contract that alters payments on his base salary and signing bonus. The restructuring should give the Cowboys about $1 million in extra space under the salary cap.

The restructuring does not extend the length of Aikman's contract, Steinberg said. Aikman is signed through the 2001 season.

"Troy wants to go to the Super Bowl again, and anything that will enable the Cowboys to add more players, he's all for that," Steinberg said.

The Cowboys are among the league leaders with nearly $50 million in 1998 salary commitments.

News of Aikman's contract restructuring came as the NFL announced plans to increase the salary cap by about $10 million per team because of the recent $17.6 billion television contract.

The NFL said the preliminary cap figure for 1998 will be $51.507 million per team, up from $41.5 million last season.

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Disabled golfer Casey Martin listens to remarks from his mother, Melinda, at a news conference Wednesday in Eugene, Ore., after he won his lawsuit against the PGA Tour.

Disabled golfer wins court fight for right to ride cart on pro tour

By Jeff Barnard
Associated Press Writer

EUGENE, Ore. — When it finally became clear to disabled golfer Casey Martin that a judge had made it possible for him to ride a cart on the pro tour, he smiled, nodded his head and said: "We won."

For Martin, the landmark ruling was not just a victory for him, it was a symbolic victory for all those with a disability who've ever been told they can't.

"I realized if I win, it would open the way," he said afterward. "That's something to feel good about."

Martin's lawsuit was the first to invoke the Americans With Disabilities Act to compete in a major professional sport. He asked for a cart to accommodate his rare circulatory disorder that makes it painful and even dangerous to walk. His doctors say too much stress on his withered right leg could cause it to break, and may force amputation.

"I hope five to 10 years from now, if I'm still able to play golf, the PGA Tour will lean back and scratch their heads and say, 'Why did we fight this guy?'"

As he did on the witness stand, Martin broke down in tears as he looked back on his struggle to play the game he loves.

"This has been a tough time," he said. "It has also been a great time, a great experience. There would have been no case without the people praying for me."

U.S. Magistrate Thomas Coffin, who deliberated just three hours, faulted the tour for failing to consider

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Big showdown in Big Spring

■ Midland College men, women visit Howard College in battles of top teams in Western Junior College Athletic Conference.

By Oscar LeRoy
Sports Writer

Tonight's doubleheader at Howard College may be "Judgment Day" for both Midland College basketball teams.

That's when the teams head to Big Spring to play HC in what may the biggest games of the year for each team. The Lady Chaparrals are tied with the Lady Hawks for the Western Junior College Athletic Conference lead, while the No. 18 Chaps are only one game behind the Hawks in the conference race.

Tonight starting with the women at 6 o'clock and then the men battling at 8, both Chap teams are not only heading into Dorothy Garrett Coliseum with visions of conference titles, but they are going into an environment where they haven't tasted success in the past three years.

Even though there are still five games left in the regular season, the winner between the Lady Chaps (8-1 in WJCAC, 19-6 overall) and the No. 4 Lady Hawks will definitely have the edge toward winning the conference championship.

"I think this is a real important game because if we want to win the conference championship, we need to win on the road and we need to win in Big Spring," said MC coach Ron Jones. "If we want to control our own destiny then we need to beat Howard at Howard. If we don't win, then our chances to control our own destiny and win the conference become much harder."

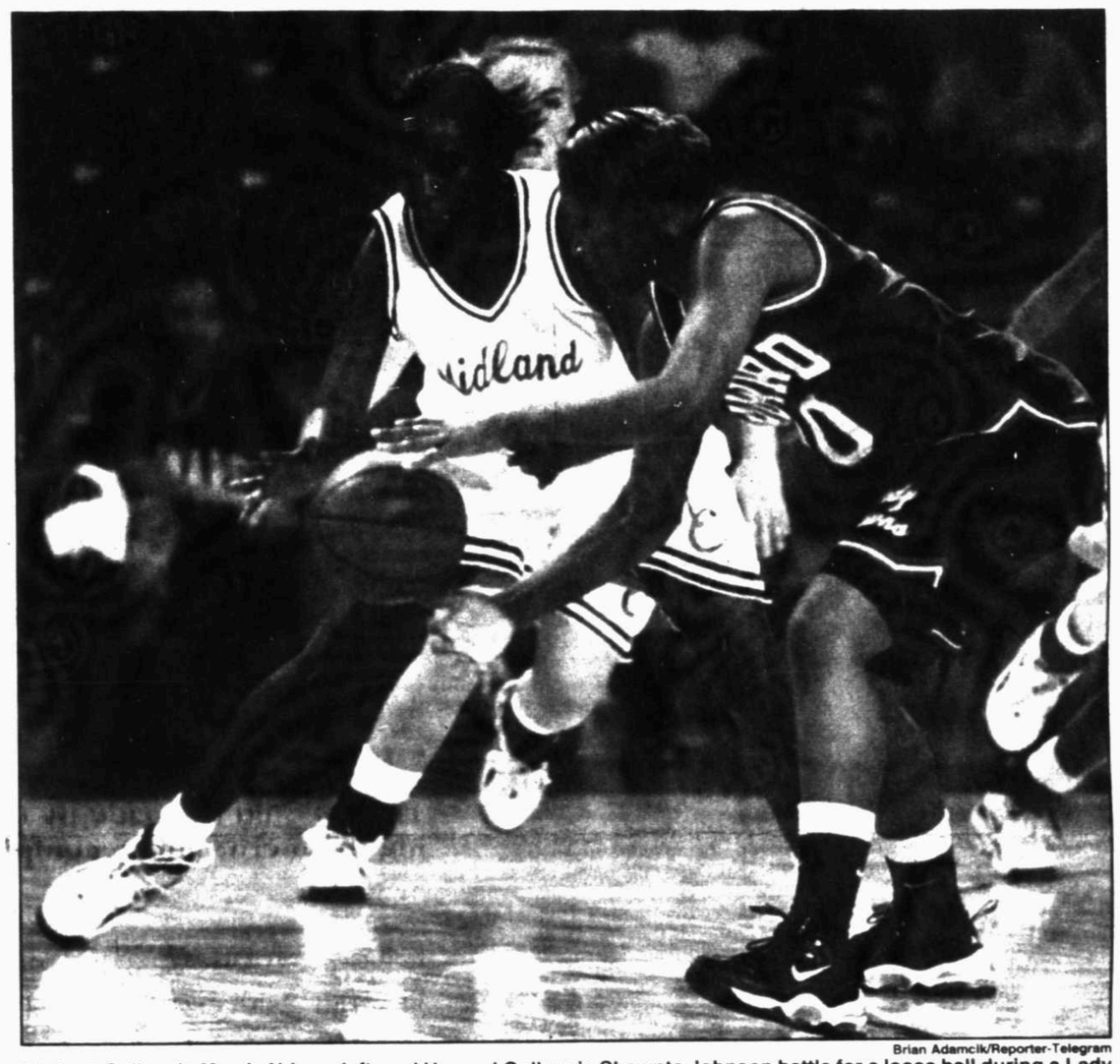
"As far as the conference standings this is an important game. You don't have to know a whole lot to know what this game means," Howard coach Matt Corkery said. "It's important but we still need to go on the road to New Mexico and South Plains."

The road hasn't been too kind for either team in this series. The Lady Chaps have never won in Big Spring, and Howard lost the first meeting of the year (70-69) on Jan. 19 at Chaparral Center.

"They're a good team, and good teams play well at home, and on top of that they have an established program," Jones said. "What we have to do is play better than Howard. It sounds simple, but that's just what we have to do."

"I don't think playing at home has much to do with

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Midland College's Mamie Ndoye, left, and Howard College's Shawnta Johnson battle for a loose ball during a Lady Chaps' win in January. The rematch is at 6 tonight in Big Spring.



AP Laserphoto

American Picabo Street celebrates after winning the women's Super-G skiing event Wednesday at the Winter Olympics in Nagano, Japan.

Street sets tough standard for guys

By Mike Clark
AP Sports Writer

■ **More Winter Olympic coverage/1A, 3A, 4C, 5C**

HAKUBA, Japan — OK, guys, top that.

The men's downhill, supposedly the hottest event in Olympic Alpine skiing, will have to go a ways to beat the show staged by Picabo Street & Co. in the women's super-G.

Her flowing red hair tucked inside a racing helmet decorated with a tiger, Street streaked to victory Wednesday in the first Alpine medal event of the Nagano Games.

The woman with the fastest skis and fastest mouth spit in the eye of convention in completing one of the most compelling stories of the games. She came back months sooner than expected from a severe knee injury, and overcame a recent concussion, because she hungered for an Olympic gold.

Take that, guys.

And don't forget about the honorable runners-up. All season long, Austrian women have seethed while the local media chided them for not putting up victory totals like the men, who have won 22 of 30 World Cup events.

Michaela Dorfmeister, starting 18th, got within a single hundredth of a second of Street, and Alexandra Meissnitzer was only another six-hundredths back.

Match that, guys.

Street might have trouble duplicating her extraordinary climb to the top. To do that, she would have to win Saturday's downhill, matching the double gold of Andrea Mead Lawrence in 1952.

"I guess it might take the pressure off a little bit of my expectations on myself," she said. "Now I have a different approach going into the downhill in that I might be a little more relaxed."

A hundredth of a second is such a small margin that Street can't possibly expect to have it on her side in Saturday's downhill.

"I had mistakes on the course today. I had a really, really big one in the middle and I cannot make that same mistake in the downhill."

Street's final step in her comeback may actually have been a stumble, on Jan. 31, when her ski fell off during a downhill in Sweden and she smashed into the rock-hard racing surface. When she was extricated from the safety netting, her head was hammering but her left knee was fine.

"Everybody says that when you have a knee injury, the big hump you get over is having the big crash and walking away from it OK," she said. "It might have seemed inappropriate timing, but it needed to happen before I came here, apparently."

It was the final, irrefutable proof that

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TERRY WILLIAMSON

Scramble behind MHS provides real drama in 4-5A

Midland High's No. 2 state-ranked boys basketball team is a lot like Demi Moore: high on glitz and glamour, but low on drama.



Williamson

The Bulldogs roll over opponents like a Patton tank. They take no prisoners. They don't play the game close to the vest. When you go watch them play, you can have fun only two ways. First, you predict the margin of victory. Second, you watch the slam dunks, the passes behind the back, through the legs and around opponents.

Oh, it's fun to watch these guys play, but it isn't drama.

Now the rest of the teams in District 4-5A, well, that's another story. They know drama. They drip with the stuff. Abilene High, Midland Lee, Abilene Cooper and Odessa Permian could all be a Harrison Ford in any of his Indiana Jones roles.

They all work their way into trouble but make enough miraculous escapes to give a sense of adventure. No one knows yet which of these two teams will join MHS in the state playoffs, winning the Harrison Ford role, but you can bet there will be drama along the way. Drama that rips at the heart.

Like Midland High, both Lee and Cooper have been among the league's Big Three elite for the past five years. AHS and Permian are threatening that status as both are ahead of Lee and Cooper in the standings with two games left to play.

The only drama MHS has provided this year was a forfeit to Permian for playing an academically ineligible player. That forfeit got the Panthers back into the playoff hunt and league coaches noticed that in a hurry.

Cooper coach Dan Harris thinks the MHS forfeit cost his team a win.

"The forfeit put Permian back in the race," Harris said. "They were down and nearly out. Then they suddenly get a win even though they lost by 27 points to Midland High. Unfortunately, they then come to our place and they are pumped. They play out of their minds. It (the forfeit) turned them around.

"All the coaches in the league said that the team that beats Midland High is going to have a huge advantage for making the playoffs. Well, Permian didn't beat Midland High, but they got the win. It was huge and I don't know what all this will lead to before we get through. I've always said that you play the games, and if your record is good enough, someone will let you know."

Well, someone may need to let us all know before all is said and done. AHS looked to have a lock on second place and then fell to Odessa High. OHS then turns around and loses to San Angelo, a team that hadn't won a district game. Lee has a chance to vault to higher ground and falls to AHS.

And now we wait and watch to see what Permian will do against Lee at Chaparral Center Friday night in what may be the most telling game of the season for both teams.

And why should it be any different? These two teams ended up tied last season and had to have an emotional, gut-wrenching district playoff to decide a playoff berth. Lee won that game, but, regardless of what you read, history doesn't always repeat itself.

Yes, there is drama in the final days of District 4-5A basketball. Big 3 status, playoff potential and just plain respect are all on the line.

It's just that Midland High doesn't really have anything to do with this race any longer. The Bulldogs won't face drama until the playoff road starts, and even then, it might be more of the same until deep in the voyage. But Demi Moore sure is a looker.

Terry Williamson is sports editor of the Reporter-Telegram

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Daytona field features good rookie group

By Dick Brinster
AP Sports Writer

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — Among the most interesting sideshows in the Daytona 500 will be competition among an outstanding crop of rookies, three of whom are associated with racing bluebloods.

■ Daytona 500 Notes

Each has to make an adjustment to his new surroundings, and all say they heed any advice from their mentors.

Steve Park, who drives for Dale Earnhardt Inc., was asked Wednesday if the seven-time Winston Cup champion has advised him on how to drive the car.

"Yeah, he has," Park said. "But most of it I can't repeat."

Jerry Nadeau, who drives the car co-owned by two-time Daytona 500 winner Bill Elliott and All-Pro quarterback Dan Marino, says one of the toughest parts of being a rookie feeling lonely on the track during practice.

"Nobody wants to stay behind me," he said, "I don't know if there's a bad scent, but I think every rookie here is going to have a hard time getting someone to team up with them."

The rookie who faces perhaps the most pressure is Kenny Irwin, who landed the ride in the highly successful Robert Yates Ford. Irwin succeeds Ernie Irvan in the No. 28 car once driven by the late Davey Allison.

Irwin was asked about the inevitable comparisons to Allison, rookie of the year in 1987.

"I knew that was going to be part of it when I got into the 28 car," Irwin said. "But it's definitely better than being in a new start-up team."

CONSIDERABLE BULL: Five drivers are eligible to collect a $1 million bonus should they win the Daytona 500 on Sunday. They qualified by finishing in the top five last October at Talladega, Ala.

Now, Terry Labonte, Bobby Labonte, Ken Schrader, John Andretti and Ernie Irvan are entered in a program called the Winston No Bull 5.

But they spread plenty of it Wednesday.

Andretti joked about fearing about the program where five fans at the five races on the program will be the finalists in a lottery with a victorious driver selecting the winning entry.

"If I got to draw it, the fan that won the million dollars would pass out and the other four would kick the hell out of me," Andretti said. "That's the only downside to it."

Irvan poked fun at Schrader, saying a program that tempts a driver to move up violates one of Schrader's first rules of the road.

"He used to look at the purse and if he was running ninth he would back off because if you finished 10th you could get some contingency money," Irvan said.

"About a thousand dollars," said Schrader, who in his early Winston Cup days drove for a cash-strapped Junie Donlavey.

Now he's with Andy Petree, and would never consider doing such a thing.

"Mr. Petree thinks different than Mr. Donlavey did back then," Schrader said.

ONE MORE SHOT: The old battle of the brands frequently leads to good-natured barbs and insults whenever a new car is introduced. This year, Ford drivers have said they are at disadvantage against the established Chevrolets and Pontiacs because they haven't had much time to prepare the Tauruses that replaced the discontinued Thunderbirds.

Bobby Hamilton, who drives a Chevrolet for Team Sabco, is among those who has noticed that the Fords are not nearly as impotent as earlier portrayed. So, he joined the barbists.

"I've got an appearance at a supermarket, and I've got plenty of tissues I can bring back for some of those Ford guys if they need them," Hamilton said. "They've been crying all winter about that new car.

"It looks like to me they don't have a lot to cry about."

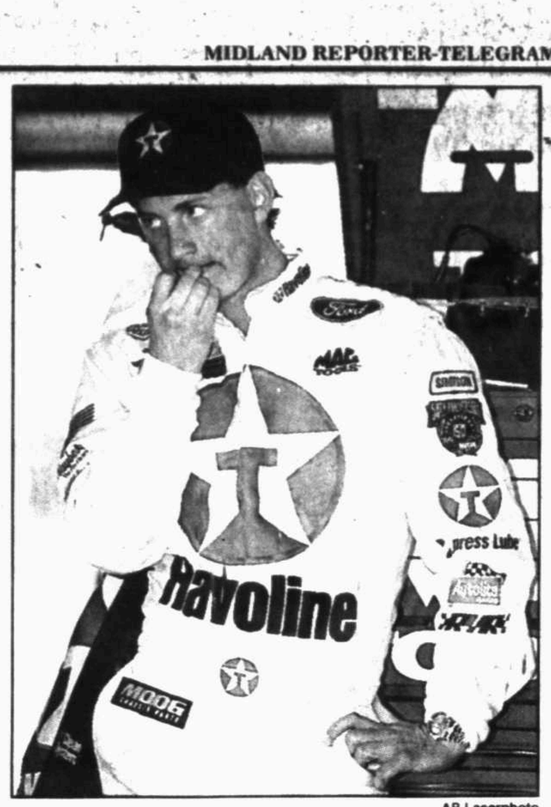
FILLING THE FIELD: Mark Martin, who last season established a record for career victories in the Busch Series, joined the field for the NAPA Auto Parts 300 without doing a thing Wednesday.

The Winston Cup star, who drives part-time on NASCAR's second-biggest circuit, stood on his qualifying speed Tuesday of 184.794 mph, and will start 26th on Saturday.

Other Winston Cuppers who got in the field by standing on their times were Michael Waltrip, Jimmy Spencer and Robert Pressley.

Bobby Labonte, who has the pole for the Daytona 500 on Sunday, made the Busch field on a past champion's provisional.

Mike McLaughlin won the pole Tuesday with a speed of 190.134. Two-time and defending series champion Randy LaJoie, will go from the 22nd spot on the grid.



AP Laserphoto

Kenny Irwin bites his nails in a garage at Daytona International Speedway. He's got reason to be nervous; on Sunday, he'll drive in his first Daytona 500.

Martin worries that twin qualifiers will turn into demolition derbies

By Mike Harris
AP Motorsports Writer

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — Wide open. That's the way everybody plans to run Thursday in the Gatorade Twin 125-mile qualifying races for the Daytona 500.

Knowing that, Mark Martin is wondering aloud if what often are considered NASCAR's most desperate races will turn into a demolition derby.

"I predict, and most of the drivers will probably predict, there's a big one coming either Thursday or Sunday," Martin said, forecasting a major crash sometime this weekend on the 2 1/2-mile Daytona International Speedway oval. "The cars are too comfortable, easy to drive and they're real close."

The third-place finisher last year in the Winston Cup standings says patience is not a popular vehicle at Daytona.

"It's not like another racetrack where you can wait until later," he said. "Here, it's all speed and position. You can't let off. You know it's going to happen eventually. You hope you're in a place where you can miss it."

Add to the close racing the factor of a new and virtually untried race car.

The 50-lap qualifying races will be the first real test for Ford's new Tauruses, the cars replacing the discontinued Thunderbird.

Martin, who drives a Taurus for Jack Roush's five-car team, will start 14th in the first race.

"My car's doing well, much better than the Taurus we used in the Bud Shootout," he said, referring to last Sunday's 25-lap race for the previous year's pole winners. "That car was the first one we built and it was way off.

"We brought this car down here untested and just worked our way into it. It's a real good car."

The races Thursday will determine positions 3-30 for the 500-miler. The top two spots went to brothers Bobby and Terry Labonte, the fastest qualifiers in the first of three rounds of time trials.

Positions 31-36 will be filled following the Twins by the fastest remaining drivers from the time trials. The rest of the 43-car field will go to provisional starters, based on last year's car-owner points.

Thanks to his position in the 1997 standings, Martin is assured a starting spot Sunday, even if he doesn't finish among the top drivers in his race.

Others are not so fortunate, and that's one of the things that makes the qualifying races so dangerous.

Rookie Steve Park is one of those in danger of missing the race if he doesn't qualify Thursday in the second of the twins.

"We really don't have any car-owner points to fall back on," said Park, who will start 22nd in a car furnished by the new team of Dale and Teresa Earnhardt.

Park is 17th overall on the speed chart, which makes him borderline for making the race.

"It would be a real heartbreaker to have anything go wrong and not be able to get in the Daytona 500," he said.

Kevin Lepage, like Park trying to make the jump from the Busch Series to Winston Cup this season, is even deeper in the hole. His speed is 26th on the list.

MC: Teams battle for WJCAC lead

(From 1C)

it," Corkery said. "Both teams have to perform at their best level. Winning on the road is something Midland has to do if they want to win the conference. That's the way we look at it when we go on the road."

Both of these WJCAC powers have been constantly tested this year with each team suffering setbacks, although Howard's only setback this year came against the Lady Chaps.

"They're upset that they lost the game," Corkery said about his team's reaction to losing at MC. "I hope they (Lady Hawks) will be motivated for this game. It's not something we dwell on, but rather it's a situation where we need to continue to press on and work hard. Adversity is part of athletics, and how someone handles it shows the type of team you have."

The Lady Chaps also had to bounce back after a tough loss. On Monday, an 87-57 win over NMJC got them back on the winning side, but it couldn't erase their first conference loss of the year — an 83-76 decision to South Plains last Thursday. That loss placed MC into a first-place tie with Howard.

"I think we played well on Monday," Jones said. "We were reminded at South Plains that we need to play well every night if we expect to win."

Tonight, there's not much room for letdowns.

Chaps chase Hawks for WJCAC lead

Without a doubt in Midland College coach Pat Rafferty's mind, this is the biggest game of the year so far for his team.

The Chaps (6-3 in WJCAC, 20-3 overall) are only one game back of the Hawks (7-2, 14-11) in the conference standings. Nothing that has happened in the conference race has surprised Rafferty this season.

"I said before the season that anything can happen this season and anything is capable of happening the rest of this season," Rafferty said.

The Chaps seemed to be cruising into the start of conference play with an unblemished record until two one-point losses changed that. One of those came at home to the Hawks — a 58-57 setback on Jan. 19. The Chaps already avenged their other one-point loss when they beat New Mexico Junior College, 78-72, on Monday night. MC looks to avenge their other close loss, but the team knows it's not going to be that easy on the road. The Chaps under Rafferty are 0-3 in Big Spring.

"It's going to take our best 40 minutes of the season," Rafferty said. "Or it may even take 45, 50 minutes, or however long it takes. It's got to be our best effort of the season."

Rafferty said the reason for his team's lack of success at Howard has been because the Hawks always seem to have a more aggressive style at home than when they're on the road.

"Howard's very good there," he said. "They play a certain style of defense that's more permissible at home."

Plus, you have to add the rivalry that goes along with this game which should have the Hawks fired up.

"They get up for this game because it's equal to our (Odessa College) rivalry," Rafferty said. "Their players play up a level. They want to beat Midland.

"We have to be very tough mentally. We can't get distracted or caught up with their defensive tactics and let that distract from the job at hand. We need to go in there with a lot of mental discipline."

For Howard coach Tommy Collins, he feels this is just another game that his team needs to win.

"We've got five games left in conference and they're all big," Collins said. "It's not really a big game. I'm most concerned about getting ready for the playoffs than anything else. I've seen many teams in the past that have just collapsed and missed the playoffs entirely. I just want us to keep getting better every game."

The Hawks are hurting, depthwise, coming into the game with guard Ron Bartholomew lost for the season with a broken leg. That leaves seven players suited up for HC.

"He broke his leg in the game against Frank Phillips. He played hard and was a good athlete for us, so that's hurt us a bit," Collins said about Bartholomew.

Collins added that his team might play better on the road than they do at home, where they've lost three games this year.

"It's not like it's been a home-court advantage," he said. "I think it would be better if we played over there (Midland). We had 14 straight games on the road at the start of the season, so I think we're more adjusted to the road."

Regardless of each team's disadvantages coming into the game, it should be another typical battle between the two rivals. This time it may be for keeps.

GOLF: Martin wins case against PGA

(From 1C)

Martin's individual medical condition.

Instead, tour lawyers emphasized principles of competition, arguing a cart would give Martin an advantage and remove the fundamental of athleticism and stamina that walking gives the game at its highest levels.

The judge acknowledged that the walking-only rule was "substantive" but said the PGA Tour failed to prove that waiving the rule for Martin would fundamentally alter competition.

As for the argument that walking the course is a test of stamina, Coffin said walking 18 holes over a period of five hours is "not significantly taxing."

"The fatigue level from his condition is easily greater than of an able-bodied person walking the same course," Coffin said.

PGA Tour spokesman Bob Combs said the tour disagreed with the ruling and would appeal, but would obey the judge. "Now we have the obligation to furnish Casey Martin a golf cart, and we will."

Martin plans to play in Austin, Texas, March 3 on the second-tier Nike tour. Riding a cart under a temporary injunction last month, the 25-year-old golfer won the tour's Lakeland, Fla., event.

His case caused a national debate over the rights of the disabled to compete in professional sports, and generated an outpouring of support for him. He was featured in a Nike "I Can" ad campaign, won the support of former presidential candidate Bob Dole.

Added Martin's lawyer, Martha Walters: "It's so important to so many people. The ruling sets a legal precedent as the ADA applies to sports. I would hope the PGA would see this doesn't cause them a problem."

But PGA stars say they see trouble ahead.

Fred Couples, with a chronically sore back, said it's "much easier to play golf riding a cart.

"I don't understand how anyone can say, in golf, you don't expend any energy playing it," Couples, in Honolulu for this weekend's Hawaiian Open. "That's the biggest farce in the world. That's the only thing that irritates me about this."

Added Paul Azinger, "Why is it for only one guy? If a guy really needs a cart to get around, then there are a lot of other guys that could use a golf cart as well.

"I guess some of the questions some of the players have had, but not me, is does he take a wheelchair from the 18th green to his car?"

Martin said afterward he hopes to live up to the public's expectations of him now and doesn't want to be treated as an outcast.

"The public has spoken, the courts have spoken, you'd think they'd get it."

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SPORTS SCOREBOARD

NBA Results

Standings

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	31	18	633	—
New Jersey	28	21	571	3
New York	26	21	553	4
Washington	26	24	520	5 1/2
Orlando	24	26	480	7 1/2
Boston	22	26	458	8 1/2
Philadelphia	15	31	326	14 1/2

Central Division

Indiana	35	13	.729	—
Chicago	36	15	.706	1/2
Atlanta	30	20	600	6
Charlotte	29	20	592	6 1/2
Cleveland	27	21	563	8
Milwaukee	24	25	490	11 1/2
Detroit	23	25	479	12
Toronto	11	37	229	24

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	34	15	694	—
Utah	32	15	681	1
Minnesota	26	21	553	7
Houston	23	24	489	10
Vancouver	13	36	.265	21
Dallas	9	40	184	25
Denver	5	42	.106	28

Pacific Division

Seattle	38	11	776	—
L.A. Lakers	34	12	739	2 1/2
Phoenix	32	15	681	5
Portland	27	20	574	10
Sacramento	20	29	408	18
L.A. Clippers	11	38	224	27
Golden State	8	38	.174	28 1/2

Wednesday's Games

Late games not included

Philadelphia 91, Dallas 90
Indiana 110, Miami 101
Chicago 92, Charlotte 90
Detroit 95, Milwaukee 83
Orlando 96, Minnesota 89
Seattle 106, San Antonio 105
Washington at L.A. Clippers (n)
Golden State at L.A. Lakers (n)

Thursday's Games

Cleveland at Toronto, 6 p.m.
Boston at Utah, 8 p.m.
Portland at Phoenix, 8 p.m.
Houston at Vancouver, 9 p.m.
Denver at Sacramento, 9:30 p.m.

Magic 96, Timberwolves 89

ORLANDO (96): Outlaw 5-14 4-8 14, Grant 6-10 2-4 14, Soikaly 1-7 4-6 6, Anderson 9-19 5-6 28, Price 3-11 1-1 7, Strong 4-6 5-6 13, Harper 6-8 1-3 14. Totals 34-75 22-35 96.

MINNESOTA (89): Garnett 14-22 0-0 29, Hammonds 0-3 1-2 1, Roberts 3-6 3-4 9, West 1-9 0-0 2, Marbury 5-21 2-2 13, Mitchell 5-13 2-2 12, Parks 1-3 1-2 3, Porter 6-12 1-1 18, Jordan 1-4 0-0 2, Wheat 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 36-93 10-13 89.

Orlando	**20**	**24**	**24**	**28 — 96**
Minnesota	**15**	**20**	**24**	**30 — 89**

3-Point goals—Orlando 6-14 (Anderson 5-9, Harper 1-2, Price 0-3). Minnesota 7-19 (Porter 5-9, Garnett 1-1, Marbury 1-8, Mitchell 0-1). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Orlando 64 (Outlaw 12), Minnesota 50 (Garnett 12). Assists—Orlando 26 (Price 7), Minnesota 23 (Porter 7). Total fouls—Orlando 14, Minnesota 26. Technicals—Orlando illegal defense, Minnesota illegal defense, 2. A—17,093 (19,006).

SuperSonics 106, Spurs 105

SEATTLE (106): Schrempf 8-13 3-3 21, Baker 12-19 0-0 24, McIlvaine 0-2 0-0 0, Hawkins 2-7 1-1 6, Payton 6-10 5-6 20, Perkins 3-8 1-2 9, Ellis 8-13 0-0 17, Wingate 0-1 0-0 0, Anthony 3-7 2-2 9, Cotton 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 42-80 12-14 106.

SAN ANTONIO (105): Duncan 9-19 8-9 26, Robinson 7-14 6-9 20, Perdue 1-3 0-0 2, Jackson 3-6 5-6 14, Johnson 8-11 1-5 17, Geary 0-0 0-0 0, Person 5-12 0-0 13, Herrera 3-3 0-1 6, Del Negro 2-5 3-3 7. Totals 38-73 23-33 105.

Seattle	**27**	**32**	**26**	**21 — 106**
San Antonio	**29**	**34**	**31**	**11 — 105**

3-Point goals—Seattle 10-26 (Payton 3-4, Schrempf 2-4, Perkins 2-6, Hawkins 1-4, Ellis 1-4, Anthony 1-4). San Antonio 6-12 (Person 3-7, Jackson 3-5). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Seattle 36 (Baker 10), San Antonio 49 (Robinson 10). Assists—Seattle 20 (Payton 8), San Antonio 20 (Johnson 7). Total fouls—Seattle 24, San Antonio 17. Technicals—Coach Karl, Coach Popovich. A—17,405 (20,557).

76ers 91, Mavericks 90

DALLAS (90): Scott 9-18 3-4 24, Green 4-10 1-2 9, Bradley 3-8 2-2 8, Finley 6-17 3-4 17, H.Davis 4-9 0-0 9, Reeves 5-9 4-7 15, Riley 0-0 0-0 0, Strickland 1-6 1-2 3, Anstey 2-4 1-3 5, Muursepp 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 34-83 15-24 90.

PHILADELPHIA (91): Thomas 7-12 1-1 16, Coleman 2-9 3-3 7, Ratliff 2-5 6-7 10, Jackson 6-12 4-4 19, Iverson 10-16 3-5 27, Weatherspoon 2-4 2-2 6, McKie 1-4 2-3 4, M.Davis 1-3 0-0 2, Snow 0-1 0-2 0. Totals 31-66 21-27 91.

Dallas	**26**	**18**	**25**	**21 — 90**
Philadelphia	**26**	**18**	**19**	**28 — 91**

3-Point goals—Dallas 7-27 (Scott 3-9, Finley 2-5, Reeves 1-2, H.Davis 1-4, Anstey 0-1, Muursepp 0-1, Green 0-1, Strickland 0-4), Philadelphia 8-15, (Iverson 4-4, Jackson 3-5, Thomas 1-3, McKie 0-1, Coleman 0-2). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Dallas 48 (Green 11), Philadelphia 51 (Coleman 13). Assists—Dallas 16 (Finley, Reeves 4), Philadelphia 22 (Iverson 6). Total fouls—Dallas 23, Philadelphia 21. Technicals—Philadelphia illegal defense, 2. A—11,648 (20,444).

Pacers 110, Heat 101

INDIANA (110): Mullin 2-5 0-0 5, D.Davis 4-8 2-2 10, Smits 7-12 1-2 15, Miller 8-16 10 10 30, Jackson 3-8 0-0 6, A.Davis 7-11 5-6 19, Rose 2-4 2-4 6, McKey 1-6 6-6 8. Best 4-4 2-2 11, Hoiberg 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 38-75 28-32 110.

MIAMI (101): Mashburn 6-15 7-8 19, Brown 1-3 0-0 2, Mourning 7-13 7-10 21, Lenard 2-5 1-1 5, Hardaway 11-21 4-4 32, Austin 0-5 3-4 3, Majerle 3-6 0-0 9, Murdock 3-3 0-0 7, Askins 1-1 0-0 3. Totals 34-72 22-27 101.

Indiana	**29**	**29**	**23**	**29 — 110**
Miami	**26**	**16**	**26**	**33 — 101**

3-Point goals—Indiana 6-10 (Miller 4-4, Best 1-1, Mullin 1-3, Jackson 0-2), Miami 11-21 (Hardaway 6-8, Majerle 3-6, Murdock 1-1, Askins 1-1, Lenard 0-2, Mashburn 0-3). Fouled out—Smits, Brown, Mourning. Rebounds—Indiana 37 (D.Davis, Smits 6), Miami 47 (Mourning 15). Assists—Indiana 20 (Jackson 6), Miami 19 (Majerle 5). Total fouls—Indiana 28, Miami 27. Technicals—Miller, Hardaway. A—14,986 (15,200)

Bulls 92, Hornets 90

CHICAGO (92): Pippen 10-20 3-3 23, Rodman 1-4 1-2 3, Longley 3-6 2-2 8, Harper 6-9 0-0 12, Jordan 11-22 7-9 29, Wennington 1-3 0-0 2, Brown 1-3 0-0 2, Kukoc 3-7 2-2 9, Caffey 2-3 0-0 4, Kleine 0-1 0-0 0, Burrell 0-0 0-0 0, Beuchler 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 38-79 15-18 92.

CHARLOTTE (90): Mason 3-6 4-4 10, Rice 9-21 9-11 29, Geiger 2-7 2-2 6, Wesley 7-14 2-3 18, Royal 2-4 4-4 8, Reid 2-5 1-4 5, Maxwell 1-7 2-2 4, Williams 3-4 0-0 6, Armstrong 1-4 2-2 4. Totals 30-72 26-32 90.

Chicago	**30**	**21**	**15**	**26 — 92**
Charlotte	**20**	**22**	**20**	**28 — 90**

3-Point goals—Chicago 1-5 (Kukoc 1-3, Pippen 0-2), Charlotte 4-11 (Rice 2-3, Welsey 2-3, Armstrong 0-1, Maxwell 0-4). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Chicago 44 (Rodman 11), Charlotte 48 (Geiger 11). Assists—Chicago 26 (Pippen, Jordan, Rodman 6), Charlotte 15 (Mason, Wesley 4). Total fouls—Chicago 23, Charlotte 21. Technical—Pippen. A—24,042 (24,042).

Pistons 95, Bucks 83

MILWAUKEE (83): T.Hill 2-5 5-6 9, Robinson 12-24 0-1 25, Johnson 0-2 1-2 1, Allen 8-19 7-9 24, Perry 0-5 0-0 0, Curry 6-8 4-4 16, Gilliam 3-8 2-2 8, Honeycutt 0-0 0-0 0, Lang 0-1 0-0 0, Pierce 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 31-72 19-24 83.

DETROIT (95): G.Hill 7-15 7-10 21, Reid 3-5 0-0 6, B.Williams 4-9 4-4 12, Dumars 6-12 0-0 16, Hunter 2-7 4-4 9, Mahorn 3-4 0-0 6, Stackhouse 3-7 9-9 15, Montross 1-1 0-0 2, Long 1-5 0-0 2, Sealy 3-7 0-0 6, J.Williams 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 33-72 24-27 95.

Milwaukee	**20**	**26**	**12**	**25 — 83**
Detroit	**23**	**21**	**20**	**31 — 95**

3-Point goals—Milwaukee 2-9 (Robinson 1-2, Allen 1-5, Perry 0-2), Detroit 5-10 (Dumars 4-7, Hunter 1-2, Stackhouse 0-1). Fouled out—T.Hill, Allen 10). Detroit 42 (G.Hill 6). Assists—Milwaukee 16 (Allen 8), Detroit 22 (G.Hill 9). Total fouls—Milwaukee 25, Detroit 21. A—16,220 (22,076).

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At A Glance

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Eastern Division

	W	L	SOL	Pts	GF	GA
Fort Worth	36	15	9	81	265	198
Shreveport	35	16	3	73	245	171
Austin	28	17	10	66	203	204
Central Texas	28	19	5	61	189	202
Lake Charles	26	23	6	58	225	233
Monroe	26	25	2	54	166	172
Waco	14	37	3	31	158	256

Western Division

	W	L	SOL	Pts	GF	GA
New Mexico	37	15	4	78	277	182
El Paso	33	14	5	71	256	189
San Angelo	24	27	5	53	234	267
Amarillo	20	24	11	51	177	234
Odessa	18	31	5	41	210	304

NOTE: Two points are awarded for a victory, one for a shootout loss.

Wednesday's Games

San Angelo 9, Monroe 7
Shreveport 7, Central Texas 0

Thursday's Game

Waco at Austin

Friday's Games

Central Texas at Austin
Lake Charles at Monroe
Amarillo at Odessa
Fort Worth at Shreveport
El Paso at Waco

College Baseball

By The Associated Press

SOUTH

Belmont vs. Vanderbilt, ppd., rain
Charleston Southern 10, Georgia Tech 4
Florida 8, Ark.-Little Rock 2
Georgia St. 19, Georgia Coll. 4
McNeese St. 9, Centenary 1
Miami 2, Fla. International 1
S.C.-Aiken 18, Erskine 6
Southern U. 9, Nicholls St. 5
Stetson 13, North Florida 4

SOUTHWEST

Arkansas 24, Mo. Southern 5
Baylor 9, SW Texas St. 8
Howard Payne 6, Southwestern Texas 5
Oklahoma 21, Oklahoma Baptist 6
Texas 9, Sam Houston St. 3
Texas A&M 9, Tarleton St. 4
Texas-Arlington 20, Texas Wesleyan 8
Texas Christian 12, Texas Tech 10

FAR WEST

Arizona 11, New Mexico St. 10
CS Northridge 7, UC Santa Barbara 6
Pepperdine 8, UNLV 7
Santa Clara 5, San Jose St. 4
UC Santa Diego 11, Concordia Calif. 4

Gold Cup

U.S. 1, Brazil 0

Brazil	0	0	0
United States	0	1	1

First half—No scoring
Second half—1, United States, Preki (Wynalda), 65th minute. A—12,298

Daytona Lineups

Daytona IROC

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — The lineup for the first round of the True Value Firebird International Race of Champions Series on Friday:

1. Tony Stewart, Rushville, Ind., Indy Racing League
2. Dale Jarrett, Conover, N.C., NASCAR Winston Cup
3. Jimmy Vasser, Las Vegas, CART Indy-car
4. Jeff Burton, South Boston, Va., NASCAR Winston Cup
5. Dale Earnhardt, Kannapolis, N.C., NASCAR Winston Cup
6. Jeff Gordon, Pittsboro, Ind., NASCAR Winston Cup
7. Terry Labonte, Corpus Christi, Texas, NASCAR Winston Cup
8. Al Unser Jr., Albuquerque, N.M., CART Indy-car
9. Arie Luyendyk, Netherlands, Indy Racing League
10. Mark Martin, Batesville, Ark., NASCAR Winston Cup
11. Tom Kendall, La Canada, Calif., SCCA Trans-Am
12. Randy LaJoie, Norwalk, Conn., NASCAR Busch Series

Discount Auto Parts 200

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Lineup for the Discount Auto Parts 200 NASCAR Goody's Dash Series race Friday:

1. (28) Mike Swaim Jr., High Point, N.C., Pontiac, 162.905
2. (16) David Hutto, Rock Hill, S.C., 161.981
3. (06) Derrick Kelly, Auburndale, Fla., Ford, 161.259
4. (21) Christian Elder, Bloomington, Minn., Pontiac, 160.924
5. (64) Jacob Hobgood, Winnsboro, S.C., Pontiac, 160.479
6. (2) Scott Weaver, Shelby, N.C., Pontiac, 159.354
7. (14) Donnie Neuenberger, Brandywine, Md., Pontiac, 159.216
8. (5) Ricky Bryant, Linwood, N.C., Pontiac, 159.081
9. (52) Darryl Murray, Fort Lawn, S.C., Ford, 158.837
10. (07) George Crenshaw, Lakeland, Fla., Pontiac, 158.739
11. (65) Will Hobgood, Winnsboro, S.C., Pontiac, 158.711
12. (12) Brian Sockwell, Brown Summit, N.C., Pontiac, 158.406
13. (45) Jon Redman, Fairfax Station, Va., Pontiac, 157.417
14. (9) Ned Combs, Newton, N.C., Pontiac, 157.156
15. (48) A.J. Frank, Bluffton, S.C., Pontiac, 156.997
16. (29) Steven Barfield, Norwood, N.C., Pontiac, 156.868
17. (26) Jimmy Gross, Bowling Green, Ky., Pontiac, 156.833
18. (44) Doc Brewer, High Point, N.C., Pontiac, 156.830
19. (47) Keith Wilson, Austell, Ga., Pontiac, 156.505
20. (33) Chris Hall, England, Pontiac, 156.036
21. (37) Robert Huffman, Clarmont, N.C., Pontiac, 156.644
22. (49) Rusty Wise, Cherryville, N.C., Pontiac, 155.998
23. (35) David Amick, Batesburg, S.C., Pontiac, 155.774
24. (96) Mark Ellington, Oxford, N.C., Ford, 155.427
25. (10) Danny Bagwell, Cordova, Ala., Ford, 155.408
26. (81) Gregory Dodgens, Easley, S.C., Pontiac, 155.365
27. (18) Dave Heitzhaus, Strykersville, N.Y., Pontiac, 155.247
28. (15) Robert Luckadoo, Ellenboro, N.C., Pontiac, 155.1919
29. (92) Roger Nance Jr., Wilkesboro, N.C., Pontiac, 154.999
30. (72) Charles Powell II, Goose Creek, S.C., Pontiac, 154.897
31. (42) Pat Patterson, Charlotte, N.C., Pontiac, 154.897
32. (90) Bobby Dayton, Homestead, Fla., Pontiac, 154.698
33. (71) B.J. Mackey, Rock Hill, S.C., Pontiac, 154.687
34. (77) Brian Gandy, Lake Norman, N.C., Pontiac, 154.218
35. (80) Eddie Kelley, Indianapolis, Pontiac, 154.199
36. (24) Mickey York, Asheboro, N.C., Pontiac, 154.054
37. (8) James Dent, Hinesville, Ga., Pontiac, 154.007
38. (69) Junior Miller, Winston-Salem, N.C., Pontiac, 153.922
39. (98) A.J. Moser, Auxvasse, Mo., Pontiac, 154.481
40. (22) Ernie Yarborough, Columbia, S.C., Ford, 153.251
41. (99) Gary Moore, Horseshoe, N.C., Pontiac, provisional
42. (55) Steve Barnes, Westminster, Md., Pontiac, provisional

Daytona Twin 125

First Race

1. (18) Bobby Labonte, Corpus Christi, Texas, Pontiac, 192.415
2. (33) Ken Schrader, Fenton, Mo., Chevrolet, 191.787
3. (43) John Andretti, Indianapolis, Pontiac, 190.828
4. (30) Derrike Cope, Spanaway, Wash., Pontiac, 190.617
5. (22) Ward Burton, South Boston, Va., Pontiac, 190.130
6. (24) Jeff Gordon, Pittsboro, Ind., Chevrolet, 189.930
7. (23) Jimmy Spencer, Berwick, Pa., Ford, 189.601
8. (88) Dale Jarrett, Hickory, N.C., Ford, 189.577
9. (90) Dick Trickle, Wisconsin Rapids, Wis., Ford, 189.490
10. (12) Jeremy Mayfield, Owensboro, Ky., Ford, 189.358
11. (96) David Green, Owensboro, Ky., Chevrolet, 189.251
12. (40) Sterling Marlin, Columbia, Tenn., Chevrolet, 189.008
13. (29) Jeff Green, Owensboro, Ky., Chevrolet, 188.596
14. (6) Mark Martin, Batesville, Ark., Ford, 188.557
15. (97) Chad Little, Spokane, Wash., Ford, 188.265
16. (26) Johnny Benson, Grand Rapids, Mich., Ford, 188.115
17. (28) Kenny Irwin, Indianapolis, Ford, 187.911
18. (94) Bill Elliott, Dawsonville, Ga., Ford, 187.067
19. (41) Steve Grissom, Gadsden, Ala., Chevrolet, 187.001
20. (16) Ted Musgrave, Franklin, Wis., Ford, 185.498
21. (35) Todd Bodine, Chemung, N.Y., Pontiac, 185.033
22. (07) Dan Pardus, Daytona Beach, Fla., Chevrolet, 182.934
23. (8) Hut Stricklin, Calera, Ala., Ford, 189.044
24. (46) Wally Dallenbach, Jr., Basalt, Colo., Chevrolet, 188.826
25. (73) Mike Wallace, St. Louis, Chevrolet, 187.778
26. (7) Geoff Bodine, Chemung, N.Y., Ford, 187.137
27. (75) Rick Mast, Rockbridge Baths, Va., Ford, 186.413
28. (80) Michael Ciochetti, Clayton, Ga., Ford, 183.846

Second Race

1. (5) Terry Labonte, Corpus Christi, Texas, Chevrolet, 192.127
2. (3) Dale Earnhardt, Kannapolis, N.C., Chevrolet, 191.006
3. (31) Mike Skinner, Susanville, Calif., Chevrolet, 190.674
4. (2) Rusty Wallace, St. Louis, Ford, 190.444
5. (9) Lake Speed, Jackson, Miss., Ford, 190.062
6. (98) Greg Sacks, Mattituck, N.Y., Ford, 189.725
7. (36) Ernie Irvan, Salinas, Calif., Pontiac, 189.585
8. (50) Ricky Craven, Newburgh, Maine, Chevrolet, 189.557
9. (71) Dave Marcis, Wausau, Wis., Chevrolet, 189.410
10. (47) Billy Standridge, Shelby, N.C., Ford, 189.290
11. (17) Darrell Waltrip, Owensboro, Ky., Chevrolet, 189.080
12. (4) Bobby Hamilton, Nashville, Tenn., Chevrolet, 188.743
13. (21) Michael Waltrip, Owensboro, Ky., Ford, 188.561
14. (42) Joe Nemechek, Lakeland, Fla., Chevrolet, 188.320
15. (13) Jerry Nadeau, Danbury, Conn., Ford, 188.198
16. (99) Jeff Burton, South Boston, Va., Ford, 187.986
17. (81) Kenny Wallace, St. Louis, Ford, 187.340
18. (44) Kyle Petty, Randleman, N.C., Pontiac, 187.017
19. (11) Brett Bodine, Chemung, N.Y., Ford, 186.366
20. (95) Andy Hillenburg, Harnsburg, N.C., Chevrolet, 185.361
21. (78) Gary Bradberry, Chelsea, Ala., Ford, 183.797
22. (1) Steve Park, East Northport, N.Y., Chevrolet, 189.498
23. (91) Kevin LePage, Shelbourne, Vt., Chevrolet, 188.838
24. (77) Robert Pressley, Asheboro, N.C., Ford, 188.123
25. (59) Mark Gibson, Auburn, Ga., Ford, 187.731
26. (10) Ricky Rudd, Chesapeake, Va., Ford, 187.025
27. (14) Loy Allen, Davidson, N.C., Pontiac, 186.131
28. (79) Norm Benning, Level Green, N.C., Chevrolet, no speed

Rest of field will be filled by six fastest cars remaining from time trials, four provisionals based on top 25 car-owner points, two provisionals based on top-40 car owner points and a provisional for one past Winston Cup champion or one more top-40 provisional.

NAPA Auto Parts 300

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — The lineup for Saturday's NAPA Auto Parts 300 NASCAR Busch Grand National race at Daytona International Speedway, with car number in parentheses, driver, hometown, make of car and qualifying speed in mph:

1. (34) Mike McLaughlin, Waterloo, N.Y., Chevrolet, 190.134
2. (87) Joe Nemechek, Lakeland, Fla., Chevrolet, 188.525
3. (3) Dale Earnhardt Jr., Kannapolis, N.C., Chevrolet, 188.139
4. (4) Jeff Purvis, Clarksville, Tenn., Chevrolet, 187.895
5. (00) Buckshot Jones, Monticello, Ga., Pontiac, 187.696
6. (15) Ken Schrader, Fenton, Mo., Chevrolet, 187.356
7. (17) Matt Kenseth, Cambridge, Wis., Chevrolet, 186.834
8. (8) Bobby Hillin Jr., Midland, Texas, Chevrolet, 186.765
9. (44) Tony Stewart, Rushville, Ind., Pontiac, 186.525
10. (93) Dave Blaney, Cortland, Ohio, Pontiac, 186.521
11. (96) John Andretti, Indianapolis, Chevrolet, 186.335
12. (77) Ed Berner, Winston-Salem, N.C., Ford, 186.239
13. (99) Glenn Allen, Cincinnati, Chevrolet, 186.212
14. (70) Dale Fischlein, Davenport, Iowa, Chevrolet, 185.920
15. (64) Dick Trickle, Wisconsin Rapids, Wis., Chevrolet, 185.674
16. (88) Kevin Schwantz, Paige, Texas, Chevrolet, 185.621
17. (36) Matt Hutter, Chardon, Ohio, Pontiac, 185.594
18. (29) Hermie Sadler, Emporia, Va., Chevrolet, 185.529
19. (30) Mike Cope, Pinellas Park, Fla., Chevrolet, 185.345
20. (56) Jeff Krogh, Kamiah, Idaho, Chevrolet, 185.277
21. (6) Joe Bessey, Scarborough, Maine, Chevrolet, 185.181
22. (74) Randy LaJoie, Norwalk, Conn., Chevrolet, 184.923
23. (72) Mike Dillon, Lexington, N.C., Chevrolet, 184.888
24. (9) Jeff Burton, South Boston, Va., Ford, 184.835
25. (66) Elliott Sadler, Emporia, Va., Chevrolet, 184.831
26. (60) Mark Martin, Batesville, Ark., Ford, 184.794
27. (21) Michael Waltrip, Owensboro, Ky., Ford, 184.672
28. (80) Mark Krogh, Kamiah, Idaho, Chevrolet, 184.604
29. (63) Tracy Leslie, Mt. Clemens, Mich., Chevrolet, 184.509
30. (12) Jimmy Spencer, Berwick, Pa., Chevrolet, 184.328
31. (85) Shane Hall, Fountain Inn, S.C., Chevrolet, 184.302
32. (10) Phil Parsons, Detroit, Mich., Chevrolet, 184.298
33. (47) Andy Santerre, Cherryfield, Maine, Chevrolet, 184.136
34. (89) Stanton Barrett, Fernandina Beach, Fla., Ford, 183.936
35. (40) Rick Fuller, Auburn, Mass., Chevrolet, 183.730
36. (59) Robert Pressley, Asheville, N.C., Chevrolet, 183.614
37. (38) Elton Sawyer, Chesapeake, Va., Ford, provisional
38. (33) Tim Fedewa, Holt, Mich., Chevrolet, provisional
39. (57) Jason Keller, Greenville, S.C., Chevrolet, provisional
40. (37) Mark Green, Owensboro, Ky., Chevrolet, provisional
41. (43) Steve Reeves, Speedway, Ind., Ford, provisional
42. (45) Brad Loney, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Chevrolet, provisional
43. (32) Bobby Labonte, Corpus Christi, Texas, Ford, provisional

Winter Olympics

Medals Table

By The Associated Press

Through 2 of 5 medals, Thursday, Feb. 12

(19 of 22 total medals)

Nation	G	S	B	Tot
Germany	3	4	4	11
Russia	4	3	0	7
Norway	2	1	3	6
Austria	0	2	4	6
Finland	2	1	2	5
Italy	0	3	1	4
Japan	2	1	0	3
Canada	1	1	1	3
United States	2	0	0	2
Netherlands	1	1	0	2
Czech Republic	0	1	1	2
Bulgaria	1	0	0	1
France	1	0	0	1
Ukraine	0	1	0	1
Belarus	0	0	1	1
Belgium	0	0	1	1
Switzerland	0	0	1	1

Women's Olympic Hockey

At A Glance

By The Associated Press

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Canada	3	0	0	6	20	3
United States	3	0	0	6	16	3
Finland	2	1	0	4	19	5
China	2	2	0	4	9	9
Japan	0	3	0	0	2	30
Sweden	0	4	0	0	5	21

Wednesday, Feb. 11

At Aqua Wing

China 6, Japan 1
United States 4, Finland 2
China 3, Sweden 1

Thursday, Feb. 12

At Aqua Wing

United States vs. Japan, 1 a.m.
Finland vs. Canada, 5 a.m.

Friday, Feb. 13

At Aqua Wing

Japan vs. Sweden, 9 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 14

At Aqua Wing

Finland vs. China, 1 a.m.
Canada vs. United States, 5 a.m.

Cross-Country Skiing

HAKUBA, Japan (AP) — Final results Thursday from the women's 10km pursuit cross-country event at the Winter Olympics:

1. Larissa Lazutina, Russia, 46:06.9
2. Olga Danilova, Russia, 46:13.4
3. Katerina Neumannova, Czech Republic, 46:14.2
4. Inna Taranenko-Terelia, Ukraine, 46:17.1
5. Stefania Belmondo, Italy, 46:19.6
6. Yuka Tchepalova, Russia, 46:28.4
7. Nina Gavriliuk, Russia, 46:49.3
8. Anita Moen-Guidon, Norway, 47:04.6
9. Bente Martinsen, Norway, 47:11.1
10. Brigitte Albrecht, Switzerland, 47:11.8
11. Trude Dybendahl Hartz, Norway, 47:13.0
12. Gabriella Paruzzi, Italy, 47:13.8
13. Maria Theurl, Austria, 47:35.8
14. Marit Mikkelsplass, Norway, 47:52.3
15. Katrin Smigun, Estonia, 47:53.3

U.S. finishers

52. Kerrin Petty, Townshend, Vt., 51:49.2
57. Laura Wilson-Ketchum, Idaho, 52:19.4
76. Nina Kemppel, Anchorage, Alaska, DNS
78. Laura McCabe, Winthrop, Wash., DNF

Men's Olympic Curling

At A Glance

By The Associated Press

	W	L
Canada	5	0
Switzerland	4	1
Norway	3	2
Sweden	3	2
Britain	2	3
Japan	1	4
United States	2	3
Germany	0	5

Wednesday, Feb. 11

Norway 5, Japan 3
Switzerland 7, United States 2
Canada 10, Germany 6
Sweden 7, Britain 5
United States 8, Germany 5
Britain 9, Japan 5
Norway 7, Sweden 4
Canada 8, Switzerland 3

Thursday, Feb. 12

Switzerland vs. Norway, 5 a.m.
Sweden vs. Canada, 5 a.m.
Britain vs. Germany, 5 a.m.
Japan vs. United States, 5 a.m.

Friday, Feb. 13

Britain vs. United States, 12 mid.
Japan vs. Germany, 12 mid.
Sweden vs. Switzerland, 12 mid.
Norway vs. Canada, 12 mid.
Tie break, if necessary, 5 a.m.
Tie break, if necessary, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 14

Semifinals, 4 a.m.
Bronze medal, 7 p.m.

Sunday, Feb. 15

Gold medal, 3 a.m.

Luge Results

NAGANO, Japan (AP) — Final results Wednesday from the women's singles luge medal event at the Winter Olympics:

1. Silke Kraushaar, Germany, (51.197, 51.178, 50.787, 50.617), 3:23.779 minutes.
2. Barbara Niedernhuber, Germany, (51.216, 51.103, 50.837, 50.625), 3:23.781.
3. Angelika Neuner, Austria, (51.417, 51.286, 50.945, 50.605), 3:24.253.
4. Susi Erdmann, Germany, (51.475, 51.348, 50.895, 50.731), 3:24.449.
5. Andrea Tagwerker, Austria, (51.618, 51.335, 50.990, 50.648), 3:24.491.
6. Erin Warren, Somerville, Mass., (51.644, 51.461, 51.364, 50.859), 3:25.328.
7. Cammy Myler, Lake Placid, N.Y., (51.795, 51.654, 51.219, 50.807), 3:25.475.
8. Bethany Calcaterra-McMahon, Waterford, Conn., (51.696, 51.651, 51.296, 50.915), 3:25.558.
9. Gerda Weissensteiner, Italy, (51.744, 51.998, 51.415, 50.956), 3:26.113.
10. Sonja Manzenreiter, Austria, (51.892, 51.828, 51.369, 51.183), 3:26.272.
11. Natalia Jakuschenko, Ukraine, (52.014, 51.746, 51.511, 51.277), 3:26.548.
12. Natalie Obkircher, Italy, (51.910, 51.967, 51.530, **51.270**), 3:26.677.
13. Anna Orlova, Latvia, (**52.199**, 51.772, 51.642, 51.360), 3:**26.983**.
14. Iluta Gaile, Latvia, (52.157, 52.016, 51.516, 51.292), 3:26.981.
15. Maria Jasencakova, Slovakia, (52.006, 52.336, 51.721, 51.302), 3:27.365.

Speedskating Results

NAGANO, Japan (AP) — Final results Wednesday from the women's 3,000 meter speedskating event at the Winter Olympics:

1. Gunda Niemann-Stirnemann, Germany, 4 minutes, 7.29 seconds.
2. Claudia Pechstein, Germany, 4:08.47.
3. Anna Friesinger, Germany, 4:09.44.
4. Jennifer Rodriguez, Miami, 4:11.64.
5. Emese Hunyady, Austria, 4:12.01.
6. Kirstin Holum, Waukesha, Wis., 4:12.24.
7. Lyudmila Prokasheva, Kazakstan, 4:14.23.
8. Annamarie Thomas, Netherlands, 4:14.38.
9. Carla Zijlstra, Netherlands, 4:16.43.
10. Svetlana Bazhanova, Russia, 4:16.45.
11. Elena Belci, Italy, 4:16.62.
12. Svetlana Vysokova, Russia, 4:17.70.
13. Tatiana Trapeznikova, Russia, 4:17.76.
14. Mie Uehara, Japan, 4:17.92.
15. Anette Tonsberg, Norway, 4:19.24.

Other U.S. Finisher

22. Catherine Raney, Elm Grove, Wis., 4:22.55.

Snowboard Results

YAMANOUCHI, Japan (AP) — Final results Thursday from the women's halfpipe snowboard medal event at the Winter Olympics:

Women

1. Nicola Thost, Germany, (37.5, 37.1), 74.6 points.
2. Stine Brun Kjeldaas, Norway, (36.7, 37.5), 74.2.
3. Shannon Dunn, Steamboat Springs, Colo., (38.8, 34.0), 72.8.
4. Cara-Beth Burnside, Orange, Calif., (36.1, 36.5), 72.6.
5. Maelle Ricker, Canada, (36.8, 34.3), 71.1.
6. Minna Hesso, Finland, (34.8, 36.0), 70.8.
7. Jenny Jonsson, Sweden, (31.8, 34.1), 65.9.
8. Jennie Waara, Sweden, (30.9, 31.8), 62.7.

Olympic Records

By The Associated Press

NAGANO, Japan (AP) — World records set at the Winter Olympics:

WORLD RECORDS

Speedskating

Men's 5,000—Gianni Romme, Netherlands, 6:22.20 (old record, Romme, 6:30.63, Dec. 7, 1997), Feb. 8, 1998.

OLYMPIC RECORDS

Speedskating

Men's 500—Hiroyasu Shimizu, Japan, 35.76 (old record, Alexander Golubev, Russia, 36.33, Feb. 14, 1994), Feb. 9, 1998.

Men's 500—Hiroyasu Shimizu, Japan, 35.59 (old record, Shimizu, 35.76, Feb. 9, 1998), Feb. 10, 1998.

Women's 3,000—Gunda Niemann-Stirnemann, Germany, 4:07.29 (old record, Yvonne Van Gennip, Netherlands, Feb. 23, 1988), Feb. 11, 1998.

Ski Report

ROCKIES

Colorado

Arapahoe Basin — powder 62-63 base 61 trails 5 of

'Heli' move provides first U.S. gold medal

By Stephen Wilson
AP Sports Writer

IIZUNA KOGEN, Japan — Jonny Moseley took off, spun full circle in mid-air, grabbed his inside ski, and stuck a perfect landing. He knew right away it was good enough for gold.

Moseley hit his signature 360 Mute Grab Jump and skied a flawless run through the bumps today to win the men's moguls and give the United States its first medal of the Nagano Games.

His hang time on the revolutionary helicopter jump would have made Michael Jordan proud.

"As soon as I landed the 'heli' at the bottom, I knew I was golden," Moseley said. "I'm at the point in my skiing where I feel I can do anything."

While Moseley came through, the American women faltered as Donna Weinbrecht, Liz McIntyre and Ann Battelle were shut out of the medals.

"It was not unrealistic for any of the three of us to walk away with the medal," Battelle said. "It was a bit of a bummer."

The moguls event is scored by judges, who count 50 percent for turns and 25 percent each for speed and the two "air" moves.

Moseley, 22, of Tiburon, Calif., was the last of 16 competitors to bash down the mogul field.

He posted the fastest time and had the best scores for jumps and turns for a total of 26.93 points. Finland's Janne Lahtela won the silver with 26.00 points and another Finn, Sami Mustonen, took the bronze with 25.76.

After nailing a double twister spread on the first jump, Moseley wound his way smoothly through the moguls and accelerated into his approach for the second "air" near the bottom.

It was time for the 360 Mute Grab.

He soared in the air and began his rotation. When he was halfway through, facing the top of the course, he almost froze as he admired the view and heard the fans screaming.

Moseley described the scene in typical freestyle lingo:

"I grabbed my ski and I pulled it back and I just looked at the colors. There were just people, aaaay, everywhere. That's when I was like, 'Yeah.' Then I was like, 'Whoaaah, get back into it.' So like halfway through my run I had a moment. That's scary. I was way out my focus there. I just grabbed, and I was like, 'Whoaaah, check it out.'"

Moseley snapped back to attention in time to make a perfect landing. He zipped down the rest of the course, spraying snow as he skidded to a stop and raised his arms in triumph.

"I got No. 1!" he shouted.

Moseley, who began doing helicopter jumps as a kid, added the Mute Grab portion for the first time at a World Cup event in La Plagne, France, earlier this season.

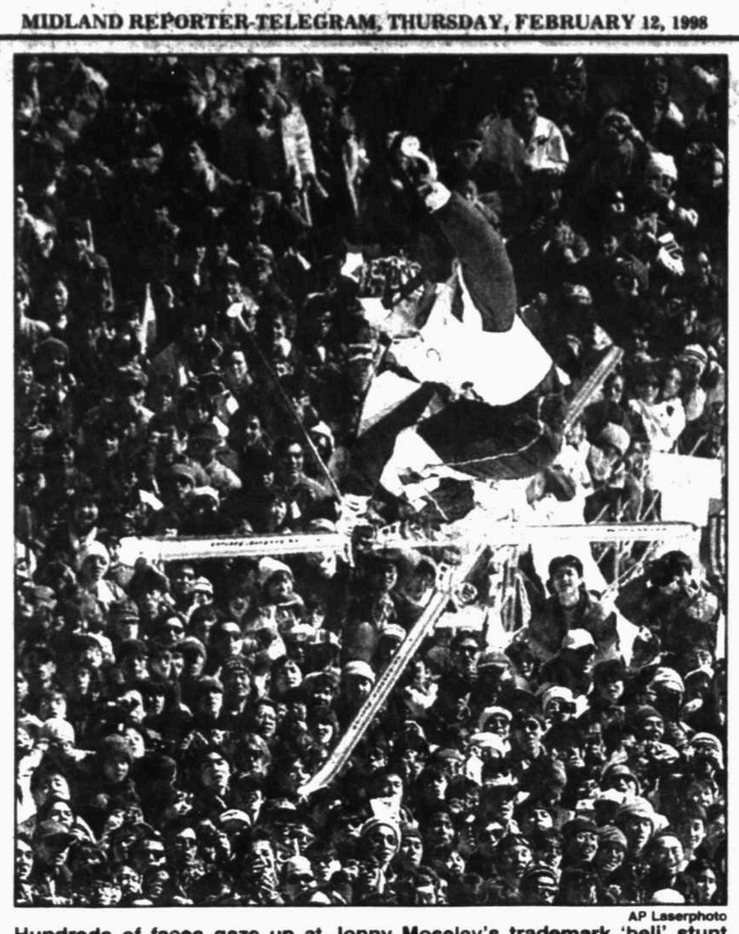
"I just grabbed my ski for the heck of it," he said.

Moseley used the jump against last month to win a World Cup event in Breckenridge, Col., accumulating his highest ever score.

"We knew that it was going to be the trick to use in the Olympics," he said.

The U.S. women had no such secret weapon.

Weinbrecht, the 1992 Olympic gold medalist, entered the final in second place but dropped to fourth with 24.02 points after wobbling near the finish line.



AP Laserphoto

Hundreds of faces gaze up at Jonny Moseley's trademark 'heli' stunt Wednesday in Nagano. Moseley won the men's moguls event, becoming the first American to win a gold medal in the 1998 Winter Olympics.

"I think I was skiing way better than the other (qualifying) run," said the 32-year-old Weinbrecht, who is expected to retire this year. "I definitely thought I had a medal run going. I just had the misfortune of bobbling right in front of the judges. They killed me on that one, but I don't blame them."

McIntyre, silver medalist in 1994, was eighth with 23.72 and Battelle, the top U.S. skier this season, was 10th with 23.65.

The surprise winner was Japan's Tae Satoya, 21, who had never won a major championship. She was 11th after the qualifying, but she put down a sizzling run in the final that earned her 25.06 points.

Satoya, whose father died last year, carried his picture in her breast pocket during the race.

"I've had a tough time for the last year," she said. "My father was watching me from somewhere today."

Tatjana Mittermayer of Germany won the silver with 24.62 points, with Norway's Kari Traa taking the bronze with 24.09.

Hero of Lillehammer claims another gold

By Larry McShane
Associated Press Writer

■ Olympic Roundup

NAGANO, Japan — A star is Bjorn.

Norway's Bjorn Dahlie, the hometown hero of the Lillehammer Games, became the first man to win six career Winter Olympic gold medals with his victory in the men's 10-kilometer cross-county ski race.

The record-breaking Nagano gold now joins the three that Dahlie won in 1992 and the pair he collected in 1994. The five medals had tied Dahlie with two speedskaters: Eric Heiden of the United States and A. Clas Thunberg of Finland.

Dahlie, in a steady rain, led from wire to wire on the Snow Harp course. The victory followed Dahlie's stunning 20th-place finish in the 30K event, when the Norwegian used the wrong wax on his skis.

Nagano's first double gold medalist came from Snow Harp, too — Russian cross-country skier Larissa Lazutina, who captured the 10-kilometer freestyle Thursday (Wednesday night CDT). Lazutina, 32, had already won a gold in the 5K and a silver in the 15K.

While Dahlie stormed to his record-setting medal, a wintry mixture of snow and rain — augmented by whipping winds and heavy fog — postponed the weather-cursed men's downhill yet again.

The race, one of the games' premier events, was originally set for Sunday, rescheduled for Wednesday, then finally moved to Thursday (Wednesday night CST) as snow plagued the Alpine events. Both the downhill and the downhill portion of the men's combined were finally rescheduled for Friday.

— SNOWBOARDING: With most of the attention focused on the Rebagliati situation, U.S. snowboarder Shannon Dunn took a bronze medal in the women's halfpipe competition. Dunn, of Steamboat Springs, Colo., was leading until she nearly wiped out on her last run.

Nicola Thost of Germany took the gold medal, with Stine Brun Kjeldaas of Norway won the silver.

— DRUGS: Rebagliati appeared at a police station Thursday to answer questions about his positive test for marijuana, although he was unlikely to face any local sanctions.

The Canadian — the first Olympian stripped of a gold medal since countryman Ben Johnson in 1988 — says he never inhaled, at least not first-hand. Olympic officials yanked Rebagliati's medal after the marijuana positive — not the performance-enhancing drug ordinarily associated with drug violations in sports.

Rebagliati said he hadn't used marijuana since April 1997, and blamed his positive test on second-hand smoke from a party one week before the Olympics. The Canadians appealed the decision.

— LUGE: Silke Kraushaar of Germany won the gold medal in women's luge in the closest race in Olympic history — two-thousandths of a second ahead of her teammate, Barbara Niedernhuber. Angelika Neuner of Austria was third.

The U.S. women lugers made their best showing ever with a 6-7-8 finish by Erin Warren of Winchester, Mass., Cammy Myler of Plattsburgh, N.Y., and Bethany Calcaterra-McMahon of Hartford, Conn.

These aren't your typical male skaters

By Nancy Armour
AP Sports Writer

NAGANO, Japan — They are not your typical bunch of male figure skaters.

One has a black belt and answers to the name Elvis. There's a ladies' man, a comedian, a gym rat, a baby-faced upstart and don't forget the hard-luck champion who also happens to be a great guy.

The personalities of the top six skaters at the Nagano Olympics run the gamut, and so do their styles. About the only thing they have in common is that they are very, very good.

"I don't expect everyone to skate like me. I expect them to be themselves," Elvis Stojko said. "It's great we have all these different styles to incorporate."

While everyone else was skating to serious, classical pieces, the Canadian was tearing up the ice with techno pop and kung fu music. Judges suggested he clean up his act and get with the traditional programs if he wanted to do well. He refused, and look at him now — a three-time world champion and favorite to win a gold medal in the men's competition, which starts Thursday.

No matter how odd he might look in the land of sequins and chiffon, Stojko's huge jumps and superior technical ability are hard to ignore.

The surest sign of acceptance: He's no longer the only one wearing funky costumes and skating to weird music. Heck, Michael Weiss even skated to the searing guitars of Santana at last year's U.S. championships wearing a tie-dyed T-shirt.

"It's very difficult being different. It's difficult looking at it in a different way," Stojko said. "But if you keep plugging along, like I have, people learn to accept and understand your point of view."

Weiss, the gym rat, has a rebel streak in him, too. He even looks a little like James Dean with his slicked-back hair, and he likes pushing the limits with his music and costumes.

He's as comfortable in his father's gym as he is on the ice, and he isn't shy about making himself stand out. At Nagano, he'll try a quadruple lutz, a jump so difficult no one even practices doing it.

"There are so many incredibly competitive guys in the men's," Weiss said. "The pressure is on those guys who have medaled in the past or are favored to medal. I feel I'm skating well enough that if I am clean, I can create a moment with the crowd and hopefully I could slip in there."

Todd Eldredge, the five-time U.S. champion, wants to do more than just slip in there. He wants the whole thing, and he's been waiting six long years to get it.

After he won two U.S. titles by his 21st birthday, Eldredge's career took a nosedive. He injured his back during the 1991-92 season and was too out of shape to be a factor at Albertville, where he finished 10th. Two years later, he caught the flu at the Olympic trials and wound up fourth, not qualifying for Lillehammer.

Eldredge considered retiring and even took a few weeks off, but the pull of the sport was too strong. He's won a world title and three U.S. championships since, and now all that's left is an Olympic medal.

To better his chances, he retooled his free skate — and may even slip in a quad — and came up with a new short program.

"I've done a lot of things, a lot of great things, but the one thing I don't have is an Olympic medal," Eldredge said. "Hopefully, we can rectify that this week."

While Eldredge may be a sentimental favorite, Philippe Candeloro is sure to be the crowd pleaser. The most flamboyant of the group — yes, even more than Stojko — he operates on pure charm. His long, flowing brown locks drive schoolgirls crazy, and when he turns on that brilliant smile, look out.

He's also one fine artist on ice. His free skate to "Three Musketeers" is a program with his daring and dash written all over it.

"My fiancee, she wanted D'Artagnon, so I listened to her," he said. "I don't regret it."

With Candeloro about to become a married man, Ilya Kulik may be the one to take his spot as the sport's heartthrob. And like Candeloro, he's got a good sense of humor.

"I came to win men's singles, dance, pairs and then the women's singles," Kulik said with a straight face when asked about winning a gold medal.

The last of the top contenders, Alexei Yagudin of Russia, is still somewhat unknown. The 1996 junior world champion was expected to be a gold-medal contender — but not for another four years.

But the 17-year-old has his own timetable, and it included Nagano. He won the European championships last month, and routinely lands the all-important quad. If his quick rise has rattled his young psyche, he's not letting on.

"Somebody said the European and world championships are on one planet and the Olympics are on another," he said. "But for me, it's all the same."



AP Laserphoto

Ilya Kulik of Russia, a top contender in the men's figure skating event at the Winter Olympics, may become the sport's newest heartthrob.

LOCAL SPORTS

COM Results

DALLAS — Teams from different states compted in the 16th Annual NIKE Greater Southwest Invitational held over the weekend. Those swimming in the fials from COM were as follows:

Girls 10 & Under

McCall Keathley — 6th in in 200 IM, 2:38.07; 5th in 50 Fly, 33.48; 7th in 50 Breast, 38.82. Stephanie Strauss — 8th in 100 Fly, 1:22.32. (Lauren Eisenmenger, Kathleen Burleson, Keathley, Kristi Edens) — 7th in 200 Free Relay, 2:09.15. (Burleson, Strauss, Keathley, Eisenmenger) — 4th in 200 Medley Relay

Girls 11-12

Caroline Carson — 7th in 500 Free, 5:29.88; 8th in 100 Back, 1:07.22; 8th in 100 Fly, 1:05.88. Mallory Keathley — 3rd in 50 Fly, 28.39; Katie Lowry — 5th in 200 IM, 2:20.55; 3rd in 500 Free, 5:25.58; 6th in 200 Free, 2:05.06. Brooke Mayes — 6th in 500 Free, 5:29.76. (Lowry, Carson, Keathley, Mayes) — 5th in 200 Free Relay, 1:49.71. (Lowry, Carson, Keathley, Mayes) — 3rd in 200 Medley Relay, 2:02.07.

Girls 13-14

Catherine Jeff — 8th in 200 IM, 2:17.62. Jalie Fiske — 7th in 100 Back, 1:02.85.

Boys 10 & Under

Bradley Lowry — 5th in 200 IM, 2:38.17; 8th in 200 Free, 2:30.41; 8th in 50 Breast, 38.36; 6th in 100 IM, 1:14.58; 4th in 100 Fly, 1:19.78; 3rd in 100 Breast, 1:22.14. Scott Murphy — 5th in 50 Breast, 38.81; 4th in 100 Breast, 1:22.43.

Boys 11-12

Kyle Edens — 8th in 50 Fly, 29.91; 4th in 500 Free, 5:24.81; 7th in 100 Fly, 1:04.11.

Boys 15-16

Nick Robichaud — 9th in 200 Back, 2:03.61; 14th in 400 IM, 4:46.03; 12th in 100 Back, 59.90; 8th in 1000 Free, 10:29.63.

Hightower, Midland, def. Jessica Escue, San Angelo, 6-2, 6-2. Semifinals: Overbeck, Midland def. Rachel Florida, Burleson, 3-6, 6-4, 6-3; Rhiannon Ruth, Weatherford, def. Hightower, Midland, 6-3, 6-1. Finals: Ruth def. Overbeck, 7-6 (2), 3-6, 6-4.

14 Singles B — Semifinals: Bonnie O'Brien, Midland, def. Darla Leach, Wichita Falls, 6-0, 6-1. Finals: O'Brien def. Jessica Sexton, Abilene, 7-5, 6-0. Consolation Semifinals: Mary Ellen Valles, Southlake, def. Katherine Ramsey, Midland, 6-1, 6-0.

16 Singles B — Semifinals: Robbie Vittitow, Lubbock, def. Jenny Masten, Midland, 3-6, 6-4, 6-2. Consolation Semifinals: Krista Kerr, Midland, def. Kelan Grimes, Abilene, 6-1, 6-2. Laura Florida, Burleson, def. Kerr 6-1, 7-5.

18 Singles B — Consolation Semifinals: Bree Dossey, Arlington, def. Elizabeth Webb, Midland, 6-2, 6-2.

16 Singles C — Semifinals: Emily Leeton, Midland, def. Nikki Gillen, Wichita Falls, 7-6 (5), 6-2. Finals: Leeton def. Jennifer Hays, Lubbock, 6-1, 6-0.

14 Singles C — Semifinals: Shayla Cabelka, Wichita Falls, def. Ashley Vasicek, Midland, 6-2, 2-6, 6-3. Consolation Semifinals: Bambi Bedford, Burleson, def. Claire Logan, Midland, 6-2, 6-2.

Midland N'west ZAT results

Here are the late round Midland Northwest ZAT results:

Boys

14 Singles A — Quarterfinals: Daryn Hudson, Anson, def. Ryan Leeton, Midland, 6-1, 6-3. Taylor Choate, San Angelo, def. Chris Woodside, Midland, 6-0, 6-0.

18 Singles A — Semifinals: Devon Swafford, Big Spring, def. Trey Moore, Graham, 6-1, 6-1. Finals: Swafford, Big Spring, def. Zach Allen (2), hurst, 6-2, 6-0.

14 Singles B — Consolation Semifinals: Scotlin Bowden (3), Arlington, def. Paul Barber Jr., Midland, 6-4, 3-6, 6-4.

16 Singles B — Semifinals: Saul Morales, Midland, def. Justin Thomas, Grapevine, 6-0, 6-4. Finals: Morales def. Landon French, Arlington, 4-6, 6-0, 6-1. Consolation Semifinals: Matt Hembree, Odessa, def. Curtis MacDonald, Midland, 6-0, 6-2.

14 Singles C — Semifinals: Al Suarez (1) def. Webb, Midland, 6-2, 6-1. Consolation Semifinals: TJ Mares, Seminole, def. Michael Caamano, Midland, 6-1, 6-1.

16 Singles C — Semifinals: Miguel Bustilloz, Midland, def. Luke Epps, Fort Stockton, 6-2, 6-0. Finals: Bustilloz def. Lance Cannedy, Wichita Falls, 6-4, 6-3.

14 Singles D — Consolation Semifinals: Andy Caniens, Midland, def. Lane Branum, Midland, 6-4, 6-3. Consolation Finals: Ross Lynds, Wichita Falls, def. Caniens, 6-2, 3-6, 6-1.

Girls

14 Singles A — Quarterfinals: Cathn Glenn (2), San Angelo, def. Lauren Wilson, Midland, 7-6 (5), 6-1.

16 Singles A — Consolation Semifinals: Betsy Clark, Wichita Falls, def. Margaret Rendell, Midland, 6-3, 6-0.

18 Singles A — Quarterfinals: Christi Overbeck, Midland, def. Candace Simpson, San Angelo, 6-2, 6-2. Haley

Lee JV boys clinch title share

ABILENE — The Midland Lee junior varsity boys basketball team clinched at least a share of the District 4-5A JV championship with a 70-61 win over Abilene High Tuesday.

Jeremy Conaway poured in 24 points for the Rebels, while Taborick Ephriam added 14 points. Jason Culberson scored 12 for Abilene High.

Lee leads the district with an 8-2 record, 17-9 overall.

Lee sophs win

The Midland Lee sophomore boys basketball team defeated Abilene High 89-75 Tuesday night to improve to 20-4 overall and 7-3 in district.

Sal Torres scored 32, Michael Carrell 13 and Matt Segulia 10.

Goddard soccer defeats Alamo

The Goddard seventh grade boys soccer team completed a sweep of the local junior high schools Tuesday by beating Alamo 2-1. Britton Butts and Morgan Moody each scored goals to beat Alamo. Goddard allowed only one goal in the first half of the season.

STREET: Skiier has eye on downhill gold

(From 1C)

she could make any demand and her left knee would be there to carry it out. This downhill course requires a lot of the left leg.

"I'm happy to see that there are such difficult turns on the left side, because believe it or not it's my better turn. Regardless of the fact that I blew my left knee out, I'm much better turning on my left side."

Street is the rare athlete who is tuned into everything going on around her, and she is well aware of the karma or vibes or whatever it is that surrounds her at said, pointing to her head, "to make it all happen." moments like this.

"There's a big program going on for me and I'm just going on for the ride. I'm just happy I'm blessed with the abilities I have and the know-how in here," she

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Nike brings commercialism, Kenya to Winter Olympics

By Gwen Knapp
N.Y. Times News Service

NAGANO, Japan — Devon Harris tried to inspect the Olympic bobsled track the other day, so that he wouldn't be driving blind in the competition. But he couldn't finish. He was stopped by his own celebrity.

"It turned into a grand picture-taking and autograph-signing walk," he said.

Harris is a Jamaican bobsledder, one of the great personalities of the Winter Olympics. When he and his teammates crashed Calgary 10 years, they became instant cult heroes.

They were fresh and different, a tropical breeze on a winter's night. They were the 1962 Mets on ice, adorable in their wobbly baby steps.

Hollywood made a movie about them. Sponsors picked up on them. They improved to 25th in Albertville, 14th in Lillehammer. They recorded a reggae song together and traveled the world, sometimes for as long as six months a year.

They have gained a lot in 10 years, and still not lost their appeal. They arrived in Japan and discovered their Olympic e-mail boxes filled to capacity. "I think I answered 250 of them yesterday," said Ricky McIntosh, a schoolteacher.

This year, there is a new edition of the Jamaican bobsledders. Philip Boit is a cross-country skier, by way of Kenya, straight out of Nike-world. The shoe company decided a couple of years ago to convert some of Kenya's renowned distance runners into cross-country skiers.

Boit and compatriot Henry Bitok signed up for the experiment, moved to Finland and saw snow for the first time ever. Exposed to intense cold after a lifetime in the sun, their skin peeled off. Their fingernails and toenails fell out. They put on their skis and promptly fell down.

Boit qualified for the Olympics, just barely. Bitok has accompanied him to Nagano, as an alternate. Nike is beside itself. The company staged a news conference Tuesday, at which Charles Mukora, the chairman of Kenya's Olympic committee, announced: "I can assure you this is not a Nike gimmick."

He had to issue the disclaimer because Nike's motives are always questionable. It would be wonderful to look past the swoosh and see only a heartwarming story. Certainly, the Winter Olympics could use more athletes like Boit. The Games are too monochromatic (many, many shades of pale) and too elitist.

Maybe Nike is just leveling the field, balancing out the inherited advantages of, say, Albert Grimaldi, who trains for the bobsled about once every two weeks or so, whose computerized Olympic biography includes the line "Occupation: Heir to the throne of Monaco."

But there's still the suspicion that something else motivated Nike, perhaps the fact that the Jamaicans are sponsored by Reebok. And since Nike couldn't get its hands and logo on a beloved team, it went out and created another.

The difference is that the Jamaican bobsledders were a relatively grass-roots happening. An American businessman saw the pushcart derbies on the island and thought that bobsledding, but for the snow, was already part of the culture. He suggested that the Olympic committee build a team, and the Army got behind the project. Reebok was involved only because it already sponsored the Jamaican Summer Olympic team.

By contrast, the Kenyan cross-country team is synthetic, Nike's test-tube baby. The difference was starkly apparent when the two teams held news conferences on Tuesday.

The Jamaicans got together at the Olympic Village, in a drafty room with a portable heater. They had no microphones, and only one official in the room.

Nike held court in a building it had converted just for the Games. The main room had thick blue carpeting and looked like a discotheque. An elaborate buffet of Kenyan food stretched along the back wall. A video monitor showed clips of the skiers in their early stages.

"Watch Philip and Henry sift snow through their hands. Watch Philip and Henry shuffle on skis. Watch Philip and Henry fall down."

The opening credits for the first video consisted of — what else? — a swoosh. A woman translated the whole news conference into Japanese, through a sleek portable microphone. Mukoro, wearing a double-breasted blue blazer with gold buttons, announced that he was going to appeal to Kenyans living abroad in cold climates to take up winter sports. This, he said, would be just the beginning.

All that saved the whole production from terminal slickness was Boit. He and Bitok watched the video of themselves falling and laughed louder than anyone. He talked about the first time he rode a swaying gondola to the top of the mountain.

"For sure," he said, "that was something when I was a little bit worried for my life."

He had moved away from his family for nine months a year, dealt with the cold and the frustration of a brand-new sport. Now, he said, when he goes home to Kenya, the heat overwhelms him. "I have to be taking showers maybe three times a day because I am sweating so much," he said.

By himself, away from the swoosh, Boit is the genuine article. He wants to challenge the best cross-country skiers, not the Jamaican bobsledders. That's a good thing, because they are probably untouchable.

Last year, they went on a promotional tour and ended up in a reggae club in Atlanta. They got up and performed Bob Marley's "Redemption" in front of 1,000 patrons. The place went crazy, ablaze with lighters calling for an encore.

None of them got rich from their fame. The movie "Cool Runnings," based loosely on their exploits, did not yield much for them besides publicity.

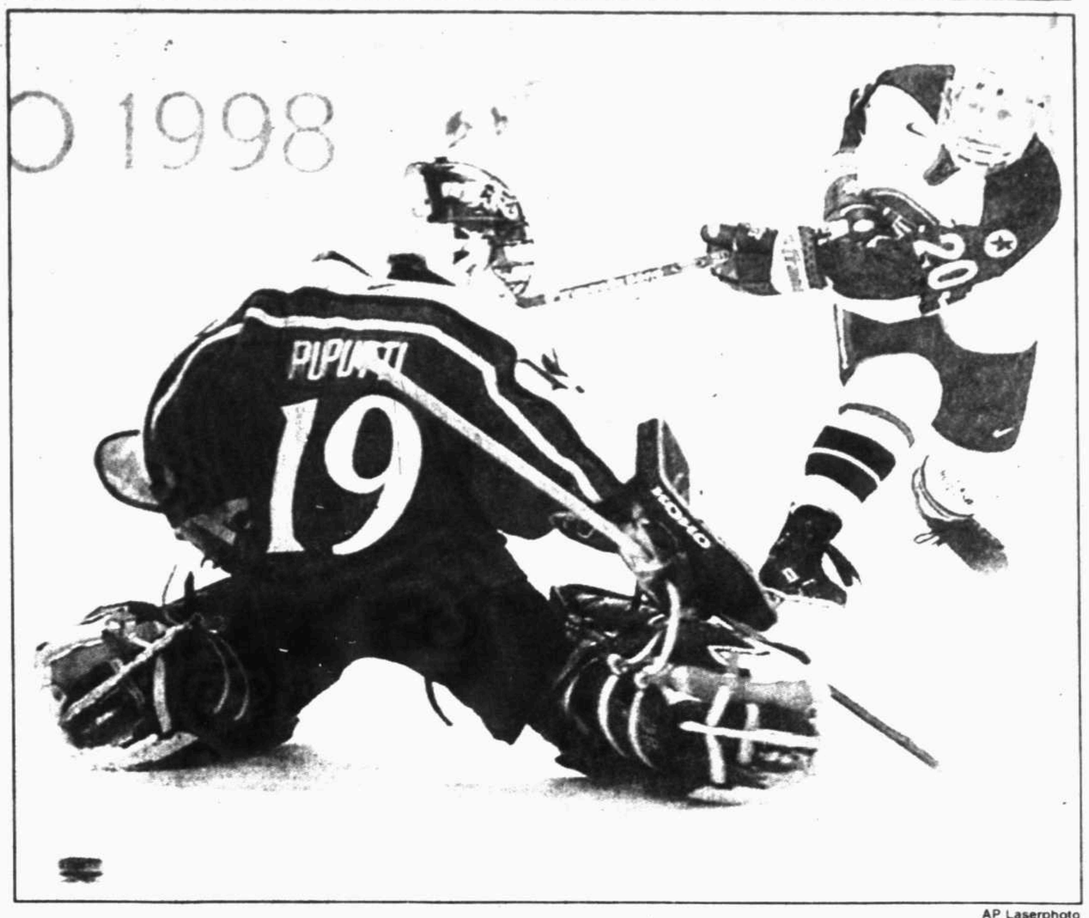
"My children saw it, and they were unimpressed," Dudley Stokes said. "I sold it to them wrong. I told them it was about Daddy, and they watched it for 15 minutes and kept saying 'Where are you?' Then they gave up and went out to play."

In Jamaica, the bobsledders are unknowns. The island is abuzz about its soccer team's World Cup chances now, and otherwise disinclined to revere anyone.

"Jamaicans are not easily starstruck," said Jason Morris, recently hired as a pilot for Air Jamaica. "We have a lot of film stars who come down for vacation, and nobody pays attention to them."

KFC recently began putting their faces on its boxes in Jamaica. "So (the anonymity) could change," Stokes said.

But it might just take an Olympic medal to impress the hometown folks. They have improved so much in the event that anything is possible — if only the international adoration would subside long enough to let Harris walk the course.



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Kathryn King of the U.S. women's hockey team fires the puck through Finland's goalkeeper Tuula Katriina Puputti's legs but wide of the goal mouth in the first period of the American team's 4-2 victory Wednesday at the Winter Olympics in Nagano, Japan.

American women's hockey team passes test against Finland, 4-2

By Barbara Huebner
N.Y. Times News Service

NAGANO, Japan — At first Vicki Movsessian laughed when asked if her goal Wednesday, which put the United States women's hockey team on the scoreboard 2 minutes 48 seconds into its game against Finland, was the biggest of her life.

"I think it's one of the only ones," replied the Lexington, Mass., defenseman, who scored twice in 28 games leading up to the Olympics.

But Movsessian knows she isn't on this team for her scoring; she's on it for her defense. And, perhaps, her perspective.

"It's definitely an exciting feeling," she said of scoring the first game's goal on the way to a 4-2 win that kept the United States neck-and-neck with Canada as the only undefeated teams in the tournament. "But Finland returned one and it was back to a 1-1 game. It's a goal, and it happens all the time. You can't get too elated."

Perspective, by its nature, often requires a painful loss before it deigns to emerge, and Movsessian came by hers when her father died in 1994, the same year she graduated from Arlington Catholic High School.

"He's with me all the time," said Movsessian. "My life has changed and I've become stronger since he passed away. Everything you go through in life makes you stronger or weaker, and I decided that this would make me stronger."

Wednesday night Movsessian slapped in a long rebound off Finnish goalie Tuula Puputti after a shot by Katie King at 2:48, giving the US a 1-0 lead that held up until 18:09 of the period, when Finland's Kirsi Haenninen let loose from the blue line with a power-play slap shot that rocketed under the stick-side arm of Sarah Tueting to tie it at 1-1.

"We're scared to death of No. 20 on their power play, and they know we're scared," said coach Ben Smith of Haenninen.

The United States came alive in the second period. Karyn Bye got her fourth goal of the Olympics at 1:22 when she cleared the puck from behind the net and sent it around the left corner as Puputti leaned right.

Just more than four minutes later, Finland tied it again, 2-2, on a fluky shorthanded goal when Tueting was swept away from the goal by a falling Tara Mounsey just as Hanna-Riika Nieminen took a shot.

Mounsey made up for her ill-timed slide 1:22 later when she put Team USA ahead, 3-2, by scoring after some crisp passing on a five-on-three power play. Gretchen Ulion added an insurance goal at 16:56 after Bye, who has been outstanding, intercepted a pass behind the net and dished it to the forward from Marlborough, Conn., and Dartmouth College.

It was a win, and Movsessian said that's what matters. "I'm not looking to get a goal, or get points," she said. "I don't put any pressure on myself if I don't see my name in the listings."

The 1994 Providence College graduate, who two years ago quit her full-time job as a Prudential accounting representative and left her part-time post as an assistant coach at Northeastern to train for the national team, said she doesn't know what she'll do when the Games are over. She's enjoying herself too much to worry about that.

"It's definitely more emotional than I thought it would be," she said. "More things have been touching the heart than usual."

And Movsessian's is a heart that knows touching.

Olympic curler overcomes bad kidneys to stay on ice

By Steve Campbell
N.Y. Times News Service

NAGANO, Japan — The kidney transplant is a matter of when, not if.

Mike Peplinski is 23, and a rare disease already has cost him most of the function of his kidneys. Any sort of turn for the worse would leave him on dialysis. A doctor at the University of Minnesota Transplant Center told Peplinski last fall to schedule the transplant whenever he wants — within reason.

"Can I wait until next June?" Peplinski asked.

The doctor asked what was special about June.

"Well," Peplinski said, "I have a chance to be in the Olympics."

"In what sport?" the doctor asked, suddenly bug-eyed.

Curling is the sport, and it has been deemed worthy of full-medal status for the first time at the 18th Winter Olympics. Though the United States men's and women's teams are off to matching 0-2 starts, Peplinski can't bring himself to complain.

On Wednesday, Peplinski's 24th birthday, the U.S. men's team plays Switzerland. Peplinski may not have his health — yet. Then again, not many junior-high teachers from Eau Claire, Wis., get to take off from school to compete in the Olympics.

"This has offset it so much," Peplinski said. "Being able to compete for your country in a new sport — it's something I've dreamed of all my life."

Peplinski is the only member of the Tim Somerville-led U.S. team younger than 37. Still, he has no guarantees that his shelf life as a world-class curler will extend beyond this season. He'll have the Olympics. He'll have the Feb. 27-March 7 national championships — health willing. The world championships are in April.

And then? Somebody with only 23 percent of his kidney function learns not to make too many long-range plans.

"This is a possible one-time shot," said Peplinski, who is the vice-skip on the U.S. team. "Everybody here says, 'You're young. You have a lot of chances at this.' I'm hoping that's true, but with the medications I'm on, and where they place the new kidney, I'm not sure how I'll be able to move. But I'm confident everything is going to work out."

The normal things in life started to become hard work in 1994, when Peplinski was a sophomore at Viterbo (Wis.) College. A shortstop on the baseball team, his socks suddenly had become painfully tight. His limbs swelled. His body rebelled.

"First base kept getting further and further away," Peplinski said. Tests revealed that Peplinski had only 25 percent of his kidney function. A drop into the teens would mean going on dialysis. The diagnosis: ideopathic membranous nephropathy.

"All it means," Peplinski said, "is they don't know why it affects the membranes of the kidneys."

Doctors told Peplinski then that he would eventually need a transplant. His mother, Rita, has volunteered to be the donor. She is scheduled to undergo tests next month to make sure she is a suitable match. Without a live donor, Peplinski would have to hope for a match with a cadaver. Then he'd need to be ready for surgery within 24 hours of the death.

"I'm real hopeful I can be the donor," Rita Peplinski said. "I just feel like it's something any mother would want to do for her son if she's able to."

While Mike Peplinski awaits surgery, he takes a half-dozen medications and vitamins daily. One of the medications is furosemide, a diuretic that is on the International Olympic Committee's list of banned drugs. Peplinski had to obtain a special waiver from the IOC to keep taking the drug. He went off furosemide once, during the '95 world junior championships, because he knew he'd flunk the drug tests otherwise. He immediately fell ill and missed much of the competition.

"With my carefree attitude," Peplinski said, "I try not to worry about what the drugs are doing as long as they work."

Peplinski also has to watch his diet, taking special care to avoid salts. He has found that pasta helps clean out his system, doing some of the work that his kidneys won't. He needs to get at least eight hours of sleep a day. He has forsaken any serious cross training, conserving what energy he has for the ice.

A friend, Wisconsin country-western singer Scott Foster, has written and recorded song about Peplinski called "Living to Win."

Peplinski's seventh-grade geography students and eighth-grade science students didn't learn about his health problems until they read about it in the newspaper during the Olympic trials.

"My students were really worried about it," Peplinski said. "I just said, 'You have to deal with things that happen in life.' I've been fortunate enough to be so successful in curling that it has really helped me with what has happened with my kidney."

Peplinski took up curling as a fourth grader after he noticed a sign outside the Centerville (Wis.) club. When Peplinski was 12, he and three friends signed up for a junior state competition. Only five other teams signed up for the age 12-to-21 bracket.

"We lost all five of our games," Peplinski said. "But we were able to come home and brag that we were the sixth-best team in the state."

Peplinski played football, basketball and baseball in high school. But curling has always been a constant. He proposed to his wife, Michelle, by spelling "Will you marry me?" in curling stones at his local club. Peplinski secured a spot in the Nagano Games on Dec. 13 — Michelle's birthday.

They have a 3-year-old son, Jaren, who already owns a child-sized curling stone and broom.

The kidney transplant is a matter of when, not if.

Mike Peplinski considers himself a lucky man. "This is what I've lived for," Peplinski said. "I've worked hard to become an Olympic athlete. I'm an optimist. I can look forward to after the summer, when I feel better. Then I can operate on a higher level like a normal person."

Kariya drops off Canadian team

NAGANO, Japan (AP) — Canada's chances of winning its first Olympic hockey gold medal since 1952 took a blow when it learned that talented Paul Kariya won't be able to play due to a concussion.

Kariya, one of the NHL's top goal-scorers and most creative players, was replaced on the roster by Mark Recchi of the Montreal Canadiens. Kariya, whose father is Japanese, figured to be one of the most popular athletes at the Olympics.

"I'm greatly disappointed that this injury is prohibiting me from playing in the Olympic games," Kariya said in a statement released in Los Angeles.

"Representing my country is the greatest honor anyone could have and I wish I was healthy enough to compete," he said. "My main priorities are now to get better and prepare for the remainder for the NHL season."

Team Canada general manager Bob Clarke said Thursday (Wednesday night EST) that doctors wouldn't allow Kariya to play.

"Paul skated for about 10 minutes today and felt just horrible, so obviously he can't play," Clarke said. "The doctors wouldn't allow it even if he wanted to."

Canada, considered a co-favorite with the United States for the gold medal, opens play Friday against Belarus.

Kariya, a left wing who had 94 goals the past two seasons for the Anaheim Mighty Ducks, suffered a concussion Feb. 1 when flattened by Chicago's Gary Suter after scoring a goal. Suter, who will play on the U.S. team, wasn't penalized on the play but later received a four-game suspension from the NHL.

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Colorado needs 2 overtimes to subdue Red Raiders, 91-80

Associated Press

BOULDER, Colo. — The way Charlie Melvin's first half was going, it didn't look like he would break double figures.

■ Texas Men

The Colorado center missed 6 of his first 7 shots, including layups and putbacks following offensive rebounds. Anything outside 12 feet? Forget about it.

"I thought I was missing so many layups I wouldn't get any points," said Melvin, who bounced back in the second half to score a career-high 27 points in Colorado's 91-80 double-overtime win over Texas Tech on Wednesday night.

"Charlie did a nice job for us, particularly for a 6-10 kid and playing 43 minutes," Colorado coach Ricardo Patton said. "He had 27 points. He probably could have had 37."

Melvin also had a career-best 19 rebounds, and Colorado (12-9, 6-5 Big 12) outscored Texas Tech 16-5 in the second overtime to end Texas Tech's four-game winning streak.

Marlon Hughes added 17 points and Ronnie DeGray had 12 points and 16 rebounds for Colorado, which survived after missing jump shots that would have ended the game in regulation and after the first overtime.

"I think it was the seniors' turn to show senior leadership, and we stepped up tonight," said DeGray, one of four seniors on the court for Colorado throughout the two overtimes. "We fought hard the whole game."

Cory Carr, the Big 12's leading scorer, had 28 points and backcourt mate Rayford Young had 27 for the Red Raiders (12-9, 6-5), who made 4 of 20 shots after regulation and fell to 3-11 in their series with Colorado.

"We didn't execute very well," Texas Tech coach James Dickey said. "We missed some easy shots. In fact, we missed a bunch of shots, mostly from guys who normally hit the basket."

With the game tied at 75 after the first overtime, Melvin tipped in his own miss to give Colorado the lead for good 12 seconds into the second extra period.

Texas Tech missed three straight shots on the ensuing possession, and Kenny Price hit a 3-pointer for Colorado. After two more Texas Tech misses, Melvin hit a short hook shot to make it 82-75 with 2:30 remaining.

Colorado scored the first five points of the first overtime, but went scoreless for the last 3:06 while Carr countered with a 3-pointer and a driving layup to send the game into the second extra period.

Baylor 89, Missouri 80

WACO — Rodderick Miller scored 23 points and Brian Skinner added 19 points and 10 rebounds, leading Baylor in a victory over Missouri.

Miller scored 13 points, including a trio of 3-pointers, in the second half as the Bears (11-10, 6-5 Big 12) snapped a five-game losing streak.

John Woods scored 22 points and led five players in double figures for Missouri (13-11, 5-6), which has lost 21 consecutive road games.

The Tigers led 39-38 at halftime and kept the game close through most of the second half.

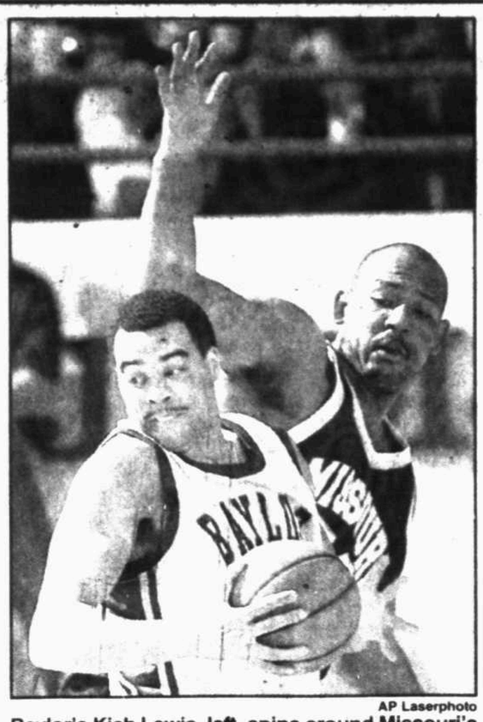
Baylor took the lead for good with 5:32 left, when Skinner scored on a put-back to make it 70-68, but Missouri didn't go down easy.

Miller's third 3-pointer of the half had put the Bears ahead 77-70 with 1:33 to play when Woods and Kelly Thames responded with 3-pointers.

Kansas St. 83, Texas 79

MANHATTAN, Kan. — Manny Dies had 25 points, including a dunk with 19 seconds to play that ended the last rally for Texas, as Kansas State stayed undefeated at home with a victory over the Longhorns.

Shawn Rhodes had 13 points and 12 rebounds as the Wildcats (14-6, 5-5 Big 12) led by as many as 11 points twice in the second half. Texas (10-12, 4-6) stayed in the game until the end with free throws, making 25 of 30 for the game.



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Baylor's Kish Lewis, left, spins around Missouri's Monte Hardge during Baylor's 89-80 win Wednesday at the Ferrell Center in Waco.

Nebraska 75, Texas A&M 58

COLLEGE STATION — Tyronn Lue scored 23 points and Nebraska controlled both ends of the floor in a victory over Texas A&M.

The Cornhuskers (14-10, 5-6 Big 12) led 36-30 at halftime and put the game away with a 9-0 run to open the second half. Lue hit two 3-pointers and a free throw during the spurt.

Texas A&M (6-15, 0-11) cut its deficit to 45-34 on field goals by Aaron Jack and Shanne Jones but could get no closer. Nebraska led by up to 20 points the rest of the way while snapping a four-game losing streak.

No. 7 Lady Raiders handle Oklahoma easily

LUBBOCK (AP) — When Alicia Thompson is on, No. 7 Texas Tech is hard to beat.

Thompson scored 34 points, including 24 in the second half, as Tech pulled away for a 79-63 victory over Oklahoma on Wednesday night.

The win kept the Lady Raiders (17-4, 10-1 Big 12) atop the conference with five regular-season games remaining.

The game resembled a one-on-one match in the second half as Thompson traded baskets with Oklahoma's Phylesha Whaley, who led the Sooners with 30 points.

"I thought both teams went to their prize fighters," said Tech coach Marsha Sharp. "Thompson and Whaley both played well on the blocks."

Texas Tech led 33-22 at halftime, 54-42 lead midway through the second half and 67-47 with six minutes left.

The Sooners (8-13, 4-7) shot just 37 percent from the field. Tech shot 46 percent, including 4-of-7 shooting from 3-point range.

"I think our kids played really well," Oklahoma coach Sherri Cole said. "Alicia Thompson pretty much scored at will, but Phylesha did as well. It was the other contributions that made the difference."

Keitha Dickerson scored 12 points and Rene Hanebutt had 11 for Tech.

Michele Workman had 12 points and Shonika Breedlove 10 for Oklahoma.

Nailon looks for focus with Frogs

By Terrance Harris
Fort Worth Star-Telegram

FORT WORTH, Texas — Some afternoons while walking across the TCU campus, Lee Nailon finds himself the center attraction. Everyone seems to know his name.

Being 6-foot-9 and a star on the Horned Frogs' basketball team has that effect.

Nailon, a self-described introvert, responds to each greeting with a smile and wave of the hand or nod of his head.

As for conversation, that's reserved only for those within his inner circle — family, teammates, coaches, a few select friends and some professors and administrators he has encountered during his two semesters on campus.

"Away from the court, I'm really just a quiet guy," said the soft-spoken Nailon. "I usually walk to class alone, and in the cafeteria, I eat by myself.

"I've never really been a talkative guy. I just sit back and soak it all in. I really think the best way I communicate with people is to listen."

As TCU's leading scorer, Nailon has had few uneasy moments on the court. Away from basketball, though, things have sometimes been more uncertain.

A wayward slip as a teenager in South Bend, Ind., earned him a trip to Austin for a little disciplinary one-on-one with his uncle. He also took a back-and-forth route between junior colleges over a three-year period.

But the latest off-the-court situation Nailon faced involved him pleading no contest Jan. 14 to misdemeanor assault charges for choking and assaulting his girlfriend, Marti Dashawn Bell.

Nailon has overcome each situation by focusing on his love of basketball and with a little help from the stern hand of people central to his life.

"Lee nas never been some bad kid or out-of-control person," said Tom DeBaets, who coached Nailon at Clay High School in South Bend. "He's just sometimes not always made the smartest decision."

The altercation in the dorm last month could have cost Nailon his scholarship and a promising basketball career. From the university, Nailon received a one-game suspension. From the judicial system, he received a one-year deferred sentence and was ordered to attend anger control counseling, as well as pay $165 in court costs. The whole ordeal will be erased from his record in a year as long as he complies with the sentence.

Nailon said he is not comfortable with the public perception of him as an abuser. Despite his plea, which allowed him to avoid a longer suspension from the team if the investigation into the charges had been lengthy, Nailon still disputes Bell's account of the incident.

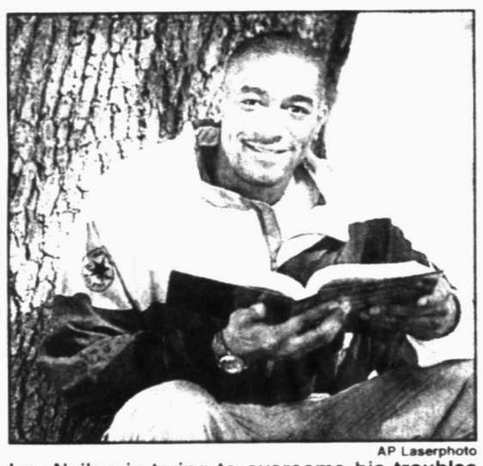
"That was definitely one of the more frustrating times of my life," said Nailon, who refused two interview requests by the 'Star-Telegram once the allegations became public. "Just the way the media dealt with it, without ever really attempting to hear my side of the story. It seemed people were only interested in telling one side of the story."

Nailon said he regrets inviting Bell to visit him because he knew her desire was to relocate from Wichita, Kan., to Fort Worth and to be with him permanently. Nailon said not only is that impossible based on campus rules, but a serious relationship is not his current focus.

Bell, on the other hand, said the two have made up.

"I think everything worked out fine," said Bell, 18. "I just wanted Lee to get some help and that's what he's doing. When you love somebody, you can't just turn your back on them. I love Lee and I want to be with him regardless."

Nailon retained the support of Tubbs, school administrators and his teammates through it all. Many said the allegations were out of character from the Lee Nailon that they have come to know.



AP Laserphoto

Lee Nailon is trying to overcome his troubles while leading the Texas Christian basketball team in scoring.

"Let's put it this way, I trust Lee and I believe in him," Tubbs said. "I'm a pretty skeptical person. I don't take everything at face value.

"But Lee has been a delight as both a person and player in spite of the unfortunate situation. I think he learned a lot from it and I think we did as a team also."

As a freshman in high school, Nailon admits he spent more time hanging out with older friends than he did focusing on school. As a result of cutting class, Nailon was cut from the varsity basketball team at South Bend's Clay High School.

The summer between his freshman and sophomore years in high school, his mother, Shevawn Ware, sent Nailon to Austin for a structured three-month visit under the strict guidance of his uncle, Mark Dungey. Nailon's life would began to change for the better.

Bent on teaching Nailon responsibility and discipline, along with basketball fundamentals, Dungey put his awkwardly tall nephew through a daily military-like regimen. Dungey would wake Nailon every day at 6 a.m. and take him to the University of Texas track, where he would have Nailon run. Later, Dungey would work on basketball fundamentals with his nephew.

While Dungey worked at the post office during the day, he left Nailon under the watchful eye of friends or had him perform various chores around the house. In the evening, Nailon played in a summer league program coached by his uncle.

"There was a lot of basketball involved, but that summer was really about life," said Dungey. "Whatever you want in life, you're going to have to work for, and that requires discipline and responsibility. Nobody is ever going to give my nephew anything. He had to learn to earn it."

Though Nailon longed to return to his less-structured life in South Bend, he now looks back on that summer with appreciation.

"My uncle has always been like a father-figure to me," Nailon said. "He gets a lot of credit for where I am now. If I hadn't gone down there that summer, I probably wouldn't be here right now. I probably wouldn't even be playing basketball."

Dungey takes pride in their relationship. He and Nailon talk four to five times a week, and he has been able to see several TCU games this year. "Lee and I have always had that special rapport, even though I left South Bend when he was 4 or 5 years old," Dungey said. "I've just tried to be around as a male figure that was going to help him."

After the summer spent with his uncle, Nailon returned to South Bend and was a reserve on the varsity team his sophomore season. In 1994, as a senior, he became the star, leading Clay to its first single-class Indiana state championship. Lacking the grades to earn a scholarship to a Division I school, Nailon decided to attend junior college. His first stop was at Butler County, Kan., where he left before playing a game, upset with coach Randy Smithson.

"We'd wake up in the mornings and practice before class and then practice some more after class," Nailon said. "Our entire focus was on basketball. And for the first time in my life, basketball wasn't fun anymore."

After sitting out that spring semester, Nailon transferred to Southeastern Community College in West Burlington, Iowa. Blackhawks coach Jim Wyatt retired after that season, at which point Nailon headed back to Butler County, where Steve Eck had replaced Smithson.

"Going back to Butler County was the best decision I could have made," said Nailon. "Coach Eck and I just bonded from the first time we met. And I was able to perform extremely well as a result."

Nailon enjoys the same comfort factor at TCU. Tubbs' system helped transform Stacey King into one of the nation's premier centers when Tubbs coached the Oklahoma Sooners to the NCAA Final Four in 1988.

"Our whole scheme is dependent upon a guy we can get the ball in to who can go one-on-one inside," said Tubbs. "We call them centers because they are at the center of what we're trying to do.

"And when you surround that center around other quality players that can shoot the ball, then you're in business. Lee gives us a focal point."

Which was exactly the selling point Nailon listened to when he chose TCU over the likes of Cincinnati, Purdue, Iowa State, Michigan State, Illinois and Arizona State after last season.

Nailon has provided the Horned Frogs a dominating scoring threat inside to complement the strong perimeter games of seniors Mike Jones and Malcolm Johnson. His quickness and power around the basket have made Nailon a near-unstoppable force inside.

And as a result, the Frogs lead the nation at 101.8 points per game this season. Nailon was selected as the WAC Pacific Division Player of the Week on Monday after scoring 69 points and 20 rebounds during the Frogs' recent sweep of Fresno State and San Jose State.

"It's relaxing as a guard because you can pick and chose whether to shoot or pass now," Jones said. "An ve know when we get in there to Lee, the chances of him making something happen are real high."

Nailon has displayed a soft touch both around the basket and up to 15 feet on the wing. His range forces difficult matchups for the opposition. He is shooting a 57.5 percent from the field.

Nailon owns the school's single-game scoring mark with a 53-point outburst against Mississippi Valley State early in the season.

His offensive exploits, combined with his quick adjustment to Division I competition, has led to speculation Nailon might bolt for the NBA after this season. Nailon said his only concern right now is helping TCU to the WAC championship and an NCAA Tournament bid. Any decisions on the NBA will have to wait, though he says he could be lured with the assurance of being a first-round selection. And though studies have not come easily for Nailon, he also covets the opportunity to earn his degree in physical education. "I've thought about it some as far as what's best for me and my family," Nailon said. "But I'm nowhere close to making a decision.

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76ers' Iverson sizzles in 4th period vs. Mavs

Associated Press

■ NBA Roundup

PHILADELPHIA — Allen Iverson was having a poor game, with just 11 points and nine turnovers. Then came the final quarter.

Iverson capped his 16-point fourth quarter with the game-winning 3-pointer with 2.9 seconds left as the Philadelphia 76ers ended a seven-game losing streak Wednesday night, beating the Dallas Mavericks 91-90.

"We deserved it," said Iverson, who finished with 27 points and six assists. "We'll take it because we fought hard."

Dallas led by 14 points in the fourth, and still held a two-point lead with under 10 seconds left when Theo Ratliff stole an inbounds pass by Dennis Scott and handed it off to Eric Snow. He dribbled upcourt and passed to Iverson for the game-winner.

"I saw I was open and I wanted to end it," said Iverson, who had 27 points and six assists. "My eyes got wide when I saw I was behind the line and no one was on me."

Michael Finley made a jumper at the buzzer, but a referee waved it off despite the fierce protests of Finley and coach Don Nelson.

"I clearly thought the ball was in the air," said Nelson. "The ref said the ball was still in his hand and he's more objective than I am. The way I look at it, we didn't inbound the ball. We didn't deserve it."

Philadelphia's biggest comeback this season handed Dallas its fourth straight loss and 22nd consecutive loss on the road.

Jim Jackson added 19 points and Tim Thomas 16 for the 76ers. Derrick Coleman had 13 rebounds.

Dennis Scott led Dallas with 24 points and Finley had 17.

Despite an anemic, slow-motion offense, the Mavericks went up big by converting Philadelphia's 24 turnovers into 33 points.

"We pressure ourselves at times to get somebody the ball instead of waiting and swinging, swinging, swinging until somebody's open," Jackson said. "And once you turn it over a few times, you start to think a little more instead of relaxing."

With reserve Eric Snow running the point and Iverson in the unfamiliar two-guard position, the 76ers came back. Iverson cut in for a layup and a free throw, then followed with a basket off a steal. With two foul shots, a drive and a dish to Clarence Weatherspoon, the deficit was 85-82.

"We made some plays down the stretch," said 76ers coach Larry Brown. "Eric took so much pressure off Allen. I wasn't sure about playing Allen at the two-guard, but with Eric's defense at the point I kept him in."

Finley's 18-foot jumper in traffic gave Dallas a 90-86 lead with 26 seconds left, but Jackson hit a short jumper to cut it to two points.

Notes: The 76ers completed their fourth two-game sweep this season, something they hadn't done since 1991-92. Philadelphia already had won both of its meetings against the Los Angeles Lakers, the Golden State Warriors and the Vancouver Grizzlies.

SuperSonics 106, Spurs 105

SAN ANTONIO — Vin Baker's 14-foot fallaway jumper with 1.9 seconds left gave the Seattle SuperSonics a 106-105 victory over the San Antonio Spurs on Wednesday night.

The Sonics improved the NBA's best record to 38-11 after overcoming an 11-point deficit (98-87) with eight minutes left.

Seattle handed the Spurs their sixth straight loss of the series between the teams.

San Antonio had won five in a row overall and 15 straight at the Alamodome.

Baker led the Sonics with 24 points, Detlef Schrempf added 21 and Gary Payton 20. But it was Sam Perkins, who scored eight straight points down the stretch, who led Seattle back from a 102-96 deficit and gave them a 104-102 lead.

Chuck Person's 3-pointer with 1:15 left made it 105-104, and neither team scored again until Baker, isolated on the left side, went one-on-one against Robinson and scored on a fadeaway jumper over the 7-footer.

San Antonio had one last chance, but a lobbed inbounds pass from midcourt was knocked away at the buzzer.

Tim Duncan and David Robinson led the Spurs with 26 and 20 points, respectively. But Robinson had the only two points of the fourth quarter for the All-Star duo.

The Spurs dropped to 1-5 against the top Western Conference playoff contenders — Seattle, Utah, Phoenix, and the Los Angeles Lakers.

San Antonio led 63-59 after an unusually high-scoring first half in which each team shot better than 53 percent.

Pacers 110, Heat 101

MIAMI — Reggie Miller scored 30 points and the Indiana Pacers survived a late rally by the Miami Heat to win the battle of division leaders.

The Pacers, first in the Central Division, built a 22-point lead in the third period and won for the ninth time in 10 games. They broke a four-game winning streak by the Heat, who lead the Atlantic Division.

The Heat gave up 100 points for the first time in 12 games, and for the first time at home since Dec. 16.

Bulls 92, Hornets 90

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Michael Jordan scored 29 points, including a spectacular reverse layup with 35.8 seconds left, to lead Chicago over Charlotte.

Scottie Pippen added 23 for the Bulls, who won the season series 3-1. Glen Rice led Charlotte with 29 points, including 13 in the fourth.

The Hornets had a chance to win at the buzzer, but Vernon Maxwell's desperation 3-pointer banked off the glass and rim and missed.

The Bulls led 88-87 when Jordan drove the right baseline, jumped and avoided Anthony Mason in mid-air, flipped the ball underneath the hoop with his left hand and banked it in.

Pistons 95, Bucks 83

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. — Joe Dumars hit two of his four 3-pointers down the stretch to help Detroit beat Milwaukee for its second straight win under new coach Alvin Gentry.

Magic 96, Timberwolves 89

MINNEAPOLIS — Neither Penny Hardaway's latest injury nor reports that he was about to be traded bothered the Orlando Magic.

Nick Anderson had a season-high 28 points and 11 rebounds to lead the Magic over the Minnesota Timberwolves.

Watching from the bench because of a calf injury suffered Tuesday night, Hardaway said before the game he expected to be traded, possibly to the New Jersey Nets, as part of a three- or four-team deal.

"Probably," the All-Star guard said. "It feels that way, but you never know."

Trade involving Hardaway, Stoudamire being mulled

By Chris Sheridan
AP Basketball Writer

Penny Hardaway and Damon Stoudamire were the centerpieces of a blockbuster three- or four-team trade being discussed Wednesday, The Associated Press learned.

The principal teams in the talks were the New Jersey Nets, who would receive Hardaway; the Orlando Magic, who would get Stoudamire, Walt Williams and others, and the Toronto Raptors, who would receive Sam Cassell and another player from the Nets.

One holdup was Orlando's decision on whether to keep Stoudamire or immediately trade him to the Portland Trail Blazers, according to several NBA sources who spoke to the AP on condition of anonymity.

Another snag developed when Hardaway said he didn't want to play in New Jersey.

By Wednesday night, it seemed no deal was imminent, although Hardaway said he expected to end up with another team by Thursday.

"Probably," said Hardaway, who sat out Wednesday's game at Minnesota with a strained calf. "It feels that way, but you never know."

The inclusion of Hardaway was a stunning development, although his name surfaced in the league rumor mill in early December.

A four-time All-Star and one of the most commercially popular players in the league, Hardaway has been with the Magic since entering the league in 1993.

He has a clause in his contract allowing him to become a free agent after the 1998-99 season, and Orlando's management may have become convinced that Hardaway would be looking to leave at that time. However, Hardaway insisted Wednesday he wants to play his entire career in Orlando.

"The Magic were looking for me to give them a commitment that I wanted to be in Orlando for the rest of my career," Hardaway said. "I gave them that commitment, and all of a sudden it seems like my word isn't good enough to stay with the Magic. So it seems like the trade rumors have started even more. I got four or five calls this morning talking about the trade rumors.

"The only thing I can do is say that I want to be there and I want to spend the rest of my career there. If they just want to get rid of me, then that's on them. But I don't want to go to any other team."

Especially New Jersey.

"I really don't want to play in New Jersey," he said. "I don't want to go somewhere where I don't want to be."

BUSINESS

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BUSINESS BRIEFING

OIL PRICES

FUTURES
Wednesday $16.15
Previous Close $16.43
Year Ago N/A

POSTED
Today $14.00
Previous Close $14.25
Year Ago N/A

NATURAL GAS PRICES
Wednesday $2.238

Crude sinks

NEW YORK — Crude oil futures fell to their lowest point in two and a half weeks Wednesday after Iraq indicated it's willingness to compromise in a dispute over United Nations inspectors' access to its weapons sites.

Crude oil for delivery in March fell 28 cents to $16.15 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

Iraq's deputy prime minister, Tariq Aziz, said his country was willing to be flexible as the U.N. Security Council met to hammer out a diplomatic solution by allowing inspectors into sensitive sites but controlling when the inspections take place. Clinton administration officials immediately rejected the offer.

The latest weekly inventory figures, released late Wednesday by the American Petroleum Institute, showed ample oil supplies exceeding their level at the same point last year.

Crude oil reserves rose by 4.95 million barrels last week to 326.31 million barrels. But reserves of refined products rose, including gasoline, up 1.10 million barrels, and residual fuel, up 506,000 barrels. Oil distillate stocks declined by 5.47 million barrels to 128.78 million.

In other Wednesday energy futures, March heating oil fell 0.38 cent to 45.06 cents a gallon, and March unleaded gasoline fell 0.96 cent to 50.17 cents a gallon.

Natural gas prices were lower, with contracts for delivery in March settling at $2.238 per 1,000 cubic feet, down 3.0 cents.

Dollar gains

NEW YORK — The dollar gained against most major currencies Wednesday, while speculation about rising British interest rates strengthened the pound against other European currencies.

The dollar edged up to 123.48 Japanese yen in late New York trading from 123.19 yen late Tuesday. The dollar also was changing hands in New York at 1.8187 German marks, up from 1.8073.

Other late dollar rates in New York, compared with late Tuesday: 1.4620 Swiss francs, up from 1.4605; 6.0935 French francs, up from 6.0581; 1,794.25 Italian lire, up from 1,785 and 1.4330 Canadian dollars, down from 1.4336.

The British pound was quoted at $1.6327, up from $1.6252.

Dow above 8,300

NEW YORK — Stocks crept higher Wednesday, overcoming some mild profit-taking on the previous day's rally and boosting the Dow Jones industrial average to its second straight record after a six-month drought.

The Dow never strayed more than 20 points in either direction all day, finally drifting higher near the close to finish at 8,314.55, a gain of just 18.94, but enough for its first close above 8,300.

Advancing issues outnumbered decliners by a 9-to-8 margin on the New York Stock Exchange, where volume totaled 599.30 million shares.

The S&P 500 rose 1.00 to 1,020.01, and the NYSE composite rose 0.79 to 530.75.

The Nasdaq composite index, which on Tuesday closed above 1,700 for the first time since just before the Asia-induced selloff in late October, slipped 0.49 to 1,708.55.

The Russell 2000 index rose 0.83 to 452.02, but the American Stock Exchange composite index fell 1.71 to 684.33.

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Home price growth fastest in six years

■ Homeowners see their most important asset grow, with South and Midwest posting big gains.

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Middle-class Americans are seeing the value of their most important investment — their homes — increase at the fastest rate in six years. Cities in the South and Midwest dominated the list of big gains in 1997.

The largest increase for existing homes, from the fourth quarter of 1996 to the fourth quarter of 1997, came in Charleston, S.C., the National Association of Realtors said Wednesday.

Charleston's median home price — meaning half sold for more and half for less — jumped 16.7 percent to $110,500.

Economist Kim Kennedy of Cahner's Economics in Newton, Mass., said prices have been pushed up by retirees moving there.

"There are a lot of empty-nesters and seniors moving into these Southern coastal states. It's not just Florida anymore," she said.

Nationally, the median price rose 6.2 percent to $124,800. That was nearly double the 3.3 percent rise a year earlier and the biggest fourth-quarter-to-fourth quarter gain in six years. Adjusted for inflation, it was the most appreciation in 11 years.

Of course a price rise that benefits home sellers, can be bad for home buyers. So far though, falling mortgage rates have more than offset the impact of price gains.

A year ago, the monthly principal and interest payment on an 8 percent mortgage for 80 percent of the value of a median-priced home would have been about $691. With mortgage rates down about a percentage point and prices up, the same mortgage now would carry a $664 payment.

Of 134 cities surveyed by the real estate group, only 10 registered declines in their median prices. The median slipped 10 percent in Honolulu to $300,000 and, for the first time since 1989, it lost its status as most expensive housing market in the nation.

It was supplanted by San Francisco, where prices rose 14.1 percent to $304,600. The high-tech and computer boom has helped San Francisco's economy while a dropoff in Japanese investment has hurt Honolulu's in recent years.

Other cities with large gains included Des Moines, 15.5 percent; Fort Myers, and Sarasota, Fla.; Lexington, Ky.; Champaign and Peoria, Ill.; Memphis, Tenn.; Canton, Columbus and Youngstown, Ohio; Dallas and Beaumont, Texas; Orange County, Calif.; South Bend, Ind.; Boston; Fargo, N.D.; and Kansas City, Mo.

After Honolulu, cities with declines included Richland, Wash., 7.1 percent; Trenton, N.J.; Syracuse and Albany, N.Y.; Charleston, W.Va.; El Paso, Texas; Springfield, Mass.; Rockford, Ill.; and Sioux Falls, S.D.

By region, prices last year rose 7.4 percent in the West, 7 percent in the Midwest, 6.9 percent in the South and 4.6 percent in the Northeast.

After San Francisco and Honolulu, Orange County, Calif., with a median of $237,400, was the nation's third-most-expensive market. Least expensive were Waterloo, Iowa, $64,200; Ocala, Fla., $66,700, and Saginaw Bay, Mich., $70,900.

TU makes bid for Australian gas company

■ Bid by TU's Australian unit would expand utility's presence in Australia.

N.Y. Times News Service

DALLAS — Texas Utilities Co. said its Australian unit offered A$202 million ($135 million) in cash and options to purchase Allgas Energy Ltd., an Australian natural gas utility.

The Dallas-based utility said it offered Allgas shareholders A$17.25 a share ($11.68 a share), 38 percent more than the company's recent price of A$12.50.

Texas Utilities said it may pay A$18.55 a share if stockholders agree to sell 90 percent of the outstanding shares. Shares of Allgas, based in Woolloongabba, Queensland, jumped 48 percent to A$18.50.

Texas Utilities also confirmed news reports that it is prepared to spend up to A$2 billion to buy assets and companies if the Australian state of New South Wales auctions off its state-run utilities, said Tim Hogan, company spokesman. No date for the auction has been set.

Allgas, with 80,000 customers, would give Texas Utilities even more customers in Australia. The Dallas-based utility purchased Eastern Energy Ltd, an Australian electric utility with 1.25 million customers in the Melbourne area, for $1.5 billion in 1995.

Allgas sought proposals from a number of potential "strategic shareholders" as it prepares to compete when the Queensland state gas market is deregulated in 2000.

Texas Utilities said it expects to complete the purchase in April, after receiving approvals from U.S. and Australian regulators. The acquisition should add to earnings in "year one," the company said.

The company owns electric utilities with more than 5.9 million customers in Texas. Last year it bought Enserch Corp., a Texas natural gas distributor with 1.3 million customers, for $1.7 billion in cash and assumed debt.

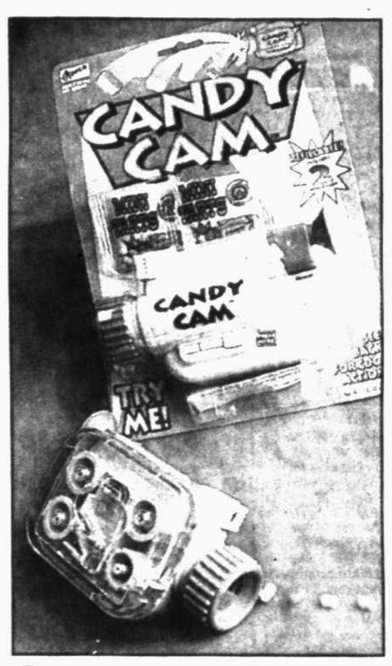
Texas Utilities bought Australia's Eastern Energy for $1.5 billion in 1996. The company now is considering a bid of more than $10 billion, including assumed debt, for Energy Group Plc of the U.K. Texas regulators gave their approval for an Energy Group bid today.

Brisbane-based Allgas distributes natural gas in South Brisbane and the nearby Gold Coast tourist region of Queensland state.

"Allgas serves one of the higher growth areas of Australia," said Dan Farell, managing director of Texas Utilities Australia.

The offer is made up of A$16.60 a share in cash and an option valued by Texas Utilities at 65 Australian cents. Texas Utilities is offering a further A$1.30 a share if it acquires more than 90 percent of Allgas.





Sweet action

New gizmos that make noise, spin or dispense sweets with a push of a button are the rage in candy aisles around the nation, and this interactive candy is stealing shelf space from traditional treats. Above, a pair of "Candy Cams," hand-held toy video cameras that dispense candy with a conveyer belt that resembles scrolling film. Left, David Capper, co-inventor of Sound Bites, demonstrates his product at the American International Toy Fair in New York. Put a lollipop attached to the Sound Bites' base in your mouth, press a button and you hear music, cartoon voices and other sounds. But only the lollipop eater gets to listen -- thanks to technology that sends the noise through the teeth to the inner ear.

AP Photos

Mini-satellite users can get local programs

■ Echostar first TV satellite company to offer local programming.

N.Y. Times News Service

Television addicts who have held off buying one of those mini-satellite dishes for their homes because they can't receive their favorite local channels finally have an option.

Echostar Communications Corp. of Englewood, Colo., is the first of the nation's three major satellite TV companies to offer digital local programming.

Now, viewers in six major cities can get their local ABC, CBS, NBC, and Fox affiliates along with as many as 200 other channels that Echostar offers through its Dish Network subsidiary. Until now, satellite dish owners had to keep their rooftop antenna or cable TV service in order to watch the local news.

But as with most great new offers, there is a catch. In this case, quite a few of them.

First, not everyone who wants digital local channels can get them.

To be eligible, you must live within the Dish Network's local area, as determined by zip code. Someone who moved to Seattle from Boston, for instance, and wanted to keep tabs on local news couldn't receive Boston channels off a dish.

And because of regulatory rules, Echostar can sell its local packages only to households that don't receive acceptable signals from traditional rooftop antennas, or that don't have cable TV service. That's a small fraction of the US population.

Customers who do qualify must pay an extra $4.99 a month for local channels, on top of the $20 to $25 monthly fee they pay for Dish Network's non-premium channels and the $199 they paid for the dish.

What's more, because the local channels are beamed from a different satellite than are the rest of Echostar's 200 channels, viewers who want local channels must buy a second dish for $99.

But despite the various hurdles, Echostar says its ability to offer local channels in a higher-quality, digital format will give it a clear edge over cable companies, which typically offer only analog signals, and digital satellite TV companies such as DirecTV and Primestar, which still don't offer local programming.

Satellite TV companies haven't been able to offer local channels until now primarily because of limited satellite capacity. But Echostar now has the capability because it launched a third satellite last October and plans to launch a fourth in April.

Echostar's local efforts are facing a raft of opposition from broadcasters and cable TV operators who say the company should meet the same regulatory requirements as cable, including a rule that cable companies must carry every local station on the air in a particular market.

INVESTOR'S GUIDE

Deregulation gave rise to discount brokers like Schwab

By Eric Tyson

Q: What is the story behind Charles Schwab & Co.? What is Schwab's background, and how did he hit upon his business opportunity?



Tyson

A: Charles Schwab worked in the financial services industry for 13 years before Charles Schwab & Co. was born. Like many successful entrepreneurs, Schwab stumbled and failed in some of his ventures, and he learned from those failures as well as his successes.

The opportunity for discount brokerage firms such as Schwab & Co. was created by the deregulation of the brokerage industry in 1975. Prior to that, brokerage customers paid the same, high price regardless of which firm they worked with, because commissions were regulated and fixed. All the brokerages employed brokers who worked on commission — which Schwab has long felt is antithetical to providing objective advice.

In the late 1960s, Schwab ran an investment advisory business and was frustrated that investors had to place securities trades through brokers who worked on commission and had fixed rate schedules. Throughout the decade, he says, he "saw firsthand the major negative results caused by bad advice and conflicts of interest" at the brokerage firms.

"The commissions were outrageous," he says.

The idea for Charles Schwab & Co. came from Hugo Quackenbush, a high school friend of Schwab's who was a portfolio manager at Scudder, an investment management firm. When Congress mandated the end of fixed retail securities brokerage commissions, Quackenbush discussed the idea over lunch with Schwab, who decided to convert his existing investment research firm into a discount brokerage firm.

Schwab's firm has pioneered numerous advances in the brokerage industry. It was the first brokerage to move away from the paper processing of trades to doing them online with computers. It also pioneered 24-hour brokerage customer service, customer account access and trading done with personal-computer software, and a mutual fund supermarket.

That last idea — for the "mutual fund marketplace," as it is called — was Schwab's brainchild. He wanted to invest in various mutual fund companies' funds for his own individual retirement account, but did not want the hassle of setting up accounts at multiple fund companies. Today, Schwab customers can purchase shares in hundreds of mutual funds from the leading fund companies.

Like other successful entrepreneurs, Schwab has an intuition about where the industry is headed and what customers want before they even articulate it. Therein lies a lesson for all those believers in market research.

Schwab says, "Until you do something, people don't envision it. Then they look back and say, 'Of course. Why didn't somebody do this 20 years ago?'"

Q: After 30 years of marriage my husband and I have decided to divorce. I have been to an attorney, and in the division plan for our assets, my husband's 401(k) plan (I don't have one) is to be split between us. How is this usually done with minimal penalties?

A: You can keep your share of the cash in the 401(k) plan, or you can withdraw it. Either way, you don't have to pay any penalties.

Although 401(k) withdrawals before age 59 1/2 normally are subject to a 10 percent early-withdrawal penalty, the penalty is waived for divorce-related cases.

However, although a divorce-related 401(k) withdrawal is immune to the penalty, it is not immune to income tax. The only way to avoid paying tax on the 401(k) withdrawal is to roll over the withdrawn cash into an individual retirement account.

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THE MARKET IN REVIEW

MARKET SUMMARY

NYSE

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Compaq s	224418	36 7/16	+15/16
CompAs s	187563	50 3/4	-7 5/16
CompSci	103110	103 7/8	+11 11/16
IllinCtr	102811	38 3/8	+2 11/16
Motorola	74011	61 5/8	-3 5/16

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
DeltaGn s	54	+20 7/8	+63.0
Metmail	26 3/16	+8 7/16	+47.5
Emp ptA	7 7/8	+1 1/16	+16.7
Bombay	5 7/8	+13/16	+16.0
ScotLiq	3 3/4	+1/2	+15.4

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Mossimo	4	-1 1/4	-23.8
CompAs s	50 3/4	-7 5/16	-12.6
BwnSh	9 1/8	-1 5/16	-12.6
Depuy	26 7/16	-3 3/16	-10.8
Bouygs	18 3/4	-2 1/16	-9.9

DIARY

Advanced	1,535
Declined	1,361
Unchanged	573
Total issues	3,469
New Highs	193
New Lows	12
Volume	722,931,730

AMEX

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
SPDR	40732102	5 3/32	-3/32
Nabors	24610	22 7/16	+9/16
Harken	18343	6 3/4	-7/16
TexBiotch	10174	6 5/16	+3/8
ViacB	7466	42 3/4	-1 1/8

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Datamet	2	+9/16	+39.1
EnvrTc	9 3/4	+2	+25.8
MAI Sys	2 3/4	+1/2	+22.2
Halsey	2 9/16	+5/16	+13.9
PAB Bk	35	+3 3/4	+12.0

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
FemHlth	2 7/8	-1/2	-14.8
ecDailG	2 3/8	-3/8	-13.6
ArrowA	2 13/16	-5/16	-10.0
KingPwr n	3 15/16	-3/8	-8.7
Sentry pf	2	-3/16	-8.6

DIARY

Advanced	307
Declined	295
Unchanged	158
Total issues	760
New Highs	22
New Lows	13
Volume	35,232,680

NASDAQ

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
ApldMat s	230014	35 15/16	-1/16
Intel s	162281	85 1/16	-1 3/16
WorldCm	143724	37 13/16	+13/16
GeoTk	120180	21/32	+3/16
Oracle s	98171	26 15/16	-5/16

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
AirTrans	8 15/16	+3 7/8	+76.5
CmmdS pf	6 3/4	+2 5/8	+63.6
LincSnk	2 7/16	+7/8	+56.0
ThrmTch	2 1/16	+21/32	+46.7
Rtrsptv wt	2	+5/8	+45.5

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
HmeHlth n	4 11/16	-3 7/16	-42.3
Lghtbrd n	14	-4 3/8	-23.8
SCM Mic n	38-10	15/16	-22.4
LasVDsc	2 1/32	-9/16	-21.7
RoomPl n	2 3/8	-5/8	-20.8

DIARY

Advanced	2,085
Declined	2,139
Unchanged	1,471
Total issues	5,695
New Highs	183
New Lows	50
Volume	760,094,000

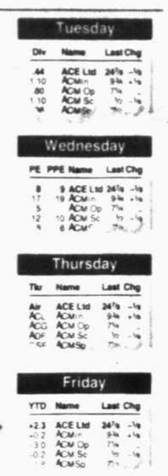
HOW TO READ THE MARKET IN REVIEW

Here are the 1,675 most active stocks on the New York Stock Exchange, 925 most active on the Nasdaq National Market and 405 most active on the American Stock Exchange. Stocks in **bold** are worth at least $5 and changed 5 percent or more in price. Underlining for 50 most active on NYSE and Nasdaq and 25 most active on Amex. Tables show name, price and net change, and one to two additional fields rotated through the week, as follows:

Name: Stocks appear alphabetically by the company's full name (not its abbreviation). Names consisting of initials appear at the beginning of each letter's list.
Last: Price stock was trading at when exchange closed for the day.
Chg: Loss or gain for the day. No change indicated by ...
Tkr: The stock's ticker symbol.
How to use: The ticker symbol can help you get information about a company. Two important uses: Most services that provide stock quotes over the phone require the ticker symbol. Second, stock brokers and analysts can recognize stocks more easily with a ticker symbol.

Generally, ticker symbols resemble the company name although some – BUD for Anheuser Busch Cos. and FON for Sprint Corp. – are more related to what a company does. Tickers on the New York and Amex usually don't exceed three letters. On Nasdaq, they go up to five letters.

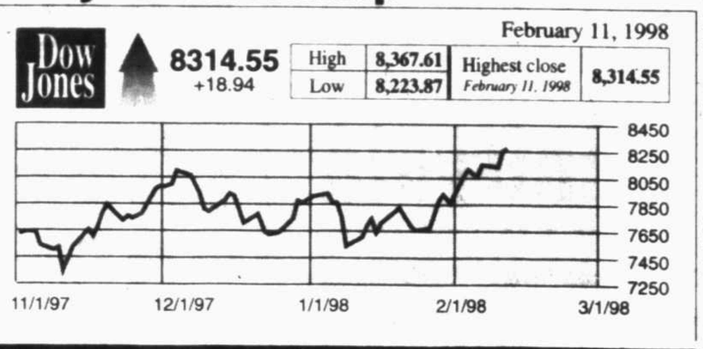
The names you see in this paper are abbreviations of the company name supplied by The Associated Press. Companies can help determine what their abbreviation will be. Overall, AP tries to use an abbreviation that will most closely match the full company name.



Stock Footnotes: cc – PE greater than 99. dd – Loss in last 12 mos. d – New 52-wk low during trading day. g – Dividend in Canadian $. Stock price in U.S. $. n – New issue in past 52 weeks. s – Split or stock dividend of 25 percent or more in last 52 weeks. Dividend begins with date of split or stock dividend. u – New 52-wk high during trading day. v – Trading halted on primary market. Unless noted, dividend rates are annual disbursements based on last declaration. pf – Preferred. pp – Holder owes installment(s) of purchase price. rt – Rights. un – Units. wd – When distributed. wi – When issued. wt – Warrants. ww – With warrants. xw – Without warrants.

Source: The Associated Press. Sales figures are unofficial.

Daily market roundup



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52-Week High	52-Week Low	Name	Last	Net Chg	% Chg	YTD % Chg	52-wk % Chg
8,320.03	6,356.78	Dow Jones Industrials	8,314.55	+18.94	+.23	+5.14	+19.43
3,494.69	2,309.30	Dow Jones Transportation	3,494.50	+8.90	+.26	+7.31	+48.90
273.44	208.98	Dow Jones Utilities	267.11	-.97	-.36	-2.18	+14.80
531.19	387.12	NYSE Composite	530.75	+.79	+.15	+3.83	+26.41
723.03	541.02	Amex Index	684.33	-1.71	-.25	-.04	+15.38
1,748.78	1,194.16	Nasdaq Composite	1,708.55	-.49	-.03	+8.80	+25.72
1,022.15	733.54	S&P 500	1,020.01	+1.00	+.10	+5.11	+27.06
466.21	248.65	Russell 2000	452.02	+.83	+.18	+3.43	+23.71
9,721.36	7,059.97	Wilshire 5000	9,731.98	+10.63	+.11	+4.67	+26.74

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Tkr	Name	Last	Chg
	A-B-C		
AAn	ABN Amro n	20 7/8	-3/16
ACL	ACE Ltd	97 3/4	-1/4
GSF	ACM Sc	10 3/16	+1/16
SI	ACMSp	6 3/4	-1/16
ART	ACNeuts	22 5/16	+5/16
AES	AES Cp s	41 9/16	+5/16
AFL	AFLAC	u60 3/16	-1 3/16
AG	AGCO	28 5/8	...
ATG	AGL Res	20	-3/16
AkS	AK Steel s	18 1/8	+3/16
PIN	AMF n	24 1/2	+9/16
AMR	AMR	131 1/8	-1 1/16
RCM	ARCOCh	47 3/8	-1/4
ASA	ASA Ltd	23 1/8	-3/16
T	AT&T	61 3/16	-3/16
AvX	AVX Cp	22 3/16	+1/16
AAM	Aames	12 1/16	-3/16
ABT	AbtLab	u73 3/16	-3/16
ABY	Abtsbkg	14 3/8	+1/4
AtF	Acptins	24 1/2	+9/16
ASI	AccuStff	27 5/16	-1/16
ACN	Acuson	17 7/16	+5/16
ADX	AdaEx	25 3/16	-3/16
ASF	Adminstf	44 1/2	+1/2
PVD	AFPProv	16	...
AMD	AMD	19 1/8	-1/4
AD	Advsinc	22 13/16	-1/16
AEG	Aegon	97	-5/16
ARX	Aeroflex	11	-1/16
ANv	AeroVick	57 1/16	-1/2
AET	Aetna Inc	83 1/16	+3/16
AFA	AffCmpSvu	31 1/8	+1/16
AMG	AffMgrs n	32	-1/4
AEM	Agnico g	5	-1/16
AGU	Agrium g	13 1/8	+1/16
AHM	Ahmans	60	-1/16
APD	AirProd	84 7/8	-1 1/16
ANS	AirtexTr	26 1/4	+5/16
ABF	Airfrt	u78	+1 1/2
ARG	Airgas	16	+1/16
AT	AirTouch	43 3/16	-1/16
ATC	Airtisc	...	...
AT pB	AirTch pfB	37 1/2	-1/16
AT pC	AirTch pfC	65 3/4	...
ALPpB	AlaP pfB	25 3/4	...
ALPpC	AlaP pfC	25 7/16	...
ALPpD	AlaP adj pf	25 1/8	...
ALPpQ	AlaPC pfQ	25 3/4	-3/16
ALK	AlskAir	u53 7/8	+1/16
ALB	Albemar	23 3/4	+1/16
AbS	Albertsr	47	-1/16
AL	Alcan	31 5/8	+1/16
ALA	Alcatel	25	-1/16
AbRE	AlexREn	32 5/8	-1/16
AAT	AlgAmTar	14	...
AvE	AlgEngy	11 1/8	+1/16
ALT	AllegTeldy	25 1/4	-1/16
AEH	Allegiance	33 3/8	-1/16
ALN	AllenTer	19	+1/16
AC	AlnGap	46 1/2	+1/16
AWF	AlWrld2	14	-1/16
AlB	Aldrish	8	-3/16
ALD	AldSgnls	42 1/16	-1/16
AFC	AlmrFn	u57 5/16	+1/16
ALL	Allstate	u93 3/4	+5/16
PME	Alst 98	58 1/2	+1
AT	Alltel	42 1/16	-1/16
AMX	Alumax	36	...
AA	Alcoa	75 1/16	-3/16
AZA	Alza	u38	+1/16
AL	AmaxG	27	-1/16
AbK	AmbacF	s35 1/16	-5/16
AAp	AmbssAp	t20 5/16	+1/16
AHC	Amerex	56	+1/16
AEE	Ameren n	37 1/4	-1/16
AOL	AmOnline	u114 1/2	+5 1/2
AwA	AmWest	23 1/8	-1/16
AwAwS	AmWest wt	11 1/4	+1/16
ABi	ABankrs s	55 1/4	-1/16
ABP	ABusnP	19 1/2	-1/16
AEP	AEP	49	-1/16
AXP	AmExp	87 1/4	+1/16
AFG	AFnclGp	39 1/16	+1/16
AGC	AGenCp	s 57 1/16	+1/16
AGT	AGnHosp	28 1/4	+1/16
AM	AGreet	43 1/8	+1/16
AHE	AgstPri	28 1/8	+1/16
AHP	AHome	88 1/4	+3/8
AIG	AmIntG su	116 3/4	...
AGP	AmFadP	8 1/2	+1/4
AFM	AmRadio	s9 1/16	-1/16
ACR	AmRetire	23	-1/16
SK	ASaving n	13 3/16	-1/16
ASD	AmStd	40 1/16	-1/16
ASC	AmStor s	22 1/4	-1/16
CSP	AmSIP3	11 1/4	+1/16
AW	AmSte	31	-1/16
AWK	AmWtr	28 1/4	-1/16
ACF	Amercrd	28 1/4	-1/16
AAS	AmerSrc	59	+1/8
AT	Ameritch	s41 1/16	-1/16
AN	Amoco	83 3/4	-1/16
AMP	AMP	42 1/16	...
ASO	AmSouth s	26	+1/16
AAP	AmwyAs	22 3/4	+3/8
APC	Anadrk	62 13/16	-3/16
ADI	Analog	28 3/4	-1/16
BUD	Anheus	46 1/2	...
AXE	Anixter	17 7/16	-1/16
ANN	AnnTayl	12	+1/16
AOC	Aon Cp s	56 1/4	-1/16
APA	Apache	34 3/8	-1
APv	Apldmv	36 1/4	-1/16
APM	AppIMg	12 3/16	+3/16
AHG	Apria	13 9/16	+1/16
APN	Aquapnn	d11	-1/16
AQP	AquilaG	11 1/4	-3/16
ARA	Aracruz s	14	+1/16
AAC	ArcadiaFn	6 1/16	...
ADM	ArchDan	22 9/16	+1/16
ARI	ArdenRlt	27 9/16	-13/16
AGRpA	ArgPC prA	25 5/8	-1/16
AS	Armco	4 1/16	-1/16
APrW	ArrowEls	33 9/16	-13/16
ARv	Arvin	38 1/2	+1
AR	Asarco	22 1/16	-1/16
ASH	Ashland	54	-1/2
APrH	AsiaPR	1 1/16	...
PAp	AsiaPrp	12 1/4	-1/16
GRR	AsiaTgr	8 7/8	...
AEC	AsdEstat	21 15/16	-5/16
AFS	AscFCap	69 1/4	-7/16
A	AstraAs	20	+3/16
ATE	AtlEnrg	20 3/8	-1/16
ARC	AtlRich s	73 7/8	+9/16
CGO	AtlasAir	27 3/8	+3/16
ATO	ATMOS	27 3/16	+7/8
ATW	AtwdOcn s	43 3/16	-2 3/8
ASM	AutnFit	18 3/4	+5/16
AUD	AutoDt	60 3/4	+5/16
AZO	AutoZone	29 5/8	+1/4
AVN	AvalonPr	29 1/4	-1/16
AVy	AveryD	49 1/8	-1/16
AVl	Avis n	36 3/8	-5/8
AVt	Avnet	64 3/16	-1/16
AVP	Avon	66 13/16	-9/16
AZR	Aztar	8 13/16	-5/16
BEK	BB&T Cp	62	-1/16
BCE	BCE g s	33 7/8	-1/16
FBF	BEA Inco	8 5/8	...
BJS	BJS	63 7/16	-7/16
BJ	BJs Whn	33	+5/16
BMC	BMC	18 1/16	+3/16
BHI	BakrHu	38 5/8	-15/16
BLL	Ball	32 1/8	+1/16
BGE	BaltGE	31 1/8	-3/16
ONE	BancOne	s 57 1/16	+5/16
BFR	BncoFrn	30 3/16	+3/16
BRS	BcoRoPr	13	+5/16
BSB	BcSantCh	d11 7/16	+5/16
BWP	BcoWese	5	+1/16
MBK	BkTokyo	15 5/8	-3/16
BK	BkNY	57 7/16	-1/16
BAC	BankAm s	75 1/8	+1/16
BAcpB	BkAm pfB	100 1/2	+1/16
BBX	BkAtlA	15 5/8	+3/16
BKB	BkBost	u97 1/8	-1/16
BT	BankTr	110 5/8	+1/16
BAP	BanrAer	11 1/4	-1/16
BCR	Bard	34 7/16	+2 3/16
BKS	BarnNbl s	31 1/16	+1/16
BRR	BarrettRs	28 3/16	-3/16
ABx	BarrickG	19 1/16	-1/16
BMG	BatlMt	5 3/16	-1/16
BOL	Bausch	44 3/4	+1/16
BAx	Baxter	57	+1/16
BAv	BayNtwk	31 1/16	-1/16
BSC	BearSt	42 7/8	+1/16
BEC	Beckins	46 11/16	+7/16
BDX	BectDk	64 13/16	-1/16
BYH	BehrHan n	8 11/16	-1/16
BHW	Bell&Hw	29 5/16	+1/16
BEL	BellAtl	90 3/4	+5/16
BLS	BellSo	57 1/4	-3/16
BNL	BenefCp	81 1/4	-1/16
BE	BengtB	3 1/16	-1/16
BNC	BentonOG	13 1/16	...
BEI	BergEls	26	...
BBC	BergBrs	45 3/16	+1/16
BRK/A	BerkHa	Au54000	+400
BRI	BerkRty	11 7/16	-1/16
BRY	BerryP	16 1/16	+3/16
BBV	BestBuy	u57 7/16	+4 1/16
BBYpM	BestBPf	pf65 1/4	+3/16
BFO	Bestfoods	103 5/16	-1/16
BS	BethSt	10	...
BTL	BetzDearb	6 13/16	+1/16
BEV	Beverly nu	14 3/16	-5/16
BVF	Biovail	36 5/16	+1/16
BDK	BlackD	50 1/8	-3/16
BKH	BlkHlCp	34	+1/2
BBT	Blk1998	9 1/4	...
BNN	Blk1999	9 7/16	+1/16
BLK	Blk2001	8 1/4	+1/16
BKT	BlkIT	7	...
BQT	BlkIQT	8 1/16	+1/16
BMN	BlkMTar	11 1/16	+1/16
BGT	BlkSt	8 1/16	+1/16
BTT	BlkTT	9 1/16	...
EWB	Blanch	35 1/4	+5/16
HRB	BlckHR	45 5/8	...
BTH	Blyth s	28 7/16	-1/16
BA	Boeing s	49 3/16	+3/16
BCC	BoiseC	34 1/4	+1/16
BCCpF	BoisC pfF	25 3/16	...
BOF	BosCO	18 1/8	-1/16
BBA	Bombay	5 7/16	-3/16
BOU	BordCh	8 1/16	+1/16
BGF	Borders s	32 7/16	+1/16
BWA	BorgWA	L54 1/16	+1/16
BSE	BostEd	38 1/4	-7/16
BXP	BostProp	n 35 7/16	-1/16
BSX	BostSc	58 7/16	+1/16
BOW	Bowatr	5 13/16	-1/16
BXH	BoxHill	11	-1/16
BRH	Branma n	14 1/4	+1/4
BDN	Brandyw	24	...
BZF	Brazil	2 1/16	+1/16
BZL	BrazilEF s	8 1/4	+1/16
BGG	BrigStrat	44 3/4	+1/16
EAT	Brinker	s 19 1/16	+1/16
BMY	BrMySq	99 1/2	-1 1/16
BF	BrtFlet s	7 7/16	-1/16
BST	BrstSt	23 7/8	-1/16
BNS	BwnSh	9 1/8	-1 5/16
BF/A	BrwnFA	51 1/8	+3/8
BF/B	BrwnFB	54 1/4	+7/8
BFI	BrwnFr	31 1/4	-1/16
BC	Brunswick	32 1/8	+1/16
BKE	Buckle s	u38 1/4	+3/8
BD	BudgetGp	35 1/2	+3/16
BCF	BurlCoat s	16 1/4	...
BUR	BurlInds	u15 3/4	+1/2
BNI	BurlNSF	94 1/4	+1 5/16
BR	BrlNsc	44 5/16	-1/16
BRU	BurlRsCl	8 1/16	+1/16
BPP	BurnPP	14 1/4	-1/16
BOM	Bowmr	2 9/16	+1/16
BNE	Bowne	38 7/16	-1/16
BDE	BrittDlg	5	+3/8
ENV	GET Envs	6 1/16	-1/16
CFX	CFX Cp	30 1/4	+1/16
CIM	CIM	8 1/4	...
CMS	CMS Eng	42 1/16	-1/16
CNF	CNF Trian	48	...
CSX	CSX	58 1/2	+1 1/16
CVS	CVS Corpu	73 1/16	+2 5/16
CWP	CabWirelu	32 3/16	+1 1/16
CDT	CabIDsg s	29 5/16	+3/16
CS	Cabletrn	15 13/16	-1/16
CBT	Cabot	31 9/16	-3/16
CTR	CabotITr n	22 3/4	+5/16
COG	CbtOG	19 7/8	-3/16
CDN	Cadence	su32 1/16	+1
CE	Calenergy	24 13/16	-3/16
CGC	Calgon	11 7/16	+1/4
CFP	CalFPC pf	27 1/16	-1/16
CFY	CallGolf	28 5/16	-1/4
CPN	Calpine	16 5/16	...
CAm	Camco	57 1/4	-1 3/16
CPT	CamdnP	30 1/16	...
CCH	CmpR g	9 1/16	...
CCH/WS	CmpR wt	1 1/16	+1/64
CPB	CampSp s	55 7/16	+3/16
BCM	CIBC g n	31 1/4	+1 1/4
CNI	CdnRy g	u58 7/16	+1 1/16
CP	CdnPc g	28 5/16	+7/16
TCCp	Capita pf	27	-1/16
COF	CapOne	66 3/4	-1/2
KAP	CapMACC	31 1/16	+1/16
CHO	Capstar	32 5/16	-1 1/4
CMO	Capstd	19 1/16	...
CCT	CapstCT	24 1/16	-3/16
CAH	CardnlH	u81 5/16	+1/2
CDC	CareyDv n	21 5/16	-3/16
CWC	Carbnrs	36 1/2	+1 7/8
CSL	Carlisle	u49	-1/2
CKE	Carmik	30 3/16	+3/8
CCL	CarnvCp	u58 9/16	+1 1/16
CPL	CaroPw	41 3/16	+1/16
CRS	CarpTech	46 1/16	+1/16
CRE	CarrAmR	31	-1/16
CSE	CaseCp	64	-1/4
PWN	CashAm	12 7/16	+1/16
LTG	CataLit	3 7/8	...
POS	CatMkt	53 1/16	+1/16
CDX	Catexus	19	-5/16
CAT	Caterp s	51 3/4	-1/16
CAv	Cavalrn	10 7/8	+5/16
CD	Cendant	35 7/16	-1/16
CTX	Centex	71 1/16	...
CSR	CenSoWst	26 5/16	-3/16
CEE	CentEur	18 3/4	+1/4
CNL	CenLAEl	31 5/8	...
CNC	Conseco	48 1/16	+3/16
CIG	CnCigar	22 7/8	+1/16
ED	ConEd	u43 3/8	+3/16
CGX	ConsGpn	50 1/4	+2 1/4
CNG	ConsNG	55 5/16	+1/16
CDP	ConPap	58 1/2	+3/8
CNS	ConStor	37 1/4	-5/16
CFN	ContlFnc	22 5/16	-1/16
CAVR	ChtlAvR	49 7/16	-5/8
CON	ChHme	45 1/16	-1/16
CVE	Converse	8 1/4	+1/16
RON	CoopCas	52 1/4	+1/4
CBE	Cooper	56 1/8	-1/16
CKW	Cooper99	18 1/4	...
CTB	CooprTr	24 3/16	-1/16
ELP	Copelnn	12 7/8	...
CRH	Coramn h	25	...
CFL	CoreStF	79 5/64	-15/64
CPO	CornPdt n	33 3/4	+1/16
CPP	CorPrpt n	18 5/16	+1/16
GLWpM	CornD pf	81 1/4	+5/8
GLW	Corning	37 7/8	+13/16
CCA	CorrectCp	39 3/16	+9/16
CCR	CntwCrd	46 7/16	-7/16
CVD	Covance	21	+1/2
COX	CoxCm	36 5/16	+1/16
CR	Crane Co	46	...
BAP	Credicp s	18	+3/16
CEI	CresRes	35 1/16	-7/16
CF	Crestar	58 3/16	+3/16
CMM	CrimMa	15 3/16	-1/4
CGW	CrstChie	13 1/4	...
CNK	CrmpKni	u30 1/16	+1/4
XTO	CrosTbr s	23 11/16	-1/2
CRT	CrosTim	16 1/16	-3/16
CWN	CrwnArn	9 1/16	+9/16
CCK	CrwnCork	51 5/16	+1
CCKp	CrwnCrk pf	48	+1 1/2
CUL	CullnGWtr	u55 3/16	+1/8
CUM	CumEng	55 15/16	+3/4
CY	CypSem	10	-5/16
CYM	Cytrus	18 1/4	-1/16
CYT	Cytec	50 3/4	-1/4
	D-E-F		
DPL	DPL s	18 5/16	+1/8
DQE	DQE	33 3/8	...
DHI	DR Horton	21 5/8	-1/16
DSP	DSP Com	15 13/16	+1/16
DST	DST Sys s	52 3/16	+3/16
DTE	DTE	36 5/8	-1/8
DS	DaiSam	47 3/8	+1/8
DRF	DanRvr n	16 1/16	+1/16
DCN	DanaCp	53 1/16	...
DR	Darden	13 5/16	+3/16
DGN	DataGn	19 1/16	-1/16
DPT	Datapt	2 1/16	+1/16
DH	DayHud	72 1/2	-1 1/16
DF	DeanFd	53 1/2	-5/8
DBS	DebtStrn	u11 1/16	+1/16
DE	Deere	55 7/16	-1/4
DKB	DekbGrn s	u54	+20 7/8
DEW	DelmPL	21 3/8	-1/16
DLP	DelPine s	31 1/16	+3/16
DAL	DeltaAr	119 1/16	-1/16
DFC	DeltaFn	14	-1/16
DLX	Deluxe	33 3/16	+1/16
DPU	Depuy	26 1/16	-3/16
DES	DescSA	29 1/16	-1/16
DEO	Diageo n	37	+1/16
DL	Dial	21 3/16	+1/16
DO	DiaOffs s	44 1/16	-1 1/16
DBD	Diebold	54 1/16	+1/16
DEC	Digital	62	+3/8
DDS	Dillards	38 1/16	+1/16
DME	DimeBcp	29 7/8	-1/4
DIS	Disneyu	110 13/16	+2 5/16
DOL	Dole	u52 5/8	-1/16
DG	DollarGs	40	+1/16
DTG	DomTex n	23 1/16	-1/4
D	DomRes	40 1/16	-1/16
DTC	Domtarg	7 1/16	...
DLJ	DonLuf	78 1/16	-1 1/16
DJLpB	DonLuf pfB	50	+1/16
DNY	Donlley	37 1/16	+3/16
DOV	Dover s	36 5/16	-1/16
DOW	DowCh	90 5/8	-1 7/8
DJ	Dowjns	51 3/16	-1/16
DRV	Dravo	10 7/16	+1/16
DI	Dressr	37 1/16	-1/16
DRY	DryStr	10 1/16	-1/4
DSM	DrySM	10 1/16	+1/16
DD	DuPont s	62 5/16	...
DRD	DuaneR n	d21 1/2	-1/16
DNP	DuffPutnl	10 5/8	...
DUK	DukeEngy	s4 3/16	-1/16
DRE	DukeRlt s	23 7/16	-1/16
DNB	DunBrd	32 1/16	+3/16
DX	DynexCs	12 5/16	-1/16
EEX	EEX Cp	8 1/16	+1/16
EGG	EGG	26	-1/16
EMC	EMC s	36 5/16	+1 1/16
E	ENI	57 5/16	-1/16
EVI	EVI Inc s	48 3/16	-13/16
EGR	Earthgr s	44 5/16	-15/16
EFU	EastEr	44 5/16	-1/16
EUA	EastUtl	24 1/4	+1/8
EMN	EastChm	62 1/4	+3/4
EK	EKodak	66 11/16	+15/16
ETN	Eaton	92 1/16	-1/16
ECH	Echlin	38 5/16	+1/16
ECL	Ecolab s	28 1/8	-1/16
EIX	Edisonint	26 1/4	-1/16
AGE	Edwards s	40 5/8	+1/8
EPG	ElPasNG	65 1/4	+3/8
ELN	Elan	56 1/16	+1 3/16
ELK	Elcor s	u26 3/16	+3/4
ETT	ElderTrn	19 3/16	...
EDS	EDS	42 7/8	+1/16
ELF	ElfAqut	54 7/16	-1/2
EOLpB	ElfOv pfB	25 3/4	+1/8
EBY	EisaiGB	18	-1/4
AKO/B	EmbraBr n	18 1/4	+1/8
EMR	EmrsnE s	63 1/16	+3/16
EDE	EmpDist	20 1/8	-1/16
IGA	Empica	12 7/16	+1/16
ELE	Endesa s	20	-1/16
TEG	EnrgyGp n	50 1/4	+1/16
ENI	Enersis	27 1/4	...
EC	EngtCp	17 3/8	...
ENA	Enova	23 1/16	-1/16
ENE	Enron	42	-7/16
ENEpC	EnrLLC pf	25 1/8	-1/16
EOG	EnrnOG	20 1/8	-1/4
ESV	ENSCO s	29 7/16	+1/16
ETR	Entergy	28 1/16	-1/16
ELOpA	EntCpt A	25 1/16	-1/16
EOT	EottEng	18 1/4	...
EFX	Equifax	33 7/16	+1 1/16
EQ	EqtCos	u54 1/8	+1/16
ENN	Eqtylnn	15 1/16	-1/16
EOP	EqOffPt	n30 1/16	+1/16
EQR	EqtyRsd	50 5/16	-1/16
SXC	EssexInt	n 35 3/4	-5/16
ESS	EssexPT	33 1/4	-5/8
EL	Estee Ld	r 58 3/8	-1/2
ETH	EthanAl s	u51 3/8	-1 1/16
EY	Ethyl	7 3/8	+1/16
EWF	EurWtFd	su17 5/16	...
RE	EverestRe	38	+1/8
ECI	ExcelCm	16 1/16	+1/16
XL	Exel	83	+2 1/4
ESA	ExtStayA	14 9/16	-3/16
XON	Exxon s	62 11/16	+5/8
FDX	FDX Corp	67-11/16	...
FMC	FMC	71 1/8	+1/16
FPL	FPL Gp	59	+1/16
FA	FairCp	23 3/16	+1/4
FFD	FairOmt s	22 3/4	-3/8
FRD	FamDlr s	34 3/8	+1/4
FNM	FanniMae	82 1/16	+1/4
FJC	Fedders	5 1/4	...
FJA	FeddersA	5 1/4	...
FMO	FedMog	47 3/8	-7/16
FRT	FedRlty	24 13/16	-1/16
FD	FedDS	45 7/16	+1/16
FCh	FelCor	37 1/16	+1/16
FLH	FilaHold	22 1/4	+9/16
FHT	Fingerht	u23 1/16	+3/16
FNV	Finova s	50 1/4	-3/16
FOA	FirstAm s	76 3/4	+1/8
FBR	FstBrnd	25 1/16	-1/16
FCN	FChiNBD	79 5/16	+13/16
FDC	FstData	32 1/4	+15/16
FR	FstInRT	37	+3/16
FPf	FstPhi	8 3/16	+1/16
FTU	FstUCs	50 1/16	-1/16
FUn	FUnRl	11 1/16	+1/16
FVB	FtVaBk s	50	+1/4
FSR	Firstar s	39 5/16	-1/16

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Tkr	Name	Last	Chg
A-B-C			
ACCC	ACC Cp	48⅝	–⅛
ACEC	ACE CO	9½	+⅜
ANET	ACT Net	9⅞	+½
ADAM	AdamSft	2⅝	+⅛
ADCT	ADC Tel	21¼	–3⅛
ADEX	ADECp	18¼	+¼
AFLX	ADFlex	16²⁷/₃₂	+3⅜
AERN	AER En	1⅜	–⅛
APAC	APACT	15⅜	+⅜
ASAI	ASA Hold	u40⅝	+1⅜
ASTSF	ASE Tst s	53¼	–¼
ASMLF	ASM Lith s	79⅛	+½
ATLI	ATL Ultrsd	41¼	+2⅞
AATT	AavidTh	34	–⅝
ABACF	Abacan	2⅜	–⅛
ABTE	**AbleTel**	**8⁵⁹/₆₄**	**–⅛**
AXAS	**Abraxas**	**11⅜**	**–⅛**
ACLY	Accelr8	u26⅛	+¼
ACLR	AccCSci	2¼	+9⅛
ACNTF	AccentS	½	+⅛
AKLM	Acclaim	4¹¹/₁₆	+⅝
ACSY	Acsys n	u11⅞	+9⅛
ACRT	Actrade	16½	–¼
ACXM	Acxiom	19⅞	–¼
ADAC	AdacLb	21½	+3⅜
ADPT	Adaptec	22⅜	–1¹/₁₆
ADBE	AdobeSy	40⅜	+1⅛
ADLRF	**AdrianR**	**29³²/₃₂**	**–1⅛**
AEIS	AdvEnid	18⅛	+½
AFCI	AdvFCm	29⅛	+¼
ATIS	AdvTiss	12⅞	
ADVNB	AdvantB	29⅛	–9³²/₃₂
ADVT	AdvJe	3³²/₃₂	–1³²/₃₂
AERL	AerialC	7⅜	+¼
AGPH	Agourn s	38⅞	+1⅜
ABTX	AgriBio	15¹³/₁₆	–1¹¹/₁₆
AEIC	AirExp s	28⅛	–1⅞
AAIR	AirTran	4¼	+¼
AKZOY	**Akzo**	**90¾**	**–⅜**
ALLY	AlliGam	5⅛	–¼
ALLP	AlianPh	7⅜	+27³²/₃₂
ALSC	AlinSem	6⅝	+3⅛
AWIN	AdWste	20½	–1¹/₁₆
ALTIF	Atairint n	13¾	–¼
ALTN	Alteon	u11⅝	+1¹/₁₆
ALTR	Altera	37⅝	–1⅛
AMZN	Amazon n	63½	–1⅛
AMTD	AmTrade n	29	+⅜
ACNS	AComS	14¾	–⅛
AFWY	AmFright	9½	–⅜
HSTR	Amomstr s	20¼	–⅜
AIPN	AmInPt	3⅝	–1⅛
AMSY	AmSft	24½	+1⅜
DIVE	AmOilDv	10½	–⅛
AORI	AOncol	16⅝	–⅛
APCC	APwrCnv	27	–9⅛
AMRN	Amerin	28¾	–¼
AMES	AmesDS	14¾	–1
AMGN	**Amgen**	**54¹³/₁₆**	**–1¼**
AMMB	Amresco	31	+1⅜
ANAD	Anadigc s	15	–¼
ANLT	AnlySur	u44⅜	+2¾
ANCR	AncorCm	7⅜	–¼
ANDW	Andrew s	28⅝	–⅜
ANGN	Angeion	3	–1/32
ANTC	Antec	12⅛	+3⅜
AMSI	ApcheM	d11¼	–¼
APEX	ApexPC n	28	–1¼
APOG	ApogeeE s	12¹¹	+⅜
APOL	ApolloG	45⅞	–⅜
AAPL	AppleC	19	–⅛
APSO	AppliSou	13⅜	
APPB	Applebee	20¼	+⅝
AMAT	**ApldMat**	**s35⅝**	**–1⅛**
AKSEF	Arakis	2⅜	–⅛
ARBR	ArbrDrg su	23⅞	+½
ARSW	ArborSft	45⅜	–⅛
ARGX	Argus	17⅜	+⅝
AGFS	ArkBest	10⅞	–⅛
AVEI	ArtVasc	77⅜	+11¹/₁₆
ARTI	ArtisanC	nd15⅞	–⅜
AGND	Ascend	33½	+½
ASTN	AshtnT	1⁹/₃₂	+⅛
ASYT	AsystTch s	28¾	+⅞
ATHM	AtHome n	26⅞	+⅜
ATML	Atmel	17¹³/₃₂	–1¹/₃₂
ATRC	AtriaCo	u19⅛	+⅞
ATRX	Atrox	14⅜	–½
AURA	**AuraSy**	**3**	**…**
ASPX	Auspex	9⅜	–⅛
ABND	AvoBond	8¼	+⅜
ACYT	AvtoCyte n	5⅞	–⅜
ADSK	Autodesk	44¾	+1⅝
APCO	AutProt	7⅝	–⅛
ATCI	AutonoT	6⅜	+⅛
AVNT	Avanti	15⅞	–¼
AVID	AvidTch	32½	+9⅜
AVIT	Avitar	¼	+1/32
AWRE	Aware	12⅝	–⅝
AXNT	AxentT	19⅝	–1
AXPH	AxySPhm	8½	–⅝
BEAV	BE Aero	27½	–⅛
BEAS	BEA Sys	n22⅝	+⅞
BSYS	BiSYS	37¾	+⅜
BMCS	BMC Softu	73¹¹/₁₆	–1⅝
BONS	BMJ Md n	d6½	–½
BAANF	Baan s	4⅜	–1
BFIT	BallyTot n	23	+¼
BGALY	BncGalic	24⅝	–⅜
BNKU	BnkUntd	44½	+½
BCOM	BkCmCA s	15⅞	+⅝
BNYN	BanynSy	4⅛	+⅛
BSNX	BasExpl	18⅛	+¼
BBBY	BedBath	40⅞	+1¾
BCHE	BioPhar s	24⅛	–⅜
BICO	Biocrtri	5³²/₃₂	–1³²/₃₂
BGEN	Biogen	44¼	+¾
BMET	Biomet	u29⅞	+⅞
BTGC	BioTcG	10⅛	+17³²/₃₂
BTIM	Biotime s	14¹¹/₁₆	+⅜
BDMS	BirnDnt n	6⅞	
BOBE	BobEvn	20⅜	+⅛
BOCI	BocaRs	d4¼	–1¼
BORL	Borlnd	9⅞	–1/16
BLPG	BorLePr n	30¼	+1⅜
BBII	BostnBio n	7⅜	–1/16
BOST	BostChk	7⅛	+1/32
BCGI	BostnCom	7⅛	
PUTT	BrasseG	9½	+1/32
BFCI	**Brauns**	**10⅜**	**+½**
CELL	Brightpt s	18⅝	–½
BVSN	BroadVis	11⅜	+⅝
BBTK	BrdbdTc	8½	–5/16
BROD	BrodSft	22⅛	+⅜
BRKS	BrooksAu	17⅜	+⅜
BRKT	Brooktrt	13⅝	–⅛
TMBR	**BrownTom**	**19¾**	**–1/16**
BCMD	BrushCrk	2³²/₃₂	
BOBJY	BusnObj	13¹/₁₆	–1¹/₁₆
CUBE	C–CUBE	21⅞	+5/16
CHRW	CH Rbn n	23	–2
CBTSY	CBT Gp	86	+⅛
CDWC	CDW Cpt	65	
CDNW	CDnow n	d20⅛	–1⅞
CHSE	CHS El s	24	+1/16
CKSG	CKS Gr n	18⅞	+½
CMGI	CMG Inf	u42	+2½
CNXS	**CNS**	**6¾**	**+1/16**
CHRI	COHR	d10½	–1⅜
CPTL	CTC Cm	d5¾	–1/16
CADE	Cadelin	2¾	+1/16
CAER	Caere	11¹¹/₁₆	+⅜
CATP	CambTch	45⅞	+¼
CBRNA	CandgBrA	s5⅝	–⅛
CAND	Candies	5²⁵/₃₂	+7/16
CANDN	Candi wtC	²⁵/₃₂	+9/32
CANE	Canorlds	21⁵/₁₆	–1
XCEL	Cantbry	²⁹/₃₂	+1/32
CATA	CapTrns	20¾	+½
CTSI	CardioTh	7½	–⅛
CEGE	CellGens	7⅛	–¼
CNDS	CellNet	10½	+1/16
CLXX	CellexB	1¹¹/₁₆	–⅛
CLST	Cellstar s	27¾	+¼
CTSC	CelltrTch	21¼	+3/32
CTRX	Celtrix	21¼	+13/32
CNTO	Centocor	39⅞	–⅝
CENT	CenGardn	30⅞	+⅜
CNTRC	CentraSft n	1⅜	–3/16
CTYA	CntyCm	9¹¹/₁₆	+⅛
CEPH	Cephln	11⅜	+¼
CERN	Cerner	21	+3/16
CRPB	Cerprbe	20½	+½
AMFM	ChancMd su	41¼	+¾
CHTL	Chantal	3⅜	–1/32
CHRS	ChrmSh	4¹¹/₃₂	+3/64
CHKPF	ChkPnt n	37⅛	–1¼
CKFR	ChkFree	26⅜	–⅝
CAKE	Cheeseck	31⅝	+¼
CHML	ChiMinL	40½	+1⅝
CHIR	Chiron	20⅜	–⅛
CCSI	ChromCS	17¹⁵/₁₆	+1¼
CIEN	CienaCp	54	–¼
CTAS	Cintas s	43½	+⅜
CRUS	Cirrus	11	+¼
CSCO	Cisco's	64⅞	+⅛
CTXS	CitrixS	71¾	+¼
CTYSC	Ctyscape h	11	–1/32
CLFY	Clarify	13¹³/₁₆	+⅜
CWEI	**ClayEng**	**12**	**–⅝**
CCRO	Clintrials	8¼	+7/16
CXIPY	Cofiexp	51¼	–¼
COHR	**Cohernt**	**46½**	**–1⅝**
WDRY	Coinmch	25	–⅜
CCRI	ColoCas	u2½	+⅝
COMR	Comair s	28¼	–⅛
CMCSA	Comcast	u33¾	+⅜
CMCSK	Comc spcl	u33¾	+⅛
CMCAF	CmcstUK	10⅝	–⅜
CMIN	Cmwlnd	14⅛	–1/16
CICI	Comintell	1⅝	–⅛
CCSEW	CmtyCr wt	1²⁵/₆₄	
CPDN	CompDnt	11⅞	+⅛
CTEK	Comptch n	2⅜	+⅛
CMPC	Cmpcm	7¾	–3/16
CCEE	CptConc	¹³/₃₂	–1/32
CHRZ	CmptHz s	49⅞	–⅜
CLCX	CptrLrn s	32⅝	+⅝
CMSX	CompMS	u23⅝	+⅞
CPWR	Compwr s	u44	
CMVT	Comvers	36¾	+1⅛
CCMC	ConcMngd	29¾	–⅜
CNCX	ConcNet n	15½	+1½
LENS	CodiCam	3½	–1/16
CEFT	CncEFS	27⅞	+½
CCUR	ConcCm	2⁵/₃₂	
CNKT	Connect	¹⁵/₃₂	+1/32
BUYR	ConsCap n	20½	+½
CFWY	CnsFrtC n	16¹¹/₁₆	–⅜
KNVCF	ConsNev	5³²/₃₂	–1/32
ACCOB	Coors B	35⅝	–1⅛
COPY	Copytele	3½	+1/32
CORR	CorTher	11⅞	–3/16
COSFF	CoreCp g	2⅝	+7/32
CSTF	CoreStaff	29⅛	+⅛
CEXP	CorpExp	9⅜	–3/16
CSCQ	CorrecSv	13⅜	–⅛
CAIR	Corsair n	18	+1
CPWM	CostPlus	26	+⅝
COST	Costco	44¾	–¼
COSE	CostEner	10½	
CAFE	CtryStr	1⅛	
CVTY	**Coventry**	**16¼**	**+1/32**
CBRL	CrkrBrl	u37⅛	+⅝
CREAF	CrwTcLtd	18⅞	–⅜
CMOS	CredSys	28½	+½
CACC	CrdAcp	7⅞	+½
CRYSF	CrySys	19¼	–⅛
CYBE	CybrOpt	21⁷/₁₆	+11/16
CYCH	CybrCsh	14	+⅞
CYBX	Cyberonic	23½	–⅜
CYGN	Cygnus	17¾	–1/16
CYMI	Cymer s	20	+⅜
CYTO	Cytogn	1¾	+1/32
CYTC	Cytyc	26½	+¾
D-E-F			
DMMC	DM Mgt	17¹¹/₁₆	–1⅝
DIGI	DSC	19³²/₃₂	–21/32
DSPG	DSP Gp	25¼	–1¼
DANKY	Danka	20⅜	+⅝
DAOU	DaouSys	28⅜	–¼
DASTY	Dassault s	34⅛	+2
DDIM	DtaDimn s	16¹⁵/₁₆	+13/16
DWRX	DtaWks	24½	–⅛
DSTM	Datastr s	20⅞	–⅞
DWCH	Dtawtch	2⅞	–1/16
DAVX	Davox s	30²³/₃₂	–13/32
DWSN	**Dawson**	**18½**	**+⅜**
DPSI	**DawsnP**	**13**	**7/16**
DBRSY	DBeer	20⅝	–1⅜
DELL	DellCpt s	u110¼	–¼
XRAY	Dentsply s	30⅜	+⅞
DEPO	DpoTch	4	+3/32
DIYS	DiaSys	5¾	–⅛
DLGC	Dialogic	42½	+3½
DIMD	DiamM	11¹¹/₁₆	–⅜
DIGE	DigeneCp	7⅞	+⅛
DIGL	DigLght	4¾	+3/16
DMIC	DigMic s	19¹⁵/₁₆	+½
PLPT	DigtSd	u2⅜	–⅛
SOLLY	DrSolom	37½	
DCTM	Documnt	38⅞	–⅜
DLTR	DltrTree s	42–1⅜	
DROOY	DurbanRo	2⅜	–⅛
DYGN	Dynagn	⅛	+1/32
EGRP	ETrade	26⅝	–⅛
ECILF	ECI Tel	26	–⅝
ESCMF	ESCMed	36⅜	+⅜
ESST	ESSTech n	8⅞	+7/16
EAGL	Eaglntd	17¾	–½
EUSA	EgleUSA	31½	+1¼
ESCI	EarthSc	2⅜	–5/32
ELNK	Ethnknx n	u46¾	+8⅛
EESI	EstnEn	25¾	+¾
DISH	EchoStar	17⅜	–⅛
ESSI	EcoSoil	7⅝	–7/32
ECSGY	Ecsoft	u20⅛	+2¼
EDMC	EdcMge	33⅜	+⅛
EGGS	**Egghead**	**8⅛**	**+⅞**
EIDSY	Eidos	15¹¹	+⅛
IFLYW	800 Trv wt	5¹³/₃₂	+1/16
EGHT	8X8 Inc	6	–⅜
ENBX	EinstnN	5⅛	
ELBTF	ElbitLtd	3⅝	+3/16
EGLS	Elctrgls	18⅛	+1¼
ELMG	Elctrng	19⅜	–⅜
ERTS	ElcArt	38⅛	–⅛
EFII	EFII s	20¾	+⅜
ELSI	**Elctsrc**	**21¼**	**–⅜**
ELRNF	**ElronEl**	**13½**	**–⅜**
EMIS	EmisTch	18⅜	+1¼
ESOL	EmplySl	5²⁷/₃₂	+5/32
ENGL	EnglHm	16⅞	–⅛
ENVY	Envoy	u41⅞	+2⅛
EVRGB	EvrgrnB	23 7/2	–.03
FOUNDB	FoundB	19.66	+.06
GROINCB	GroincB	26.92	+.06
HIYIDB	HiYldB	4.55	+41/64
SMCOGB	SmCoGB	8.32	+.02
STRGRB	StrGrthB	9.69	+.96
TAXFB	TaxFB	7.86	+.02
Evergreen C			
OMEGAC	OmegaC	20.91	+.01
Evergreen Select			
COMSTK	ComStk	86.02	–.10
COREBD	CoreBd	10.76	+.02
FAINCI	FaInci	5.99	
INCPLU	IncPlu	5.75	+.02
INTSEX	IntSEx	86.17	+.13
LARGECP	LargeCp	47.29	–.04
CORBDI	CorBdI	10.76	+.02
DIVRVAL	DivRVal	24.84	–.01
Evergreen Y			
EVRGNY	EvrgrnY	24.06	–.03
FIMUBY	FIMuBY	10.11	+.02
FOUNDY	FoundY	19.79	+.06
GROINCY	GroincY	29.20	+.06
INCOGRY	IncoGrY	24.06	–.02
NUTFRY	NuTFRY	11.21	+.02
SHINBY	ShinBY	9.94	+.26
VALUEY	ValueY	24.88	–.03
Excelsior Funds			
BLENDEQ	BlendEq	33.09	+.02
LGCAPGR	LgCapGr	7.84	0.0
FAM VAL	FAM Val n	36.49	+.14
FBR Funds			
SMCGV	SmCGVp	17.41	–.09
FFTW Funds			
USSHR	USShrt	9.78	+17.3
FPA Funds			
CAPIT	Capit	35.53	–.04
NEWINC	Newinc	11.18	+.01
PARNT	Parnt	12.51	–.01
Federated A			
AMUSFA	AmUSFA	24.44	–.03
EQINCA	EqIncA	18.08	–.01
GRSTRA	GrStratA	26.19	+.01
HITRBA	HiYldB	12.05	
MUSACA	MuSecA	10.99	+.03
USGVA	US GvtA	7.97	+.01
UTILFA	UtilFdA	13.92	–.02
Federated B			
ALGRB	AlgrdB	24.41	–.02
EQINCB	EqIncB	18.08	–.02
HIINBB	HiInBB	12.05	+.01
STRINCB	StrincB	10.41	+.02
Federated C			
MXGOC	MxGoCp	21.30	–.02
MINCGC	MinCpC p	15.76	+.03
Federated F			
BONDF	BondF	10.15	+.04
GISIF	GiSIFt	8.90	+.01
MUNOPI	MunOpp	10.95	+.02
UTILF	Utilf	13.92	–.02
Federated Instl			
ARM	Arm	9.75	+21.7
GNMAIS	GnmaIS	11.38	+.01
GOV1–3	Gov1–3i	10.43	+.01
GOV2–5	Gov2–5i	10.70	+.01
HIYID	HiYld	9.71	+.01
INCFIS	IncFIS	10.36	+.02
MXCAPI	MxCapIn	21.30	+.02
STOCKT	StockTr	36.16	–.07
Fidelity Adv Foc T			
NATRES	Nat Res	20.92	–.11
Fidelity Advisor A			
EGPTR	EgPrTr	26.27	–.01
GROPP	GrOppt	43.64	–.09
HIYLD	HiYld t	12.89	–.01
Fidelity Advisor I			
EGPRI	EgPrI	48.92	–.09
EQPTI	EqPtI	26.61	–.01
GROPPI	GrOppI	43.84	–.09
SHIGV	ShtGv	9.46	+.01
Fidelity Advisor T			
BALANC	Balanc p	18.71	+.01
EGRGP	EgGrp	48.21	–.09
EQPTP	EqPtP	26.40	–.90
GROPPP	GrOppP	43.90	+.10
HIYLDP	HiYld p	12.93	+57.2
INCMUP	IncMuTp	12.40	+.03
MIDCAP	MidCap p	13.55	+.03
OVSEA	Ovsea p	16.91	+47.5
STFRP	ST Frp	9.37	+.01
STROPP	StrOppt p	26.84	+.23
Fidelity Invest			
AMGR	A Mgr n	18.96	+.03
ATMGRN	AtMgrtn n	19.22	+.02
ATMGTN	AtMgtn n	12.37	+.02
BALANC	Balanc n	15.84	+.06
BLUCH	BluCh	41.75	+.03
CAPAPN	CapApn	19.91	+.04
OPINC	Opinc n	10.31	+.01
CONTRA	Contra	48.29	+13.1
DIVSCN	DivScn	18.67	+.16
DESTI	Destl	24.62	+.05
DESTI	DesEq n	29.63	–.01
DIVINTI	DivIntl n	17.02	–.02
DIVGTH	DivGth n	24.89	+.02
EMGRF	EmGrF	24.87	+.09
EMRGY	EmrgMv	9.69	+.06
EQINC	Eq Inc n	54.05	+.01
EQUITY	EQIn	27.52	–.04
ECAPAP	ECapAp	15.85	+.02
EUROPE	Europer	31.98	+.04
EXCH	Exch n	219.73	+.28
EXPORT	Export	18.15	+.03
FINSVC	Finsvc n	31.97	–.04
GNMA	GNMA n	10.91	+.01
GOVTSC	GovtSc n	9.99	+.03
GROCO	GroCo n	45.14	+.30
GROINC	GroInc n	39.99	+.02
INTBD	IntBd n	10.22	+.01
INTGR	IntGr n	20.50	+.01
INTVAL	IntVal n	12.85	
INVGB	InvGB n	7.33	+.02
LATAM	LatAm r	16.38	+.15
LIDMUN	LidMun n	9.98	+.02
LOWPR	LowPr	25.96	+.09
MAGELN	Magelln	100.57	+.03
MIDCAP	MidCap n	17.46	+.04
MTGSEC	MtgSec n	11.05	+.01
MUNBD	MunBd n	8.57	+.02
NWMKT	NwMkt	13.12	+.11
NWMID	NwMid	23.23	+.05
NY MUN	NY Mun n	12.93	+.04
OTC	OTC	37.04	+.16
OVRSEA	Ovrsea n	34.45	+.01
PURITN	Puritn n	19.92	–.01
REALE	RealE n	20.22	+.01
RETGR	RetGr n	18.44	+.03
STBFN	STBF n	8.73	+22.3
SMCPSC	SmCpStc	16.72	+.91
STKSEL	StkSlct n	28.10	–109.8
TREND	Trend n	57.53	+.47
USBIN	USBI n	10.84	+.02
UTILITY	Utility n	19.94	+.03
VALUE	Value n	56.41	–86.2
WRIDE	Wridge n	16.76	+.04
Fidelity Selects			
BIOTCH	Biotch r	34.29	+.10
BROKR	Brokr	37.63	+.13
COMPR	Compr	39.69	+.21
ELECTR	Electr	33.66	+.16
ENGSVC	EngSvc	27.52	–.31
FINSVC	FinSv	99.60	+.17
FOOD	Food r	47.63	+.19
HEALTH	Health	111.90	+.54
HOMFI	HomFi	52.03	+.04
LEISR	Leisr	60.83	+.28
PRMET	PrMetr	10.63	–.19
REGBK	RegBk r	42.04	+.10
SOFTWR	Softwr	42.62	–.07
TECHN	Techn r	51.10	–.20
TELCM	Telcm r	50.37	+.13
TRANS	Trans r	28.66	+.19
UTILGR	Utilgr	51.65	+.17
Fidelity Spartan			
AGMUN	AgMun n	11.91	+.02
CAMUN	CAMun n	12.40	+.03
CTMUN	CTMun n	11.52	+.03
FLMUN	FLMun n	36.82	+.04
FLMUN	FL Mun n	11.58	+.03
GNMA	GNMA n	10.19	–.32
HIGH	High n	13.37	+.02
INSMUN	InsMun n	12.47	+.04
INVGRD	InvGrBd r	10.43	+.03
LTDGV	LtdGv n	9.84	+.02
MATHR	Mathr n	72.11	+.08
MAMUN	MA Mun n	11.99	+.03
MIMUN	MI Mun n	11.69	+.02
MNMUN	Mnmkt n	12.76	+.03
NJMUN	NJ Mun n	11.49	+.03
OHMUN	OH Mun n	11.78	+.03
STRETM	StrtetMun	10.13	+.01
First Amer Fds A			
SMCPVL	SmCpVlp	16.78	–.04
First Amer Fds C			
BALANCE	Balance n	14.53	+.02
DIVRGN	DivrGwn	16.89	+.03
EQINC	Eqinc n	15.75	–.01
EQUITY	Equity	20.85	+.02
FIXINC	Fixinc n	11.23	+.04
IMINC	Iminc n	10.12	+.01
INTLX	Intl x n	10.92	+.02
SMCAPC	SmCapC n	16.80	–.04
SPECEQ	SpecEq n	21.84	+.04
STOCK	Stock n	25.08	+.01
First Investors A			
BLCHIP	BlChipAp	23.65	+.05
INCOMA	IncomAp	4.50	+.01
TAXEX	TaxExAp	10.51	+.03
Firstar Fds Inst			
BDINC	Bdinc n	28.47	+.08
EQINC	Eqinc n	69.25	+.08
GRINC	Grinc n	42.78	+.14
SPGR	SpGr n	42.99	+.39
Flag Investors A			
TAXINA	TaxInAp	20.99	+.02
VALUEA	ValueAp	20.78	+.04
Fortis Funds			
CAPITA	CapitAp	23.83	+.05
GRINCA	GrIncAp	14.36	+.01
GWTHA	GwthAp	34.31	+.06
USGVTE	USGvtE	9.29	+.03
Founders Funds			
BAL	Bal p	11.93	+.01
BLUEC	BlueC	7.36	+.02
GWTH	Gwth	18.11	+.05
SPECI	Speci p	8.08	+.03
WRIGH	WrldGr p	22.28	+.01
Fountain Square Fds			
QUALGR	QualGr	19.19	+17.3
Franklin Class I			
AGEI	AGE I p	2.98	+50.4
AGUSS	AgUSS p	9.48	+23.4
AZTFI	AZTFI p	11.47	+.02
BALINV	Balinv p	34.55	+.05
CALGRO	CalGro p	23.36	+.02
CAINVBD	CAInvBd p	10.67	+.02
CALTFI	CalTFI p	7.38	+.01
DVTSC	DvtSc p	13.90	+.01
EQUITYI	Equityl p	10.18	–.02
EQINC	Eqinc p	20.09	–.03
FEDTFI	FedTFI p	12.35	+.02
FLTFI	FLTFI p	11.90	+.02
GGVINI	GGvInI p	8.48	+.01
GRWTH	GRwth p	18.93	+.05
GWTHI	Gwthi p	28.09	+.13
HYTFI	HYTFI p	11.71	+.02
INCOMI	Incomi p	2.50	+53.6
INSTFI	InsTFI p	12.35	+.02
MATFI	MATFI p	11.79	+.02
MITFI	MITFI p	12.26	+.03
NATLI	NatlI p	12.19	+.01
NOTTYP	NOTTYp	12.22	+.02
NJTFI	NJTFI p	11.96	+.02
NYTFI	NYTFI p	12.06	+.02
OHIOI	OhioI p	12.49	+.02
ORTFI	ORTFI p	11.98	+.01
PATFI	PATFI p	10.59	+.01
REESC	ReESc p	18.04	–.03
RSDVI	RsDvl p	25.38	+.09
SCAPGP	SCapGp	23.87	–.03
USGOVT	USGovt p	6.91	+32.3
UTILSI	Utilsi p	10.81	–.02
VATFI	VATFI p	11.91	+.02
Franklin Class II			
HYTFII	HYTFI p	11.78	+.03
INCOMII	Incomi p	2.51	+.01
SMCGII	SmCGII p	23.58	–.04
Franklin Mutual I			
BEACHI	Beachl	14.36	+.02
DISCI	DiscI	19.30	+.02
QUALFI	QualFd I	18.48	+.01
SHARESI	SharesI	21.61	+.02
Franklin Mutual II			
BEACHII	Beachl I	14.30	+.01
DISCII	DiscI I	19.24	+.02
SHARESII	SharesI I	21.51	+.02
Fremont Funds			
GLOBAL	Global	14.37	+.03
GAM Funds			
INTL	Intl	29.77	+.12
GE Elfun S&S			
S&SLGN	S&S Lg n	11.82	+.03
S&SPIM	S&S PM n	55.22	–.06
TAXEX	TaxEx n	11.99	+.03
TRUSTS	Trusts n	57.94	+.06
GE Funds			
GOVBD	GovtBd n	8.67	+.02
GE Instl Funds			
INCOME	Income	10.12	+.03
GMO Trust II			
FOREGN	Foreign	11.78	+.02
GMO Trust III			
ECD	ECD I	11.57	–.08
EQUITY	Equity	13.98	+.03
FOR	For	11.79	+.02
GLBAL	GlBal	11.74	–.04
USAIE	USAIE	10.18	+.04
DHIBD	DHiBd	10.62	+.05
EMMKT	EmMkt	9.41	+.02
DMBD	DmBd	10.31	+.03
SMCVI	SmCVl	17.84	–.07
SCGI	SCGI	12.01	+.03
REIT	Reit	13.26	–.01
INTCORE	IntCore	22.80	+.01
CHGC	CHGC	11.71	–.02
CORE	Core	19.40	+28.3
GMO Trust IV			
CORE	Core	19.40	NA
OMEGAC	OmegaC	11.72	+.02
GS Institutional			
ADJGV	AdjGv	9.85	–.01
GT Global Equity			
EUROP	Europ	15.54	+.02
GRINCB	GrIncB	8.61	+.03
GT Global Theme			
HITCHP	HiTchp	20.67	+.15
TELECH	Telecm	17.28	+.11
TELEB	TeleB	16.78	+.11
Gabelli Funds			
ASSET	Asset n	32.95	+.36
GWTH	Gwth	30.43	+.09
VALUE	Value	74.95	+.03
Galaxy Funds Retail			
LARGECO	LargeCo n	29.54	+.03
SMALLCO	SmallCo n	19.43	+.11
Galaxy Funds Trust			
EQGRO	EqGro n	23.24	+.08
Glenmede Funds			
INTEQ	Intl n	15.90	+.02
SMCAP	SmCap n	19.54	+.11
Golden Oak Funds			
MITFBD	MITFBd n	10.24	+.02
Goldman Sachs Fds			
BALANB	BalanB p	20.84	+.03
CAPGRA	CapGrA	19.33	+.08
COREEQA	CoreEqA	27.70	+.03
GRINCA	GrIncA	27.38	+.01
GRINCP	GrIncCp	27.13	+.03
HIYIELA	HiYieldA	10.35	–.01
INTEQA	IntlEqA	20.09	–.01
MIDCAPB	MidCpB p	22.64	+.10
SMCAPA	SmCapA	25.15	+.39
Gradison Funds			
EASTVAL	EastValp	32.86	–.06
Guardian Funds			
PARNAA	ParnAA	12.27	+.03
STOCK	Stock n	47.43	+.04
Harbor Funds			
BOND	Bond	11.55	+.04

SEEDS FOR THOUGHT

With proper care, pecan trees thrive in the Permian Basin

By Deborah A. Benge Frost

Pecan trees in the Permian Basin produce quality pecans during the long, hot, dry growing season. These trees, both mature and newly planted, can be found locally in hundreds of acres of commercial pecan orchards and thousands of yards.



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Pecan trees are well adapted to area landscapes, as is proven by the hundreds of old, stately trees that have provided shade, pecans and beauty for many years. Pecan, the state tree of Texas, is long-lived (100-plus years barring life-threatening disorder, disease or damage), but does require special care and attention, and often has problems.

For healthy pecan trees, two plant nutrients — nitrogen and zinc — need to be supplemented in the orchard and landscape.

Nitrogen is responsible for growth, green color and other processes within the plant. Nitrogen also is the nutrient that is needed in larger quantities than any of the other 16 plant nutrients — it also is often deficient in this area.

Nitrogen can be applied before bud break and again in May if the trees have a nut load and are growing vigorously. Apply 1 pound of nitrogen per inch of trunk diameter (guestimate trunk diameter at 3 feet from the soil line) in the dripline and under the canopy, but about 3 feet away from the trunk. Punching holes or deep root feeding isn't necessary to get the fertilizer into the root zone, provided you use a water-soluble nitrogen such as ammonium sulfate or ammonium nitrate, which can be moved into the root zone with 1 inch of irrigation water.

Pecan trees don't always need nitrogen, especially if they are growing in the lawn. If the lawn is fertilized on a regular basis, pecan trees usually get their nitrogen that way. To determine if nitrogen is needed, look at the last two or three years growth (it should be at least 6 to 9 inches of growth each year.) To determine annual growth, look at several limbs starting at the tip and tracing back down the stem. Search for a compressed series of lines called the bud scale scar. This series of tight little lines indicates where the growth ended one year and began the next. (For more information on this process, call the Extension office for a copy of the publication called "Fertilizing Woody Ornamentals," L-1097.)

Zinc is the other necessary nutrient that may need to be added. This minor nutrient is often unavailable in the high pH of area alkaline soils. Zinc deficiency in pecan trees causes small distorted leaves, bunched or rosette-like growth, stunted new growth, and yellow and brown spots in the leaves. Zinc must be applied as foliar sprays to the newly forming leaves in the spring. Soil applications of zinc are quickly tied up and provide no benefits. Young pecan trees can actually be sprayed every two weeks from bud break to August, while mature trees can be sprayed one to five times beginning at bud break.

Pruning is very important during the first seven to 12 years of a pecan tree's life. This kind of pruning is called training, and actually involves shaping the tree by training the central leader (main trunk) and permanent scaffold branches. Permanent scaffold branches are selected for proper placement and wide angle for strength, and temporary branches are gradually removed. Training is essential for a tree to develop a strong framework that can withstand the weight of a heavy nut load, ice and snow, and high winds.

Mature pecan trees require maintenance pruning to remove dead, damaged and weak wood, as well as branches that are too crowded, have narrow branch angles, crossed and rubbing limbs, and low limbs that interfere with walks, drives and houses.

Don't allow anyone to top or strip the main branches of a mature pecan tree. Most of us are aware of the damage that topping can cause, but stripping limbs is another damaging practice that has developed over the last several years. It involves removing almost all of the lateral branches from the main scaffold branches, leaving behind a tree stripped of all its interior branches (except the major scaffold branches). All that remains are tufts of branches at the ends of the limbs. Pruning like this removes much of the fruiting wood that would otherwise leaf out and provide food and shading to the tree, and exposes major limbs to strong sunlight that can cause sunscald.

Water is a critical need of pecan trees. They need 1 to 2 inches of water every week from pollination to shucksplit, May to October. Water shortages during any stage of pecan development can cause poorly filled nuts, stick tights, leaf burn, defoliation and other problems.

Water also is important during dry winter and spring months. If needed, irrigate trees two or three times in the winter and every week or two in the spring. Observe soil types, exposure, age of tree, weather conditions and other factors to know when to water.

Water, like nitrogen fertilizer, needs to be applied in the dripline and under the canopy. Placing a water hose at the trunk of a mature tree does very little good for a large pecan tree.

If you're planning to have pecan trees in your yard, consider these facts:

- Pecans grow very large — too large for many landscapes.
- Try to place it in the backyard so it will serve as a backdrop for your property.
- Pecans get aphids, which excrete honeydew, a sticky, shiny substance, that is a mess and a nuisance. Since aphids are next to impossible to control, plant pecan trees away from patio, drive or walks.
- Consider if you really want to have to spray zinc every spring. If shade is your primary consideration, maybe a shade tree would be a better and less demanding choice.

Pecan varieties recommended for this area include Western, Tejas, Caddo, Sioux, Burkett, Cheyenne, Desirable, Wichita or seedlings. Avoid Mohawk, Kiowa, Choctaw, Cherokee, Chickasaw and Shoshoni.

For more information contact the Extension Service for a copy of "Home Nut Production: Pecans," B-5001.

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When chips are down, use more accurate paint sample

By Frances Ingraham
Hearst News Service

ALBANY, N.Y. — The next time you're standing in front of a paint chip display case, don't surrender to frustration and a fear of color failure.

There are several ways in which you can tell what these postage-size chips of color will look like on surfaces thousands of times their size.

"Most people learn what a color will look like through bitter experience," said historic preservation architect John Mesick, of Mesick, Cohen, Wilson & Baker in Albany.

"You can start by selecting a color you really like from a magazine, photograph or swatch of fabric. But then you'll need a chip large enough to assess what the result will be."

Paint dealers are learning the micro-size chips of 1/2 inch by 1-7/8 inches are too small to get a true sense of color value. Many are now making them in somewhat larger sizes that range from 1-7/8 inches by 2 inches to 2-/2 inches square. A few companies are even making an 8-1/2x11-inch chip.

One way to create a large chip is to take several of the same chip cards from the store and tape the color chip you desire together into one large sample.

Mesick suggested another method for checking out a color: Instead of painting a section of the wall, paint a portable chip on a 4x4-foot piece of white, lightweight matte board or Sheetrock (which weighs about 15 pounds) and carry the color from room to room or area to area within one room.

YOU CAN ALSO test a color by buying a quart-size container of paint that you think you'll like for a room, and depending on the space you are painting, make a 2-, 3-, or 4-foot by 2-, 3-, or 4-foot test on the surface you plan to paint.

It's easier to buy a $15 quart of paint to test a color on a large patch of wall space than it is to spend $200 just to find out you made a mistake by selecting the wrong color based on a small paint chip, according to Molly McKinney, a colorist with Adler Brothers in Providence, R.I.

"We mail out 3-ounce Pratt & Lambert paint samples to our customers for $2 plus $10 for shipping and handling," said McKinney. "This way, you have more than 1,200 colors to choose from without making a costly dent in your decorating budget."

Arnie Adams, general manager of Miller Paint in Albany, said a quart will cover approximately 100 square feet, compared to a gallon, which will cover about 400 square feet. It can vary, depending on the absorption factor of the surface you are painting, such as something with several layers of wallpaper on it or a soft dry wood.

Mesick suggests living with a choice of color for a few days, so that it is viewed in natural daylight on sunny and cloudy days and at night, under various artificial lighting conditions.

"You'll be amazed at how different a color can look," said Mesick. "Don't forget that when you originally select a paint color it's under fluorescent lighting. The lighting in your home is different. Most often it's incandescent, except for the kitchen and bath, which may be fluorescent. So it's important that you check the color out under the lighting conditions that you live with."

WHEN ROLLING the color on a white background, such as a wall or matte board, it will look incredibly bright because of the contrast between the two, Mesick said. A color will appear darker on a window wall than it will on the wall across from the windows, because of the direct light.

"Something as simple as a wooden floor can affect how the wall color will look," Mesick said. "If light is absorbed (such as with black or any deep-colored flooring) or reflected (by light wood, carpeting or white marble flooring), it will also shift the appearance of a color. Combine blue walls with a yellow oak floor and your walls will appear to have a greenish tint." If you're using a shade of white, you can test its hue by holding it next to a sheet of white paper.

Colors with a gloss finish will appear darker and show up any imperfections in the painted surface. In order to see what a color will look like in a gloss, try licking the chip or place a piece of shiny tape over it, said Adams.

"When you choose a color, you should realize that a dark color is going to look darker than the paint chip once you get it up on a large surface," he said. "And pastel colors are going to look lighter. Some colors, like yellow, are going to look even brighter in sunlight. So you might want to go one shade lighter in the color yellow you want."

Adams stressed that it's always easier and less costly to darken a color than it is to lighten one. It takes more white to lighten a color than it does tint to darken a color.

"Use a tinted primer first to cover a dark color before painting it with a lighter color," said Adams. "You may find that you'll need fewer top coats. The tinted primer will also give you an idea of what the final color will look like. If the final color you chose is off and doesn't match what you want, bring it back to the store and have the tint adjusted."

Adams added that semi-gloss and high-gloss paints are easier to keep clean. Therefore, they should be used for high-traffic areas, where there's apt to be a lot of handprints, such as for doors and windows. And if when you're finished painting you decide you don't like the color? No problem you can always go back to the paint chips and try again.

Buying couch is lesson in life

By Diego Ribadeneira
N.Y. Times News Service

I can't believe it. I'm buying a couch. Swatches of material are scattered on the wooden table. Bright colors, mostly reds. So many shades of just one color.

My wife's eyes sparkle as they dance across the swatches. She places one, some shade of dark red, against a piece of folk art from Mexico — a village festival scene in reds, oranges, and yellows. She's brought it along to make sure the couch we buy looks just so in our new home.

"What do you think about this one, honey?" she asks.

"It looks pretty nice."

"But that's what you said about the other one," she says, an annoyed edge to her voice. "This is a big decision we're making. I wish you'd show a little more enthusiasm."

THIS IS my life. Or, more precisely, this is my new life. Last November my wife and I moved into a bright blue Colonial-style home we built about 30 miles south of Boston. It's a spacious four-bedroom house that sits on nearly three-quarters of an acre of land.

Had I lost my mind? It seemed so adult. It seemed like I had checked off a big item on life's to-do list: get married, buy a house, have kids. At 32, it was time to grow up. I already had a beautiful, wonderful wife. Now I had this wonderful, beautiful house. Life was great. Right? Not quite.

On this early winter day on the first floor of the Crate & Barrel furniture store about a mile outside Harvard Square, my American dream felt more like a nightmare. The house felt less like a hard-earned prize than an albatross.

As the afternoon slipped away and I daydreamed about what else I could be doing — namely, watching football — it dawned on me that being a homeowner meant much more than owning a big wooden box and my own piece of the Earth. It meant I was crossing — or maybe being shoved across — one of life's bridges.

One part of my life was ending; another beginning. The crossing has been hard. I still haven't made it safely to other side.

The house meant everything I spent a chunk of my adulthood avoiding — commitment, responsibility, materialism.

It's taken a long time, many failed relationships and an angel to get me over my dread of commitment. Now I have this new commitment — a 30-year mortgage. My retirement party and mortgage-burning party could be held the same day. I went years without a lease. Now I've got a legal document dangling over my head for almost a third of a century.

Being a renter for 11 years meant not having to worry if the hot water heater exploded or the refrigerator suffered a fatal breakdown or the oven wouldn't bake my frozen pizza.

Mr. Landlord was my best friend. He let me be lazy: not have to worry about the state of my bachelor pad. I spent Sunday reading the newspaper, drinking coffee, watching television.

Now I'm the landlord. Now there is no real free time. I make free time by deciding to not do something. To not mow the lawn. To not clean the fireplace. To not wash the clothes.

And then there's this vast empty shell that needs filling. We need stuff, lots of stuff — colorful art, large leafy houseplants, an eight-bit power drill. I have become the materialistic person I vowed never to be. I have embraced the commercialism I always detested. Home Depot is my temple.

My wife doesn't quite understand. Maybe it's because I keep all this inside me most of the time. I don't want to anger her or make her feel bad. She grew up in a house. I spent my first 18 years in an apartment. She has great taste. I owned a lime green carpet. She custom-frames paintings. I had posters of Bob Marley and the Brooklyn Bridge taped to my walls until I was 30.

I DO CARE. It does matter. I like the plush red couch to sink into and watch sports. I like the polished wood dining room table. I like the framed sketching of the Brooklyn Bridge that is now a work of art instead of something that belongs in a college dorm.

I do care. I like what the house has done for our marriage. The house has helped turn me and my wife more into we. We must decide what window shades to pick. We must decide what flowers to plant. The house has been my teacher. It's not just about me anymore. It's about us. I learn every day how a house becomes a home.

It's a warm evening. I'm driving home. The sun, a brilliant, orange ball, is sinking as I pull onto the street where we live. I round the curve. The house sits on a small hill. My pulse quickens. "Is that really mine?"

I pull into the two-car garage.

I press the button that makes the garage door slide down. I step into the vestibule. The dying sunlight pours into the family room making everything brighter.

I turn my head. The couch looks fire engine red. "That's a damn fine couch."

DEAR ABBY

Girlfriend questions ex-wife's presence at family gatherings

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: I am living with a guy (I'll call him Ron) who has an ex-wife and three kids. Whenever there is a family reunion or any kind of family gathering, Ron's ex-wife is invited. I do not like this woman and feel very uncomfortable around her.



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Abby, since they have been divorced for nearly five years, she is no longer a part of Ron's family. I realize she's the mother of his children and they are a part of the family, but SHE is not.

I am divorced myself. The only thing my ex and I have in common is our son, and I never get invited to his family affairs, nor do I even think about going. What do you think about this? — HAD IT WITH FAMILY AFFAIRS

DEAR HAD IT: Apparently Ron's ex-wife has maintained a friendlier relationship with her former family than you have with yours. Therefore, if you are going to attend reunions and other family gatherings with your live-in guy, you had better learn to tolerate her presence.

DEAR ABBY: What does one do with wedding pictures after a divorce? My daughter has given me strict orders that she doesn't want to look at them again.

These are large wedding portraits that include many family members along with the once bride and groom. Some of the relatives have passed away and the photographs are precious to me.

I hope you can help me. — CALIFORNIA READER

DEAR READER: On the backs of the portraits, write the names of those in the pictures and their relationship to you, along with the date they were taken. Then put the pictures away. They are part of your family history and some of your relatives may want them someday.

DEAR ABBY: I had been happily married to "Jake" for six years. Then last year, things started to go downhill. His sister committed suicide. I suppose I could have been more supportive, but I've never had anybody close to me die before and I couldn't handle it.

Soon after, I found alcohol hidden in cabinets, which means that Jake, who had been sober for 10 years, had started drinking again.

One night, one of his female coworkers took him out and got him drunk. He said all he remembers is waking up in her bed. To his credit, he came home and admitted what he had done. Naturally, I kicked him out.

A week later, Jake collapsed on the job and was taken to the hospital where they found cancer all through his body. I rushed to his side. He begged me to forgive him and promised to stop drinking and to work hard at our marriage for his remaining months.

I don't know what to do. I still love him, but I don't want to get hurt again. He has broken promises before, but I just can't let him die alone. Please help me, Abby. — TORN APART

DEAR TORN: Please open your heart and your arms to your dying husband. You will never regret it.

DEAR READERS: Last year I printed a letter from a California mother who wanted to share a letter she and her husband had received from their daughter the night before her wedding. It read:

"Dearest Parents: On our wedding day, as my husband and I take our vows and make promises to each other, I make this promise to you as well. Even as I take him into my heart and life, I promise to keep you, parents dear, in my heart and life always.

"On this day, know that our love is not divided; it is multiplied, and you are embraced with the full measure of love and promises that he and I share here today.

"For I know that I am able to love and cherish him so much because you loved and cherished me first."

I recently received the following letter from a Waterford, Mich., reader. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: You published a letter a couple received as a gift from their daughter the night before her wedding, and you responded that it was a beautiful tribute to them and that they had raised a winner.

I wept when I read the words of the letter, as I did when I first wrote them a few years ago. I am an owner of the Victoria Wedding Chapel in Waterford, Mich. The tribute was written by me with my own precious mother in mind — to sell as a scroll to brides at my chapel. It is now also sold by I Do Ltd., a mail-order firm in Newport Beach, Calif., from whom I receive royalties.

Although the California bride may have copied my words, it does not diminish her sincerity, for I have always known that the thousands of brides across the country who have purchased my scroll must have an extraordinary love and appreciation for their mothers or parents.

I wrote not so much to claim credit for the words, but because my own dear parents, Florence and Edwin Ostrander of Pontiac, Mich., both now gone, deserve the ultimate tribute. Indeed, I am a winner, for they instilled in me such love and gratitude that I was able to write words that touch the hearts of many brides, and among the thousands of letters you receive, touched you as well.

Abby, please set things straight, and let the world know about my wonderful parents. — SHARON OSTRANDER REED

DEAR SHARON: Please accept my apology for any pain that was caused you because someone else claimed credit for your beautiful essay. Your parents raised a very special daughter, and your words have inspired countless brides and deeply touched their parents.

Readers who quote the writings of others should always remember to credit the author.

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Yes, you can ... mix fabric. Florals, stripes and prints, left, in the same color hues can be mixed in a room. Textures and time periods are mixed, above, when a classic chair is combined with a contemporary tablecloth and ethnic serape fabric. There are plenty of books, below, and swatches available to give decorators the tools they need to transform a room from blah to beautiful.



Getting personal with home decor

■ Ready to spruce up for spring? Midland agricultural extension office is ready to help with the seminar "A Look Within: A Home Furnishings Seminar." Decorating experts will be on hand to make magic with color and textiles.

Ground Hog Day is over — can Spring Cleaning Season be far behind?

If winter is the season for hibernation, so to speak, then spring is the time to clean out the cave — or the closets, shelves and cabinets at least — and let some light and air back into the house.

And if it's almost time to clean things up and weed things out, it's also time to consider lining the "nest" with a new look.

Texas Agricultural Extension Service can help there. "A Look Within: A Home Furnishings Seminar," will be presented Feb. 21 at Midland Exhibit Building, 2445 E. Business Loop 20, in Midland. The all-day event will open with registration at 9 a.m., and continue through several sessions until wrap-up at 3 p.m. Cost to attend is $20 in advance, and $25 at the door. Lunch is included.

Attendees will get to attend concurrent sessions, covering such home decor topics as upholstery, house plants, beds and windows, accessories, antiques and floral design.

Linda Burchfield, Ph.D., Crane County extension agent, will conduct a seminar on "What Does Your Home Say About You," which is designed to teach attendees how to let their own personalities shine through their homes' decor.

And don't let that thought scare you, she said. The process doesn't have to be expensive. "It depends on ... what you want and what your budget can afford," Ms. Burchfield explained. "My philosophy is, always buy the best quality your budget can afford."

One way to get the most value for your budget is to learn the difference between "fad or fashion," she said. "Lots of fads (come and go), but stick with styles that will be there forever." As an example of these lasting styles, Ms. Burchfield, said, "Everyone thought the 'county look' would ... be in and out, but it's probably going to end up staying because it allows for a different (look in home furnishings). Everybody doesn't want formal."

Marian Farr, family and consumer science agent for Midland County, said the seminar was designed to appeal to "anybody and everybody."

"From young brides to ... senior citizens who are scaling down," maybe because they are moving from large homes into smaller apartments or retirement communities, Ms. Burchfield agreed.

"It's for people with big bucks to spend, to people on a limited budget," added Ms. Farr.

Highlights of the event will be sessions with Gene McDaniel of Waverly Fabrics, who will present a talk on "Lifestyles" and "Lifestyles and Color," and Jene Laman, professor of interior design at Southwest Texas State University.

McDaniel attended Parsons School of Design in New York; was head of the design studio and workroom for Titches Department Store in Dallas, the city where he also owned a design studio and workroom from which he has done design work in the United States and even in Saudi Arabia; and is a sales representative for Waverly and Greeff Fabrics. He is a registered interior designer with the Texas Board of Architectural Examiners.

Laman has been coordinator of the Interior Design Program at SWT for 21 years, and is a member of the American Society of Interior Designers, American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences, and Interior Design Educators Council — plus is an artist in handmade paper sculptures that have been shown in museums and galleries.

MS. FARR DESCRIBED the event as "a team effort of family and consumer science (agents) in the district. We hope to make it an annual event."

"We think it's going to be fun."

In addition to Ms. Farr and Ms. Burchfield, other family and consumer science agents in District IV who will be helping at the seminar are Brenda Rue, Andrews County; Jane Sager, Brewster, Jeff Davis and Terrell Counties; Naomi Hunt, El Paso County; Angel Walls, Glasscock County; Dana Tarter, Howard County; Kathryn Burch, Martin County; Sherri Webb-Barton, Midland County; Susan Bennett, Pecos County; Marie Cardenas, Reeves/Loving County; Richi Hargrove, Upton County; Christina Nass, Val Verde County; and Doris Thompson, Winkler County.





Striped wallpaper, above, adds elegance to any room. It is especially popular in dens and in more masculine settings. Prints and stripes harmonize to dress up a bed, left.

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Pitchers, catchers report to camps

By Ben Walker
AP Baseball Writer

PHOENIX — So, where were we?

Moises Alou, Kevin Brown and Robb Nen were winning the World Series for the Florida Marlins.

The Milwaukee Brewers were playing in the American League. Pedro Martinez was in Montreal, Chuck Knoblauch in Minnesota and Kenny Lofton in Atlanta.

Davey Johnson still had a job. The Tampa Bay Devil Rays and Arizona Diamondbacks didn't have any players, not really.

Has it really been just 108 days since Edgar Renteria's two-out single in the bottom of the 11th inning ended Game 7 in Miami?

Now, it's time for the sweetest sound of spring. No, not the shush of the Olympic bobsleds nor the swish of Michael Jordan's jumper.

Those magic words that baseball fans wait all winter to hear: It's time for pitchers and catchers to report to spring training.

When camps start opening Thursday — the Marlins, Cleveland and Cincinnati will be the first to get going — much of the major league landscape will have changed.

When the Marlins, who shed 12 members of their 25-man World Series roster in a salary purge, play the first exhibition game of the year Feb. 25, many of the differences will be readily apparent.

There will be 30 teams this season. The expansion Diamondbacks and Devil Rays are well-stocked with familiar names, too.

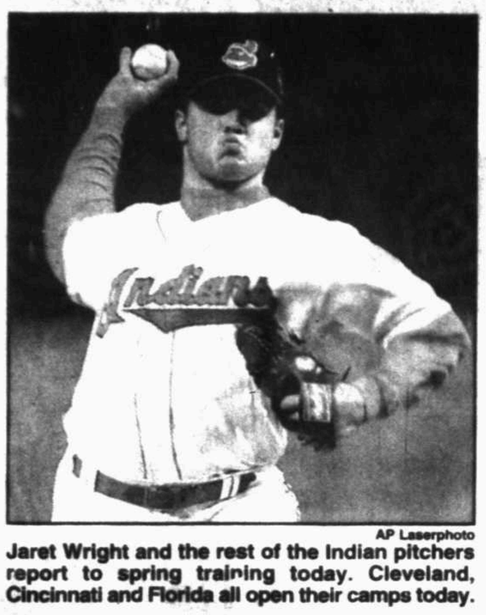
Arizona signed Andy Benes and Jay Bell and traded for Matt Williams and Devon White, while Tampa Bay signed Roberto Hernandez, Wilson Alvarez and Wade Boggs and traded for Fred McGriff.

Good enough to contend for a playoff spot? Maybe not, but in an era in which the Marlins zoomed from novices to No. 1 in only five years, anything is possible, especially when big bucks are involved.

"We're not going to be a typical expansion team by any stretch of the imagination," Arizona owner Jerry Colangelo said.

The Diamondbacks will head two hours south of Phoenix and train in Tucson, Ariz., and the Devil Rays will work out at St. Petersburg, Fla., just a few minutes from their home field.

Several clubs will be in new places this spring. The Chicago White Sox left Sarasota, Fla., and shifted to Tucson, while the Cincinnati Reds packed up from Plant City, Fla., and moved into Sarasota.



AP Laserphoto

Jaret Wright and the rest of the Indian pitchers report to spring training today. Cleveland, Cincinnati and Florida all open their camps today.

The St. Louis Cardinals left St. Petersburg and will share a camp in Jupiter, Fla., with the Montreal Expos, who had been in West Palm Beach. The Atlanta Braves also left West Palm and will take up residence at the Disney Wide World of Sports complex in Kissimmee, Fla., near the entrance to the Magic Kingdom.

The Brewers will change suburbs in Phoenix, leaving Chandler and moving to Maryvale. Milwaukee already has shifted from the AL to the NL, marking the first team in the majors to change leagues since the 1892 season.

The Detroit Tigers also made a move, going from the AL East to the AL Central. That let Tampa Bay take its geographically correct spot in the AL East, and Arizona will join the NL West.

Not all of baseball's top players will be in action right away, however.

All-Star catcher Todd Hundley may miss the entire year because of elbow trouble and former Cy Young winner John Smoltz is expected to start the season on the disabled list because of elbow surgery.

NL MVP Larry Walker also is having elbow trouble, and ace pitchers David Cone and Kevin Appier are taking it easy. Florida pitcher Alex Fernandez will be sidelined the whole season after a torn rotator cuff finished him in the NL playoffs — at least he remained on the roster, unlike Alou, Brown, Nen, White, Al Leiter, Jeff Conine and a half-dozen others.

Brett Butler, Eddie Murray and Ryne Sandberg retired. But career saves leader Lee Smith, who retired last July, is trying a comeback with the Royals.

"I don't like sitting around doing nothing. I'm going to have to play some ball so I can relax a little bit," Smith said.

Many other big-name players have new addresses.

Martinez, the NL Cy Young winner, was traded from Montreal to Boston and signed a record $75 million, six-year contract. The Twins, who may move out of Minneapolis after this season, traded Knoblauch to the New York Yankees and Cleveland re-acquired Lofton.

Among others on the move: Darryl Kile left Houston and signed with Colorado, Marquis Grissom was traded from Cleveland to Milwaukee, Randy Myers left Baltimore and signed with Toronto and Andres Galarraga exited Colorado and signed with Atlanta. Also, Jose Canseco left Oakland for Toronto and Cecil Fielder moved from the Yankees to Anaheim.

Among the young players to watch: Todd Helton (Colorado), Paul Konerko (Los Angeles), Carl Pavano (Montreal), Ben Grieve (Oakland) and free agent Orlando "El Duque" Hernandez, a Cuban refugee and older brother of World Series MVP Livan Hernandez of the Marlins.

The roster of managers has changed. So might the strike zone as umpires, once again, are pushed to call higher strikes and speed up games.

Ray Miller got the job in Baltimore after AL Manager of the Year Davey Johnson left in a feud with Orioles owner Peter Angelos. Marlins coach Jerry Manuel was hired by the White Sox and Tim Johnson took over in Toronto.

Buck Showalter will be back on the field, after a two-year absence, in Arizona. Former Marlins pitching coach Larry Rothschild will lead the Devil Rays.

For sure, a whole lot of changes in what seemed like an incredibly short offseason. For some, though, the down time was still too much.

"I was ready to go in November," said Yankees pitcher Willie Banks, who made a late-season splash. "To be honest, I couldn't wait to get going again."

U.S. soccer team achieves landmark win

By Ken Peters
AP Sports Writer

LOS ANGELES — Times sure have changed in soccer.

United States 1, Brazil 0.

Until Tuesday night, the notion of the Americans beating the world's superpower was folly.

"A defeat to be ashamed of," read a headline Wednesday in the Rio daily O Globo.

"Nightmare in the wee hours," blared the sporting daily Lance, referring to the game's 2 a.m. starting time in Brazil. "What nobody believed could happen, happened."

The United States had been 0-8 against Brazil before Tuesday night's victory in the CONCACAF Gold Cup, the biennial championship of soccer's North and Central American and Caribbean region.

"It states we can play with anyone in the world, and on occasion, beat the best in the world," U.S. coach Steve Sampson said. "I think a lot of people are going to pay a lot more respect to the United States. ... We've made enormous strides. Is it like winning a Super Bowl? No, not yet. It's just not that way in this country. But we hope the sport will continue to grow."

The four-time World Cup champions knocked the Americans out of the 1994 World Cup with a 1-0 victory in the second round and hadn't allowed a goal to the United States since 1930. The eight prior games included a 10-0 rout in 1963.

Not that the rest of the world had done much better. Since winning the 1994 World Cup at the Rose Bowl in nearby Pasadena, Brazil had been 46-2-10.

But Preki Radosavljevic scored on a booming left-footed shot from about 23 yards out 10 minutes into the second half, and goalkeeper Kasey Keller made half a dozen outstanding saves, stopping 1994 World Cup MVP Romario four times in the first half alone.

Not bad for a country that spent decades as a soccer doormat. The United States didn't even qualify for the World Cup — soccer's top event — from 1950 to 1990.

"It's a tremendous occasion for U.S. soccer, and it helps give us a lot of respect coming into the World Cup," said Keller, who in all stopped six shots by Romario, including two on breakaways.

It wasn't Brazil's best lineup — about half the regular starters were missing, including Ronaldo, the two-time FIFA world player of the year. But, as former U.S. coach Bora Milutinovic says, "Brazil is Brazil."

"If we had played like this with our main team, then I would be hanging my head," said Brazil coach Mario Zagallo, who no doubt will receive harsh criticism in coming weeks. "As it is, I'm not worried."

Keller had just arrived from England, where he plays for Leicester in the Premier League, and was coming off shutouts of Manchester United and Liverpool, among Europe's most prestigious clubs.

"I think it has to rate as the single greatest performance by a goalkeeper in the history of U.S. soccer, certainly since I've been with the national team," said Sampson, who joined as an assistant coach in 1993.

When Keller, who grew up on an egg farm in Lacey, Wash., made one save of a Romario shot from point-blank range, the Brazilian forward shook his head in disbelief.



AP Laserphoto

Members of Team USA celebrate after defeating Brazil in soccer for the first time ever. They beat the powerful Brazilians, 1-0, during CONCACAF Gold Cup play late Tuesday night in Los Angeles.

"We definitely had a little luck," Keller said. "They weren't the strongest that we've seen them, but that doesn't take away from our performance."

Radosavljevic, a native of Yugoslavia who honed his skills in American indoor soccer, was Major League Soccer's MVP last season and had scored against Costa Rica on Saturday to put the U.S. team in the semifinals.

Five minutes after entering the game as a substitute early in the second half, Radosavljevic took a perfect pass from Eric Wynalda just outside the penalty area, faked right, slid to his left, did a stutter step and one-timed the ball just inside the near post. Goalkeeper Claudio Taffarel had no chance.

The United States has won six straight games for the first time. The Americans tied their record unbeaten streak at nine and can break it Sunday against Mexico or Jamaica in the Gold Cup final.

But even if the Americans don't win the title, they gained immeasurable confidence as they prepare for this summer's World Cup in France, where they open against European champion Germany on June 15.

Tuesday night's win ranks among the best for the United States, just behind the 1-0 upset of England in the 1950 World Cup and alongside a 2-1 victory over Columbia in the '94 World Cup and a 2-1 win over England in the U.S. Cup '93 tournament.

"It's an historic moment for the U.S., and we all recognize this," Sampson said. "But these guys want more — they want a championship on Sunday."

Arizona locks up Swann for five more years

Associated Press

TEMPE, Ariz. — The Arizona Cardinals can begin planning for '98 with No. 98, re-signing defensive tackle Eric Swann to a five-year, $25 million contract Wednesday.

The deal, which includes a $7.5 million signing bonus, makes Swann the highest-paid player in the franchise's 78-year history and one of the NFL's richest linemen.

"The deal is done. It's signed and delivered and I'm a Cardinal for the rest of my life," Swann said at a news conference. "Hopefully, I can retire as a Cardinal. I want to be around here when we make the playoffs and win the Super Bowl."

That might be wishful thinking considering the Cardinals were 4-12 last season, haven't had a winning record since 1984 and haven't qualified for the playoffs in a non-strike year since 1975.

"We're going to turn this program around," said Swann, who made $3.5 million last season. "We had a lot of close losses last year, but we have an exciting offense with Jake Plummer and there's a hunger already to start the season.

"There's a strong message out there that this organization is committed to winning. There's a great belief that we'll be a winner. The Cardinals are doing everything possible to bring the right people in here."

Swann, the team's designated franchise player, became an unrestricted free agent after last season along with 20 other Cardinals.

Arizona made re-signing Swann a top priority.

"He's the No. 1 free agent, as far as we were concerned," said Bob Ferguson, the team's vice president of player personnel. "Eric's a major cornerstone of this team. He's our home-grown player and this should turn our team around and point us in the right direction."

The 6-foot-5, 313-pound Swann, who went to the Pro Bowl in 1995 and 1996, led Arizona in sacks (7 1/2) and tackles for losses (9) last season.

He also ranked second in solo tackles (60 1/2) and tied for the team lead with two forced fumbles despite missing three games with a hamstring injury and dislocated left ring finger.

■ NFL Briefs

Jaguars' Johnson may be dealt to Bills

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. — Rob Johnson, the Jacksonville Jaguars' promising young backup quarterback, is expected to be traded to the Buffalo Bills before the weekend.

Sources told The Associated Press the Bills are willing to surrender their first- and fourth-round picks in the upcoming draft for Johnson, whose value rose considerably since last season.

The deal cannot be completed before the trading period begins Friday. If it does not go through by then, the Bills would withdraw their offer for the 24-year-old quarterback.

"There's no question we've had discussions," Jaguars vice president of football operations Michael Huyghue said. "Friday is the first day this can happen legally. I don't know if I can add much more than that."

Sources from both sides said it would take a major snag in talks for the deal to fall apart. Johnson is expected to undergo a physical in Buffalo and could be introduced by the Bills on Friday.

Buffalo has been looking for a reliable quarterback since Jim Kelly retired after the 1996 season. Johnson would almost be assured of being the starter when training camp opens in July.

Jacksonville, which also has the 25th pick overall, has been looking to package the two first-round picks in hopes of moving up and selecting cornerback Charles Woodson, the Heisman Trophy winner from Michigan.

Johnson was a backup behind Mark Brunell for the last three years. He has only one NFL start, which came in the season opener against Baltimore last year while Brunell recovered from a knee injury.

Todd Collins, Alex Van Pelt and Billy Joe Hobert all struggled last season for Buffalo, which finished 6-10. The Bills signed Doug Flutie last month and still have Collins and Van Pelt. None of them are likely to unseat Johnson.

Bengals make Wilkinson franchise player

CINCINNATI — The Cincinnati Bengals designated defensive lineman Dan Wilkinson as their franchise player Wednesday, a move that upset the former No. 1 draft pick.

Wilkinson, the top overall pick in the 1994 draft, wanted a multi-year contract to stay in Cincinnati. The Bengals' decision means he will stay another year for less than he had sought — the club was required to offer him $3 million as its franchise player.

The decision also restricts his freedom as a free agent. Another team can offer more, but would have to give up two first-round draft picks to lure Wilkinson away — a prohibitive price.

"He wasn't happy about it and really doesn't want to discuss it any further," said James Gould, Wilkinson's agent.

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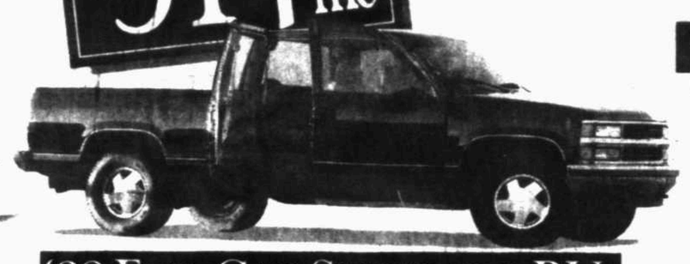


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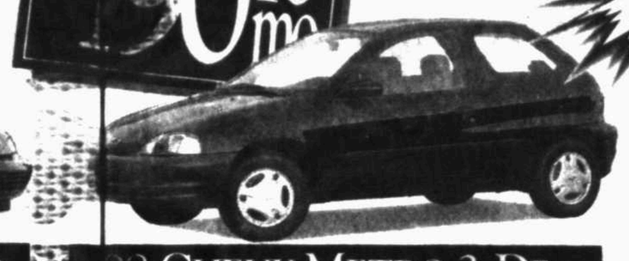
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FIBERGLASS PRODUCTION Personnel. All phases of production, gel coater, chopper gun operators, and rollers. Call Viking Pools, 561-9933.

FOR RESUMES that get results call 699-1919. Professional, quick service, affordable. Evening & weekend appointments available.

FULL TIME Billboard Leasing Agent. Must be self motivated and detail orientated. Company benefits include: car allowance, health insurance, 401K and paid holidays. Send resume to: Martin Outdoor, 1011 S. Garfield, Midland, TX 79701 EOE M/F

FURNITURE MOVERS with experience. Heavy lifting and Class C drivers license required. Leave name /number (915)553-1464.

GROUNDS KEEPER needed. Large apartment community. Pool certificate required and some knowledge of sprinkler system. Energetic and enthusiastic. Drug testing and criminal history check required. Call 689-9865 for appointment.

HOUSEKEEPER NEEDED. Must be quality oriented and have references. Apply in person Motel 6, 1000 S. Midkiff, Midland, Texas. No phone calls please.

HOUSEKEEPER WANTED. 3 Days/ Week, 8 am- 3 pm. Duties to include: Laundry and Cleaning. References required. Please send resume to: PO Box 53, Midland, Texas 79702.

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24 Hour * Job Hotline
520-4053 ext. 371

LOCAL SURVEYING Co. needs a rodman, and experienced instrument man. Send resume to: Box PJ-3011, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

LOUNGE- Kenny's Texas Saloon, now hiring experienced Bartenders and Waitstaff. Prefer TABC certified. If you like to work hard and have fun in a great place, apply in person after 4 pm, 4400 N. Big Spring Street, Midland.

METAL STUD Framers, sheet rockers & helpers. Please apply at Midland International Airport, new Terminal building.

MOTORCOACH COMPANY- looking for director of tour department. Would need to package, market and escort group tours. Wage and benefit package negotiable based upon experience. Call 561-8526.

RESPONSIBLE LOVING Christians are needed to care for young children in the nursery program at FPC. Part time hours include, Sunday mornings, weekdays and/ or some evenings. Previous nursery experience a plus. Contact FPC 684-7821.

310 General Help Wanted

RAPIDLY GROWING telephone/ Computer company is now accepting applications fir the following positions: Business Telephone System/ Service Person, Computer Network Installer/ service person, Business Telephone and Computer Salespersons. Applications are being accepted between 3- 5 pm, Monday- Friday at 5308 Andrews Hwy, Odessa, Texas.

REPRESENTATIVES

Needed- sell Avon part time- full time. Great earnings. Call Verla 520–0119. Independent Rep.

RESTAURANT

We Want to Work With You

Reliable full and part- time co-workers needed. We are willing to work with good people, offering competitive wages, benefits, and very flexible scheduling! No experience needed, we are looking to train! Be sure to ask about our education assistance program. Apply in person Monday- Friday, 3 pm.

Golden Corral
4709 N. Midkiff
Midland, TX 79705

RESTAURANT- Experienced wait staff needed at The Bar. Inquire Monday through Friday between 8:30 & 10:30 or 1:30 to 4pm. 606 W. Missouri. 685-1757.

RESTAURANT- Luby's now accepting applications. Apply 8-10 am only. EOE.

RESTAURANT- Michael's Charcoal Grill now hiring 11 am- 2 pm Counter help. Apply in person, 4317 W. Illinois.

RESTAURANT- Waitstaff, lunches only, great tips. Kitchen Prep- Lunches only. Apply in person, Mr. Reuben's Restaurant, 3205 W Cuthbert.

SALVATION ARMY Daycare seeking part- time Teachers and Cook. We will train. Diploma or GED needed. Apply in person, 3500 Park Lane, Midland.

STATION ATTENDANT- no experience necessary, must have verifiable work references. Apply in person 808 S. Big Spring, Midland.

TELEMARKETERS needed at Olan Mills. Call Lillian Smith at 915-694-2235, 1pm- 9 pm, Monday- Friday.

THE PETROLEUM Club of Midland is now accepting applications for the positions of Waiters, Waitresses & Bussers. Experience preferred, but will train the right individuals. Top wage and benefits package available. Full & part time positions. Apply in person, Monday- Friday, 9:30- 1:30, 501 W Wall Street.

TRANSPORT & Vacuum Truck Drivers needed. Drug testing and Class A CDL required. Apply in person Midkiff Transport Inc., 6601 FM 715, Midland or call 682-2405.

TRUCK DRIVER needed with experience. Good pay, willingness to go anywhere. Call (915)756-3353.

WANTED: Experienced Mixer Drivers. CDL, Health Card. Drug & Alcohol screen required. Inquire at: Troy Vines Inc., 2817 Rankin Hwy.

WELDERS. Taking applications for Single- Hand Welders/ Fabricators, experienced with MIG, TIG and Stick welding on carbon and stainless. Must pass 6-G welding test and Drug/ Alcohol test. Call Harold at 362-4666.

311 Medical Help Wanted

*** CNA'S ***

New healthcare Administrator Glyndon Ruth Kimbrough at Manor Park, Inc. is accepting applications for CNA's for the following shifts: 6 am- 2 pm and 2- 10 pm in the nursing home unit. The right candidate(s) must be Texas certified, dedicated to and enjoy caring for the elderly. Excellent working environment and benefits. Applications can be completed at 2208 N. Loop 250 West, Midland, Texas 79707 and returned to the attention of Donna Parker. EOE M/F

311 Medical Help Wanted

COME BACK TO ACUTE CARE

RN's, LVN's and PCT's Needed

*Individualized Transition
*Orientation

PCT	3PM- 11PM
RN	Med/ Surg
LVN	Med/ Surg
RN	Pediatrics
LVN	Pediatrics
RN	ICU, 7 AM- &PM
RN	ICU, 7 PM- 7 AM

*Texas License Required
*Experience Preferred

For more information contact the Odessa Regional Hospital Human Resources Department at 334-8397. EOE.

Nursefinders
For Staff Relief:
RNs up to $37.50
LVNs up to $30.00
ICU, ER, Telemetry
Referral Bonus, Daily Pay. We provide Workman's Comp., and Liability Insurance.
Sign On Bonus $200!
570-8082

SAN ANGELO STATE SCHOOL IS NOW INTERVIEWING FOR NURSE PRACTITIONERS. Must be licensed to practice in the State of Texas, and have an approval letter from the TSBNE to use the appropriate nursing specialty title, plus graduation from a college or university accredited by the TSBNE with a bachelors degree in nursing and a Masters degree in nursing with a clinical specialty specific to a Nurse Practitioner. Salary based on experience. Prefer family practice or adult care practitioner. MHMR experience a plus. State benefits apply. To apply, call (915)465-2220 or fax to (915)465-2898 or write to: San Angelo State School, Human Resource Office, PO Box 38, Carlsbad, TX 76934. AA/ EOE.

BUSY, OUTPATIENT Facility has full and part time openings for EXPERIENCED Medical Assistants or LVN's. Competitive salary & benefits. Send resume to: 4800 E. 42nd Street, Odessa, Texas 79762. Attn: Cathy or call 550-9695.

CNA, 2 CNA's needed for 2-10. We're looking for the best! If this is you, come join our team. Great staff. $5.55/ Hour. Apply in person, Rockwood Manor, 2000 N Main.

CURRIER/ PATIENT TECH

needed for busy Midland Radiology practice. Applicants must have reliable transportation, liability insurance and must be a team player! Please send letter of application to P.O. Box 14303, Odessa, Texas 79768 or fax to: 915-362-1950.

DENTAL ASSISTANT needed for restorative and cosmetic practice. Enthusiastic, caring attitude required. Send resume to P.O. Box 8307, Midland, TX 79708.

DENTAL ASSISTANT- Chairside experience preferred for all aspects of a family dental office. Fun energetic and hard working, 4 day workweek. Send resumes to Box PJ-3013, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

LVN NEEDED every other weekend. Saturday and Sunday, 13 hours per day for busy clinic. Send resume to First Care, 2310 W. Ohio, Midland, TX 79701.

MEDICAL COMPANY Expanding! Top pay. Needed immediately- EMT's, EMT-I's, EMT-P's. Full & Part time positions. Call 570-4892.

MEDICAL- Hiring immediately. RN's, LVN's & CNA's for private and institutional staffing and PRN. Contact Carrie at Interim Health Care, 550-7593.

MEDICAL- Home health agency seeking RN's and LVN's for direct patient care. Home health experience preferred, but not required. Apply in person, InHome Care, 808 W. Indiana, Midland.

311 Medical Help Wanted

NURSING. RN Working with elderly, flexible hours, on call pay, competitive salary and benefits. Fax resume to (806)293-1345.

RN & LVN- Midland Dialysis is accepting applications. Good benefits and salary. If interested contact Barbara Vaughn at 687-1201 or apply 731 W. Wadley, Building K.

RNS NEEDED with IV experience preferred. Contact Archana at Midland Skilled Nursing, 3201 Sage, Midland.

SPECIMEN PROCESSOR, full time MA/ Phlebotomy in Midland/ Odessa area, for laboratory. Computer and Phlebotomy required. Fax resume attention Dianne 1-888-223-8752.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE Case Manager. Functions as intake coordinator, case manager, follow- up worker, and counselor in TCADA funded outpatient substance abuse program. Monday- Friday noon including three evenings to 8:30. Bachelors preferred and LCDC mandatory. Must possess a valid Texas Driver's License and be an insurable driver. Salary to $1836 per month. D.O.E. Apply at Abilene Regional MHMR Center, 2616 S. Clack, Suite 140. Fax (915)690-5136.

WEEKEND RN and other departments needed. Please call Terrace Gardens 694-8831.

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Experienced CAD Draftsmen for established environmental consulting firm. Oil and gas environmental and safety experience preferred but not required. Candidate will receive additional on the job training as a field technician. Salary DOE, paid medical insurance and other benefits. Please send resume to Gary Miller, Highlander Environmental Corp., 1910 N. Big Spring, Midland, Texas 79705. Interviews by appointment only, job history and references required.

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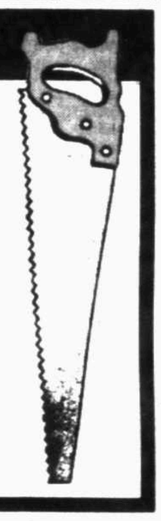
GROWING interior design firm seeks licensed designer. Resourcefulness, enthusiasm, creativity necessary. Responsibilities: multiple projects, specifying, estimating/ budgeting codes, AutoCAD. Requires relocating to Lubbock. Fax resume 806-749-6164.

PARALEGAL Law firm seeks a paralegal with litigation experience. College Degree or completion of a certified paralegal program required. Salary commensurate with experience. Please send your resume to: Box P- 06075, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

TEACHING ASSISTANT for 2 & 3 year olds. Private School. Call 687-4101.

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Midland Chapter of Habitat for Humanity, a Texas Non-Profit Organization, is seeking a dynamic outgoing individual for the position of Executive Director, to supervise and coordinate activities. This is a full time paid position. Applicants should possess a strong dedication to Habitat's Mission: "Building houses in partnership with God's people in need". And be self motivated with strong administrative and communication skills. The position of Executive Director requires daily interaction with partner families, donors, volunteers, church groups, and members of the board of directors. Specific responsibilities include office administration, grant writing, fund raising, coordinating volunteers, public relations and monthly board meetings.

Interested applicants should submit a current resume by mail to:

Midland Habitat for Humanity
2301 W. Wall, Suite 500
Midland, Texas 79701

ADMINISTRATIVE/ CLERICAL ASSISTANT

Immediate position available for an Administrative/ Clerical Assistant for Accounting and Tax departments. Duties will include filing, phone coverage, preparation of various tax spreadsheets, and secretarial duties for both departments. Must have excellent computer skills including WordPerfect or Word, and Lotus or Excel. Salary DOE. Company offers excellent benefit package.

Forward updated resume to:

Wagner & Brown, Ltd.
Attn: Personnel
P.O. Box 1714
Midland, Texas 79702
915-686-5906
Fax # 915-686-1503

Rapidly growing Midland based petroleum industry company has the following career opportunity available:

NETWORK SUPPORT SPECIALIST/ ADMINISTRATOR- Experience installing and supporting Microsoft Windows NT and Novell NetWare networks, DOS, Windows 3.1, and Windows '95 required. Hardware maintenance and installation experience necessary. Oil and gas industry knowledge desirable. Individual must be self- motivated and have good communication and organizational skills.

Equal Opportunity Employer. Smoke Free Environment. Excellent Benefits.

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TITAN EXPLORATION, INC. a dynamic and rapidly expanding public oil and gas company located in Midland, Texas, is seeking a Joint Interest Accountant.

This position requires a Bachelor's degree in accounting with at least three years joint interest experience. All applicants should have comprehensive knowledge of COPAS, experience working with an accounting software package and should be proficient in Excel and Word or comparable software in a windows environment.

Titan offers competitive compensation, an excellent benefits package and a smoke free environment.
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OFFICE CLERK/ Receptionist needed for busy veterinary office. Computer/ accounting experience preferred. Full or part time. Salary commensurate with experience. 682-6405 or fax resume 682-2022.

PRODUCTION CLERK needed for Independent oil company. JIB, JOA experience required. Typing 60- wpm, railroad commission forms & NM OCD experience is desired. Competitive salary & benefits. Please submit resume and salary history to Box T-1053, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

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Temp & Permanent Positions
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316 Sales Help Wanted

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ATTENTION!

Are you looking to launch into a career and not just finding the right position? Then you owe it to yourself to explore the career opportunity at:

TruGreen ★ ChemLawn

Immediate Openings:

We Offer:

*Competitive compensation in mid teens + Highest commissions in the industry
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Desirable, friendly work environment, paid vacations and realistic opportunity to advance in the largest organization in our industry.

All you need is the desire to succeed.

Also hiring for Aerators and Laborers. For immediate consideration call:

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CLERICAL OPENINGS, at least 6 months experience. Call OLSTEN today. 689-6607.

FULL CHARGE File Room Clerk. Fast paced company seeks full- time, full- charge file room clerk to assist the land and production department set up new files for new acquisitions as well as general file maintenance. Salary DOE. Send or fax resume to: Autry C. Stephens, 110 N. Marienfeld, Suite 200, 79701. FAX 687-2521, office 687-1575.

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OFFICE ASSISTANT needed. Must be computer literate, have 10 key typing, cash management and filing skilles. Apply in perosn. Snowhite laundry, 303 S. Terrell.

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Temp & Perm positions. Locally & around the globe! 686–8360.

ASSISTANT SALE Rep. Hard worker with sales experience, available to work & travel all hours of the week. Male required due to observed drug collections. Apply in person Drug Screen Compliance, 1305 N. Big Spring, Midland, Texas. $17,000 starting salary.

COSMETIC SALES. No nights, No Sundays. Apply in person- Dunlaps, 3303 W. Illinois.

316 Sales Help Wanted

SALES POSITION- inside sales at busy office supply store. Apply in person, at 315 N. Colorado.

318 Management Help Wanted

AFTER THOUGHTS now hiring Assistant Manager, apply within, Monday through Friday 10am to 5pm, Midland park Mall.

319 Oil Industry Help Wanted

COMPRESSOR MECHANICS- Experienced only, needed for Monahans area. Knowledge of Cat and Waukesha engines required. Experience with Ariel, Worthington and Joy compressors a plus. Apply at Hanover Compressor office, 3201 E. Loop 250 N., Midland, TX 79705, 915/682-0301.

EXPLORATION GEOLOGIST with 10 plus years West Texas experience to work for BTA Oil Producers. Good salary and benefit package. Send replies to: BTA 104 S. Pecos, Midland 79701.

Local Oilfield Service Company has openings for:
*ROUSTABOUTS
*CDL DRIVERS CLASS "A"/ ENDORSEMENTS
Competitive salary and benefits
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OIL FIELD ELECTRICIANS- experienced oil field electricians with minimum 5 years experience, great pay, insurance, retirement plan. 915-756-2201.

OILFIELD- Need experienced Forklift Operator, Gin Truck Operators, Road Truck with Wench experience. Top wages, medical insurance, 401k plan. Apply in person only, RIG MOVERS EXPRESS, 1612 E County Road 115, Midland. 570-7355.

TREATER FOR Microbial servicing company. Oilfield experience preferred. Could require relocation. Please send resume to Box PJ-3014, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

320 Skilled Trades

AUTO MECHANIC needed with own tools. Autos and Trucks, domestic and imports. 5 days a week. Experienced only. Call Gary at Mid-Tex Parts & Service, 682-5259.

FIELD WELDER- must be capable of all types of production and field work. Honest, dependable, drug screening required. See Terry, 1403 Garden City Highway.

★AUTO TECHNICIAN Needed. 5 Years Experience and Pro Tools Required. No Beginners. Apply: Ron's Engines, 600 N Weatherford.

HENSLEY'S COMPUTER Cabling is looking for experienced electricians to train in the computer wiring industry. Please call for more information at 915-683-7835.

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INSTALLER
EARN TOP PAY
Growing national abeve ground pool dealer seeks installers in your area. Earn top pay and bonus. Experience a plus but will train. Landscapers, contractors or similar are urged to call. Truck and tools required.
1-800-788-1832, ext. 3104 Mr. Brown.

LICENSED PLUMBER with residential repair/ service experience needed. HVAC experience benefcial, but not required. Call 687-1011 for interview appointment.

MR. ROOTER plumbing now hiring licensed plumbers. Benefits and good pay. 570-7473

REFRIGERATION/ HBAC Technician. Minimum 2 years experience in low temp. Refrigerant certification required, clean driving record. Call 520-4568 for interview appointment.

RESIDENTIAL CARPENTERS and Carpenter Helpers. Must be experienced. Call 684-3843 for appointment/ interview.

SMALL ENGINE Mechanic, must have experience and own tools. Apply in person, Bob's Rental 2700 S. Rankin Hwy.

WANTED: Experienced compressor mechanics, helpers and trainees. Benefits include health insurance, paid vacation, and sick leave. Pay is negotiable. Call 563-5010.

335 Adult Care Needed

NEED caring woman to live in and care for invalid woman. Consists of evenings (5 pm- 8 am) and weekends. $650 cash monthly plus room & board. Lifting invalid required. Call 697-6154.

336 Adult Care Providers

ADULT PRIVATE Home Care Now has openings for your elderly loved one. We have 24 hour service and exceptional care for daily activity needs. Permanently, weekly or daily. Must see to appreciate. For appointments 367-8199.

WILL DO private duty in your home. Experienced, reasonable rates, excellent references. 697-2624 or 520-4736.

INHOME CARE your locally owned sitter service. If you need dependable help call 570-4475, ask for Tamara or Jackie (Low Rates)

341 Child Care Providers

BABY SITTING in my home days, nights & weekends. Reasonable rates, references call 684-5461

CHILD CARE Ages 2- 4. Open 7 Days Hours 7 am- 6 pm. Call 694-6575.

INFANTS ONLY- Special care for the most important person in your life. Licensed for 11 years. Jan 697-2499.

SPECIAL CARE in my home Monday through Friday 6 am- 6 pm. Excellent references. 699-6959.

350 Business Opportunities

DELI FOR SALE. Downtown Midland, great location. For more information call 520-6652.

WELL ESTABLISHED business in Big Spring- Convenience Store/ Cafe. Includes 2.35 Acres with 14 x 60 mobile home (915)267-2125 or 399-4888, Ask for Dolores.

LATE MODEL coke machines $650. Locations available. Call 570-8158.

REALTORS, INSURANCE Agents, CPA's, Financial Consultants and Entrepreneurs needed to Become Certified Mortgage Consultants with Boydston Mortgage Consultants. Call toll free: 1-888-707-4680 for information!

WELL ESTABLISHED 24 hour Answering Service. Partial owner financing. 697-9445, leave name and phone number. Serious inquiries only.

CHILDREN'S RETAIL Store inventory, fixtures and office equipment. Great opportunity, great price. Days 520-9779, nights 520-7935.

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Attention Readers
Occasionally ads found in this section come from distant points and the Midland Reporter-Telegram cannot always know the merits of the offers. We suggest when you are in doubt that you call the Better Business Bureau before signing any contract.
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410 Misc. Sales

MASONRY GAS mixer, $550. Concrete electric mixer, $250. 220 Amp air compressor, $200. Wench truck, $2,850. 570-1955.

CHILDCRAFT Frosted maple crib, $200. All matching linens in country pastels, lots of extras $200. Call 689-6512.

ELTON JOHN "Caption Fantastic" pinball machine, excellent working order. $500. Nordic Track Sequoia cross county exercise machine. $250. 520-2632 or 697-7545.

❤SKI-DOO- Snow Mobile, like new. See after 5 pm. 715 W. Dormard.

TORO 21" 2 cyl. S.P. Rear Bagger mower. Excellent condition. New $700, good buy- $350. 699-0328.

MUST SELL this week! 1996 display model hot tubs/ spas, two only. Delivery and financing available. 563-3108.

GO KART Carter Bros., single seat, 5 hp, great condition, with helmet. $395. 688-3212 8 am- 5 pm weekdays.

MECHANIC TOOLS and Tool boxes. Must see to appreciate. Call 620-0309 or 561-3609 beeper.

ANNIVERSARY Special Edition Encyclopedias, Great Books, Annals of America with custom made bookcases. $2,400. 697-6019.

FRIGIDAIRE 21 cu. ft. refrigerator GE microwave, 3 breakfast bar chairs, lawn mower, good condition. 697-6439.

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BRANHAM FURNITURE at 1211 S. Big Spring St. in Midland, formerly Rowe's New & Used. Check out our selection & prices. Also visit our Super Store in Big Spring, Texas at 2004 W. 4th St.

VALENTINE'S DAY Anna Marie Gifts, 1705 N. Big Spring has lighted roses, rose baskets, gourmet chocolates, sugar free chocolates and home made candies. Order by Feb. 1 and Save! Call 570-7591.

HERBALIFE & Natural efx Independent Distributor. For products or opportunity call 689-HERB!

KITCHEN CABINETS complete with bar, stove, oven, dishwasher, trash compactor. Excellent condition, $1,000. Ask for Johnny 685-0155, after 5 687-2567.

COOK STOVES, Heaters, Refrigerators, freezers, washers, dryers 3/4 wood bed complete, dining furniture/ other. 570-4851.

CRIB, COMPLETE, white, $120. 2 Gerbers Child's gates, $10 each, complete youth bed, white, $50. 2 toddler car seats, $20 each. Metal school desk $5., call 697-1041 after 6pm. All prices firm.

★BIBLE TALK: "What is the Nature of the Church?" Part 1. 520-0381. Free recorded message.

GO- KART WKA Racing Kart. Free roller by Coyote Chassis, US- 820 Power Bee engine. Includes starter motor. Like new condition, $1,695. Can be seen at ANCO Battery, 3011 W. Wall, Midland. 694-2052.

TRAMPOLINE $100. Chevrolet fiberglass camper shell $200; Chevrolet pickup rear bumper $50; used tool boxes & headache racks. 697-8051 or 682-7257 for James.

AT&T VOICE MAIL System 25, with battery back up. Excellent condition. Call 699-8900.

SILVER BACH Trumpet, good shape, $800. Apple IIC+ Computer, moniter, stand, color printer with Apple Works and Print Shop, excellent shape, $400 Call 697-6470.

LADIES CALLAWY clubs, bag and bag boy, pull- cart; kitchen island, customized Dell computer with printer- lots of extras; classical CD's, G. Harvey prints. 697-8547.

PRINCESS BEANIE BABY, First Generation. Mint Condition. 560-1088, digital pager.

USED PINK/ MAUVE, carpet FOR SMALL ROOM (10X10), solid color $40. Keep calling, 683-9478.

AIR COMPRESSOR, 2 horse power, extra air tank. Kenmore washer. Call 520-8146.

PRINCESS Beanie Baby, First Generation. Mint condition, call 915-697-3539.

SEALY KING bedding, bed spread, sheets, light weight drapes with rod 86x180. 697-7526 after 6.

ORIGINAL PRINCESS Diana, Ty Beanie Baby. $350 or best offer. Call 530-0051, after 5pm.

413 Jewelry & Furs

❤GREAT FOR VALENTINES Day. .71 Carat gold and diamond solitaire ring, appraised $2,600. For sale $1,600, have appraisal. Call 699-3219.

ONE KARAT marquis, engagement ring, paid $3,500, appraises for $6,400. Selling for $3,000. 699-0687 or 699-6261, after 5pm.

LADIES 14K white gold wedding band with approximately 1/2 Carat diamond and matching mens 6mm. 14K white gold comfort fit band. $900 or best offer. Call 686-8447.

415 Misc. Wanted

SOUTHWEST Company Club tickets or other airline mileage awards wanted. Will pay top dollar. 687-5039.

420 Good Things To Eat

GIVE YOUR Sweetheart a Rose Basket filled with their favorite coffee, tea or candy from Anna Marie's Gifts and save 25% today thru Saturday. 1705 N. Big Spring, or phone your order in 570-7591. Sugar free boxed chocolates available.

432 Household Furniture

KING SIZE bed, dresser, 2 chest and king head board and other small furniture. 520-8216.

DOUBLE SOLID Oak bookshelf, 5X4 foot, perfect condition, $100. Pioneer stereo components- remote control unit, equalizer, dual cassette, turntable and two large speakers, works fine, all for $150. Call 685-1155.

TWO SETS antique tables and chairs, buffet, area rugs, southwest pictures, miscellaneous antiques. Call 570-8660.

THREE PIECE couch, loveseat and chair set, ivory fabric, $275. 683-5330, 683-2557, 699-1266.

WOODEN DINETTE set with 4 chairs and bench, walnut color $300. Call 699-6526.

QUEEN SIZE bed, black wrought iron head board, frame, bedding, good condition, $250. 522-7814.

QUEEN SIZE waterbed, 4 poster, carved headboard, including mattress & heater, excellent condition, $175. 699-2594.

WALNUT oval dining table (70x52) with 6 chairs, good, clean condition, $300. Call 694-1715.

2 WALNUT cube end tables, very nice condition, only $150/ set. Call 683-5330, 683-2557, 699-1266.

SOFA WITH fold out bed and two almost new twin beds, complete. Call 694-8557.

MATTRESS sets, dinette sets, bunk beds, daybeds and Futon couches. Reasonable prices. Also catalog orders available. Credit Cards- Layaways welcome. Wood & Son Appliances. 2811 W. Wall 699-1224.

BEAUTIFUL light oak Broyhill dining room set. Excellent condition, asking $1,500. After 5, 683-5444.

BEAUTIFUL ORIENTAL Style dining set, $1,900. 1940's bedroom set, $350. Computer desk, $40. Call 689-9741 after 6pm.

435 Household Appliances

DRYER- Frigidaire, heavy duty, excellent condition, $100. Call after 5:30 pm. 683-7969.

★FREE REMOVAL of your unwanted appliances. 567-5221.

REFRIGERATOR 22 cubic feet, side by side, almond. $150. Call 684-3926.

APPLIANCES reconditioned with 6 month plus warranty. Wood & Son Appliances. 2811 W. Wall 699-1224.

HOTPOINT ELECTRIC dryers, 240 volt, good condition, $40 each. 520-4932.

440 Firewood

DICK'S FIREWOOD Oaks, Mesquite, Pecan & Cedar. We deliver. 1-(915) 453-2151, Fax 1-(915)-453-4322.

FIREWOOD- SEASONED Oak, $165 cord and $85 half cord. Mesquite also available. Delivered and stacked. Call 520-5660 leave message or call after 4:30 pm.

450 Sporting Goods

SOLOFLEX With all attachements. $325. Call John after 5:30 at 684-9624.

ABOVE GROUND pools starting at $39 a month, complete setup, delivery and installation available. 563-3108.

7 DEER FEEDERS with timers. Approximately 2 years old. 3 12' tripods, 1 box ground stand, 1 poly 14' box stand. $1,950 or make offer. Contact John, 684-4233.

460 Antiques & Arts

THE CATS MEOW- 4000 sq. ft. of fine merchandise- we buy and sell antiques. 408 Andrews Highway. Mon. - Sat., 10 - 6. (915) 687-2004.

JUDY JACKSON'S Estate Sales An experienced professional working for you! 689-3536, 682-6147.

G. HARVEY prints. The oilfield classic "Boomtown Drifters" (framed) $650 and "The Oil Patch" (not framed) $600. 682-0284.

WROUGHT IRON fence, (14) 7' fence sections, 5 posts, 1 gate, built in mid- 1800's. After 3 pm call 699-4054.

460 Antiques & Arts

ESTATE Sales by JOSEPH'S. Let our experienced team liquidate your estate. 687-3040, 687-2868, 694-5034.

DUNCAN- PHYFE dining room suit, cherrywood, table has 3 center lyre pedestal legs, 6 matching lyre back chairs. $600. 580-3706.

490 Computers/ Access.

✔✔★✔✔
INTERNET ACCESS. Call 687-9014 for details.
✔✔★✔✔

SERVICE AFTER THE SALE Computers- New and used, upgrade and repair. Night Owl Computers, 10am- 8pm, 1015- B N Midkiff. 520-5917, 686-8835.

495 FOR FREE

FREE TO GOOD home, black, female cat, 1 1/2 years old, spayed, all shots, house trained 634-0220/ 694-8437.

FREE PUPPIES, Females, 6 weeks old, beautiful mutts! Call 697-0598.

BLACK LABS to a good home. 2 Males & 2 females. 699-4124.

500 Pets and Supplies

AKC MALTESE Puppies. 3 Males, 2 Females. Ready for Valentine's Day! Days, 687-1868 or Evenings, 697-3833.

BEAUTIFUL, OUTGOING Chihuahua puppies for pet or show. Lovable personalities. 2 females, 1 male. 682-2385.

SHIH TZU puppies, adorable AKC females, will hold for Valentines Day $300. call 570-7360.

AKC STANDARD Poodle puppies, cream color, 3 weeks old- taking deposits. $350 each. Call (915)558-2717.

AKC REGISTERED English Bulldog puppies. Born 11/24/97. $1,000. 915-576-3379.

GOLDEN RETRIEVER- 1 and 2 year old, father and daughter. Need good home. $45 each. 570-4243.

❤IF YOU LOVE Your Honey- buy her a Bunny! Beautiful, baby Lop-Eared Bunnies, reserve now for pick up Feb. 10th through 14th. Cages and supplies available. Call 684-7750.

REGISTERED BOXER Puppies, only two females left, $200. Call 505-347-2358.

ONLY ONE Left! 7 week old sable Collie for sale. Male, parents on premises. 687-5597.

AKC REGISTERED MINIATURE Schnauzers. Black. $300. 685-0995 or 520-9262.

PIT BULL puppies. $50 each. Call 686-8534.

CARALOT Obedience Training Center. Puppy, beginner and advanced classes. Board and train service available. 683-4718.

AKC DALMATIANS Champion blood line, very sociable. Call 520-3398.

MINIATURE RAT Terriers, born January 5th, full blood, no papers, parents on premises. Call 699-2087.

505 Livestock & Poultry

BIG SPRING Horse, Saddle & Tack Auction. Saturday February 14th at 1 pm at Big Spring Live Stock Auction. Everyone welcome to buy, sell or visit. Lance Folsom (806)792-5919.

THREE YEAR OLD Grey Arab filly with western hunter pleasure potential. $2,000. Rich Sun Arabians, 694-4015.

MUST REDUCE Herd Small, Standard, paint Donkey and several registered miniature donkeys for sale. 684-7343, leave message.

HORSE BOARDING, Northwest area, tack closets, fed twice daily, arena, walker. Call for details 694-4978.

510 Office Furniture & Misc.

LARGE MODULAR cubical sets, lateral file cabinets, open lateral well file cabinets, drafting table, drafting chairs, map racks, shelving, wood desks and credenzas, metal desk and table, computer tables, executive chair, side chairs, secretarial chairs, bookcases, couch, loveseat and chairs, framed prints, typewriters & calculators, 286 computers, Compaq 386 server, network rack, network hub and more! 683-2557, 683-5330, 699-1266.

MAGNIFICENT EXECUTIVE 84"X42" desk. Handcarved and finished by Enkobol, with 69"x21" left hand return, plus matching credenza and (2) 4 panel screens. 683-1675.

550 Portable Buildings

RELEASED TO sell- promotional model 12x16 storage building/ shop. Delivery and financing available. 563-3108.

SHOPS/ STORAGE Buildings starting at $39 a month, installation and delivery available. 563-3108.

We move, buy, sell and rent portable buildings.
MORGAN
(915) 563-1860

560 Machinery/ Tools

SCROLLSAW, Excalibur, 24 inch, many features. Cost $1,800, asking $900. Call 682-1164 mornings.

15x72 CINCINNATI LATHE, 6'x14" 10 hp Johonson Radial Drill/ Mill. Excellent condition, call 684-6620.

570 Oil Field Equip & Supplies

FOR SALE: Structural rods and pipe of all sizes at bargain prices. Call 682-1546.

CATERPILLAR GEN Set D398/ 500KW, trailer mounted, ready to work! $117,500. Albuquerque toll free 1-888-831-9249.

SONOLOG FLUID level machine for sale. Call after 5 pm, (915)263-2879, Big Spring, Texas.

228 AMERICAN PUMPJACK 74" Stroke, FOB Menard. $18,000. Call (507)537-1508.

580 Farm Equipment

ONE 12' Pull Disc, new bearings, some new disc. $500. 683-1785.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of LILLIAN RUTH HOLDEN, Deceased, were issued on the 10th day of Feb., 1998, in Cause No. P-12042, pending in the Probate Court of Midland County, Texas, to Robert S. Campbell, Jr.

Claims may be presented in care of the Executor/Administrator of the Estate addressed as follows:

Robert S. Campbell, Jr.
Estate of
LILLIAN RUTH HOLDEN, Dec'd
6616 Fulbio Ave.
Van Nuys, CA 91406

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and the manner prescribed by law.

DATED THE 10th day of Feb., 1998.

By: Robert S. Campbell, Jr.
Executor/Administrator

LEGAL NOTICE

Sealed Bid(s) will be received until 3:00 P.M., March 4, 1998, to be opened at 3:00 P.M., in the office of the City Secretary, City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas for the following bid(s):

Bid #035-98 to purchase:
1- Mechanically driven Sweeper for the Garage Division.

Information for Bidders, Proposal Forms, Specifications and General conditions for bidding may be obtained from the office of the Purchasing Agent, City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas.

Purchasing Division
City of Midland, Texas

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NOTICE OF INTENT TO CONDUCT WEATHER MODIFICATION OPERATIONS IN THE STATE OF TEXAS

Date of the first of three weekly publications of this notice: Thursday, February 5, 1998 in the Midland Reporter-Telegram

1. Notice is given that the West Texas Weather Modification Association, 8696 Hangar Road, San Angelo, TX 76904, has filed an application with the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) for a State permit to conduct weather modification operations to change; or attempt to change, the natural development of clouds for the purpose, objective, period, and by the method summarized herein below. The Executive Director will issue this permit unless a written hearing request is filed within 30 days after the first newspaper publication of this notice.

2. The West Texas Weather Modification Association submitted an application for a Texas Weather Modification License on January 15, 1998.

3. The purpose of the weather modification operation is to increase rainfall. The period of the permit is April 1, 1998 through March 31, 2002.

4. The purposed weather modification operation is to be conducted for and on behalf of the West Texas Weather Modification Association, 8696 Hangar Road, San Angelo, Texas 76904.

5. The proposed weather modification operation is to be carried out in both an "operational area" and a "target area" to cause the intended effects to occur only in the target area. The operational area is that area including Coke, Crockett, Glasscock, Irion, Midland, Reagan, Schleicher, Sterling, Sutton, Tom Green and Upton Counties, which is the target area; and those portions of the following counties within 30 miles of the outer boundary of the target area: Andrews, Concho, Crane, Ector, Edwards, Howard, Kimble, Martin, Menard, Mitchell, Nolan, Pecos, Runnels, Taylor, Terrell, and Val Verde.

6. The area to be affected by the proposed weather modification operation is the target area. The target area is that area described as Coke, Crockett, Glasscock, Irion, Midland, Reagan, Schleicher, Sterling, Sutton, Tom Green an Upton Counties.

7. The methods and materials to be used in conducting this operation are summarized herein: A licensed meteorologist will select cumuliform clouds or other appropriate clouds for cloud seeding using a weather radar display, standard meteorological analyses, forecasting techniques, surface weather observations, and pilot reports to initiate the release of the seeding particles, such as silver iodine crystals, from airplanes equipped with flare racks and/ or generators.

8. Persons interested in knowing more about the technical aspects of the proposed operation should contact the applicant or George Bomar, MC 158, TNRCC, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, (512)239-0770.

9. Requests for hearing on this application must be submitted in writing during the 30-day notice period to the Chief Clerk's Office, MC 105, TNRCC, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, (512)239-3300. The petition must contain (1) the signature, full name, address and phone number of each person requesting the hearing; (2) a statement that each person is at least 18 years of age and resides, or owns, property in the operational area; and (3) a description of each person's interest and how that interest would be adversely affected. Requests for hearing must be received by the commission within 30 days of the date of the first publication of this notice. If at least 25 eligible persons make written request, the commission will hold a public hearing on the application prior to issuance of the permit. For more information concerning citizen participation, contact Blas J. Coy, Jr., Public Interest Counsel, MC 103, TNRCC, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, (512)239-6363.

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ISSUE CITY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION

TAKE NOTICE that the City Council of the City of Midland, Texas, shall convene at 11:00 a.m. on the 10th day of March, 1998, at Midland City Hall, the regular meeting place of the City Council in Midland, Texas and during such meeting, the City Council will consider the final passage of an ordinance authorizing the issuance of certificates of obligation in an amount not to exceed TWO MILLION TWO HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS ($2,250,000) for the purpose of paying contractual obligations to be incurred for: (i) golf course improvements; (ii) park improvements; (iii) drainage improvements; (iv) traffic improvements; (v) street improvements; (vi) city hall renovation and land acquisition; (vii) public improvements to downtown Midland, and (viii) paying professional services rendered in connection therewith, such certificates to be payable from ad valorem taxes and a limited pledge of the net revenues of the City's water and sewer system. The certificates are to be issued, and this notice is given, under the pursuant to the provisions of V.T.C.A., Local Government Code, Subchapter C of Chapter 271. The date and time set for the passage of the ordinance authorizing the issuance of the certificates of obligation is 11:00 a.m. on March 10, 1998, as indicated above. Additionally, the City Council of the City of Midland, Texas, shall convene at 10:00 a.m. on the 24th day of February, 1998, at Midland City Hall, the regular meeting place of the City Council in Midland, Texas, and, during such meeting, the City Council will consider the first reading of the ordinance authorizing the issuance of the certificates of obligation.

Kaylah McCord
City Secretary
City of Midland, Texas

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR OIL AND GAS WASTE DISPOSAL WELL PERMIT

John L. Cox, P.O. Box 2217, Midland, Texas 79702 has applied to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to dispose of produced salt water or other oil and gas waste by injection into a porous formation which is not productive of oil or gas.

The applicant purposes to dispose of oil and gas waste into the San Andres, Buchanan B. Well Number 1-X. The proposed disposal well is located 10 miles SE of Midland in the Spraberry (Trend Area), in Midland County. The waste will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 4030- 5145 to feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas. Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Underground Injection Control Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Drawer 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512/463-6792).

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT

Cross Timbers Operating Company, 3000 North Garfield, Suite 175, Midland, Texas 79705, is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil and gas. The applicant purposes to inject fluid into the Grayburg formation, University 198, Lease, Well Number 7.

The proposed injection well is located Nine miles Southwest from Andrews, Texas in the Triple-N (Grayburg) Field, in Andrews County. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 4370 to 4600 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, Drawer 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 7871 (Telephone 512/463-6792)

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION
State of Texas

To ROY MICHAEL BREEDING and to all whom it may concern, Respondent:
You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the Clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 am on the Monday next following the expiration of 20 days after you were served this citation and petition, a default judgment may be taken against you. The petition of Claude Dean DeLozier and Darla Sue Hardy DeLozier, Petitioners, was filed in the Court of Midland County, Texas on February 4, 1998 against ROY MICHAEL BREEDING, Respondent, numbered Cause No. AD32,174 and entitled "In the Interest of Alexandra Noel Breeding, A CHILD." The suit requests to terminate the parent-child relationship. The date and place of birth of the child who is the subjects of this suit:

Birthplace: Midland, Texas
Birthdate: December 17, 1993

The Court has authority in this suit to render an Order in the child's interest that will be binding on you, including the termination of the parent-child relationship, the determination of paternity and the appointment of a conservator with authority to consent to the child's adoption.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of the Court at Midland, Texas, on the 10th day of February, 1998.

Vivian Wood
Clerk of the Court of Midland County, Texas

By: Lori Holiedy,
Deputy

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GARAGE SALES

Hidden treasures? Junk? Recycle your unwanted items!

Call 682-6222 today. A friendly Classified Consultant will help you create an ad that gets results!

79703

SALE TO BENEFIT The animals at Midland SPCA. Wags to Riches, 3314 W. Illinois. Wedding dress, full size bedroom, twin poster bed, dishwasher. All clothes 2 for 1. Going on now. Monday - Friday 10am - 4pm.

9 AM - 4606 SEMINOLE DR. Wednesday & Thursday. Wicker furniture, love seat & chairs and lots of miscellaneous.

FRIDAY ONLY 8- ? Lots of everything, knick knacks, clothing, dishes, much miscellaneous. 4318 Tanner.

ESTATE SALE. 2 sofas, recliner, freezer, dishwasher, lamps, queen bedroom set, table, 2 console TV's, original oil paintings, much miscellaneous. Saturday & Sunday 10-5, no early birds please. 301 Thornridge.

THURSDAY, FRIDAY & Saturday 10- 4. Miscellaneous household items, some clothing, heat pump, whole house humidifier, lawn furniture. No reasonable offers refused. 4622 Brookdale Drive.

MOVING SALE! Refrigerator- almost new, $345. Gas stove- great condition, $190. Wooden twin bed with new bedding, $85. BBQ Griller, $30 and More!! 4313 Pasadena Drive. 689-0218/ 697-1977. Wednesday, Thursday & Friday, 8 am- 6 pm.

MILLER ESTATE SALE
3704 Cedar Spring Midland
Fri. - Sat. 9 - 6
Sun. 1 - 5

Over 300 Dolls, doll clothing & related items. Marx electric train, toys, games, Ranch oak living room set, Cactus Lamps & other western misc., Star Wars plates, Beatles misc. & other movie memorabilia, Duncan Phyfe sofa, mahogany tables, new dining room suite, over 1000 books (including: children's, radio, religious, collectors, etc.), old prints, Linens, costume jewelry, pocket watch, 4 sewing machines, buttons, fabrics, vintage clothing, hundreds of 78's & 33 records, frames & too much more to mention.

Come down Midkiff, turn west on Thomas, left on Raymond, right on Cedar Spring.

Services provided by
The Cats Meow
VISA - MC - AMEX
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79705

THURSDAY, FRIDAY 9- 5 & Saturday 9- 2. 1410 E. Chestnut Lane. Indoor sale, mostly clothing. 683-9334.

79707

MULTI- FAMILY odds and ends, assorted furniture, commercial cash register. 3606 Gulf. Friday and Saturday only.

AREA SALES

THE FACTORY. Antiques & Collectibles. 20% off sale. Cherrywood, 1940's bed. Shabby chic furniture, antique valentines and more. February 13th & 14th., 12 - 5. 212 N. St. Peter, Stanton. 694-7039.

MARK YOUR Calendar for tremendous antique and collectible auction by Larry Oxley, February 20th, 21st & 22nd. More details in Sundays paper. Delora Kirby, 2818 W. Yukon, Odessa.

GARAGE SALE SERVICES

DON'T MISS OUT!

The deadline for a Saturday Garage Sale ad is Friday at Noon.

Please be sure to call 682-6222, before noon, to ensure your ad will be in Saturday's paper.

Tami, Pam, Brandi, Pat, Paula or Sandy are ready to help you!

$20 $20 $20 $20 $20 $20 $20

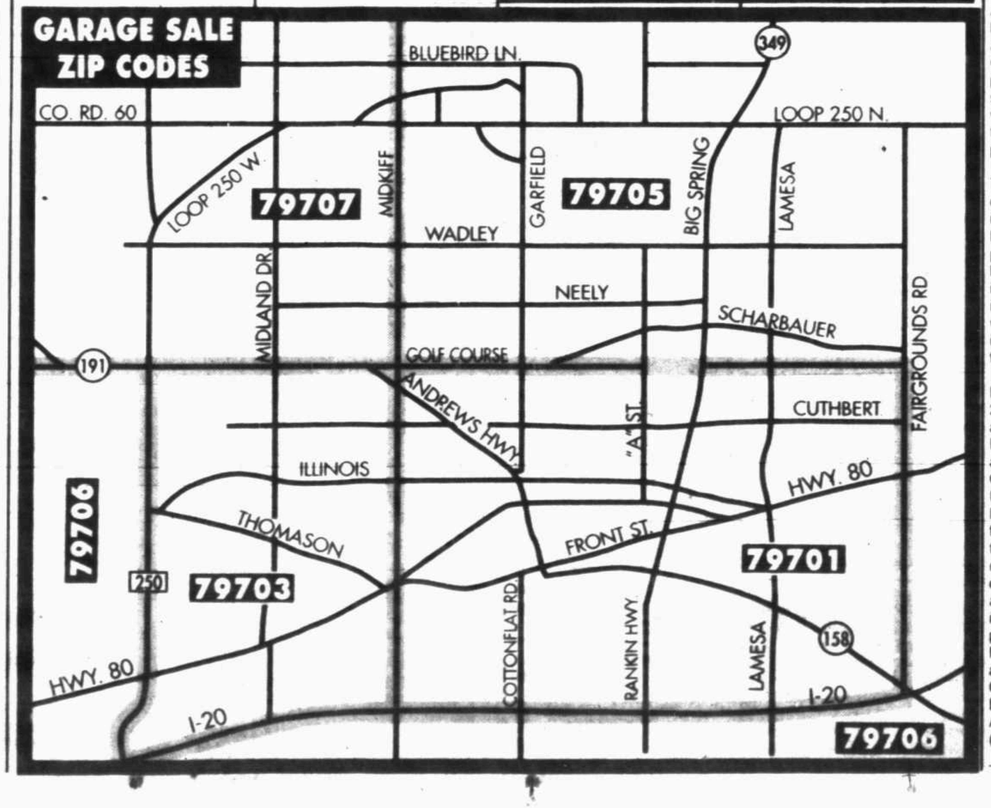
GARAGE SALE AD PACKAGE $20

★7 Lines (approx. 28-35 words)
★2 Days
★ ■✔●♥ Stand Out Emblem
★Garage Sale Kit
(includes Signs, Stakes, Marker, Balloons, Helpful Hints $5 Value!)
★Package of Flavored Drink Mix
(for the Kids to Open a Drink Stand!)
★$3 Off Classified Coupon
(Place an ad to sell those left-over garage sale items & get $3 off!)

Or Get 3 Days for Only $24!

Call 682-6222 Today!

$20 $20 $20 $20 $20 $20 $20



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ON JANUARY 15, 1998 an application was tendered for filing with the Federal Communications Commissions by American Family Association, Inc., for a construction permit for a new non-commercial educational FM broadcast station to serve Midland, Texas. The applicant proposed facilities of .500 KW on Channel 215 from an Antenna Center of Radiation Height of 99 meters above ground level (946 meters above Mean Sea Level). The Applicant proposes to locate its transmitter at: North Latitude: 32 degrees, 00 minutes and 25 seconds; West Longitude: 102 degrees, 05 minutes and 31 seconds, to be located at: 303 W. Wall Street, Midland County, Midland, TX.

The principals in the application are: Donald E. Wildmon, Timothy Wildmon, Forrest Ann Daniels, Bruce Green, Gayle Alexander, Tim Fortner, Bobby Hankins, Bert Harper, Tim A. Lampley, Curtis Petrey, Forrest Sheffield and Jack Williams.

Copies of the application and related materials are on file for public inspection at Midland County Public Library, 301 West Missouri, Midland, TX 79701 and the office of WAFR Radio at 107 Parkgate Drive, Tupelo, Mississippi 38801, (601)844-8888.

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF CLARK J. MATTHEWS, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary upon the Estate of Clark J. Matthews, Deceased, were issued to Clark J. Matthews, II, on February 9, 1998, in the proceeding indicated below my signature, which is still pending, and that I now hold such Letters. All persons having claim against said Estate which is being administered in the County named below are hereby required to present the same to the undesigned in care of Kristi N. Elsom, P.O. Box 1540, Midland, TX 79702, before suit upon same is barred by the general statutes of limitation, before such Estate is closed, and within the time prescribed by law.

Clark J. Matthews, II
Independent Executor of the Estate of Clark J. Matthews, Deceased
Cause No. 12,036, in the County Court of Midland County, Texas

LEGAL NOTICE

Sealed Bid(s) will be received until 3:00 pm, February 25, 1998, to be opened at 3:00 pm in the office of the City Secretary, City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas for the following Bid(s):

Bid #032-98 to purchase: 3- Administrative Cars, 2- 1/2 Ton 8 Passenger Vans, 10- 1/2 Ton Pickups, 1- 1/2 Ton 4x4 Pickup and 3- 3/4 Ton Pickups for the Garage Division.

Bid #033-98 to purchase: 1- Police Swat Van for the Garage Division.

Bid #034-98 to purchase: 2- Type 1 Ambulances for the Garage Division.

Information for Bidders, Proposal Forms, Specifications and General Conditions for bidding may be obtained from the Office of the Purchasing Agent, City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas.

Purchasing Division
City of Midland, Texas

NOTICE

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF PATTI JANE HALL CARTER, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that on the 10th day of February, 1998, Letters Testamentary were issued to William Horace Carter as Independent Executor in proceedings in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, in Probate, styled "In the matter of the Estate of Patti Jane Hall Carter, Deceased", being No. 12,008 in that Court, and which proceedings are still pending. All persons having claims against the Estate are hereby required to present the same to William Horace Carter at P.O. Box 8206, Midland, Texas 79708, within the time prescribed by law.

DATED this 10th day of February, 1998.

William Horace Carter,
Independent Executor of the Estate of Patti Jane Hall Carter, Deceased

605 Apartments Furnished

TRAVEL INN MOTEL, 401 E. Texas, Midland. 682-9793. Cable. (Singles Weekly $77 plus tax; Monthly, $325).

STUDIOS, 1 & 2 Bedrooms Available. All utilities paid, free cable. Deposit required. Lexington Hotel, 1003 S. Midkiff, 697-3155.

PRIVATE, SECURE- Efficiency, refrigerated air, water paid, $275 monthly. 214 1/2 S. Fort Worth. 682-1164.

LARGE EFFICIENCY. Frost free refrigerator, Central heat & air. Clean, small, quiet complex. 697-3510.

610 Apartments Unfurnished

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KEY To Abbreviations

Bdrm.	Bedroom
Ba.	Bath
Kit.	Kitchen
Dbl.	Double
A/C	Air conditioning
Mst. Bdrm.	Master Bdrm.
Gar.	Garage
Bldg.	Building
Cond.	Condition
N-QA	Non-Qualifying
-	Assumable
QA	Qualifying
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Ac.	Acre
3/2/2	Bdrm./Ba./Gar.

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REDUCED	Custom 2-story, formals, study, tile flors, 1.8 ac.	$188,500
LEASE/PURCHASE	possible 2/2 w/shop on 1/2 acre. CUTE!	$57,000

ON LOOP 250	income producing, hot location!	Call DENE
7.78 FENCED ACRES,	4 water wells, trees, off 1788	Call LINDA
ZONED COMM'L,	Andrews Hwy, between hospitals.	Call ANNA
2.6 ACRES-	near Hospital, commercial zoning	Call LYNN
COMMERCIAL BLDG. -	approx 30,000 sqft	Call LYNN
COMMERCIAL SITE		Call LINDA
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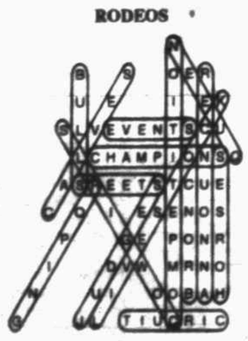
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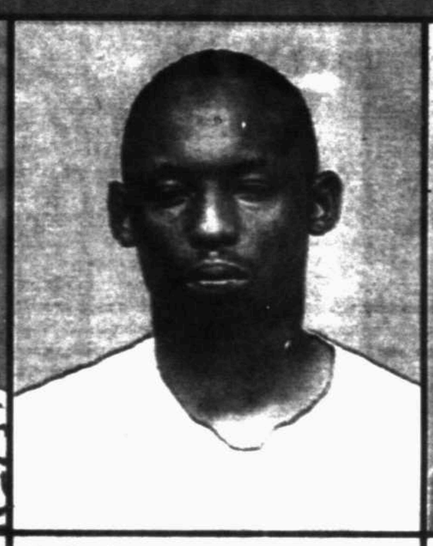
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DOB 11-21-33 145LBs 5'3
Poss. Heroin Release of Surety
WRT# CR19754



McCalister, Merlin Jcobie
DOB 1-21-79 200LBs 6'1
Criminal Mischief B/F
WRT# CR24044



Madrid, Maria Dulces
DOB 5-20-51 128LBs 4'10
Felony DWI VOP
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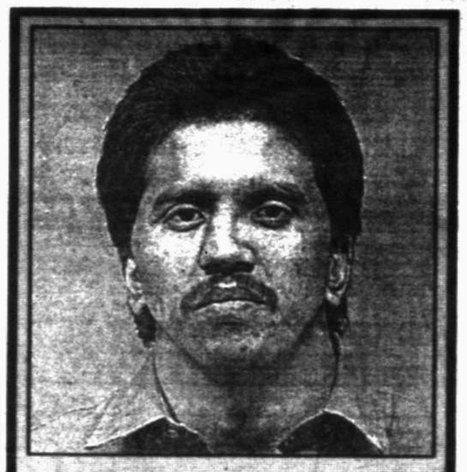
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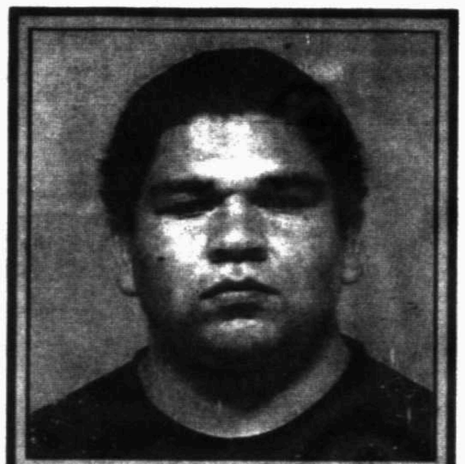
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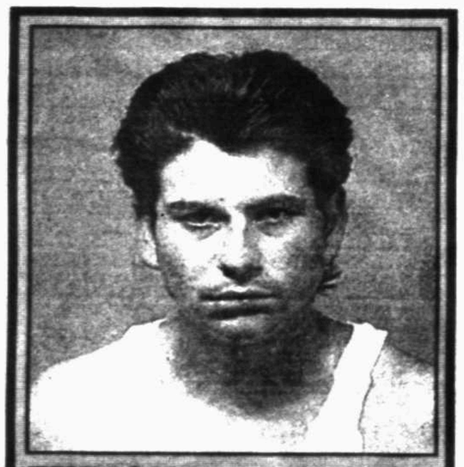
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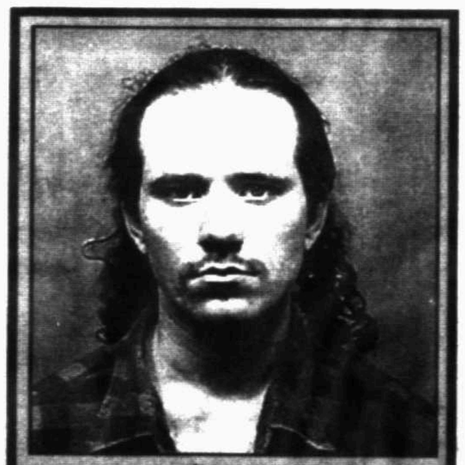
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ROCHA,
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Agg. Robbery VOP
WRT# CR19510
Burg. of Habitation
WRT# CR19250



ENRIQUEZ,
CECILIO SOTELO
D.O.B. 4-28-79 5'6 140LBs
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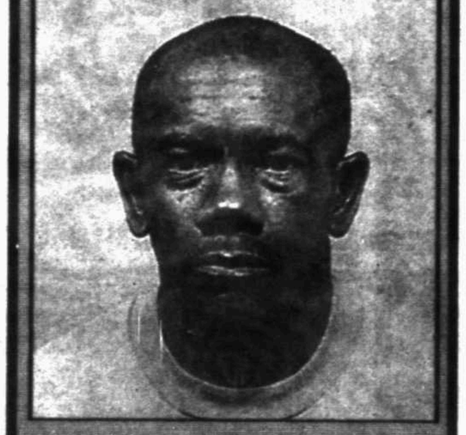
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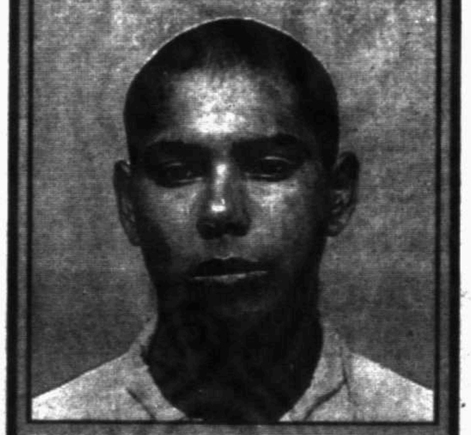
SAMANIEGO,
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D.O.B. 7-28-76 ,5'8 175LBs
Delivery of Controlled Sub.
WRT# CRD23162



HERNANDEZ,
SIMON
D.O.B. 10-8-69 5'4 140LBs
Agg. Assault w/Deadly Weap.
WRT# CRD23041



MAYS,
THOMAS LEE
D.O.B. 3-27-42 5'7 180LBs
Sexual Assault
WRT# CRB20587
Bail Jumping
WRT# CR23492



PALACIOS,
ISAIAS LUJAN
D.O.B. 2-6-74 5'4 125LBs
Robbery VOP
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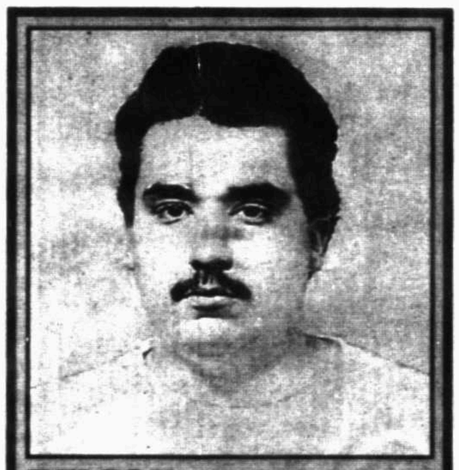
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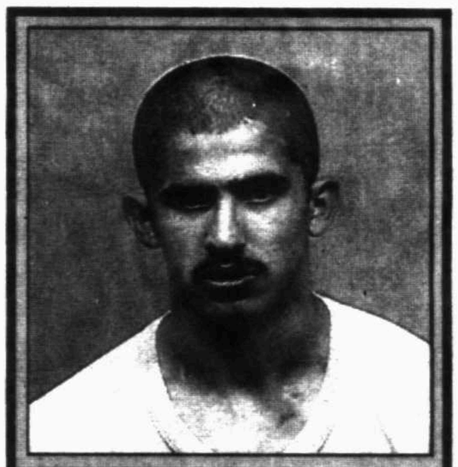
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Burg of Bldg VOP
WRT# CRA22884



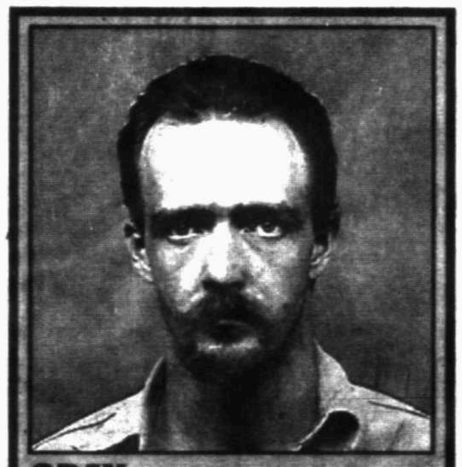
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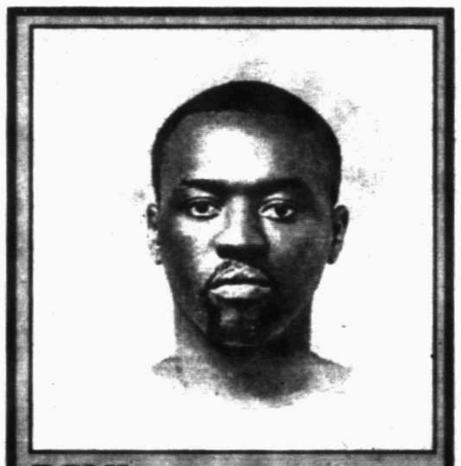
MARTINEZ,
VICTOR DAVIN
D.O.B. 4-29-77 5'5 125LBs
Engaging Org. Crime Act.
VOP
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D.O.B.3-17-63 5'4 125LBs
Agg. Sex. Asslt of a child
WRT# F47140



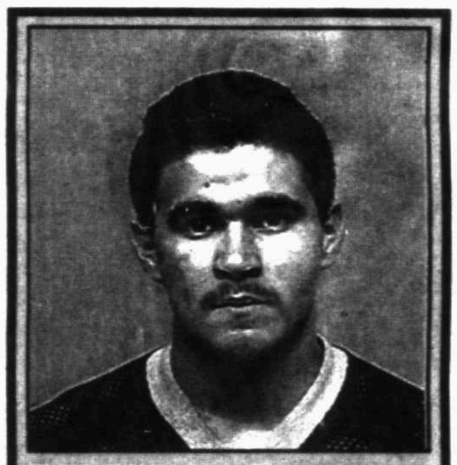
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MICHAEL DALE
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Poss. Cocaine VOP
WRT# CR21985
Bond Jumping VOP
WRT# CR23529



POLK,
DAVID DEWAYNE
D.O.B. 5-9-69 5'7 155LBs
Burg of Habit VOP
WRT# CRC20258



LOPEZ,
THOMAS JACINOTO III
D.O.B. 2-6-78 5'7 160LBs
Poss. Marij. o/50lbs
Surety Motion
WRT# F27202



DELEON,
EDWARD RODRIGUEZ
D.O.B. 5-21-78 5'5 135LBs
Burg. Bldg VOP
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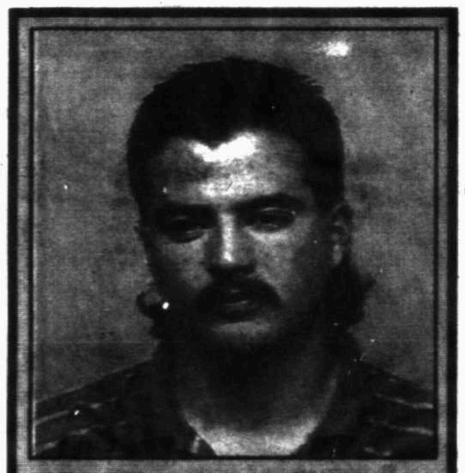
Agg. Assault	=	Aggravated Assault
B/F	=	Bond Forfeiture
CTSII	=	More than one count of the same charge
DUI	=	Driving Under the Influence (Same as DWI)
DWI	=	Driving While Intoxicated (Same as DUI)
DWLS	=	Driving While License Suspended
FTA	=	Failure to Appear
FTA/PSI	=	Failure to Appear/Pre-Sentence Investigation
Poss C/S	=	Possession of a Controlled Substance
Poss MJ	=	Possession of Marijuana
UUMV	=	Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle
VOP	=	Violation of Probation

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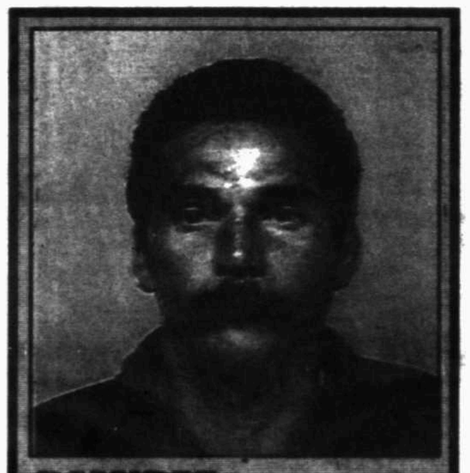
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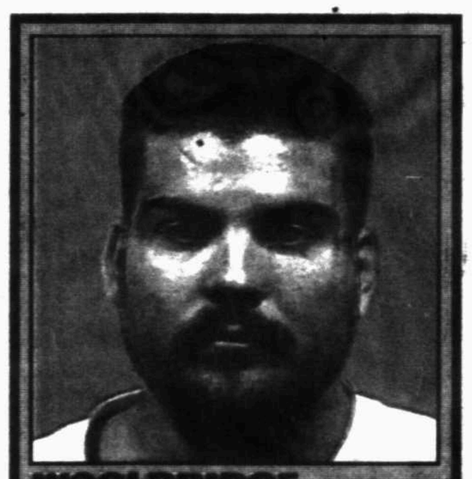
MARQUIS, SALOMON OLIVAS
D.O.B. 10-6-63 5'9 190LBs
Ind w/child Sexual Contact
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Poss Cocaine u/1g VOP
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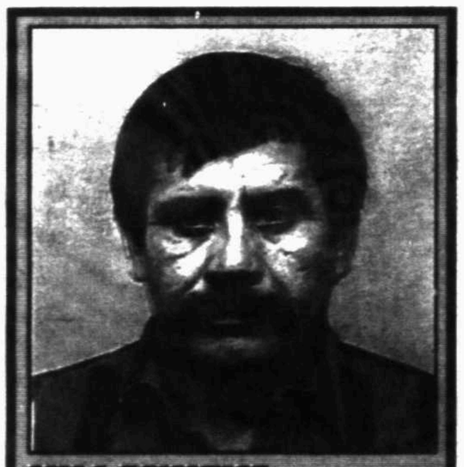
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D.O.B. 4-6-56 5'10 150LBs
Poss. Heroin Less 28g/VOP
WRT# CRB19670



WOOLDRIDGE, DANNY EDWARD JR.
D.O.B. 9-14-71 6'1 215LBs
Theft o/$750 u/$20,000 VOP
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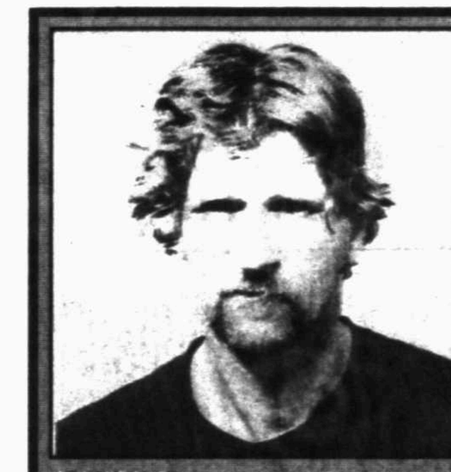
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D.O.B. 3-4-71 6' 152LBs
Burg. Bldg/VOP
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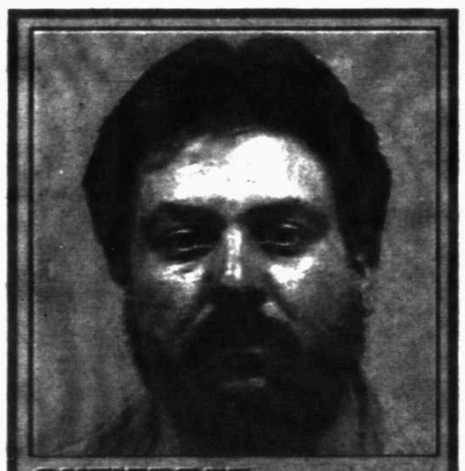
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D.O.B. 2-13-72 6' 155LBs
Poss. C/S Marj. o/5 u/50
WRT# CR23962



SAULS, WILLIAM OBRIEN
D.O.B. 8-31-56 6'2 150LBs
DWI 3rd or more .Viol. B/C
WRT# CR23383



WASHINGTON, STACY CHARMIN
D.O.B. 10-22-70 5'5 145 LBs
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Bond Jumping
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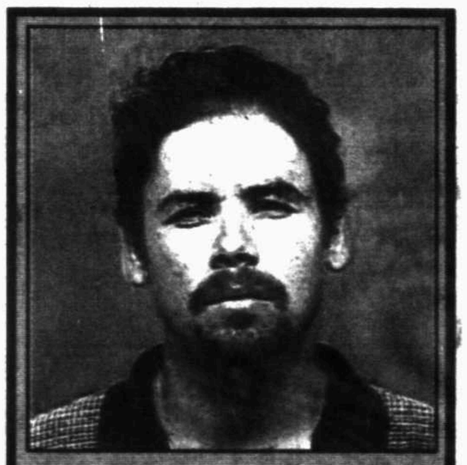
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Theft Prop o/750 u/20,000
VOP
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MIDLAND CRIME STOPPERS	MONTHLY	YEARL
SUSPECTS ARRESTED	20	20
OFFENSES CLEARED	20	20
NARCOSTICS SEIZED	$0	$0
REWARDS PAID	$700	$700
PROGRAM INCEPTION DATE: 1984		

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GALINDO, JOSE ALBERT
D.O.B. 4-30-74 5'10 170LBs
Fail to ID B/F
WRT# CR76355



BENITEZ, ROBERT
D.O.B. 8-6-75 5'8 140LBs
Burg of Habitation
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Forgery by Passing VOP
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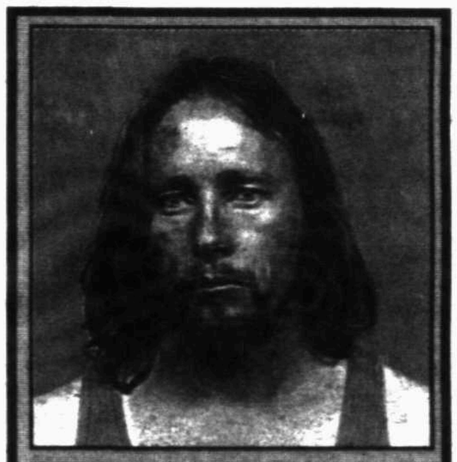


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D.O.B. 4-16-74 5'6 180LBs
Burg of Habitation
WRT# CRB23052

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ZUBIA, JOEL ALBERTO
D.O.B. 4-29-67 5'11 190LBs
Poss. MJ VOP
WRT# CRC19535



BROWN, MICHAEL WAYNE
D.O.B. 2-8-62 5'7 180LBs
Felony DWI/VOP
WRT# CRA22264
Felony DWI/VOP
WRT# CRA22267



NINO, CORNELIO IBARRA
D.O.B. 2-4-60 5'6 190LBs
DWI 3rd or more VOP
WRT# CR22046

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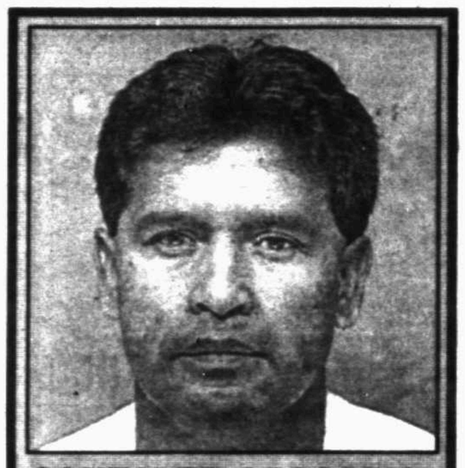
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Luisa Galindo
Owner

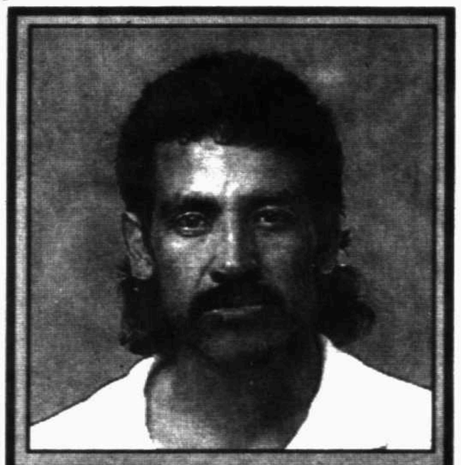
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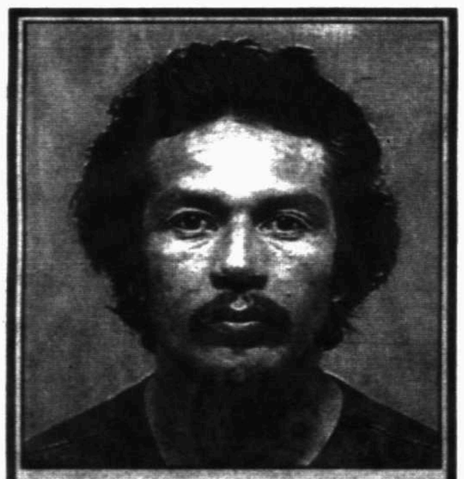
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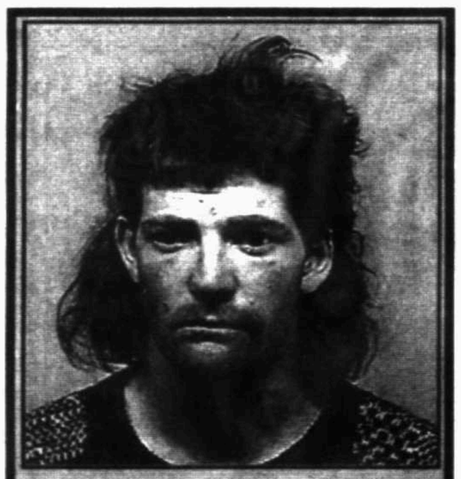
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D.O.B. 1-28-58 5'5" 155LBS
Aggravated Sexual Assault
WRT# CRB20861



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D.O.B. 4-4-66 5'11 140LBs
Poss. Cocaine VOP
WRT# CR21532



OCHOA, ADOLFO AGUIRRE
D.O.B. 7-26-67 5'11 145LBs
Poss. Cocaine u/4g VOP
WRT# CRD22726



MATHERLY, EDWIN MANNING
D.O.B. 5-22-70 5'8 140LBs
Retaliation VOP
WRT# CRA20716

ATTN: YOUTH LEADERS

Midland Crime Prevention has a video it would like to make available to schools, churches, boy/girl scouts, and other organizations of the sort. It's entitled "What Happens When You Get Caught". It is 28 minutes long and has 2 scenarios:

1) Underage kids drinking.

2) Kids getting picked up for having drugs.

The video is filmed by the same person who does COPS so it's very much like COPS.

The Videos can be checked out through the Crime Prevention or Public Relations Dept. at the Midland Police Department and through the Midland County Sheriff's office.

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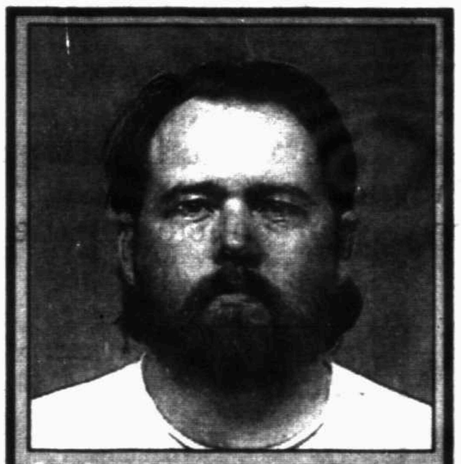
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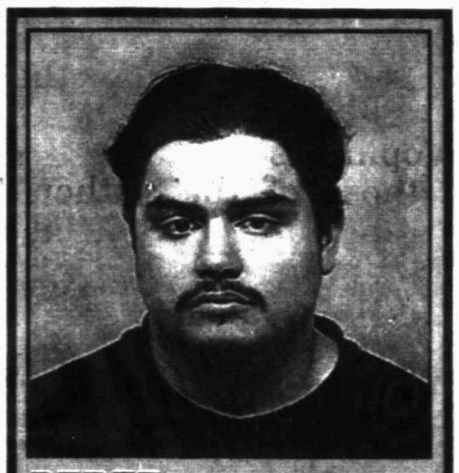
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GADDY,
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D.O.B. 12-15-63 6' 210LBs
Theft o/20,000 VOP
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PEREZ,
THOMAS ERIC
D.O.B. 11-11-76 5'9 230LBs
Poss C/S Cocaine B/F
WRT# CR24087



WILLIAMS,
ANGELA KAY
D.O.B. 9-20-67 5'6 180LBs
Obtain C/S by Fraud
WRT# CR20658



WILLIAMS,
LAKESHA
D.O.B. 4-3-77 5'3 195LBs
Theft by Repet. VOP
WRT# CRB22122



RIOS,
BRENDA
D.O.B.1-29-64 5'3 120LBs
Felony DWI VOP
WRT# CR17401



WASHINGTON,
JERRELL
JERMAINE
D.O.B. 4-9-79 5'8 175LBs
Poss of Cocaine
WRT# CRB20344



TOVAR,
PEDRO FLORES, JR.
D.O.B. 10-21-78 5'9 120LBs
Eng. Org. Crim. Act. VOP
WRT# CR22179



CHAMBERS, MARY ANN
aka OLLISON, JUDY ANN
D.O.B. 8-3-61 5'2 140LBs
Del. of Cocaine
Act. Transfer 1g
WRT# CR23965

CRIMESTOPPERS CRIME OF THE WEEK

This week Midland Crime Stoppers needs your help in solving a capital murder.

On Saturday, September 27, 1997, in the early evening hours, Lula Belle Klingler was murdered in her home. She resided at 2209 Brunson in Midland, TX. Her purse and contents were taken in the commission of this offense.

The suspect(s) entered Klingler's house through the back door. The suspect(s) then stabbed Mrs. Klingler to death, grabbed her purse and fled the scene. The purse and contents were later found in a dumpster in Midland.

The citizens of Midland will not tolerate this crime. If you have any information, call Midland Crime Stoppers at 694-TIPS or 1-800-7LOCKUP. The reward from Crime Stoppers is $1000 and an additional reward from a private source has been posted for $4000 making the total reward $5000 for the arrest and conviction of the suspect(s).

Remember you can remain anonymous and no caller ID is ever used.

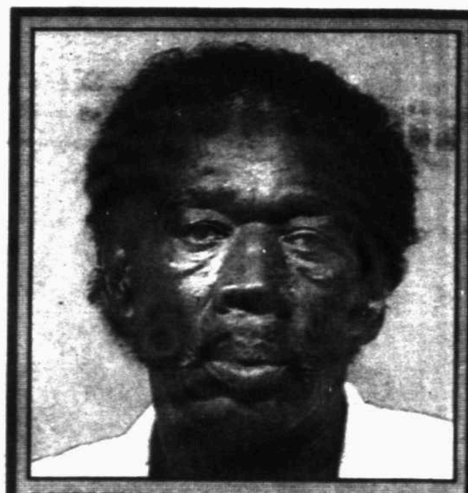
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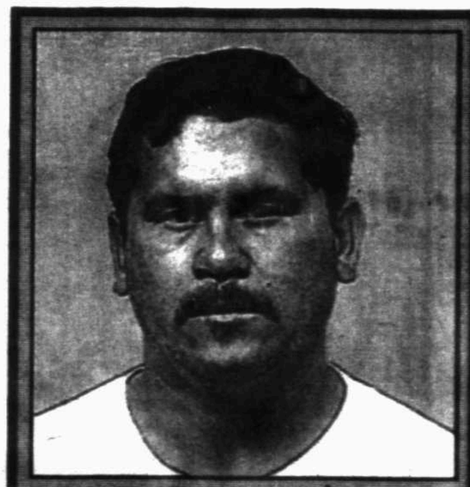
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WHITLEY, JAKE
D.O.B. 2-26-30 6'2 218LBs
Poss. Cocaine VOP
WRT# CR21910



WILLIAMS, JUANITA MARIE
D.O.B. 11-11-79 5'3 160LBs
Deadly Conduct
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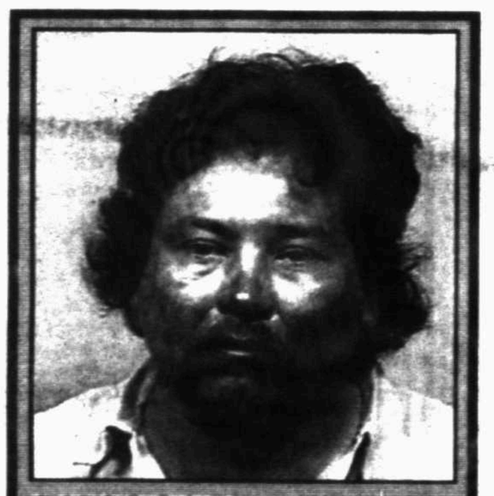
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D.O.B. 2-10-60 5'8 200LBs
Indecency w/child
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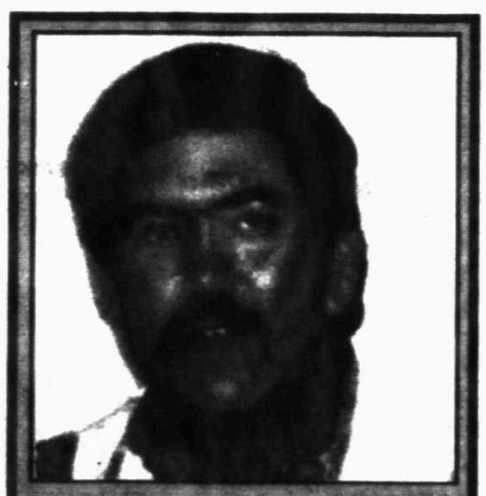
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Felony DWI
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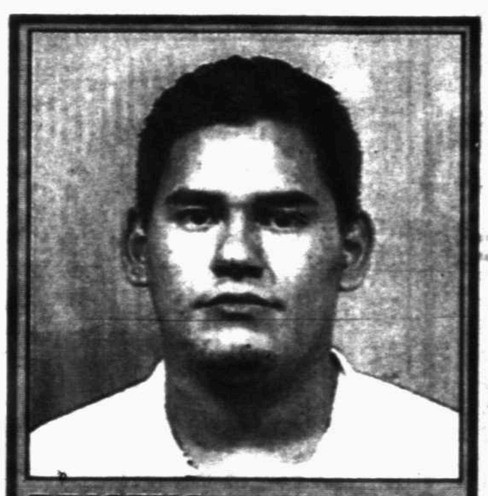
MENDOZA, PATRICIA ESTRADA
D.O.B. 10-20-66 5'6 165LBs
Poss. Cocaine B/F
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GUERRERO, NATIVIDAD, JR.
D.O.B. 11-23-58 5'5 220LBs
Poss. Cocaine 2cts
WRT# CR23824



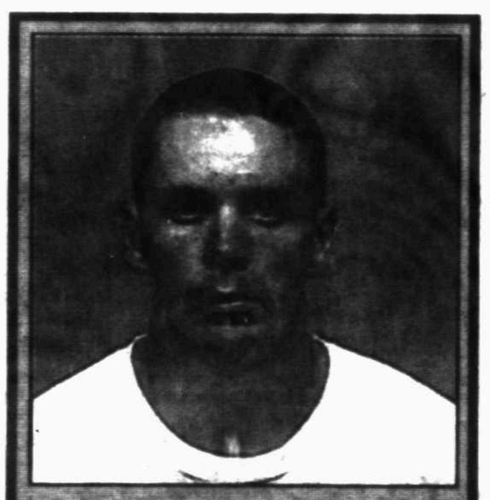
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Murder
WRT# CRA22676



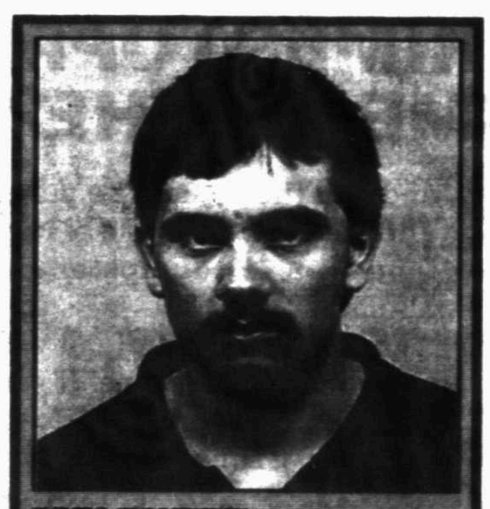
BRISENO, GABRIEL UMBERTO
D.O.B. 9-17-75 5'11 210LBs
Burg. of Bldg VOP
WRT# CR22999



WINSTEAD, JAMES ALEXANDER
D.O.B. 10-26-79 5'9 155LBs
Credit Card Abuse 2x
WRT# CR23678
WRT# CR23677



BAILEY, JAMES CARSON
D.O.B. 11-12-75 5'10 150LBs
Poss C/S Cocaine B/F
WRT# CR23909



MELENDEZ, JESSE VILLA, JR.
D.O.B. 6-27-77 5'8 160LBs
Del. C/S Cocaine B/F
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