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### Dinosaur skin

A 70-million-year-old dinosaur skin fossil found near Deming, N.M., is displayed on the right at the New Mexico Museum of Natural History and Science in Albuquerque, N.M., Wednesday. A rubber mold of the skin made by the museum is at left. The fossil was found with fossil bones from the backbone of a duck-billed dinosaur. Story, page 8A.

### Abortion battle

WASHINGTON (AP) — Courting a veto by President Clinton, the Republican-controlled Congress passed legislation Wednesday night to impose a ban on certain late-term abortions. The measure would ban the rarely used technique — termed "partial birth abortion" by its opponents — except in cases where it is essential to save the mother's life. The vote in the House was 286-129, more than enough to override a threatened veto. Senate approval of the measure last year was by a narrower 54-44 vote that would sustain a veto. Page 6B.

### One millionaire

AUSTIN — One ticket bought in Sinton correctly matched all six numbers drawn Wednesday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said. The jackpot was worth \$18 million. The numbers drawn from a field of 50 were: 2, 4, 9, 12, 33 and 43. Lottery officials estimate the jackpot for Saturday night's game will be \$4 million.

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## Rains bring no relief

■ Showers drop average of about quarter-inch of rain on West Texas, little help to farmers, ranchers.

### Associated Press

DALLAS — A day of on-again, off-again showers across the Lone Star State Wednesday brought little relief to farmers and ranchers suffering from drier-than-normal summer and spring seasons.

Showers brought an average of about a quarter-inch of rain in West Texas.

A warming trend, for which no measurable rainfall was forecast, was expected to last through Friday

for most of Texas, according to the National Weather Service.

In North Texas, Wichita Falls received the most rain by early Wednesday, with 1.79 inches reported during the 24-hour period ending at about 6 p.m. Dallas-Fort Worth saw its first day this year with more than an inch of rain, recording just over that mark, said Douglas Cain, an NWS meteorologist in Fort Worth.

"This kind of rain is always helpful as dry as it's been," said Ed Calianese, a NWS meteorologist in Fort Worth. "This time of year, we need to get as much rain as we can. We had an unusually hot and dry summer."

Around dusk, Fort Worth police rescued two men stranded on the hood

of their car by high waters in east Fort Worth.

Precipitation in Abilene came in the form of freezing rain, which iced roads all day as temperatures failed to top 32 degrees.

Meteorologists said Texas has seen 3 to 4 inches less rain than normal for the first three months of the year. That followed an unusually dry autumn.

Under the prolonged dry conditions, more than 3,000 wildfires have been reported this year, consuming about 270,000 acres, the Texas Forest Service says.

Outside North Texas, small amounts of rain did little but moisten

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### Selena's death: 1 year later

The popularity of Selena, the young Tejano star, has grown since she was murdered a year ago Sunday. A year after her death she continues to have an impact on the Tejano music and entertainment industry, as well as the Hispanic community.

A series of stories and photos in Saturday's and Sunday's issues of the Reporter-Telegram will take a look back at Selena's life and the effect of her death. They will include: the legacy of Selena, an upcoming book and movie about her life and fans' memories of the popular star.



## Pledging allegiance

Above, Mayor Bobby Burns — one of several local leaders who attended an "I Pledge Allegiance" ceremony Wednesday at Midland Baptist Temple School — talks to students and their families. Right, Texas Army National Guard members 1st Lt. Andrew Baker, from left, Capt. Chip Lynn, 1st Sgt. Gary Bates and Pfc. David Trujillo, raise the U.S. and Texas flags during the ceremony. Students were encouraged to pray for the city's and nation's leaders.

Photos by Curt Wilcott/Reporter-Telegram



## Midland-Odessa I-27 extension route rates low in state's study

By Michael Kashgarian  
Staff Writer

Among three possible southward extensions of Interstate 27 studied by the state, the Midland-Odessa route fared the worst.

Only one route was barely considered cost-worthy. "Basically, they found one corridor south and one corridor north marginally feasible," said Peggy Thurin, Texas Department of Transportation project manager for the study.

Because only one corridor exceeded a cost-benefit ratio to be deemed feasible — and only marginally — the state will not seek federal funding to extend I-27 but examine the possibility of some roadway improvements involving the routes, Ms. Thurin said.

TxDOT and HDR Engineering Inc. have scrutinized three routes connecting I-27 from Lubbock south to Interstate 10, as well as two routes connecting I-27 from Amarillo north to the Oklahoma bound-

Please see I-27/4A

## Arrests of juveniles rise, outpace adult crime, report says

AUSTIN (AP) — A new report shows an exploding juvenile arrest rate in Texas, with the increase in youngsters' offenses far outstripping their population growth and outpacing adult crime.

The population of youngsters ages 10 to 16 in Texas increased by 11 percent between 1990 and 1994, while juvenile arrests went up by 44 percent, according to the report released Wednesday by the state Criminal Justice Policy Council.

By comparison, the adult population and adult arrests in Texas both increased by 8 percent.

If current arrest trends continue, juvenile arrests are expected to increase 86 percent between 1995 and 2010, to 332,810, the report said.

"Texas already has the highest adult incarceration rate in the country. Attention directed primarily at continuing to

Please see JUVENILES/4A

## High court boosts states' rights in its ruling on Indian gambling

WASHINGTON (AP) — In a major victory for states' rights, the Supreme Court ruled Wednesday that Congress cannot force states into federal court to settle disputes over gambling on Indian reservations.

The 5-4 decision, reached over vigorous dissent, has immediate impact for about half the states, where Indian gambling is a \$6 billion-a-year industry. More importantly, the court signaled a fundamental shift in the balance of powers between states and the federal government.

But just how that new alignment affects other aspects of American law may not be fully known for decades. The court said Congress

cannot attempt to resolve stalled negotiations between states and tribes over on-reservation gambling by making states and their officials targets of federal lawsuits.

One dissenting justice called the ruling "shocking" and "profoundly misguided," but the court's majority said he was exaggerating.

The decision "represents a clear restructuring of the balance of power between states and the federal government," said Bruce Rogow, the law professor who represented Florida's Seminole Indian tribe in the case.

The nation's Indian tribes Please see RULING/4A



AP Laserphoto

### Spacowalk

Astronaut Linda Godwin spacewalks near the Russian space station Mir's docking module, Wednesday. Atlantis, at bottom, is scheduled to undock today. Page 4B.

## Senate approves line-item veto; stage set for historic power shift

WASHINGTON (NYT) — By an overwhelming majority, the Senate voted on Wednesday night to cede much of Congress' authority over federal spending to the White House beginning next year.

The historic legislation, a central part of Republican dogma, is sure to be passed by the House within days and to be signed by President Clinton, who supports it without reservation, as have all his recent predecessors. But equally certain is the prospect that its constitutionality will be immediately challenged in court.

The measure, approved by a vote of 69 to 31, would give the president what is known as

a line-item veto — the power to strike out specific parts of spending bills and some tax measures passed by Congress without vetoing the entire legislation.

In an assessment that went unchallenged, Sen. Mark O. Hatfield of Oregon, the chairman of the Appropriations Committee and one of the three Republicans who voted against the bill, called it "the greatest effort to shift the balance of power to the White House since Franklin Roosevelt attempted to pack the Supreme Court."

But the Republican sponsors said that Congress had proved itself unable to control Please see APPROVES/4A

## Europe slaps global ban on British beef; slaughter looms

LONDON (NYT) — Britain's collapsing beef industry was dealt another blow on Wednesday when the European Union Commission imposed a ban on the sale of British beef and cattle to the rest of the world in an effort to contain mad cow disease.

The action forced the government to consider new steps to block the further spread of the disease, formally known as bovine spongiform encephalopathy, to humans.

Cattle sales and beef prices plunged in Britain and some traders couldn't even give cattle away as consumers turned to lamb, pork, poultry and fish. Lay-offs and shortened work weeks also began to spread throughout Britain's battered multibillion-dollar beef industry.

The unanimous decision by the 20-member EU Commission in Brussels is expected to compel Britain to develop a formula for slaughtering older cows in an attempt to rein in the deadly degenerative brain disorder. Older cows are considered more likely to have the disease than younger ones.

The commission's action is intended to restore consumer confidence in beef. It will review the ban in six weeks.

Along with many other nations, Britain's 14 partners in the European Union have already blocked imports of British beef. The global ban is designed to prevent British beef from reaching Europe through other countries, and

Britain doesn't dispute the commission's authority to impose a worldwide blockade. Indeed, the two Britons on the commission supported the ban.

Because of the disease, the United States stopped imported British beef in 1989.

In Wednesday's meeting, the commission backed its leading veterinarians in banning the export of British cattle, beef and related beef products, but not milk and other dairy products. The ban covers any products that include beef, such as some cosmetics, medicine, pharmaceutical products and even some ice cream.

"There is a crisis of confidence concerning beef from the UK on the part of the consumer," said Franz Fischler, agriculture commissioner for the European Union. "This lack of confidence has rapidly spread throughout the EU with implications for the whole beef sector."

To soften the blow, the commission said it was ready to provide financial aid to help farmers and the government overcome one of Britain's worst economic disasters in recent history. It is also a potential public health catastrophe and another setback for the ruling Conservative Party.

Opposition leaders charge that Prime Minister John Major had mishandled the beef crisis, allowing the situation to spin out of control.

"The dithering, the indecisiveness and the lack of any firm policy over the last 48 hours has been

catastrophic to trust in the government and terribly damaging to the livelihoods of tens of thousands in the industry," said Paddy Ashdown, leader of the small Liberal Democrat party.

Britain has been on the brink of an economic and public health crisis for the past week. On March 20, a probable link between the animal and human versions of the degenerative brain disease was established for the first time when the government announced that 10 people probably contracted it by eating contaminated beef.

Just before the commission imposed its ban, the British government quickly began shifting its position to prepare for new measures. Only last Monday, the government insisted that British beef was safe and that no new steps were necessary to contain the disease, which was first detected 10 years ago and which has killed 160,000 cows in Britain since then.

Prime Minister Major said

Wednesday night that the "real problem" is the destruction of public confidence in British beef, not its safety. He blamed the collapse of confidence on hysteria heaped upon the public by the opposition political parties.

The government appeared ready to back, in some form, a proposal by the National Farmers' Union that called for the slaughter of up to 15,000 older dairy cows a week and their incineration so that none of their parts reaches the food chain.

The cost of slaughtering all those cattle, almost 800,000 a year, is estimated at more than \$1 billion annually, and there is no guarantee that action alone would satisfy the European Commission.

Mad cow disease, which is thought to have originated when parts of infected sheep were ground up and mixed in with cattle feed, has been found more commonly, but not exclusively, in dairy cows rather than beef cattle.

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# Dillard's

### 3 Saudis hijack jetliner, give up five hours later

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — Demanding a meeting with three world leaders, three hijackers commandeered an Egyptian jetliner to Libya on Wednesday and surrendered peacefully to the Libyan military five hours later.

The Airbus A320, en route from Jiddah, Saudi Arabia, to Cairo, was hijacked after stopping in the southern Egyptian city of Luxor, a tourist locale famous for its spectacular Pharaonic ruins.

The 152 passengers, including 17 Japanese, 59 Canadians and a number of French citizens, were freed in Libya's Mediterranean city of Martubah, 150 miles west of Egypt. Airport officials said none of the passengers was American.

"The hijackers did not ask anything of the passengers," Prime Minister Kamal el-Ganzoury told reporters in Cairo. "The passengers are OK. They were not badly treated."

The three Saudi Arabian hijackers insisted on an audience with the heads of the United States, Egypt and Libya to present "a message from God" to help the Palestinians. Police said the incident began at 3:55 p.m., when one of the men entered the cockpit and demanded that he be flown to Libya to meet with Gadhafi.

Cairo airport officials quoted the hijacker as saying, "Fly me to Tobruk because we want to meet Gadhafi." He also promised not to hurt the passengers and declared that he was not a terrorist.

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**Solutions** breezy button-front rayon challis skirts in delicate floral prints. Misses sizes S,M,L. **\$28.**



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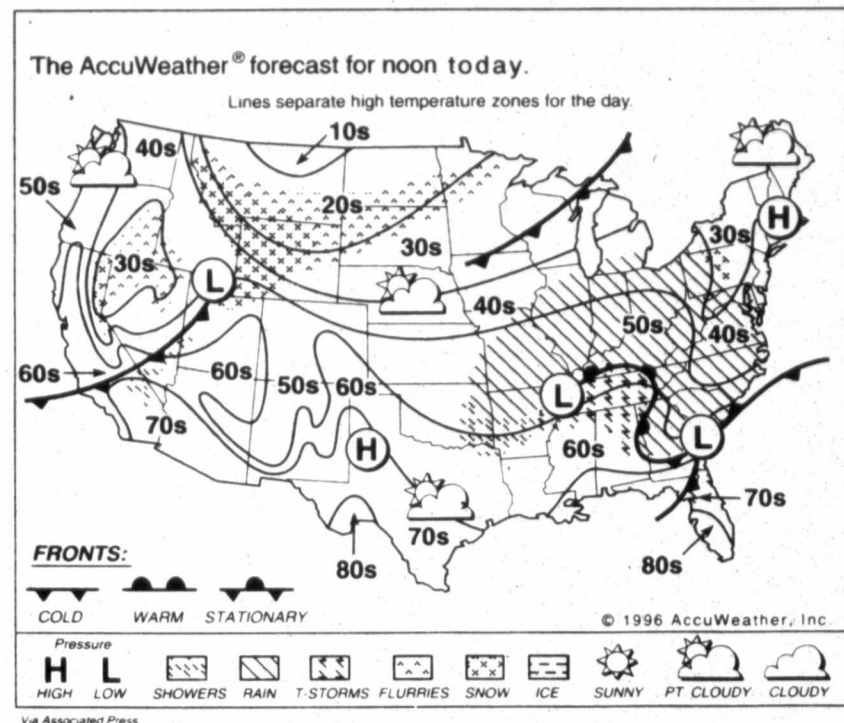
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# Dillard's

**WEATHER WATCH**



**Partly cloudy skies to bring upper 70s**  
Staff Report

Today's forecast calls for early morning low clouds and fog becoming partly cloudy by mid-morning and a high in the upper 70s, with winds from the south at 5-15 mph becoming southwest at 10-20 by noon, according to the National Weather Service.

Tonight's forecast calls for fair skies with a low in the mid-40s. Friday is expected to be partly cloudy with a high near 80.

The high for Wednesday was 47, compared to the record high for that date of 95, set in 1971. Tuesday's low was 28. The record low is 14, set in 1931.

**STATE**  
It was wet and mostly chilly across Texas on Wednesday as showers and thundershowers were triggered by southerly winds colliding with a dome of cold air.

Freezing precipitation that glazed highways in West Central Texas thawed as temperatures inched above freezing. Only Far West Texas had any appreciable sunshine.

Temperatures were cool as the cold air, cloud cover and evaporation from falling rain held highs in the 30s and 40s. East Texas and the Lower Rio Grande Valley had warmer conditions with readings at 3 p.m. ranging from 32 degrees at Abilene in West Central Texas to 37 at Childress in Northwest Texas up to 59 degrees at Lufkin in the East and 64 degrees at Brownsville on the state's southern tip.

A clockwise circulation around a high pressure centered in West Texas brought north winds at 10 to 20 mph to East and Southeast Texas and southerly winds at 5 to 15 mph to West Texas. North Texas had light north and northeast winds of 5 to 10 mph.

The North Texas forecast is for decreasing cloudiness today with warmer temperatures. Highs will range from 62 in the northeast to near 70 in the west, today night will be partly cloudy, windy and warmer. Lows will be in the 50s.

South Texas is to be cloudy and warmer today with highs in the 60s and 70s. Lows in the 50s.

Forecasters said West Texas will be mostly sunny today and fair tonight. Highs will be in the 60s and 70s with a few 80s in the south. Lows tonight in the 30s.

**NATION**  
Rain was scattered across the southern Plains and into the South on Wednesday, and a snowstorm was developing over the northern Rockies. Showers fell across Oklahoma and Texas during the afternoon, and rain also stretched from there eastward across the Gulf Coast region.

That area of moisture was expected to spread toward the north and east, carrying rain into the Tennessee and lower Ohio valleys, the southern Appalachians and the southern East Coast during the night.

Locally heavy rain was possible during the night in parts of the Southeast.

For today, the National Weather Service posted a winter storm watch for parts of northern West Virginia, western Maryland and south-central Pennsylvania.

**Midland statistics**  
FORECAST Today: Early morning low clouds and fog becoming partly cloudy by mid-morning and a high in the upper 70s with winds from the south at 5-15 mph becoming southwest at 10-20 mph by noon. Tonight: Fair with a low in the mid-40s. Friday: Partly cloudy with a high near 80.

**Weather elsewhere**  
Temperatures indicate previous day's high and overnight low to 7:30 p.m. EST.

City	Hi	Lo	Pcp	Outk
Albuquerque	63	31	0.0	clr
Anchorage	47	29	0.0	fm
Atlanta	54	48	2.9	fm
Baltimore	47	33	0.0	sn
Boston	48	34	0.6	sn
Boston	42	29	0.0	cdy
Charleston S.C.	62	50	0.0	cdy
Chicago	36	12	0.0	cdy
Cincinnati	45	22	0.0	cdy
Denver	57	23	0.0	cdy
Des Moines	46	20	0.0	cdy
Detroit	32	11	0.0	cdy
Fortbanks	34	16	0.0	cdy
Fargo	24	5	0.0	cdy
Flagstaff	56	18	0.0	cdy
Grand Rapids	34	2	0.0	cdy
Honolulu	81	62	0.0	cdy
Indianapolis	44	20	0.0	cdy
Juneau	46	27	0.0	cdy
Kansas City	46	24	0.0	cdy
Las Vegas	75	46	0.0	cdy
Las Vegas	75	46	0.0	cdy
Little Rock	56	36	0.0	cdy
Los Angeles	60	50	0.0	cdy
Louisville	51	28	0.0	cdy
Memphis	62	34	0.0	cdy
Miami Beach	78	72	0.0	cdy
Milwaukee	31	12	0.0	cdy
Nashville	58	32	0.0	cdy
New Orleans	60	50	0.0	cdy
New York City	42	28	0.0	cdy
Oklahoma City	39	34	0.0	cdy
Orlando	81	64	0.0	cdy
Philadelphia	43	31	0.0	cdy
Phoenix	81	53	0.0	cdy
Portland,Ore.	54	35	0.0	cdy
Reno	57	31	0.0	cdy
St Louis	47	29	0.0	cdy
Salt Lake City	62	37	0.0	cdy
San Diego	67	52	0.0	cdy
San Francisco	66	51	0.0	cdy
Seattle	50	41	0.0	cdy
Seattle	50	41	0.0	cdy
Shreveport	57	43	0.0	cdy
Topeka	48	24	0.0	cdy
Tucson	77	46	0.0	cdy
Washington,D.C.	51	35	0.0	cdy

**Area forecast**  
WEST TEXAS: Permian Basin - Today, early morning low clouds and fog becoming partly cloudy by mid-morning. Highs in the upper 70s to near 80. Tonight, fair. Lows 45-50. Friday, partly cloudy. Highs near 80 to lower 80s. Extended forecast, Friday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 40s. Saturday, partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 70s. Sunday, partly cloudy. Lows in the lower to mid 40s. Highs mid 70s. Monday, partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 40s. Highs in the mid 70s to near 80.

**Border forecasts**  
NEW MEXICO - Today, partly cloudy with a slight chance of showers northwest. Mostly fair skies elsewhere. Breezy statewide. Warmer east and south. Highs in the 50s to mid 60s mountains and northwest with mid 60s to near 80 at the lower elevations of the east and south. Tonight, partly cloudy northwest quarter with a slight chance of lowland rain and mountain snow showers. Mostly clear skies elsewhere. Lows in the upper teens to mid 30s mountains with 30s and 40s elsewhere. Friday, partly cloudy with a slight chance of rain and mountain snow showers. Mostly sunny skies south. Breezy to windy and turning cooler statewide. Highs in the upper 40s to mid 60s mountains and northwest with 60s and 70s lower elevations east and south. Friday night, mostly clear skies. Lows in the mid 20s to lower 30s mountains and northwest with upper 20s to mid 40s elsewhere. Extended forecast, Saturday through Monday, fair to partly cloudy with a warming trend. Highs in the mid 40s to the 60s mountains and northwest with mid 60s to the mid 80s lower elevations east and south. Lows in the mid 20s to lower 30s mountains and northwest with 30s to lower 40s elsewhere.

OKLAHOMA - Today, mostly cloudy with a chance of rain mainly east. Decreasing cloudiness central and west. Highs in the lower 50s to lower 60s. Tonight, mostly clear. Lows in the upper 30s to mid 40s. Friday, partly cloudy with a chance of showers and thundershowers east. Highs from 70 to 80. Friday night, partly to mostly cloudy with a chance of showers and thundershowers. Lows in the mid to upper 40s. Extended forecast, Saturday, partly cloudy. A chance of showers and thundershowers east. Highs in the 60s. Sunday, mostly clear. Lows in the 40s. Highs from the mid 60s to mid 70s. Monday, partly cloudy. A slight chance of rain in southern Oklahoma and western north Texas. Lows in the 40s. Highs in the upper 60s to mid 70s.

**Texas temperatures**  
Highest temperature last 12 hours, lowest past 18 hours and precipitation for 24 hours ending at 6 p.m. CST.

City	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Abilene	34	31	0.97
Amarillo	55	29	
Austin	46	39	0.46
Beaumont-Port Arthur	67	47	
Bryan-College Station	50	44	0.42
Corpus Christi	50	43	0.02
Dallas 43	39	36	
El Paso	69	67	
Fort Worth	44	38	1.06
Gahevston	60	50	
Houston	63	48	
Laredo	57	41	MM
Lubbock	47	30	0.08
Marfa	61	29	
San Angelo	42	30	0.28
San Antonio	50	40	0.22
Victoria	49	44	0.10
Waco	46	41	0.71
Wichita Falls	39	34	1.79
Wink	55	30	0.22

**Lotto Texas**  
AUSTIN (AP) - The winning Lotto Texas numbers drawn Wednesday by the Texas Lottery: 2-4-9-12-33-43. Estimated Lotto Texas jackpot: \$18 million.

**Pick 3 Texas**  
AUSTIN (AP) - The Pick 3 winning numbers drawn Wednesday by the Texas Lottery, in order: 5-8-5.

**RAINS: Area showers are little help to ranchers, farmers**

(From 1A)  
The dust.  
"Yes, the ground looks wet, but if you kick it, you will see it's dry underneath," Bexar County Fire Marshal Carl Nixon told the San Antonio Express-News. "What we need now is an opportunity for the grass to green up, and that will take several days after a rain."  
Edwards Underground Water District officials said the meager precipitation did nothing to boost Edwards aquifer levels, except to reduce demands for water. The aquifer is San Antonio's sole source of water.  
Even prayers have not helped. Childress and another West Texas city, San Angelo, recently issued proclamations asking residents to pray for rain. But as of Wednesday afternoon, Childress had seen a mere 0.14 inch of precipitation - including rain, sleet and snow - and San Angelo had reported 0.28 inch. Farther north in the Panhandle town of Dalhart, where residents began monthly prayers for rain and higher cattle prices in February, no rain fell.  
Ranchers are threatened with rock-bottom cattle prices, the result of a market overstocked with cattle that can't be supported by dry range land.  
"We are already feeling the effects of this year's drought," said Eliseo Garza Duran, president of the Cattle Ranchers Association in Matamoros, Mexico, just across the border from Brownsville. And farmers, who don't even

have their primary crops in the ground yet, face a lack of soil moisture necessary to boost the corn, cotton and milo that will be planted in the coming months.  
While the need is great, the prospects are dim, forecasters say.  
"The wheat crop is in really bad shape," said Michael Flynn, a NWS meteorologist in College Station. "Some places will get some help (from Wednesday's rains), for some it will be too late."  
Even where spring crops have been planted, like corn in South Texas, cold weather is not helping, he said.  
"The 30-day outlook is showing no strong trends," Flynn said. "In the six- to 10-day outlook, it looks like we're going to stay below nor-

**I-27: Midland-Odessa route ranks third among plans**

(From X1A)  
Locally, the state-commissioned study prompted the formation of the Midland-Odessa Transportation Alliance (MOTRAN) to lobby for the route that passes through the two cities. A MOTRAN representative said Wednesday that the group has not reviewed the study results and will comment at a later date.  
The public will have an opportunity to review the study results and ask questions during a TxDOT-sponsored public hearing in Lubbock on May 14, state officials said.  
In general, the study determined the best southward route runs from Lubbock to Sweetwater to San Angelo to Junction, and the best northern route runs from Lubbock to Dumas

to Stratford, TxDOT officials said.  
The best southward route was determined to have a 1.07 benefit-to-cost ratio. That means that for every dollar spent on construction \$1.07 worth of benefit would be reaped.  
The two other routes studied were not deemed feasible.  
The Lubbock to Big Spring to Junction corridor netted a 0.73 benefit-to-cost ratio. That means 37 cents would be lost benefit-wise compared to each dollar spent on construction.  
Coming in last place was the Lubbock to Midland-Odessa to Bakersfield route with a 0.63 benefit-to-cost ratio. That equates to only 63 cents of benefit gained from each dollar spent on construction of interstate highway.  
As a result of the findings, TxDOT officials said, federal funding will not be sought for

interstate extension. Furthermore, federal funds for such a project aren't even currently available, officials said.  
But that doesn't mean the study will go entirely to waste.  
The second and final phase of the study will examine the suggested corridors, assess upgrade needs and prioritize improvements for the future, TxDOT officials said.  
In the review of the West Texas highway system, some of the corridors will be dropped from the improvement plan, officials said. The southward roadway from Midland-Odessa to I-10 likely will be dropped while the segments of roadway between Midland-Odessa and Lubbock will be part of the plan, officials said.

**JUVENILES: Report shows explosion in number of arrests**

(From 1A)  
The report noted that between now and the year 2010, the Hispanic juvenile population is projected to increase 42 percent and the black juvenile population by 13 percent, while the Anglo juvenile population is projected to decline by 4 percent.  
"A greater proportion of Hispanic and African-American juveniles will be growing up in urban households likely to be poor and in environments that more frequently expose them to conditions that increase their probability of becoming involved in delinquent behavior," says Fabelo in the report.  
The report shows, however, that the arrests of black juveniles for violent and drug crimes increased

by a smaller percentage than for Anglos and Hispanics between 1990 and 1994.  
There was a 50 percent increase in violent crime arrests for black juveniles, compared with a 60 percent increase for Anglos and 63 percent for Hispanics.  
The increase in drug crime arrests was 108 percent for blacks, 141 percent for Anglos and 168 percent for Hispanics.  
In property crime arrests, the increase was 22 percent for blacks, compared with 10 percent each for Anglos and Hispanics.  
Fabelo said he did not have a reason for the difference.  
Overall, there was a 57 percent increase in juvenile violent crime arrests - including a 79 percent increase in arrests for murder -

**RULING: Decision to have immediate impact for half of states**

(From 1A)  
were the nominal losers, but their setback could be slight. Federal law still allows them to seek help from the secretary of the interior when state officials balk at tribal plans for gambling operations.  
"The big picture is: States win, Congress loses and the tribes are still holding their cards," Rogov said.  
Still, Florida Gov. Lawton Chiles called the ruling "a significant victory for the people of Florida."  
"Casino gambling - whether it be in our communities or on an Indian reservation - is a bad bet for our people," he said. "This ruling strengthens our hand in the effort to defend our communities from casino gambling."  
Chiles acknowledged that the secretary of the interior now will be the sole federal arbiter of disputes between states and Indian tribes over gambling. But a tribe also might opt for suing in a state court if frustrated with state officials' reaction to its gambling plans.  
Wednesday's ruling was extraordinary in two ways. First, it ended for Congress nearly 160 years of virtual free rein in making laws affecting American Indians. Congress still has great power in that field, the court said, but cannot subject states to federal lawsuits.

Second, the decision breathed new life into the Constitution's 11th Amendment, which protects states from being sued in federal courts against their will.  
The amendment long has been a rallying point, albeit a somewhat obscure one, for states-rights advocates.  
Writing in dissent, Justice John Paul Stevens used words like "shocking" and "profoundly misguided" to describe what the court had done.  
He warned that the ruling "prevents Congress from providing a federal forum for a broad range of actions against states, from copyright and patent law to... bankruptcy, environmental law and the regulation of our vast national economy."  
Stevens suggested the ruling could leave people who say they were harmed by a state's violation of federal copyright, bankruptcy or antitrust laws without any legal remedy because state courts have no authority to handle such claims.  
Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist, who wrote the majority opinion, said Stevens was exaggerating.  
Justice David H. Souter, took the rare courtroom step of reading for seven minutes from his 92-page dissenting opinion.  
"The court today holds for the first time since the founding of the Republic that Congress has no authority to subject a state to the jurisdiction of a federal court at the behest of an individual asserting a federal right," Souter wrote.  
Rehnquist said the 11th Amendment restricts judicial power and that the constitutional powers given to Congress "cannot be used to circumvent the constitutional limitations placed upon federal jurisdiction."  
Another clear indication of what direction the Republican-dominated court is moving on balance-of-power issues: The justices reversed their own 1989 ruling that had allowed federal lawsuits against the states in another context.  
The court in 1987 ruled that states cannot ban gambling on Indian reservations within their borders if the same gambling is allowed elsewhere in those states.  
Congress responded the next year by enacting the law that requires tribes to negotiate with the respective states before starting some types of on-reservation gambling.  
The law requires states to negotiate in good faith, and allowed a tribe to sue a state in federal court if the state failed to do so.  
The Seminole tribe sued Florida after Chiles refused to agree to the tribe's concept of what gambling to include - casinos - on one of its five Florida reservations.  
Rehnquist was joined by Justices Sandra Day O'Connor, Antonin Scalia, Anthony M. Kennedy and Clarence Thomas.  
Stevens, Souter, and Justices Ruth Bader Ginsburg and Stephen G. Breyer dissented.

**APPROVES: Legislation likely to pass House within days**

(From 1A)  
Referring only rarely to notes, he quoted verbatim from the Bible and Aristotle, from the Rubaiyat of Omar Khayyam and Paradise Lost, from Alexander Hamilton, James Madison, Aaron Burr and Daniel Webster.  
His once coal-black hair turned snow-white, his once powerful hands now shaky, Byrd, a 78-year-old Democrat, has lost none of his voice and, after 37 years in the Senate, none of his passion for Congress.  
"It is ludicrous - nay, it is tragic - that we are about to substitute our own judgment for that of the Framers with respect to the control of the purse and the need to check the executive," he declared. "Yet, that is precisely what we are about to do here today. We are about to succumb, for political reasons only, to the mania which has taken hold of some in this and the other body to put that most political of political inventions, the Contract With America, into law."  
The line-item veto was indeed one of the top items in the Contract, the platform for Republicans who ran for and won control of Congress two years ago.

The House and Senate passed separate versions of the measure early last year. But then the matter was laid aside, partly because of differences among Republicans but mostly because they were reluctant to give such new authority to a Democratic president.  
Sen. Bob Dole of Kansas, the Republican leader, who hopes to be president himself next year, got the measure back on track this month.  
In addition to Hatfield, the Republicans who voted against the measure were William S. Cohen of Maine and James R. Jeffords of Vermont.  
The bill adopted by conferees from the Senate and House and approved by the Senate on Wednesday night would go into effect on Jan. 1, 1997. It would allow the president to cancel specific items of spending in appropriations bills and tax breaks that applied to no more than 100 taxpayers.  
Congress would be free to pass new legislation disapproving the cancellation. But the president could then veto that legislation, and it would require a two-thirds vote of both chambers to override the veto and retain the particular spending or tax item that the president opposed.  
The legislation will be challenged in court on the ground that the Constitution allows the president to veto whole bills but not parts of bills. Article I, Section 7 provides for bills approved by Congress to be sent to the president and then sign, "If he approves, he shall sign it, but if not he shall return it."

**Correction**  
In a photo caption appearing in Wednesday's edition, it was stated that a sprinkler system at Texas Burger had been left on overnight, causing shrubs and trees to be covered with ice. However, company officials said the business had been vandalized and the culprits broke into the sprinkler system control box, thus causing the early-morning icy conditions.  
The Reporter-Telegram regrets the error.

Initially, the Republicans promised a constitutional amendment. But the sponsors of the legislation were afraid they could not get the requisite two-thirds vote of both chambers and the approval of the legislatures of three-quarters of the states. In any event, they were too impatient to wait for that to happen.

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# U.N. police accuse Muslim-Croat force of lack of cooperation

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — In an apparent violation of the Bosnian peace accord, Muslim-Croat police are refusing to let international police monitors watch them work, the United Nations said Wednesday.

The monitors were barred from patrolling with the Muslim-Croat force in the former Serb suburb of Ildza and denied access to its duty room, despite provisions in the accord that call for them to observe the local police's day-to-day work, U.N. officials said.

The federation police also detained a Bosnian Serb interpreter working for the monitors without informing them for 11 days, the officials said.

Bosnian President Alija Izetbegovic, meanwhile, acknowledged fault in another dispute with the international community — the presence of Iranian fighters in Bosnia in violation of the U.S.-brokered peace accord.

Under the accord, all foreign military forces were to have left Bosnia by Jan. 19. But in mid-February, French troops raided a military training camp in central Bosnia, detaining three Iranians and confiscating weapons and explosives. Western intelligence sources believe there are up to 10 such secret training camps, most in central or north-central Bosnia.

Izetbegovic sought to allay U.S. fears of a threat from Iranian influences in Bosnia, saying in an interview published Wednesday that his country now needs the United States — not Iran — to survive.

"We have to have America on our side," he told the weekly Ljiljan. "In the current situation, that is the key for the survival of Bosnia and our people."

Izetbegovic acknowledged that the camp raided by French soldiers in February "was our big mistake, and a violation of what we

signed." Although Iran had been an important friend during the war, he said, "Iran is far away, and our enemies are close, very close."

In a letter released Monday, Izetbegovic had said 50 to 60 former Iranian soldiers remained in Bosnia, but he said they were civilians because their military unit was disbanded in January.

The two disputes — over foreign fighters and the Croat-Muslim police force — highlight the obstacles still hindering a permanent peace in Bosnia after nearly four years of war.

Until two days ago, the international monitors in Ildza sat in the same duty room with federal police, listening to their radios and going on patrols together. But on Monday, the federation police barred them from the duty room, said Rafael Martinez of Spain, part of the 66-strong international police force.

"They think that they don't need us anymore," said Martinez. "But we have to be here because the Dayton agreement says so. We are here to protect human rights."

Enver Dupovac, commander of the federation police station in Ildza, refused to comment, referring all questions to federal police authorities, who said they were aware of the allegations and were preparing a response.

The 750 unarmed police monitors from dozens of countries, including the United States, are supposed to monitor freedom of movement, human rights and law enforcement in troubled areas. The officers do not have authority to make arrests.

Ildza, the largest of five Serb suburbs handed over to the federation as part of the peace agreement, was hit by a wave of arson and looting by Serbs who fled before the turnover on March 12. Muslims and Bosnian Croats who

returned to the suburb carried out a second wave of looting, harassment and intimidation of the Serbs who stayed behind.

U.N. spokesman Alexander Ivanko said federation police were reluctant to cooperate from the first day of the handover.

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## Culver expansion is needed move

Midland County officials are correct in their decision to seek \$3.4 million in certificates-of-obligation to fund expansion of Culver Youth Home, as well as to upgrade Fairview Cemetery, remodel offices for justices of the peace, improve and dispose of the obsolete Midland County Courthouse Annex and improve Midland County Exhibit Building.

By far, the biggest chunk of the certificates-of-obligation — \$2.94 million — will go for a 24-bed expansion of the youth center. That is to address what has developed into a major problem — the increase in juvenile crime in Midland County.

According to county officials, Culver Youth Home is often full when juveniles are detained, and under state rules, juveniles cannot be held in a facility where adult prisoners are kept. That leaves out Midland County Jail, which houses prisoners for both the city and county.

In such a situation, local law-enforcement officers who have detained juveniles face the choice of either transporting the juveniles to another juvenile facility in this immediate area or releasing them to the custody of their parents or guardians. That's not an acceptable option because it doesn't instill confidence in the juveniles that their illegal activities will be dealt with resolutely by officials and the community.

While Midlanders may not like the fact that juvenile crime is on the increase and will cost our society more to deal with, we must recognize that simply turning juvenile offenders loose to prey on the community is no solution at all.

Commissioners and County Judge Jeff Norwood have chosen a funding mechanism that will not result in an increase in the county tax rate. That shows fiscal responsibility and lets Midland County address this serious concern now.

GEORGE WILL

## Agenda drives celebration of 'diversity'

WASHINGTON — The ruling of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 5th Circuit concerning affirmative action in the admissions process at the University of Texas Law School may or may not be momentous. Unless it is heard and affirmed by the Supreme Court, it applies only to Texas, Louisiana and Mississippi. But if it is affirmed, its significance will transcend constitutional law.



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The dynamite in the circuit court's ruling is the assertion that racial preferences can never be justified as a means of achieving "diversity." This means affirmative action policies, which often are referred to as "race-based remedies," must be just that — remedial, narrowly tailored to correct specific discrimination by the particular institution, not by society generally.

The diversity rationale for affirmative action has served the double purpose of broadening the racial spoils system by severing it from mere remediation, and making it permanent by putting it in the service of an endless project. But the deeper significance of the cult of "cultural" diversity in higher education is that it denotes an aggressive ideology concerning the meaning of culture, the aims of education and the merits of the United States.

It is serendipitous that the circuit court's ruling coincides with the publication, in *The Public Interest* quarterly, of Clifford Orwin's essay "All Quiet on the (post) Western Front?" Orwin, an American political scientist at the University of Toronto, unpacks from "diversity" the full agenda of multiculturalism.

Before the ascendancy in academic circles of what Orwin calls the relativistic understanding of culture, the idea of culture was connected to the idea of intellectual cultivation, which is a difficult attainment, not a democratic entitlement. But, says Orwin, cultural relativism asserts that every "people" (nowadays this means every racial, ethnic or other group organized around a grievance) has a culture, understood as the totality of its social practices, and all cultures are equal in the sense that there are no neutral principles — no principles that are not themselves mere emanations of a culture — for evaluating them.

Multiculturalism is a fact: Americans have various racial and ethnic backgrounds and experiences. But multiculturalism as a policy is not, Orwin argues, primarily a response to that fact. Rather, it is an ideology, the core tenet of which is this: Because all standards for judg-

ing cultures are themselves culture-bound, it is wrong to "privilege" Western culture, and right to tailor university admissions and curricula to rectify the failure to extend proper "recognition" and "validation" to other cultures.

Orwin says this "inclination to treat students ascriptively rather than as individuals" translates into the right of ever-more-recondite "cultures" (for example, "gays and lesbians of color") to "construct a playground of their own at university expense" — a course of their own, a department, a dormitory. Because supposedly "marginalized" cultures are defined in opposition to the oppressive dominant culture, Orwin says multiculturalism has less to do with the serious study of other cultures than with promoting a particular interpretation of American culture.

As a result, "multiculturalism is not ecumenical but adversarial." And "one will rarely encounter a more efficient engine of intellectual sameness than this ideology which celebrates difference."

Multiculturalism does not mean the replacement of the familiar by the strange. Rather, says Orwin, it means the replacement of the strange by the familiar as popular culture gains in panache as a subject of supposedly serious study. This is because popular culture — for example, movies and other entertainments —

is understood either as a conspiracy by which the masses are controlled or the means by which the masses express resistance to control.

In contrast, old books have two defects: they are old and they are books. Being old, they are mere representations of power relations (all works of the mind are merely such representations) in irrelevant social orders. And because there are no permanent standards, it is fallacious to think that old things can be what Orwin calls "permanent beacons for thoughtful human beings." Being books, they require reading and what Orwin calls "the habits of rumination appropriate to them." This explains "the aversion of today's students to reading."

All this may seem distant from the question of the unconstitutionality of different law school admissions standards for different races. But behind the seemingly bland and benign celebration of "diversity" there simmers an ideology of disparagement regarding this nation, and an agenda of what the circuit court calls "racial social engineering." The full resonance of the court's ruling could make the ruling an event as important as the presidential election.

George Will's column is distributed by Washington Post Writers Group.

## Tract of language teachers offers nation place to begin

Two national education groups have issued their long-awaited standards for English instruction in American schools. Criticism has been swift and predictable — and, in a way, flattering.

Conservative groups are annoyed by positive references to multicultural perspectives and an endorsement of bilingual instruction. A senior adviser in the U.S. Department of Education has decried the absence of measurable objectives. The New York Times editorial board smirked at a few unusually jargon-laden passages, lamenting that the teachers' prose lacked the very clarity and vivacity they should be encouraging in students.

These complaints miss the mark. But taken together, they constitute a kind of backhanded

endorsement: If these are the sharpest barbs that can be hurled at the work of the International Reading Association and the National Council of Teachers of English, then the teachers must have done a pretty good job.

Their document, "Standards for the English Language Arts," is not so much a curriculum guide as an inspiring call for this nation to see literacy as an infinitely rich and complex achievement.

In articulating the elements of literacy, and sound strategies for achieving it, they have given the nation a useful starting point, and a commendable set of ultimate goals.

— Star Tribune  
Minneapolis, Minn.

## TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Thursday, March 28, the 88th day of 1996. There are 278 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On March 28, 1979, America's worst commercial nuclear accident occurred inside the Unit Two reactor at the Three Mile Island plant near Middletown, Pa.

On this date: In 1797, Nathaniel Briggs of New Hampshire patented a washing machine.

In 1834, the U.S. Senate voted to censure President Jackson for the removal of federal deposits from the Bank of the United States.

In 1854, during the Crimean War, Britain and France declared war on Russia.

In 1896, the opera "Andrea Chénier," by Umberto Giordano premiered in Milan, Italy.

In 1930, the names of the Turkish cities of Constantinople and Angora were changed to Istanbul and Ankara.

In 1939, the Spanish Civil War ended as Madrid fell to the forces of Francisco Franco.

In 1941, novelist and critic Virginia Woolf died in Lewes, England.

In 1942, during World War II, British naval forces raided the Nazi-occupied French port of St. Nazaire.

In 1943, composer Sergei Rachmaninoff died in Beverly Hills, Calif.

In 1969, the 34th president of the United States, Dwight D. Eisenhower, died in Washington at age 78.

In 1978, a nuclear chain reaction began inside the Unit Two reactor at Three Mile Island.

In 1982, voters in El Salvador went to the polls for a constituent assembly election that resulted in victory for the Christian Democrats, led by President Jose Napoleon Duarte.

Ten years ago: Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi presided over a rally in which he proclaimed victory over the United States in a just-ended confrontation in the Gulf of Sidra. (The demonstrators danced around, then killed, a black-and-white ox with the name "Reagan" written on it.)

Five years ago: Tens of thousands of supporters of Boris N. Yeltsin marched in Moscow in defiance of President Mikhail S. Gorbachev's ban on rallies. Fire seriously damaged the U.S. Embassy in Moscow. Former President Reagan declared his support for the so-called "Brady Bill" requiring a seven-day waiting period for handgun purchases.

One year ago: In Japan, Mitsubishi Bank and the Bank of Tokyo agreed to a merger to create the world's largest bank.

MIKE ROYKO

## Choice of fork hand splits etiquette experts

We return today to the burning question of the proper way to use a knife and a fork.



Royko

As I have admitted, I am part of the American minority that refuses to juggle my eating utensils. I cut, hack and slash with the knife in my right hand and sling the food to my gaping mouth with the fork in my left hand.

This makes me both a no-nonsense and continental kind of guy. Or so I've been told by no less an authority than myself.

But what do the professional etiquette experts say about the conflicting techniques — the American way and the way the rest of us chow down?

Before I get into that, I have learned that being a professional etiquette arbiter is a tougher job than it used to be.

Listen to Letitia Baldrige, the renowned author of eight etiquette books, who says: "Social manners have changed dramatically. Kids today and for the last 20 years have held the fork and knife in unbelievable ways. They hold the fork with a fist and the knife like a saw and they shovel it in. It doesn't matter to them which way they hold their knife and fork. They eat every which way. I'm amazed they get food through their mouths at all."

As for Ms. Baldrige's personal preference, she's on my side and prefers the labor-efficient continental approach.

"It is a much easier way to eat. It is much neater and there is no banging of flatware. Eating American-style, you put the knife down and

clang. Continental is silent and efficient.

"But some people think it is faddish and elitist. We're the only people in the world who eat this way, putting the knife down and changing the fork from the left to the right hand."

Why do we do it? An explanation is offered by Dorothea Johnson, founder/director of the Protocol School of Washington, which trains ambassadors and business executives on how to behave in foreign lands.

"The custom of American eating was the way everyone ate until about 1840. In 1852 it came out in a French etiquette book that if you wanted to eat in a high-class manner, you would not switch the fork to the other hand. Before long, Europeans of all classes started using that style," Ms. Johnson tries to explain that to her clients.

"In certain business sectors, if you don't eat continental-style, you look as if you just got off the cabbage truck."

A strong believer in the American style is Judith Martin, who has written the *Miss Manners* column since 1978 and is author of four *Miss Manners* books.

"For Americans, it is more proper to eat American-style and it looks silly to eat European-style if you were not born in Europe. I'm a firm believer, for which I get a great deal of hate mail, that the American style is more dignified, slower, more complicated, as opposed to a quick shove-it-in method.

"People who use the European style point out that it is more efficient. But I say efficiency is not a virtue when it comes to stuffing food in your face.

"It is not proper etiquette or good for your health. Doctors don't ever say: 'You're not eating fast enough.'"

"I am a great believer in American etiquette for Americans on all counts. Our forefathers wanted an American etiquette that would

reflect the egalitarianism of America and not Europe, which was based on court life.

"My feelings get stirred up when I hear people arguing vehemently for aping European ways when we have a much more sophisticated and aesthetically pleasing American standard of our own."

"I agree with Ben Franklin and Thomas Jefferson and George Washington, who wrote that Americans should have a dignified American etiquette."

Well, thanks a lot, Ms. Martin. Here we are, talking about how to get grub from the plate to our chompers, and you make me feel like a subsversive.

More conciliatory is Peggy Post, a descendent of Emily Post and the third generation to write about etiquette under that name.

"Either one is fine. The American zigzag style or the European way. There are pluses and minuses to both."

The final comment I leave for Ms. Baldrige, who offered this nugget of indisputable wisdom:

"It is most important to eat neatly. You are a dining success if you don't get food on your clothes."

Now that is one smart babe. The next time we consider etiquette, we will look into the question of the proper way to share table scraps with your dog.

Do you let it get up on the table, as I prefer? Or do you just toss the tidbits over your shoulder and let the lively little creature make a leaping catch, as my wife enjoys doing?

No, no, I meant that the dog make a leaping catch, not my wife. See? I just can't avoid conflict.

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ART BUCHWALD

## Some people just shouldn't get an invitation

The big talk in Washington is the raunchy performance given by a radio talk show host named Don Imus to the Radio & Television Correspondents Dinner.

Imus insulted the president and first lady, sitting just a few feet away from him, as well as the network anchormen, in what the 3,000 attendees considered to be bad taste.

While most media dinners are in questionable taste, this one embarrassed the TV people because it appeared more than once on C-SPAN. The White House had asked C-SPAN not to replay it, but C-SPAN refused the request, thus guar-

anteeing it the largest audience it ever had.

Those of us in the print media were not surprised that the radio-TV correspondents would screw up as badly as they did by inviting the bawdy Mr. Imus in the first place. We have always maintained that the thinking of the electronic media people does not always go to the third floor.

Ferguson, a reporter on the Washington Post, blamed the TV people's lack of thinking on their haircuts.

"Most TV personalities pay \$75 for a haircut, and the blow dryers scramble their brains," Ferguson told me.

"I guess that's the price you pay to have a pretty face," I said.

"Yes, once they go into the hair salon they lose it all."

Arnie Critical, the White House reporter for the Los Angeles Times, had another theory. "Television people are always being invited to

parties so they have no idea how to throw one. I'm certain that they thought Don Imus was a magician."

Print journalists have never had any love for the electronic media, mainly because all the news sources in this town would rather say nothing of importance to Dan Rather for 30 seconds than say something of consequence to reporter David Broder for 40 minutes.

We who pay \$7 for our haircuts do not have much appetite for radio-TV dinner glitches, but Laurence Whitestone of the Chevy Chase News suggests that a V-chip be built into the podium. Then when someone like Imus starts his blue routine, a light goes on and the president and his wife know it's time to leave the room and listen to old Barbra Streisand records.

Art Buchwald's column is distributed by the Los Angeles Times Syndicate.

# Rabin's remorseless assassin gets life

TEL AVIV, Israel (AP) — Even as guards hauled him away to a life behind bars, convicted assassin Yigal Amir showed no remorse about gunning down Israel's prime minister.

The 25-year-old former law student told the Tel Aviv court in his final statement Wednesday that Rabin had to be killed because his efforts to make peace by giving up land to the Arabs were a calamity for the Jews.

"Everything I did, I did for God, for the Torah of Israel, the people of Israel and the land of Israel," Amir said. He dismissed the three-month proceedings as a show trial and told Judge Edmund Levy: "May God help you."

It was a typical proclamation by the determined young man who shocked the world and exposed the deep rifts in Israel by walking up to Rabin, reaching between security men and shooting him twice in the back with hollow-point bullets on Nov. 4.

The three-judge panel convicted Amir and ordered the maximum sentence — life in prison for murdering Rabin, as well as six years for wounding his bodyguard.

Parole seems out of the question for the slightly built defendant, who throughout the trial exasperated his judge and many Israelis with his apparent indifference and unrepentant attitude.

Looking at his sister Hadas at his sentencing, Amir pointed upwards, as if to suggest that everything was in God's hands.

His black curly hair covered by a black skullcap, Amir yawned as Levy described him as a "wild growth" and suggested Israel must reevaluate an educational system that was failing to instill sufficient values.

Levy noted Amir is highly intelligent — his lawyers say tests placed his IQ at 144, far above average. But he also "has narcissistic and schizoid tendencies and sees the world in terms of black and white," Levy added, summarizing a court-ordered psychiatric exam.

"With premeditation and amazing calm, he decided that the death of the late prime minister was the only way to stop the peace process he opposed and he took this path to its very end," Levy said.

Amir tried to yell something after the sentence was pronounced, but guards quieted him and hustled him out of the courtroom.

The conviction and sentence were hardly a surprise: Amir was caught at the scene and confessed. An amateur video shows Amir loitering by Rabin's car and shooting the premier as he was about to leave a Tel Aviv peace rally.

Still, the trial transfixed Israelis, who were deeply shaken by the first high-level assassination in their modern history.

Rabin's widow struggled to find the right words. "What was left to prove?" Leah Rabin asked. "I have nothing to say about the verdict or the sentence."



Yigal Amir, convicted Rabin assassin, heads to a life behind bars.

## First lady tours ancient lands

ISTANBUL, Turkey (AP) — Shutting between Turkey's two continents, Hillary Rodham Clinton paid homage to one of history's most venerated women — the Virgin Mary — and told Turkish leaders Wednesday, "Where women prosper, countries prosper."

Even while sightseeing, the first lady reinforced a theme threaded throughout her overseas travels: Women are important to society — any society at any time.

She paid a visit to the purported home of Jesus' mother and took a jaw-dropping tour of the nearby ruins of ancient Ephesus, before flying to Istanbul. Followed at every step by rambunctious Turkish photographers, she then visited a family planning program and delivered an address to Istanbul leaders.

"Where women are illiterate, the environment is often poorly managed and democracy fragile," Mrs. Clinton said in her first major address of the eight-day trip spent almost exclusively in Europe. The busy day began at a tiny stone house where local tradition says the Apostle Paul brought Mary to live years after Jesus' death. Mrs. Clinton and her teen-age daughter, Chelsea, lit thin, white candles and placed them in sand-filled troughs on opposite sides of the home's altar.

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# Explosion rocks steel mill, kills three, injures nine

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The cause of the blast at the Beta Steel Corp. plant wasn't clear. Workers said a supervisor had been warned Monday that the tank had been leaking. The company also had a history of safety violations, according to state records.

"All of a sudden there was a huge explosion, like a time bomb," said Lee Spitka, a supervisor at Beta Steel 30 miles southeast of Chicago. "People were just running all over the place. They were scattering because they didn't

know what was going to fall next."

Kevin Myers, who was killed, had complained about the tank in a written report to a supervisor Monday, said a worker who asked not to be identified. Someone welded the tank Monday to keep it from leaking, workers said.

"We were worried about it, but they assured us it was safe," one man said.

About 50 to 60 employees were in the mill at the time. But because of a shift change, most were not on the production floor.

The explosion ripped through a corner of the building, tore gaping holes in a three-story wall and hurled 10-by-15-foot sheets of metal siding into the parking lot.

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Spitka said the explosion was in a basement tank that contained either water or hydraulic fluid under high pressure. The company would not say what blew up, only that it happened in or near the descaling accumulation tank, where water to clean hot-rolled steel is kept under high pressure.

Beta Vice President Grant Ruthizer said he had not heard of a complaint from Myers. He said the only complaints from Indiana's Occupational Safety and Health Administration that he was aware of had been "very minor."

However, Indiana OSHA records show 16 serious violations

over the past three years and \$18,400 in fines. In almost every case the fines were cut in half when the company took corrective action.

State investigators were on the scene, as were agents of the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms.

"We're looking at several different things. We just don't know right now," police Sgt. John Rogers said.

Myers, 36, Mario Ortiz, 25, and Dennis Janiscewski, 37, were killed. The men, known as oil basement attendants, worked with the high pressure tank suspected in the explosion.

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# Scientists reveal rare dinosaur skin fossil

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An extraordinary fossil discovery is letting scientists reach back 70 million years to touch an impression of the skin of one of the massive beasts.

"We've got the first dinosaur petting zoo in North America here," Spencer Lucas said Wednesday. He is a paleontologist at the New Mexico Museum of Natural History and Science.

"I would feel real excited to touch that," said 10-year-old museum visitor Nicholas Coleman-Watkin, when he heard about the discovery.

The fossilized skin of a duck-billed dinosaur was discovered five years ago by a graduate student who was studying rocks, not dinosaurs, near Deming in southern New Mexico.

It wasn't until last year that researchers began to

suspect the 10-foot-long, 2-foot-wide textured rock was not just fossilized tree bark.

"This is really weird," said Lucas, cradling a chunk of the fossil in his lap during a museum news conference announcing the find. "It's so weird that as a trained paleontologist I didn't know what the hell it was for five years."

Lucas said it is one of only about a dozen duck-billed dinosaur skin impressions discovered anywhere in the world. Its appearance is similar to the others, but scientists said they don't know yet how closely it might have been related to them.

Scientists estimate that the dinosaur that left the impression of part of its tail was 20 to 25 feet long. They haven't yet tried to dig deeper at the site to see if any more of the fossil is there, but hope the site will give them clues to how tissue such as skin can be fossilized.



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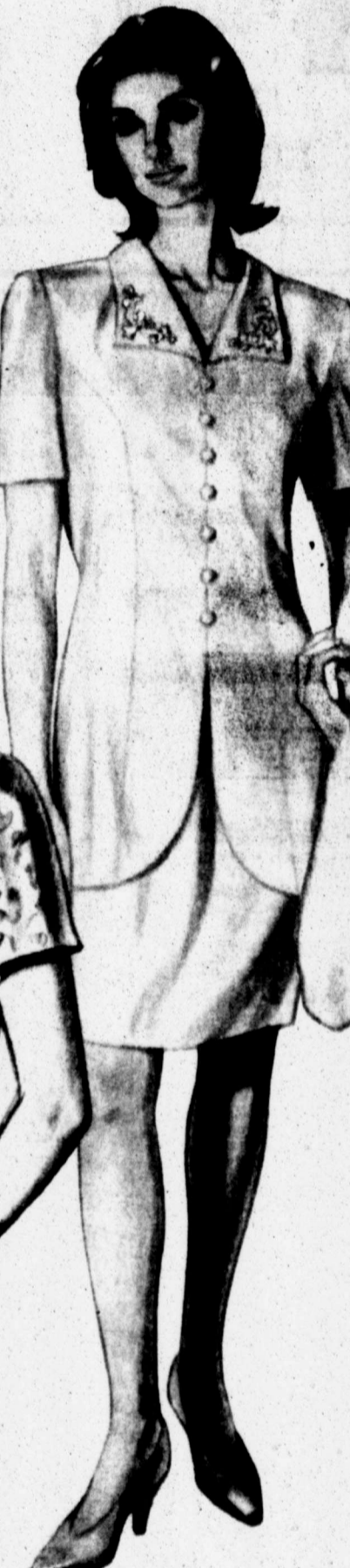
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### Fund-raiser

ODESSA — The Permian Playhouse of Odessa will present its 1996 fund-raiser, "A Toast of Broadway," 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday. A catered reception by the Odessa College Culinary Arts Department will precede the show at 7 p.m. General admission tickets are \$12 for adults and \$10 for seniors and students. For more information or reservations call the Playhouse, 1-915-362-2329, Monday through Friday between noon and 6 p.m. All proceeds will benefit the Playhouse, a non-profit cultural arts organization.

### Pickwick gala

The Pickwick Players' Mexican Fiesta fund-raising gala is set for 7 p.m. Friday at Cole Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley Ave. The youth performing troupe will be performing a West Texas concept of "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs" at the annual Texas Non-Profit Theatre Conference in Corpus Christi in April. Monies raised at the The Midland fund raiser will go toward the cost of the trip. Abuelo's Restaurant is providing a mariachi band that will perform from 7 to 8 p.m. The food, in part, will be provided by Gill's Mexican Restaurant. The play begins at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for dinner and the play. For more information or to make reservations call 682-4111.

### Breakfast

ODESSA — The 47th annual Desert Squadron Fly-In Breakfast and Afternoon Event is set for Saturday at Schlemeyer Field at CAP-CAF Hanger. No admission will be charged. The event includes World War II aircraft, military vehicles and other World War II artifacts.

### Meeting

The Permian Basin Chapter of ARMA International is to meet 11:30 a.m. Tuesday at the Hilton. Cheryl Boyd-Young, member of the New Mexico late Corporation Commission, is to be the guest speaker.

### Performance

ODESSA — Omar and the Howlers are to perform at Odessa's Road House, 2117 E. 8th St., Friday, March 29. Show time is 9:30 p.m. For more information call 580-8388.

### Historic tour

STANTON — Tours of the historic 1884 Carmelite Monastery — which is to be restored — are set for Saturday and Sunday in conjunction with Old Sorehead Trade Days. Restoration of the monastery, a project of Martin County Convent Inc., is expected to take five years.

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# Midland business makes finalists list

■ Benchmark Research and Technology catches eye of state environmental regulators; to be one of 50 companies in running for 1996 Governor's Awards for Environmental Excellence.

By Gary Shanks  
Staff Writer

A bustling small business in Midland has caught the eye of state environmental regulators — in a good way. Benchmark Research and Technology Inc. has been named as a finalist for the 1996 Governor's Awards for Environmental Excellence.

Benchmark provides specialty chemicals and some bulk chemicals for oil well stimulation and cementing. The company was one of 50 selected from 350 companies statewide that submitted environmental projects

in one of 12 categories.

Officials from each of these 50 companies are invited to a banquet in Austin in May where Gov. George W. Bush will name the winners, according to Kevin Tuerff of the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC).

The TNRCC administers the governor's awards as part of a larger Clean Texas 2000 program.

"These environmental projects are truly an indicator of how voluntary pollution prevention and recycling can improve environmental quality in Texas," said Andrew Neblett, director of pollution prevention and recycling for TNRCC.

Since Benchmark's inception in 1981, its leadership and employees have been dedicated to operating an environmentally friendly plant, said David Harry, chief technical officer for the plant.

The company's founder and chief executive officer, Wayne Kinsey, has always worked to maintain an environmentally friendly plant.

"The ownership has to be — not only motivated — but dedicated to the effort," Harry said. "I don't think anybody out there wants it on their conscience that they damaged the environment."

In fact, this is the second year that Benchmark has been recognized in SHARP (Safety and Health Achievement Recognition Program), administered through the Texas Workers Compensation Commission.

SHARP status is given to those companies that make above-average strides in the areas of safety and health, explained John Marks of the TWCC in Midland. It also frees the company from regular inspections from the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA).

"It recognizes employers that are sort of a cut above," Marks said.

For the governor's awards, Benchmark officials

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## At the Name of Jesus

The First Baptist Church sanctuary will be transformed into a first century Judean village with authentic period pieces. Live animals and birds will add to the realism of the setting.



Above, Patricia Jones helps J.D. Norris get made up for his role as a man possessed by demons in First Baptist Church's Easter pageant, "At the Name of Jesus." Denise Roper, Kristen Dodd, Elizabeth Boyd and Ryan Dodd watch. The pageant is set for 7:30 p.m. today through Saturday and 6:30 p.m. Sunday. At left, pageant performers rehearse the opening number of the presentation.

Photos by Joe D. Williams



## Astronomy professor lectures in Odessa, urges area residents to visit observatory

By Michael Kashgarian  
Staff Writer

ODESSA — How study of the stars relates to scientific discovery — such as the origin of chemical elements — was demonstrated in a lecture by the director of the McDonald Observatory during a visit to the University of Texas of the Permian Basin on Wednesday.

Frank Bash, observatory director and professor of astronomy at the University of Texas at Austin, urged area residents to visit the observatory, gave an update of a massive telescope under construction at the facility, and presented

two lectures while in town.

Bash said the thrill of astronomy comes from the subsequent knowledge gained about the world. He demonstrated that point during a lecture on "The Origin of Chemical Elements."

Scientists largely believe the composition of the universe at its beginning — during the "big bang" about 12 billions years ago — consisted of hydrogen, helium and a tiny amount of lithium, he said. And today the most abundant chemical elements that compose stars are hydrogen and helium, he said.

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McDonald Observatory Director Frank Bash talks about developments at the observatory and stargazing during a visit to the University of Texas of the Permian Basin on Wednesday.

Joe D. Williams  
Reporter-Telegram

### ED TODD

## Now is time to thank Lord who knows what land needs — rain

The dear Lord has a way of humbling folks. In this niche of Texas, the Creator's more far-reaching tools are the dry weather and the boom-to-bust cycles.

And there are other ways, such as stumbling in the dark when you think your vision is infallible, to learn humility. But they are more subtle and less dramatic than droughts and busts.

The drought, more than imminent, is greatly in evidence and is sure to become more severe until this famine of rain is, in the ideal, broken by an extended and gentle soaking rain. But that may be awhile.

On the consciousness of old-timers are the droughts of the 1930s and the 1950s. And there were some dry spells in subsequent decades.

For sometime now, ranchers in West Texas and

elsewhere in Texas have opted or been forced to sell their herds or cut them back to manageable levels due to the lack of range grasses and due to the high cost of hauling in high-dollar feed, such as hay and grains.

Drought can be as devastating as a blizzard, including the mid-century snowstorm in northwestern ranching country, and can starve out both cattle and ranchers.

But in its terrible wake, the blizzard does leave moisture for another crop of grass to grow on.

Drought leaves torment and broken land and keep-on-praying denizens.

And the depressed cattle market is leaving many farmers with losses. For many, getting breaking-even prices for their cattle would be a luxury.

The drought-laden land is dismal practically all over the Southwest. In parts of East Texas, for example, cattle are bogging down in pools — ponds — in trying to get to the muddy puddles of water. Like their West Texas counterparts, they, too, are selling

off all or parts of their herds.

Without grass, ranchers are out of business. And without potable water, the whole world is sunk.

And farmers, too, are in hard times and have been for the past two rainfall-miserly years. Some producers view the first quarter of 1996 as the beginning of the third year of a drought and the most severe so far in this decade.

In many instances, some dryland farmers are unable to work their topsoil, which is at least as hard and as dry as hardtack. They have left standing the 1995 cotton stalks to keep the sandy-loam soil from blowing all over tarnation.

And like the farmers and ranchers, the very livelihoods of agricultural communities are threatened by a prolonged drought.

And what affects those predominantly-agricultural communities, such as Stanton, Lamesa, Rankin, Lenorah, St. Lawrence, Garden City, Mid-

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## POLICE REPORTS

## No indictment

A Midland County grand jury on Wednesday made the decision to "no bill" officer David Edwards, who was accused of using excessive force in arresting Manny Manuel.

The grand jury found there was not enough evidence to return an indictment against Edwards.

When Manuel was arrested Feb. 9, his left arm was broken.

Manuel's attorney is still planning to file a civil lawsuit against the Police Department.

"Just because he was found innocent by a grand jury does not mean he couldn't be found guilty in a civil court," Cindy Weir-Ervin said. "The standard of evidence in a civil case is much lower than in a criminal case."

In a criminal case the standard is beyond a reasonable doubt; in a civil case the standard is a preponderance of the evidence, which means more than 50 percent.

Ms. Ervin has not determined the amount in damages to seek for her client. She is waiting for all of Manuel's medical bills to come in and to figure future damages as the result of his injury.

Manuel was in the hospital for four days because of his injuries and was never charged, Ms. Ervin said.

## Midland Police Department Tuesday

**Vandalism:** A windshield was broken at 1404 S. Fort Worth St., reported Galindo Socorro at 3:54 p.m.

**Vandalism:** A window was broken by juveniles throwing rocks at 1101 S. Marienfeld St., reported Cindy Newton at 5:56 p.m.

**Theft:** Police are looking for two suspects in connection with a money scam at 4508 W. Loop 250 at 6:49 p.m. The suspects are described as a thin black male in his late 20s with acne scars, 6 feet tall, and a heavy-set white female with blonde hair. The suspects were driving a white full size four-door Chevrolet pickup.

**Vandalism:** A report was made that several windows were broken at 403 E. Pine Ave. It was reported at 10:11 p.m.

## Wednesday

**Graffiti:** A report was made at 3902 Godfrey St. at 9:26 a.m. by Jim Ware.

**Theft:** It was reported that equipment, valued \$3,000, was taken at 2600 W. Wall St. at 11:50 a.m.

**Theft:** A report was made at 120 N. Eisenhower Drive at 12:07 p.m.

**Graffiti:** A brick wall was spray painted at 1608 N. Big Spring St., reported Sahara Operating Co. at 12:46 p.m.

## Midland County Sheriff's Department Wednesday

**Theft:** The Sheriff's department is looking for a suspect who took a cutting torch from a vehicle at 2810 S. County Road 1197 at 4:47 a.m. The sheriff's department describes the suspect as a heavy-set male who possibly was wearing a dark-colored coat.

*Anyone having information concerning these crimes should call the Police Department at 685-7108, the Sheriff's Office at 688-1228 or Midland Crime Stoppers at 694-TIPS.*

## Burglary

Midland Crime Stoppers is seeking information on a burglary that occurred March 20 in Midland County.

Unknown suspects burglarized a residence in the 3100 block of Mark Lane between 12:40 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. The suspects entered by breaking and unlocking a north side kitchen window and exited through the north side kitchen door, police said.

Once inside, the suspects took jewelry and U.S. currency valued at more than \$25,000.

Midland Crime Stoppers will pay up to \$1,000 reward for information leading to an arrest and conviction of the suspect.

Call Crime Stoppers in Midland at 694-TIPS or in Odessa at 333-TIPS. All callers can remain anonymous and no caller I.D. is used.

## Singer to present anniversary concert

ODESSA — Juan Gabriel presents his 25th Anniversary Concert at 8 p.m. Friday at Ector County Coliseum.

Tickets, priced at \$20, \$30 and \$40, may be purchased in Odessa, Lechuga Video, Endless Horizons and Comm West, in Midland, Midland Sound; in Pecos, Dan's Music & Video; and in Big Spring, Sound Decision. They may be charged by

credit card by calling 1-800-462-7979.

In 1971, Gabriel recorded his first hit "No Tengo Dinero," and 25 years later he comes here with his 25th Anniversary Performance, in which he will be accompanied by his popular Mariachi band and 14 piece orchestra and chorus.

The Odessa show is produced by Resendez & Associates.

## TODD: Now is time to thank the Lord

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kiff, and Seminole, invariably will affect the more diverse trade centers of Midland, Odessa, and Big Spring.

The domino theory, which President Dwight D. Eisenhower ascribed to a series of nations vulnerable to totalitarianism in the post-war 1950s, applies to all things. In an interdependent system, if one snap loosens or if one brick falls, then many will follow suit.

The domino theory proved its validity in the boom-to-bust early 1980s in Midland and over much of the petroleum-dependent Southwest.

In its sad, old, bankrupt way, the oil bust was as full of havoc as were the boom years full of much fanfare, pomp and circumstance, and bustle and unbridled optimism.

It quickly changed, however. And many a high-roller and many a fixing-to-wheeler-dealer quickly discovered the road to humbleness. Many a poor, old, rich man and, back then, many of those \$10,000-a-year millionaires found themselves on their knees pleading for mercy and money.

There was many a prayer to a newly acquired Higher Power now that quick riches had been displaced by debts. Optimism was usurped by dredging-bottom oil prices.

And those prayers, full of promise and compromise, were

designed to strike up a deal. Desperate souls promised to be responsible and frugal this time if the Dear Lord were to make 'em rich again in another oil boom. They promised not to be spendthrifts — not to kick over the spittoon or slop bucket.

All the while, experience has taught West Texans to persevere — to never give up and to never give in.

It took awhile to recover from the boom-to-bust trauma. But the economy, in the main, has been shaping up and taking on a fairly even-keeled posture. It is just "not busting out all over."

And this drought will pass with the coming of rains and following a season of edification and patience and prayers and humility.

As grateful as farmers and ranchers and gardeners and lawn-keepers and water-district people have been for rain in past years, they are bound to learn new lessons, bound to increase in gratitude and in thankfulness, and bound to glean hope and optimism out of prospects of next-year's crop blessed by rain.

Meanwhile, now is always the time to praise the Lord, who already knows what the land and all of its creatures and critters need: Rain.

Thanks for giving.

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

## DEATHS

## Annie Allen

Services for Annie Allen, are to be at 3 p.m. today, March 28, at Midland First Church of the Nazarene with the Revs. David R. Becker, Ralph Buffington and Harold Quarles officiating. Burial will follow at Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.



Allen

Mrs. Allen died Tuesday, March 26, at her Midland residence.

Pallbearers are to be Larry Allen, Robert Bumpus III, Phillip DeLong, Don Roberson, John Roberson, Marcus Roberson, Ronald Roberson and Tychieus Roberson.

Honorary pallbearers are to be Franklin Bumpus IV, Joshua Bumpus, Phillip DeLong Jr., Avery Roberson and John Roberson. Memorials can be made to Annie B. Allen Memorial Nioga (Glorietta) Scholarship Fund, Midland First Church of the Nazarene, 1208 W. Wall St., Midland 79701.

## Ada McDaniel

ODESSA — Services for Ada Elizabeth Page McDaniel, 69, of Odessa, are to be at 11 a.m. Friday, March 29, at Greenfield Acres Baptist Church with the Rev. Ted Short officiating. Burial will be at 2 p.m. at Kermit City Cemetery in Kermit under the direction of Frank W. Wilson Funeral Directors.

Ms. McDaniel died Monday, March 25, at a Lubbock hospital. She was born May 24, 1926, in Pecos. She graduated from Odessa High School.

She returned to Odessa from El

Paso in 1982. She was a homemaker.

She was a member of Greenfield Acres Baptist Church.

She married Roy G. McDaniel on Nov. 8, 1955, in Odessa.

Survivors include her husband of Odessa; a son, Bill Page of Odessa; two daughters, Janna Jackson of Laguna Niguel, Calif., and Brenda Quaranta of Phoenix, Ariz.; three step-sons, David James and Steve McDaniel, both of Odessa and Troy McDaniel of El Paso; three step-daughters, Pamela Epperson and Carolyn McDaniel, both of Odessa and Audria Daly of Canton, Ga.; a brother, three sisters and three grandchildren.

## Jim Liles

Graveside services for Jim Liles, 42, are to be at 10:30 a.m. (MST) today, March 28, at Jal Cemetery in Jal, N.M., with Wesley Stults officiating.

Liles died Tuesday, March 26, at an Odessa hospital.

He was born March 23, 1954, in Las Vegas, N.M.

He was a ranch hand. He was a member of Church of Christ.

Survivors include his wife, Arlene Liles of Midland; a son, Pete Boone Liles of Midland; a brother, W.E. Liles of Montrose, Colo.; and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Liles of Jal, N.M.

Memorials can be made to New Mexico Children's Home in Portales, N.M., West Texas Boy's Ranch in San Angelo or the American Cancer Society.

## Helen Clinesmith

HERNDON, Va. — Services for Helen Trucksess Clinesmith, 87, of Herndon, Va., mother of Midlander Janet Moore, were Monday, March 18, at Green Funeral Home in Herndon, Va. Burial followed at Culpeper National Cemetery

under the direction of Green Funeral Home.

Mrs. Clinesmith died Thursday, March 14.

She was born in Brownsburg, Ind.

She graduated from Butler University. She received a master's degree in education from George Washington University.

She taught English, Latin, music and physical education. She retired as a guidance counselor in 1971.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 50 years, Dwight Harrison Trucksess, who died in 1980; and her second husband, Claude Clinesmith, who died in 1991.

Other survivors include two other daughters, Esther Trucksess and Lynne Irvine of Oakton, Va.; a son, David Trucksess of Oakton, Va.; nine grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Memorials can be made to American Heart Association, Alzheimer's Disease Research, American Cancer Society or Hospice of Northern Virginia.

## Anita Keele

ODESSA — Services for Anita Parker Keele, 50, of Odessa, are to be at 10 a.m. Friday, March 29, at Sunset Heights Baptist Church with the Rev. Jess Little officiating. Burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Gardens under the direction of Hubbard-Kelly Funeral Home.

Mrs. Keele died Tuesday, March 26, at a Midland hospital.

She was born March 27, 1945, in Jayton. She was raised and educated in Spur.

She married Kenneth Keele on May 20, 1963, in Odessa.

She moved to Odessa in 1960. She was a secretary for Sherwood Christian Academy since 1988. She was a member of Sunset Heights Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by

her father, Aaron Parker, in 1987.

Survivors include her husband of Odessa; a daughter, Patricia Hausman of Berghelm; her mother and step-father, Lorene and Bill Hansford of Odessa; and a sister, Sue Cary of Keller.

## Thomas Frye

Graveside services for former Midlander Thomas David (Tom) Frye of Fort Worth are to be at 2 p.m. today, March 28, at Maple Grove Cemetery in Oregon, Mo., under the direction of Breit and Hawkins Funeral Home of Savannah, Mo.

Frye died Monday, March 25, at a Fort Worth hospital.

He was born Jan. 31, 1907, in Oregon, Mo.

He married Elizabeth Price on May 31, 1934, in St. Joseph, Mo.

During World War II he served with the U.S. Army's 13th Armored Division in France and Germany.

He worked for Texaco in Wichita Falls, Fort Worth and Midland and was a member of the American Association of Petroleum Landmen.

He was active in the Presbyterian church, serving as elder and church treasurer for many years.

He also lived in Stephenville.

He was preceded in death by his wife.

Survivors include a brother, Joe Frye of Sun City West, Ariz.; and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

## Raymond Shaw

Services for Raymond Shaw, 91, are pending with Thomas Funeral Home.

Shaw died Wednesday, March 27, at his residence after a lengthy illness.

## AWARD: Midland company makes finalists list

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detailed their ongoing efforts to reduce waste and to not produce hazardous waste.

Benchmark's forte in the oil field chemicals industry is providing "cross-linkers" that provide viscosity to gels used in oil-well fracturing — a process that opens up oil-bearing rock to increase the recovery of crude, Harry said.

These cross-linkers can be turned on and off chemically and Benchmark provides several patented types for various applications.

In the production of one of their most popular cross-linkers, Benchmark has patented a process that yields 100 percent chemical prod-

uct, and therefore produces no chemical waste products.

Plant officials have been pioneers in the use of water-soluble chemicals that can be combined and extracted without the use of large amounts of hazardous solvents.

One of the largest parts of the waste minimization project has to do with the creation of West Texas Drum Co.

A chemical company must have reliable containers to remain environmentally safe and Benchmark officials were not satisfied with the performance of reconditioned drums available in 1988, Harry explained.

To provide for their own needs, West Texas Drum was established and old drums were reconditioned

and pressure-tested to provide reliable containers for shipment and storage.

Other companies' needs for reliable containers was so great, however, that the drum company grew "by leaps and bounds" and was finally sold to Rusty Ridge in 1994, Harry said. Since the sale, Ridge has continued to expand and provide high-quality containers to Benchmark and many other companies.

The process of drum reconditioning, however, produces large volumes of contaminated waste water from the wash. Benchmark officials developed a reduction and heavy-metal filtering strategy that reduced hazardous waste water from 300,000 pounds in 1992 to zero in 1993 — reducing the total

hazardous waste produced by 100 percent.

Other parts of the project include the use of dust filters, a new parts washer that uses non-hazardous solvents and recycling of chemical wash water. This eliminates thousands of pounds of chemical waste a year.

The Benchmark plant is so keyed into the environment that an adjacent area has been leased by the company and allowed to return to its native condition.

Company employees even volunteered their time to remove trash from the area, which is now available for use by Midland groups interested in the wide variety of birds and butterflies that visit the area.

## STARS: Professor gives update on McDonald telescope

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In fact, the most simple atoms — such as hydrogen and helium —

are the most prevalent in the universe, Bash said. But the composition of the earth — which includes many more complicated elements — is not representative of the universe, he said.

Looking at the universe as a whole, the more simple the element the more abundant, he said. Those simple atoms — hydrogen and helium — originated during the big bang, he said.

Why are the more simple elements more prevalent and the more complicated more scarce? The answer can be found in the stars.

In the study of stars, scientists have concluded that the all-gas, static celestial objects are replenished with energy through thermonuclear fusion reactions, he said. Those reactions account for the greater amount of helium atoms in the universe today than when the universe was created, he said.

During the life of a star, a series of thermonuclear fusion reactions take place, Bash explained. Nuclear reactions convert helium to carbon, and subsequent — and more complicated — reactions turn carbon into other elements, he said. That continues until the core becomes iron and the possibility of reactions are exhausted, he said.

And the more massive the star, the longer the chain of increasingly more complicated reactions result in the creation of more heavier — and thus less prevalent — elements, Bash said.

The scarcity of massive stars

explains the lesser amount of heavier chemical elements in the universe, he said.

By pointing a telescope at a star — in this universe or another — and spreading out the light into a wide spectrum, astronomers can detect dark lines that represent the outer make-up of a star, Bash said.

An analysis of chemical elements on the surface of stars are a tell-tale sign of what has taken place in that particular universe, he said. Bash referred to this way of obtaining clues to the history of stars and universes as a type of "stellar archaeology."

Analyzing stars in this way greatly will be enhanced with a \$13.5 million telescope currently under construction at McDonald Observatory, Bash said.

"The problem astronomers have is they want to look at fainter and more distant things," he said. "The only way to see things that are fainter is to make the telescope bigger, the mirror bigger."

The Hobby-Eberly Telescope under construction will do just that. The telescope will have a mirror larger than any other such instrument on the planet, Bash said.

The mirror will be 10 times larger than the largest telescope mirror currently at the observatory. And the mirror will be slightly

larger than the current largest at an observatory in Hawaii.

Ground breaking for the telescope was in March 1994. The "first light" — completion of the telescope to where some use can be made of it — will be this fall; the total completion will be late in the summer of 1997, Bash said.

"There's no other optical tele-

scope built like it anywhere else in the world," he said.

While giving an update of the observatory, Bash encouraged residents in the area to visit the facility located near Fort Davis. "In Midland-Odessa, literally in your backyard is one of the premiere science facilities," he said.

## ELOISE FAULKNER VERTREES

## Services for Mary Eloise Faulkner Vertrees, 98, of Midland have been set for 4:00 p.m. Wednesday, March 27, 1996 at the Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity, Rev. Stockton Williams, officiating.

## Eloise Faulkner Vertrees, passed away at her residence Monday afternoon, March 25, 1996.

## A longtime resident of Midland, Mrs. Vertrees was born on August 16, 1897, in San Antonio, Texas, to parents James Davis Faulkner and Amelia Elizabeth Winslow Faulkner.

## She grew up in San Antonio and Kerrville, Texas, where she graduated from Tivy High School, winning a Capt. Charles Schreiner Scholarship to the University of Texas.

## In 1922, Mrs. Vertrees was the second woman to receive her Baccalaureate degree in Geology from the University of Texas. She was one of the very few women of that era who was employed as a professional in the field of Geology. Between her Sophomore and Junior years, she taught school for one year on the Corder's Ranch near Rock Springs, Texas. The next year she taught at the McCutcheon's Ranch.

## After graduation from the University of Texas, she taught High School Science in El Paso, Texas.

## She married Charles D. Vertrees, Sr., April 7, 1924 at St. Mark's Episcopal Church, San Antonio, Texas and they celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary before Charlie's death in May of 1989. Eloise and Charlie were truly a "Petroleum Pioneer Couple", beginning their married life in the oil fields near Panuco, Mexico. After a number of adventures in Mexico, they moved to San Angelo in 1925, where she worked as a paleontologist for Marland Oil Co. until 1927. Charlie was then transferred to San Antonio, and 8 months later, to Abilene. After



Continental Oil Co.'s acquisition of Marland, Charlie was sent to Midland to open an office for Conoco in September of 1929. Mrs. Vertrees has been a resident of Midland from that time until her death, living in the same home, which they purchased six months after they arrived in Midland.

October 1, 1959, Eloise and Charlie were presented by the Pioneers Club with identical plaques designating each as "Permian Basin Petroleum Pioneer". Mrs. Vertrees was a member of the Trinity Episcopal Church, having been one of those instrumental in forming that congregation in Midland. She was a charter member of the Midland County Club, and the Minuet Club of Midland.

Mrs. Vertrees was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, Charles D. Vertrees, Sr., and her two brothers, Ralph William Faulkner and James Davis Faulkner, Jr.

Survivors include her two sons: Ralph W. Vertrees of Austin and Charles D. Vertrees, Jr. of Dallas and their wives, Martha McAdams Vertrees and Nancy Meredith Vertrees; her four grandchildren: Alan David Vertrees, of Lake Bluff, Illinois; Marianne Vertrees Law of Bend, Oregon, and their spouses: Susan Stetson Vertrees and Louis E. Law, Jr.; Meredith Vertrees LaForce and husband, W. Watson LaForce, III, Amy Vertrees, of Dallas; her three great grandchildren: Rachael Law of Bend, Oregon, Alexander Stetson Vertrees and Peter Stetson Vertrees, both of Lake Bluff, Ill. Her sister-in-law: Dorothy Vertrees Bevil of McAllen, Texas. Nephews: Dan Leftwich and wife, Naomi of Dayton, Ohio and A.G. Moore and wife, Minnie of Spicewood, Texas.

The family wants to express their appreciation to Margie Rodriguez and her two daughters, Carol Martinez and Cecilia Lujan for the wonderful and loving care given to Mother during her last years.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to: The Petroleum Museum; 1500 Interstate 20 West; Midland, Texas 79701 or The Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity, Midland, Texas 79701.

The family of Jill Copeland wishes to express heartfelt gratitude to the many thoughtful people who showed us support in our time of sorrow. The outpouring of love, concern, food and condolences touched our hearts and gave us strength to carry on. Our thanks to each and every one of you. Jill will be missed.

In appreciation,  
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# Powell has platform, but no aspirations to higher office

DALLAS (AP) — Colin Powell has been asked before and he's said no to the possibility of entering politics. On Wednesday he said no once again, but left open the possibility that his answer could change in the future.

Many Republicans have expressed their wish that Powell would consider joining the apparent Republican nominee, Sen. Bob Dole, on the ticket in 1996. But he has repeatedly refused to consider running during this presidential election.

"It just isn't for me at this time," he said.

However, the retired general said that doesn't mean he might not be interested in another election at another time.

"I don't know what the future holds: Things change," he told about 5,000 people attending the Cellular Telecommunications Industry Association convention in Dallas.

"Probably over 40 percent of the American people are very happy I've made this decision," he said, joking.

Republican candidate Pat Buchanan is one such person saying he would fight any move by Dole to choose a moderate running mate such

**'We're not prepared to make all the sacrifices we have to make for politicians to do what we say we want them to do.'**

— Colin Powell

itics because of the demands placed on candidates.

"We may not be asking too much of them, but we're expecting too much," he said.

The American people want change, but are wary of changing themselves, he said.

"We're not prepared to make all the sacrifices we have to make for politicians to do what we say we want them to do," he said.

Powell said he would continue to contribute to his country in other ways, including serving on the boards of several youth organizations and the United Negro College Fund.

While answering questions from the moderator and a few from the crowd, Powell said there is a place for affirmative action in America, although the program needed to be mended.

"Public institutions don't exist to educate just the most advantaged," he said. "Public institutions exist to educate the public."

He challenged the crowd to attack the country's problems rather than each other.

"Let's stop thinking God has spoken to one group of Americans, but not another," he said.

as Powell.

Powell calls himself a fiscal conservative and a social moderate.

"I'm a product of the New Deal," he said.

Powell said he has a platform, but no aspirations to higher office.

"I have to be true to myself and my family," he said.

Still, he admires people who have the desire to be president and mentioned both Dole and President Clinton, saying that the two men had devoted their lives to government.

"But it wasn't my whole life," he said, adding that it is very difficult for people to enter pol-

# Officials charge officer with rape, murder of teen

MALLEN (AP) — A small-town policeman who joined the force three months ago was charged with capital murder Wednesday in the rape and murder of an 18-year-old honor student.

As the suspect remained behind bars on \$1 million bond, friends and relatives buried Iris Yvette Hidalgo, their grief compounded by the inconceivable allegation that an officer was her killer.

"I'm glad they caught someone so that justice can be done," said the victim's father, Manuel Hidalgo, as he carried his daughter's snow-white casket from the church.

Hidalgo said he and his family were shocked that a policeman — "someone you trust like that" — had been charged with the murder.

Authorities contend Gilberto Chavero Jr., raped and murdered Ms. Hidalgo, whose body was found early Sunday floating in a canal, her throat slit.

Chavero, 23, was a rookie officer on the eight-member police force in nearby Edcouch, a farming community with a population of about 3,000. He joined the force on Dec. 18, 1995, after graduating from the police academy, Chief Eloy Zavala said.

Chavero called the police chief about 3 a.m. Sunday saying his wife was in the hospital and he wanted to go home. But he stayed at work, and a few hours later called for backup, saying he had discovered a body in a canal near the Edcouch Water Treatment Plant, Zavala said.

Chavero told authorities he had found a note in his patrol car advising him to go to the sewage plant.

"When we went to the crime scene ... this individual's demeanor and actions puzzled us and gave us reason to believe this is the man who committed the crime," Zavala said.

During interrogations with Hidalgo County sheriff's officials, Chavero admitted to writing the note and said he saw the victim the day she died, but did not confess to the murder.

He also told authorities he and Ms. Hidalgo "had been seeing each other" and that they had sexual intercourse early Saturday morning. However, authorities contend Chavero raped Ms. Hidalgo, then slit her throat. Autopsy reports show she died between 1 a.m. and 3 a.m. Saturday.

# Jury sentences man to death for thrill killing

DALLAS (AP) — Jurors sentenced a 27-year-old Dallas man to death Wednesday after convicting him in one of what prosecutors contend was a string of thrill killings last year.

The panel took about 2 1/2 hours to decide that Juan Rodriguez Chavez should die by lethal injection, officials said. He was convicted last week of capital murder in the July 2 robbery-shooting death of Jose Morales, 39, who was gunned down while using a pay phone.

In all, authorities believe Chavez killed 12 people between March and July of last year, most in street slayings.

In many of the deaths, Chavez was motivated by "just the thrill of killing," Assistant District Attorney Greg Davis had said.

Prosecutors told jurors during the sentencing phase that Chavez was involved in at least six other murders.

Davis said Chavez was on a reign of terror, the likes of which he had never witnessed.

"It's incomprehensible," Davis said before the sentence was announced. "It really is beyond the pale of human comprehension. This much violence, 12 separate victims. You really can't comprehend that."

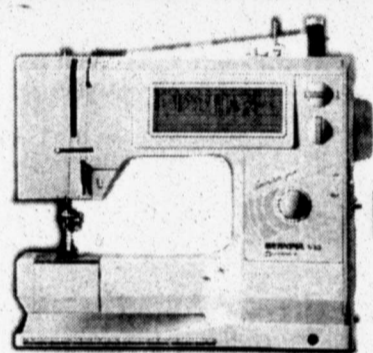
Morales' killing was the first in a nightlong murder rampage by Chavez and 16-year-old Hector Fernandez, who is also charged in the case, authorities said.

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# Spacewalkers hang paper to collect cosmic grit

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — Two spacewalking astronauts hung the orbital equivalent of flypaper on the Russian space station Mir on Wednesday to collect cosmic grit.

It was the first time in 22 years that Americans worked outside a space station.

"It doesn't get any better," shuttle astronaut Linda Godwin said during the spacewalk. Space shuttle Atlantis and Mir are docked in orbit more than 250 miles above Earth.

Godwin and Michael "Rich" Clifford spent most of their six-hour spacewalk clamping dust catchers and other debris experiments to Mir's docking tunnel.

NASA wants to see how much and what kind of debris is whizzing past Mir to better protect the future international space station. Spacewalking astronauts will retrieve the dust catchers in 1997 and return them for analysis.

Godwin and Clifford were dwarfed by the Atlantis-Mir complex, at 522,847 pounds the largest spacecraft ever assembled, as they clambered up the orange docking tunnel to install four experimental panels.

The panels, each 2 feet square and 6 inches deep, hold 1,000 samples of paint, fibers and metallic and optical coatings being considered for the exterior of the international space station, as well as a translucent material to trap microscopic debris. They also have gold, aluminum and zinc

plates to record slightly bigger micrometeorite hits.

It was a laborious process. The spacewalkers almost banged the panels together while installing them, and their long tethers kept getting in the way.

NASA insisted Godwin and Clifford also wear jet packs in case their lifelines broke. Because Atlantis was docked, it could not dash after a wayward astronaut.

Six sets of eyes watched the first-time spacewalkers from close range: the three NASA astronauts inside Atlantis and the two Russian cosmonauts and NASA astronaut Shannon Lucid inside Mir.

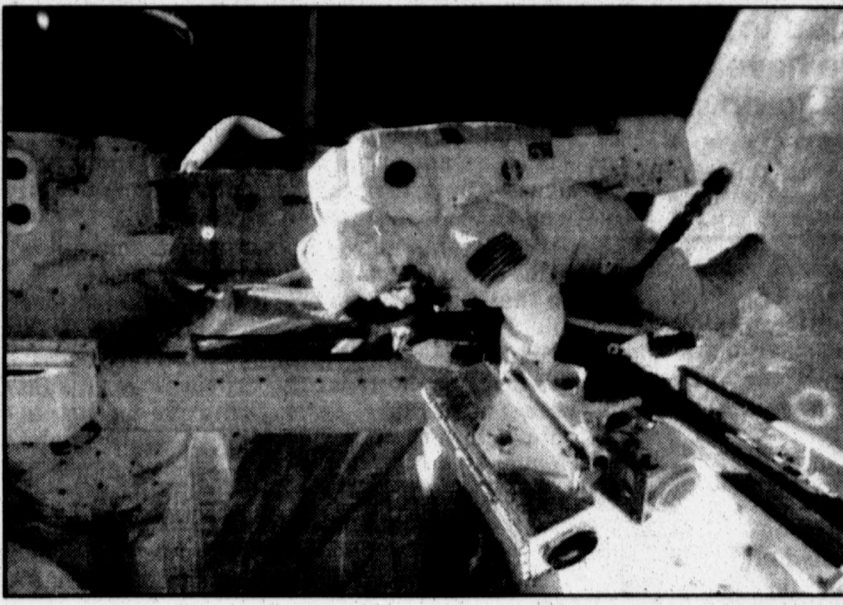
While installing the panels, Godwin and Clifford tested new tethers and work platforms designed to fit both U.S. and Russian spacesuits.

The pair did not venture beyond Mir's 15-foot docking tunnel. The Russians, afraid of damage to solar panels and other delicate station parts, had warned them not to go past the tunnel.

With no spacewalking experience at a space station since Skylab in 1974, NASA considered Wednesday's work essential.

Astronauts and cosmonauts will have to perform hundreds of hours of spacewalks a year to build and maintain the international space station, starting in just a few years.

"This was the first opportunity that we could work in an environment that's very similar to what we'll be dealing with," said NASA's Scott Bleisath, who coordinated the spacewalk from Mission Control.



Astronaut Michael "Rich" Clifford carries a video camera pulled from the docking module of the Russian space station Mir, Wednesday during a spacewalk outside the space shuttle Atlantis.

months.

Atlantis is scheduled to land at Cape Canaveral, Fla., on Sunday, although Mission Control is considering bringing back the shuttle a day early because of a less-than-favorable weather forecast and a steering system leak.

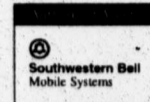


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## FBI tries to avoid another Waco

WASHINGTON (AP) — The standoff between lawmen and militant anti-government "freemen" on a Montana farm is testing FBI Director Louis J. Freeh's determination to avoid repeating the deadly outcomes of FBI sieges at Ruby Ridge and Waco. So far, the FBI is passing the test.

Unlike the 1992 Ruby Ridge, Idaho, standoff with white separatist Randy Weaver or the 1993 siege of the Branch Davidian religious sect compound outside Waco, Texas, no one has been killed or wounded — yet.

"I have to compliment the FBI here, which I don't do often," said Gerry Spence, Weaver's lawyer, "and I hope they continue to avoid escalating this into violence."

"It sounds like the FBI is handling this very well," said Alan A. Stone, Harvard professor of law and psychiatry, who wrote a report for the Justice Department critical of FBI conduct at Waco. "The main risk in a situation like this is that the police revert to military tactics of any sort in which the idea is: There's got to be some action. The action imperative risks the lives of agents as well as the others."

Stone was pleased to hear that FBI agents had not established a sealed, military-style perimeter, but instead were using a shifting set of roadblocks. Though clad in black uniforms with flak vests and rifles, FBI agents were merely questioning people driving to or from the farm and were not known to be preventing people from entering it.

The FBI command post is 30 miles from the farm and a center for shift changeovers is 9 miles from it.

Stone also was encouraged that six people not wanted on charges had simply left the compound this week without being blocked by the militants or tak-

en into custody by police — "so it's not a hostage situation."

But he, Spence and other experts warn that it's still early and the FBI faces significant risks as the standoff continues around the 960-acre farm in treeless, eastern Montana wheat and ranching country.

"It takes a lot of patience and balance to make the response commensurate with the threat, and negotiators need a real opportunity to do their work," said former FBI and CIA Director William Webster. "You have to look at what you're quarreling about and ask whether that is worth taking a human life. That requires a lot of restraint, particularly when your chain is jerked."

Webster said "law enforcement loses public esteem" when citizens are killed "to stop something that would not have resulted in capital punishment. Law enforcement should not be put under pressure by politicians to take precipitous moves."

Both earlier sieges began with killings as federal agents, although not from the FBI, exchanged gunfire with citizens; and both produced more deaths as FBI agents later closed in on the embattled compounds.

Freeh pledged to Congress last fall that he had revised bureau policies and training to heed the lessons of Ruby Ridge and Waco.

At Ruby Ridge, rules of engagement given FBI snipers said any armed male "could and should" be shot. Weaver's unarmed wife was killed by an FBI sniper as she held a door open for a Weaver associate the sniper said he was aiming at.

Freeh said the bureau would use deadly force policy only when necessary to avoid imminent physical harm to someone.

Webster noted that agents headed by plane to Ruby Ridge were told that federal marshals were pinned down by hostile fire.

## Standoff with Montana 'freemen' divides families

JORDAN, Mont. (AP) — "I want to see blood!" a man in the Hell Creek Bar hollered. "I've lived with this for two years, and it's ruining my life. I want it over!"

A companion confided: "He has two brothers in there."

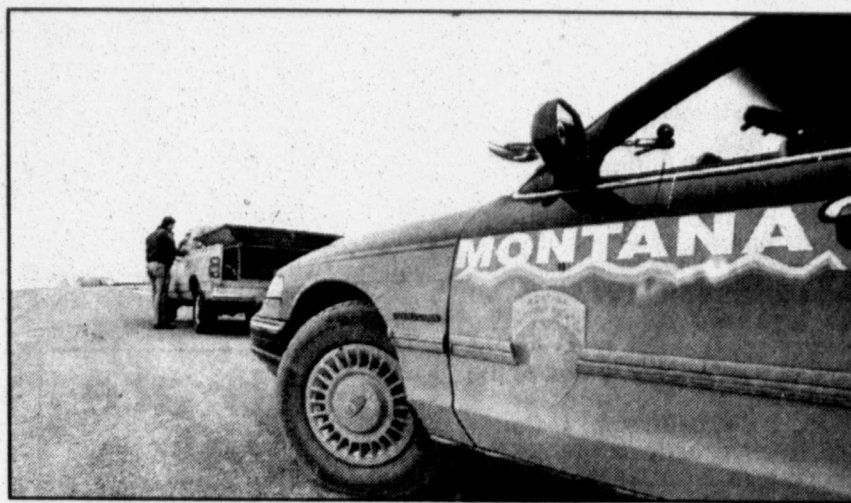
The FBI's four-day standoff with militant anti-government "freemen" at a farmhouse outside Jordan is as sad and bitter as a family feud. For some in this sparsely populated county of about 1,500, that's exactly what it is.

Residents who had dismissed the freemen as kooks or freeloaders started to get angry in 1994, when the group refused to pay taxes and bank loans, refused to move off foreclosed property, posted bounties for the "arrest" of police and judges, and seized federal property, threatening to arrest or shoot neighboring ranchers who grazed their sheep and cattle on the land.

Before the FBI arrived, many people thought the ranchers would have to take matters into their own hands.

"We want the FBI here. We worked for months to get them here, and we're darned glad they're here," said rancher K.L. Bliss.

Ranch hand Terry Kastner said: "They're so goddamned brain-



A Montana Highway Patrol officer questions a driver some 20 miles from Jordan, Mont., where several "freemen" are holed up.

washed. I wish they'd go in there and shoot 'em all. It would save the taxpayers a lot of money and time."

The freemen reject almost all government authority. They call their compound Justus Township, insist they have their own laws and courts and have given themselves titles such as "justice of the peace" and "constable."

Neighbors say they are heavily armed.

A dozen freemen face federal charges of writing millions of dol-

lars in bogus checks and money orders and threatening to kidnap and murder a federal judge. Two, LeRoy Schweitzer and Daniel Petersen Jr., were arrested Monday and jailed.

Schweitzer, Petersen and others also face state charges of criminal syndicalism, or advocating violence for political aims.

The federal indictment was issued last May, and many of the individuals were wanted on state charges up to a year earlier. But authorities had held off making

arrests for fear of another bloody confrontation like the 1992 standoff at Ruby Ridge, Idaho, or the cult disaster near Waco, Texas, a year later.

Now, men, women and children are holed up at the 960-acre wheat and sheep farm, surrounded by rifle-toting federal agents scattered across the bleak snow-covered countryside 30 miles northwest of Jordan.

The freemen's cause has attracted right-wing militia members from outside the area, worrying and angering townspeople. So when the FBI finally — and "finally" is the word everyone uses — moved against them Monday, the overwhelming reaction here was relief.

"Particularly when we found out they had caught two of the ring-leaders. Great relief, that the beginning of the end may be at hand," said rancher Cecil Weeding, whose two brothers-in-law are holed up inside.

At a community hall meeting Wednesday, about three dozen ranchers, some still wearing muddy coveralls smeared with blood from their calving barns, delivered a blunt message to outside militia groups that want to join the standoff: You are not wanted or welcomed.

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# House courts veto, sends Clinton ban on certain late-term abortions

WASHINGTON (AP) — Court- ing a veto by President Clinton, the Republican-controlled Congress passed legislation Wednesday night to impose a ban on certain late-term abortions.

The measure would ban the rarely used technique — termed "partial birth abortion" by its opponents — except in cases where it is essential to save the mother's life.

The vote in the House was 286-129, more than enough to override a threatened veto. Senate approval of the measure last year was by a narrower 54-44 vote that would sustain a veto.

House passage came after emotionally charged debate, and support for the measure crossed party lines.

The procedure is an "offense to the conscience of mankind. This is something we need to stop now," said Rep. Charles Canady, R-Fla., a leading supporter of the legisla- tion.

The procedure, which is a variation of more traditional abor- tions, is referred to by some doc- tors as "intact dilation and evacua- tion." It involves partially extracting a fetus, legs first, through the birth canal, then col- lapsing its skull and suctioning out the skull contents.

By passing the measure, Repub- licans intend to confront Clinton with an election-year dilemma. Given the gruesome nature of the procedure involved — and law- makers described it in graphic detail during debate — Republi- cans believe there is widespread public support for the bill. On the other hand, abortion rights groups whose support is important to the Democratic president oppose the measure as an infringement on a woman's right to choose, and are eager for the veto.

"We urge President Clinton to veto this legislation and preserve the ability of women and their physicians to make sound medical judgments free of political inter- ference," Jane Johnson, interim president of Planned Parenthood,

said in a statement shortly before the final vote.

The vote also demon- strated anew the strength of anti-abortion forces in the Republican-con- trolled Congress that took office in January last year. The measure marks the first time since abortion was legalized more than two decades ago that Congress sought to ban a particular method of the operation.

Rep. Tony Beilenson, D-Calif., argued the measure is merely the first step in an attempt by anti-abortion forces to overturn the Roe v. Wade Supreme Court ruling that granted women abortion rights.

He also called it an assault "on the right of physicians to practice medicine without fear of govern- ment intrusion. He and several other lawmakers called for an exemp- tion from the ban to take into account the health of the mother, as well as her life.

But Rep. Enid Greene Wald- holtz, R-Utah, who gave birth to a daughter last year, called the procedure "medicalized infanticide." The doctor "partially delivers a live child before killing it," she said.

The vote capped an emotional struggle that consumed several months as the bill moved from the House to the Senate and back again. On the final roll call, 214 Republicans and 72 Democrats were in favor of the measure. Opposed were 113 Democrats, 15 Republicans and one independent.

White House officials have pre- viously threatened a veto, and spokesman Michael McCurry said during the day there had been no change in the president's position.

In a letter to key lawmakers late last month, the president said he had "studied and prayed" on the subject, and wanted the bill changed to allow exemptions designed "to preserve the life of the woman or avert serious health consequences to the woman."

Without the changes, he wrote, the bill "does not meet the consti- tutional requirements" laid down

in the Supreme Court's landmark abortion ruling.

Supporters of the measure had already made clear that Clinton's conditions were unacceptable, though, when the bill moved through the Senate last December

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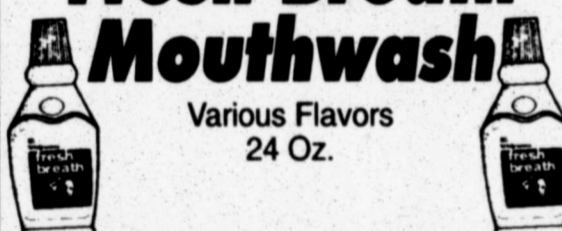
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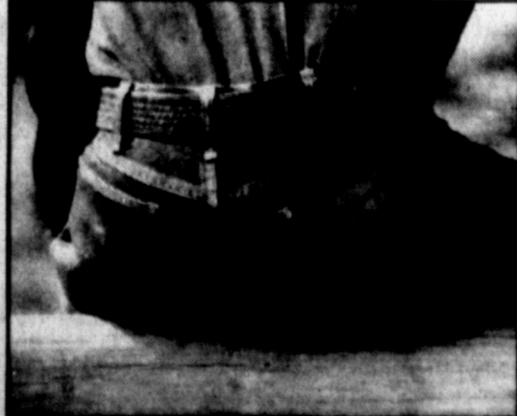
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# Governors, business leaders at education summit forge accord on school standards

**PALISADES, N.Y. (AP)** — As President Clinton complained about giving students "free passes" to the next grade, the nation's governors ended a two-day education summit Wednesday with a pledge to set tough academic standards in their states.

Clinton said students, teachers and schools need to be more accountable, and the governors promised to set up, within the next two years, tests that will assess whether students are meeting higher standards in their states.

After late-night partisan bickering, the governors issued a six-page policy statement aimed at rekindling the academic standards movement in the states — a grassroots campaign, not one coming from Washington.

"The choice is clear," said Wisconsin Gov. Tommy Thompson, chairman of the National Governors Association, who led the summit with IBM Corp. Chairman Louis Gerstner. "By setting standards for our schools, our students will graduate with the skills they need to succeed."

"They will know how to write, how to read and how to compute, as well as how to comprehend. They will be able to command good

jobs, good wages." At the summit, 49 business leaders agreed to look at the high school transcripts of prospective hires, push parents to get involved in schools and play an active role in getting technology in the classroom.

They also agreed to make a state's academic standards and student performance a high priority in deciding where to build or expand operations.

Efforts to reach a consensus nearly collapsed early Wednesday. Some conservative Republican governors, including Virginia's George Allen, threatened not to sign the policy statement because they thought it did not adequately acknowledge state control over education.

"There were a few governors who stomped around," Thompson said. "I even lost my temper."

In his keynote address, Clinton expressed no support for stepping up the federal role in education. He conceded that efforts to set national standards for certain subjects, such as history and English, have been disappointing, although he said ones for math and science were more useful.

"I think we ought to have standards," Clinton told the gover-

ners. "You should set them. We'll support you however you want. But they won't work unless there are consequences. You have to reward good teachers and facilitate the removal of those who aren't performing."

Clinton said he thinks the states need to require students to pass tests to graduate from elementary, middle and high schools. Only Arkansas and four other states require such tests, he said.

Republican Gov. Tom Ridge of Pennsylvania called Clinton a supporter of the status quo in education.

"Clinton is praised as a pioneer for getting testing in Arkansas," Ridge said. "I'm going to go back and see how tough those tests are and see how the reading and math proficiencies have gone up since he tested them."

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### Marbury leaving

**ATLANTA** — Stephon Marbury, the star freshman guard for Georgia Tech, intends to leave college to enter the NBA, it was reported Wednesday. However, the school said no decision has been made.

The Atlanta Journal-Constitution said in its Thursday editions that Marbury planned to make the announcement next week in New York with his family present.

Atlanta station WXIA-TV said Marbury was already in New York and would be joined by Tech coach Bobby Cremins on Thursday.

Those reports followed a report on ESPN, which also said Marbury would enter the June draft.

"That's very, very premature," associate athletic director Mike Finn said Wednesday night. "We don't expect a decision nor an announcement until the middle of next week."

Marbury, 19, a highly recruited star from Brooklyn, said Saturday after Tech's 87-70 loss to Cincinnati in the NCAA Southeast Regional semifinal that he was leaning toward returning to school next year.

"However, coach and I are going to sit down and talk things over," Marbury said. "If I am a projected top five pick, I will enter the NBA draft."

Neither coach Bobby Cremins nor Marbury could be reached Wednesday night. But Finn said he had talked to Cremins, and the coach told him no decision had been made.

On Saturday, Cremins said he would make some calls to get a feeling about Marbury's possible position in the draft.


Cremins had contacted NBA coaches and general managers and was told Marbury would be selected high in the draft.

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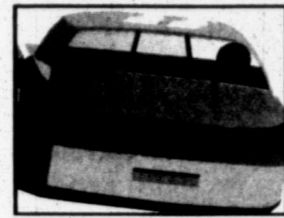
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## Midland's Hillin braves snow to work at Bristol

By Mike Harris  
Associated Press

**BRISTOL, Tenn.** — To say that Midland's Bobby Hillin Jr. is ready to get his season turned around would be an understatement.



The 30-year-old Hillin, who began his Winston Cup career in 1982 as an 18-year-old high school senior, has had his ups and downs in his stock car career.

The biggest up came at Talladega in July 1986 when he became the youngest driver — 22 years, 1 month, 22 days — to win a superspeedway event.

The downs have been more frequent, with Hillin posting only seven other top-10 finishes in 301 career starts.

But he is still young and hopeful that his latest team, Jasper Motorsports, can return him to the front of the field and into a truly competitive position.

So far this year, he has finished no better than 18th in four events since failing to qualify for the season-opening Daytona 500.

So it should come as no surprise to anyone that neither Hillin nor his team were willing to give up on a scheduled test at Bristol International Raceway last week, even on a snowy day.

The team's transporter drove through a blinding snowstorm Wednesday night, and Hillin and team manager Mark Harrah drove through snow the next morning as they neared Bristol, located in the mountains of eastern Tennessee.

When they arrived at the track, officials said it was closed because of ice and snow on the racing surface. Hillin and Harrah asked if they could dry the track

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## Randy Quisenberry pleased with move to Odessa High

Staff Report

Odessa High football supporters desperately want their team to enter the upper echelon of District 4-5A. With the hiring of Randy Quisenberry as coach this week, they go to the team that for years has kept them from reaching that level.

Odessa Permian graduate and former assistant coach Quisenberry was introduced by the Ector County Independent School District today as the new OHS head football coach. To some Bronchos fans it may seem like admitting defeat to hire an assistant from their most bitter rival. But Ector County Independent School District Director John Wilkins doesn't see it that way. Even Wilkins didn't expect this much support for the hiring of Permian's defensive coordinator of the past two years.

"As a matter of fact I was surprised," Wilkins said. "Obviously there's a few people that are going to

look at it with a jaded eye. But I'm surprised at the support from long-time Odessa High supporters. It's overwhelming."

Said Quisenberry: "That speaks well for everybody in Odessa on both sides of town. I'm sure there's some people out there that might not be happy but they haven't expressed that to me personally."

Odessa High and Odessa Permian have one of the most intense high school football rivalries in the state. OHS has not beaten Permian's Mojo in its last 31 tries. And while the Panthers have piled up state championships the Bronchos have not made the playoffs since '90.

"Hopefully we can get over that hump and break into the big three," said Quisenberry, 39. "Let's face it. The last few years it's been Permian, (Midland) Lee and (San Angelo) Central."

Moving from one team to its cross-

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## NCAA MEN'S FINAL FOUR

# It is all in the coaching

## Boeheim is praised, not panned

By Hal Bock  
Associated Press

Of all the Final Four coaches, none has received more grief from his team's fans than Syracuse's Jim Boeheim.

He is the favorite whipping boy of central New York, blamed for just about everything but the snow. And if he were the weatherman, he'd probably get nailed for that, too.

Maybe it's his bookish look. He's not an Armani suit guy, often preferring blazer or sport jacket and slacks. He looks more like an English professor than a basketball coach. But his track record is flawless — 482 victories in 20 seasons and the winningest program in the tough Big East Conference over the last decade.

So what's the complaint?  
"It's more image than coaching," Boeheim said. "I've always said it's the image people don't like about me."

Sometimes, he can be a little irritat-

ing. When New York City was hit with a crippling blizzard that disrupted transportation and games during the Big East tournament two years ago, Boeheim couldn't see what all the excitement was about. "Haven't you ever had snow before?" he said, tweaking those unaccustomed to the Arctic climate that is routine in Syracuse.

And when the Orangemen fled bleak central New York to play in the Maui Invitational one December, Boeheim was asked how he liked Hawaii in winter. "It's just like Syracuse," he shrugged.

Go argue. Boeheim is just a Syracuse guy, a 1963 walk-on who played alongside Hall of Famer Dave Bing. After four years in the Eastern League, he returned to SU, first as a graduate assistant and assistant coach under Roy Danforth and then as the coach in 1976.

In four years, he had 100 wins, the

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## Patino, Calipari have more in common than most coaches

By Jim O'Connell  
AP Basketball Writer

**NEW YORK** — Rick Pitino, dedicated alum of the University of Massachusetts, has no one to blame but himself for the predicament he faces this weekend as coach of the Kentucky Wildcats.

When his alma mater was looking for a basketball coach eight years ago, Pitino had a candidate he was willing to go to the wall for, even offering a little financial assistance in his pursuit.

That man was John Calipari, and on Saturday night he and Pitino will lead their teams against each other in the Final Four, a familiar spot for a traditional program like Kentucky's, a first-time event for Massachusetts.

"I've seen a lot of great programs develop, John Thompson at Georgetown, Jerry Tarkanian at UNLV in the desert," Pitino said Wednesday, "but John took a program that didn't have money for a secretary, nothing, got an arena built when the state was broke and got them to No. 1 when I thought Top 20 was an impossible task."

"To say I'm a happy alumnus is putting it simply and there's nothing I wouldn't do for him and I'm sure he feels

the same way for me."

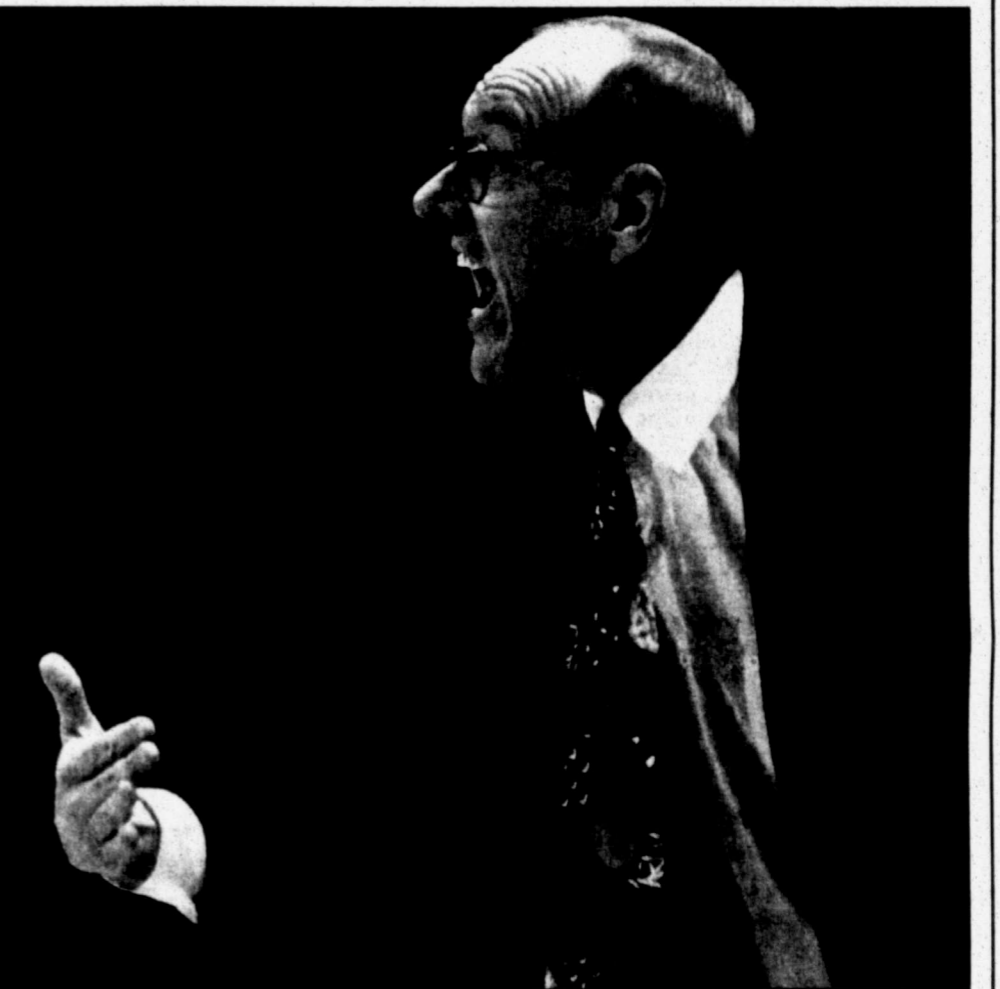
Calipari took the Massachusetts job in 1988, after the program had experienced 10 consecutive losing seasons, six of which had victory totals in single digits.

Pitino had played there in 1973 and 1974 when the team went 20-7 and 21-5.

"We were a New England program, a regional program," Pitino said of his years in Amherst. "I get the Boston Herald and Boston Globe sent to me now. I don't remember ever seeing a Herald or Globe reporter when I was there. Now there are big inserts all over and there's the television. Winning was difficult but he created an image and that's truly remarkable."

Pitino was the coach of the New York Knicks when he was asked to be on the search committee as UMass looked for a replacement for Ron Gerulfsen. He knew who he wanted and he even came

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Syracuse's Jim Boeheim, seen here at the Big East tourney, is leading his team to a surprise Final Four appearance.

## Mississippi State Bulldogs refuse to be NCAA Final Four underdogs

By Bill Barnard  
Associated Press

**NEW YORK** — As the lowest seeded team in the Final Four, Mississippi State is facing no crisis of confidence.

The Bulldogs had to beat Kentucky, then ranked No. 1 and the first team in 40 years to go through the regular season unbeaten in Southeastern Conference games, just to earn a No. 5 seed in the Southeast Regional.

They followed through with impressive victories over top seeds Connecticut and Cincinnati to reach the Final Four for the first time.

All of that convinced Mississippi State and coach Richard Williams that the Starkville, Miss., school belongs right where it is.

"I knew we had talented players, and I thought if they learned their roles and

accepted their roles, that we could be a good team," Williams said Wednesday during a conference call for Final Four coaches. "It didn't happen all at once. It was a gradual process."

Williams said he distinguishes between the kind of confidence his team has now and the confidence some teams put on for appearance sake.

"With kids this age, confidence can sometimes be false," he said. "They see it as a sign of weakness if you don't show confidence, even if it isn't real. But as you win games, confidence increases. As you win games against quality teams, confidence becomes more real."

The run of upsets by Mississippi State (26-7) has made the Bulldogs the favorite in Saturday's semifinal against Syracuse (28-8), which is making its first

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## Cigar Wins Dubai World Cup, 14th straight race

By Tom Wagner  
Associated Press

**DUBAI, United Arab Emirates** — Cigar turned back a strong challenge from Soul of the Matter in the final furlong and won his 14th straight race, capturing the \$4 million Dubai World Cup today.

It was an impressive performance for the 1995 Horse of the Year, who easily put away L'Carriere turning for home, then held off Soul of the Matter, who came flying up on the outside.

Soul of the Matter actually drew even with Cigar in mid-stretch, but Cigar responded quickly to the urging of jockey Jerry Bailey and won the 1 1/4-mile race by a half length over the deep, sandy Nad Al Sheba racetrack. Cigar's time for the race was 2:03.84.

The victory was the second this year for Cigar, who was a 1-5 favorite in New York, and 14th in a row — two behind this century's record of 16 shared by Citation and Ribot.

With the win, Cigar earned \$2.4 million and became the richest racehorse in North America with career earnings of \$7,669,015, surpassing Alysheba's total of \$6,679,242. It was the 6-year-old's first triumph outside the United States and the first time he raced at night.

"Nobody was going by me even if we went around again," Bailey said, adding that Cigar slipped at the start but recovered quickly.

"His rear end sort of came out from behind him. He didn't handle the track very well, but he handled it well enough," Bailey said.



Jerry Bailey, riding Cigar, raises his fist as they win the Dubai World Cup. Soul of the Matter, left, placed second.

With Bailey still aboard and raising his fist triumphantly, owner Allen E. Paulson led Cigar off the track to claim the largest winning purse in horse racing.

In inter-track betting in the United States, Cigar returned \$2.60, \$2.40 and \$2.10. Soul of the Matter paid \$4.60 and \$3 and L'Carriere returned \$3.80 to show.

Completing the order of finish after L'Carriere were Pentire, Tamayaz, Lively Mount, Needle Gun, Torrential, Larrocha, Danewin and Halling.

The bad start put Cigar in about sixth or seventh in the mid-

Please see CIGAR/3D

## Dumas defuses Rockets with 13 in fourth quarter

■ Second-year Dallas Maverick goes from Motta's doghouse to penthouse in win over Houston.

By Denne H. Freeman  
Associated Press

**DALLAS** — Four days ago, Tony Dumas was so deep in coach Dick Motta's doghouse that he didn't even get to play on Tony Dumas jersey day.

Dumas found away back into his coach's good graces Wednesday night by scoring 13 of his 15 points in the fourth quarter as Dallas snapped an 11-game losing streak with a 117-114 victory over Houston.

"I needed a game like this to get my confidence back," Dumas said. "I've had a few bad games and some people had lost confidence in me."

At one point during the week, Dumas suggested the Mavericks should trade him if they weren't going to play him.

"I feel they should have stuck with

Please see DUMAS/2C

# Orlando Magic won't dwell on first home loss

The Associated Press

ORLANDO, Fla. — Sitting in the losing locker room at Orlando Arena for the first time this season, Shaquille O'Neal turned philosopher.

The second longest regular-season home winning streak in NBA history was over, ruined by the Magic Johnson-led Los Angeles Lakers on a night the Orlando Magic hardly resembled themselves.

Coach Brian Hill talked about the law of averages. Anfernee Hardaway suggested it may even be a blessing in disguise. O'Neal just promised that the Atlantic Division leaders will move on.

"We're not going to dwell on losing one stinking home game," the All-Star center said after the Lakers stopped Orlando's string of homecourt dominance at 40 games, including 33 straight this season, with a 113-91 victory Tuesday night.

"You know, I once went five years without a flat tire. I didn't think I'd ever have a flat tire, then I got two in one week. All good things must come to an end."

But no one expected the Magic's streak, the longest in league his-

tory before Chicago won its 41st consecutive regular-season home game last week, to end the way it did.

The Lakers shot better from 3-point range (11-for-18) than Orlando did from the free-throw line (8-for-18) and beat the Magic into submission after building their lead to 14 in the third quarter.

"I haven't seen a team be that aggressive or play as well as they did all season. They kept coming at us and coming at us, especially on offense," Hardaway said. "We normally make a run on teams at some point in the game. But they have to miss or make some turnovers somewhere along the line. The Lakers never did."

Horace Grant, who had 26 points and 17 rebounds in Orlando's one-point victory over the Lakers in Los Angeles earlier this month, sat out Tuesday night because of back spasms.

The Lakers said it didn't matter. "Even if Horace had played, we would have gotten them the way our shooters were shooting," Johnson said. "I only ended up with 14 points, but we had it all going. We were working on all cylinders."

Orlando's Dennis Scott made a



Orlando Magic players, Shaquille O'Neal, Nick Anderson and David Vaughn sit dejected at the end of the 113-91 loss to the Lakers.

game-winning 3-pointer in the earlier meeting between the teams, but was held to six points this time on 2-for-11 shooting. He missed 8 of 10 from behind the 3-point line, and the Magic were 7-for-23 overall outside the arc.

"What can I say. It's over. The law of averages says you're going to have one really bad game in your building, and we had it tonight," Hill said.

"It was an incredible streak, but losing one was bound to happen. I'm one who looks for silver linings. Maybe it's good that we lost now instead of in the playoffs. We just have to put it behind us and go out and try to start another one."

After going 39-2 at home last season, the Magic lost four times at Orlando Arena during the playoffs, including the first two games of the NBA Finals.

## SPORTS BRIEFS

### Collins gets his first coaching job

CHICAGO — Jimmy Collins, passed over for Lou Henson's job at Illinois, took over the basketball program at Illinois-Chicago with a smile and a promise Wednesday to put his recruiting skills to good use.

Collins, who spent 13 years as an assistant to Henson, said during a news conference that he had long waited for his first coaching job.

"Better late than never," Collins said, laughing.

Collins, well known in Chicago high schools for his recruiting skills, said he looked forward to recruiting outside Illinois as well.

The Flames were 10-18 this season in the Midwestern Collegiate Conference.

### Donovan named Florida coach

GAINESVILLE, Fla. — Billy

Donovan looks a little like Kentucky coach Rick Pitino, sounds just like him and talks the same brand of basketball. Florida can only hope Donovan gets similar results.

Donovan, a Pitino protege brimming with energy and confidence, was named coach at Florida on Wednesday. He pledged to produce entertainment and victories at a school where fan support lies primarily with football.

He did both under Pitino, as a player on his Providence team that reached the Final Four in 1987, and as an assistant under him at Kentucky, including the 1993 Final Four team.

Donovan, a boyish-looking 30 with slicked-back hair, spent the past two seasons as the coach at Marshall, where he had a 35-20 record and was named Southern Conference coach of the year his first season.

Compiled from Associated Press Reports.

# San Antonio Spurs get 15th straight with win over Knicks

The Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO — The San Antonio Spurs overcame a sluggish first half and defeated the New York Knicks 90-84 Wednesday night for their 15th straight win, matching a club record.

The Spurs, who haven't lost since Feb. 27, trailed 42-39 at the half as David Robinson scored only two points on 1-of-8 shooting. He rebounded to lead the Spurs with 21 points, and his four free throws in the last 24.1 seconds gave San Antonio an 89-82 lead.

Sean Elliott added 18 points and Avery Johnson 17 for the Spurs, who will try for their 16th straight victory Friday night at Dallas.

Patrick Ewing and John Starks led New York with 20 and 19 points, respectively. The Knicks finished 2-2 on an eight-day, four-game road trip to Chicago, Dallas, Houston and San Antonio.

### Lakers 106, Heat 95

MIAMI — Magic Johnson shook off a first-half limp and scored 27 points to lead Los Angeles past his former coach Pat Riley and the Miami Heat in the first NBA meeting of the two close friends.

Johnson bumped his knee and was briefly hobbled, but shook off concerned trainers and stayed in the game. He hit all 15 of his free throws and several trademark 10-foot hook shots and earned a

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grudging standing ovation from the crowd when he left the game with seconds remaining.

Nick Van Exel added 21 points for the Lakers, who on Tuesday became the first team to win at Orlando Arena this season.

### Jazz 98, Bucks 82

SALT LAKE CITY — Jeff Hornacek scored 24 points and David Benoit added 20 as Utah handed Milwaukee its 13th straight loss.

Benoit was 6-of-6 from the field, including three 3-pointers, and was 5-of-5 from the free throw line. Karl Malone added 17 points as the Jazz won their fifth straight and 18th straight home game.

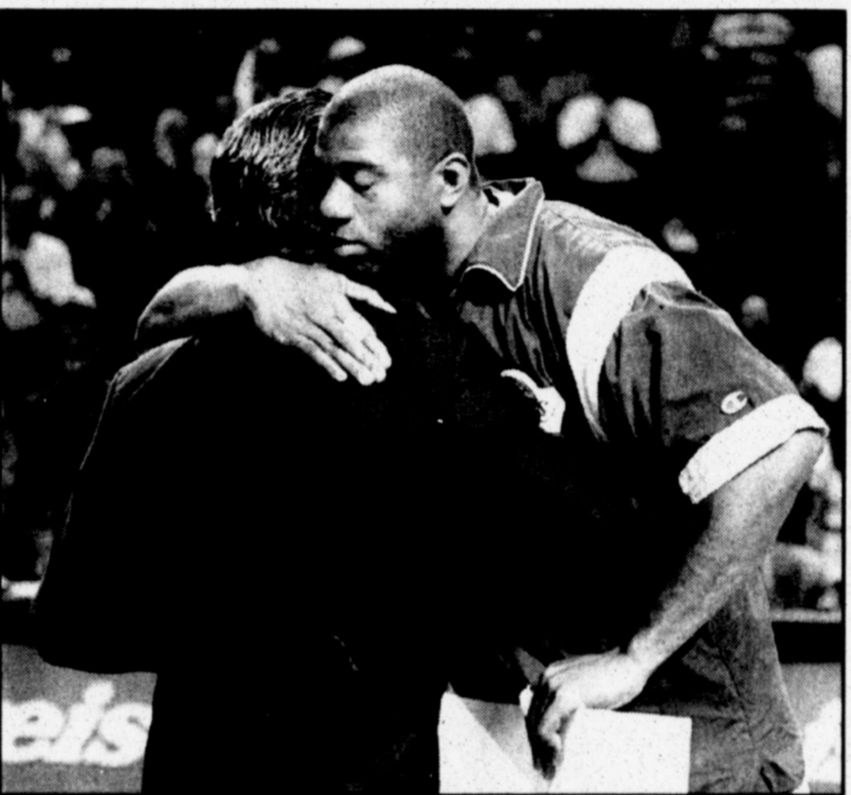
### Celtics 121, Timberwolves 116

MINNEAPOLIS — Dee Brown and David Wesley hit five 3-pointers in a three-minute span of the second half and Boston overcame Kevin Garnett's career-high 33 points.

The Celtics built a 14-point lead in the fourth quarter and withstood a comeback that pulled the Timberwolves within three points in the final minute.

### Pacers 99, Bulls 93

LANDOVER, Md. — Reggie Miller scored 15 of his 35 points in the fourth quarter and Indiana snapped its three-game road losing streak.



Magic Johnson hugs Heat coach Pat Riley after receiving a \$20,000 donation to the Magic Johnson Foundation, which promotes education and prevention of AIDS among young people.

The Bulls had their two-game winning streak broken and missed a chance to gain a game on Miami in the race for the Eastern Conference's final playoff spot.

### 76ers 103, Raptors 94

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Clarence Weatherspoon scored 28 points, including 15 in the fourth period, as Philadelphia ended its eight-game losing streak.

Jerry Stackhouse had 26 points and Derrick Alston 12 for Philadelphia. Zan Tabak had a career-high 26 points and 11 rebounds for Toronto. Stackhouse reached 1,291 points for the season, breaking the team rookie record of 1,280 set by Weatherspoon.

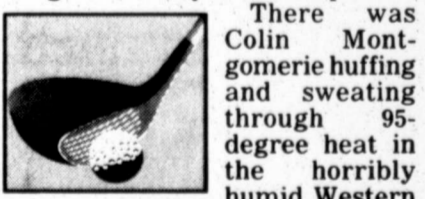
The Raptors played without Damon Stoudamire, the team's leader in points and assists.

# Slimmed down Scotsman has appetite for victory

Colin Montgomerie, the world's best player without a major, is playing golf with less weight to carry.

Associated Press

PONTE VEDRA BEACH, Fla. — Being dressed all in black only made matters worse. Being overweight certainly didn't help.



There was Colin Montgomerie huffing and sweating through 95-degree heat in the horribly humid Western Pennsylvania air, trying to carry his considerable bulk around Oakmont Country Club in the playoff for the 1994 U.S. Open.

It was a disastrous day for the Scotsman, more used to the colder climates of the European tour, unprepared with another change of light-colored clothes to reflect away the blistering sun.

Montgomerie, who looked lost — scuffing two chips and leaving several putts embarrassingly short — fell three strokes behind on the seventh hole and never got clos-

er to Ernie Els and Loren Roberts, turning the front nine in a fat 42.

That was nearly two years and 30 pounds ago. Since then, Montgomerie lost another major championship in a playoff — the PGA last year — and, as he says, "two stone," a British measure of weight that sort of describes what it used to look like he carried around in his back pockets.

The Players Championship is only the second tournament of the year for the slimmed down Montgomerie, once referred to as "Mrs. Doubtfire" by some British writers because of his lumpy appearance. When he returned to golf after a three-month break in which he embarked on a serious diet and exercise program it was with a new hunger.

"I've played one tournament feeling fit and I won it," Montgomerie said Wednesday at the TPC Stadium Course. "I won't say anything more than that."

The 6-foot-1 Montgomerie, winner of the Dubai Desert Classic two weeks ago, is now down to 210 pounds and would like to get to 200. The move, he said, had less to do with golf and more to do with how he felt about himself.

That could translate into a more positive attitude that could help

## TPC Preview

Montgomerie shed another bit of excess baggage he is carrying around — the reputation of being the best player in the world without a major championship.

At 32, with 10 European PGA Tour victories to his credit and having led the tour's money list three years in a row, Montgomerie could be on the verge of great things.

He will need to play great to win this week. The talent-laden international field has 44 of the top 50 players on the Sony world rankings and four of those missing — Bernhard Langer, Jose Maria Olazabal, Brad Faxon and Barry Lane — were out only because of injuries. Mark McNulty and Miguel Angel Jimenez declined invitations.

While many in the field that includes Lee Janzen, Greg Norman, Davis Love III, Nick Price and Steve Elkington — the last five winners here — have their minds two weeks away at the Masters, this is still a tournament that matters to the players.

"I am sure the winner on Sunday would feel he has almost won a major," Montgomerie said. "It is



Colin Montgomerie, seen above, is down to 210 pounds and would like to get to 200. He will compete at the Players Championship.

a shame it almost doesn't carry that status because as the course goes and as the field goes you will find no better."

DIVOTS: The purse for The Players Championship was increased by \$500,000 to \$3.5 million, making it the richest official money event on the PGA Tour. The winner will get \$630,000. ... The PGA Tour and MasterCard have picked a panel of 15 experts to compile a list of the 25 greatest moments in golf. The top-25 will be announced at the Presidents Cup in September and the winner revealed at the MasterCard Championship, a Senior event, next January.

# All manner of passports at Dinah Shore

Associated Press

RANCHO MIRAGE, Calif. — The LPGA tour is getting global, and nowhere is that more clear than the Nabisco Dinah Shore, the women's first major of the year.

"This is the true international tour," said England's Laura Davies, who will be trying for her first Dinah Shore title in the tournament that begins Thursday at Mission Hills Country Club.

"It's not like anyone is trying to take over. It's just that all the best players are here (on the LPGA tour), whether they are American or Swedish or British."

Ranking 1-2-3 on the LPGA's earnings list this year are rookie Karrie Webb of Australia, a

winner once and a runner-up twice; Sweden's Liselotte Neumann, a two-time winner; and Davies, coming off a victory last weekend, her third in a row at Phoenix.

Another top contender for the \$135,000 Dinah Shore winner's prize is Sweden's Annika Sorenstam, last year's U.S. Open champion and the first player to lead the LPGA and European tours in earnings in the same season.

Sorenstam finished sixth in both her U.S. starts this year, at Tucson and Phoenix. Of this year's five tournaments, Neumann has won two, Webb one and Davies one. The only American to take a title is Meg Mallon, the winner in Hawaii. Of the last 21 official events, foreigners have won 13.

"It's a really good blend of players," Davies said. "At the moment, the foreign players are winning." Only two foreign players, Helen Alfredsson

of Sweden (1993) and Sally Little of South Africa (1982) have won the Dinah Shore, the women's equivalent of the PGA's Masters.

Davies would like to make that three foreign champions, saying, "This is the tournament that I've never won that I want to win most." Davies, in the Dinah Shore for the 11th time, tied for third last year behind winner Nancy Bowen after finishing second to Donna Andrews in 1994.

Bowen will be defending her only LPGA title. She had not won a tournament before last year and has not won since.

One of the tour's longest drivers, Davies can reach the 526-yard, par-5 No. 18 in two, but it has not helped her much.

"I think I've hit the green 15 times or so," she said. "I'd like to two-putt it sometime."

Two years ago, she three-putted for a bogey on No. 18 and Andrews sank a birdie putt to win.

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High school baseball players arrested for killing community cat

The Associated Press

More Sports/3D

EAST BERNARD — Four high school athletes accused of smashing a stray cat popular among visitors to a community baseball park were arrested on animal cruelty charges Wednesday.

Authorities say the members of East Bernard's two-time defending Class 2A championship baseball team admitted beating the gray, striped tabby with bats and running over her with a truck.

Three 17-year-olds, Ryan Walters, Britt Sensat and Danny Crane, were charged with animal cruelty. A 16-year-old also was charged with the Class A misdemeanor, but his identity was not released because he is a juvenile.

All four were released Wednesday on \$500 personal recognizance bonds, officials said. If convicted, the teens would face up to a year in jail and a \$4,000 fine.

Wharton County Sheriff's investigator Sgt. Carlton Hudgins said the players they were sick of Tiger defecating around the baseball field.

OHS: Quisenberry makes 4-5A move

(From 1C)

town rival doesn't concern the new Broncho.

"I don't know about the irony of it, but it's a great opportunity," Quisenberry said. "It's one of those opportunities that you dream about."

Quisenberry has coached 14 of his 16 years in District 4-5A.

"The main thing about Randy is he's had that (4-5A) experience," Wilkins said. "Whether he comes from Permian, Midland Lee or wherever, he has the grasp of what it takes to compete in 4-5A. (And) I don't care what anybody says it's different. That's not to say it's superior or anything else, it's just a different league. It takes a different concentration to compete in this league."

Quisenberry had coached at his alma mater since 1990. He will take his first head-coaching position with OHS.

Quisenberry was one of the five finalists for the Midland High job but was among the first two finalists to withdraw for the position eventually filled by David Brown.

Quisenberry coached eight years at Midland High.

The Permian graduate takes over the Broncho program from Bill Barron, who resigned Feb. 22 to become head football coach at Alief Elsik near Houston. Barron guided the OHS football team to near playoff appearances in 1993 and '94. The Bronchos did not have a losing season under Barron.

Quisenberry helped the Permian job in '94 after Tim Hollingshead left to become an assistant at Texas A&M.

Quisenberry helped the Permian '91 team win a state championship. He was named the OHS coach Tuesday night at the Ector County School Board Meeting. The new Broncho head man has a wife, Laura, and two children, Allen and Zach.

"He brings a high level of energy and enthusiasm to the job and he feels like Odessa High has the kind of athletes that can compete successfully in 4-5A," Wilkins said.

"But can he direct the Bronchos to wins over his old team?" "I would hope so," Quisenberry said. "It's a fun rivalry. We'll just have to wait and see."

LOCAL SPORTS

Floyds, Beals enter off-road

Dr. Don Floyd and son Mark of Midland are entering their Hummer in the longest off-road race in the United States Friday. The Las Vegas to Reno race covers 572.6 miles of rough terrain. Kelly and Spencer Beal will also compete in the Class 3 Pro-Division race with their modified Nissan Pathfinder. There will be over 300 entries including motorcycles and off-road vehicles.

Vandergriff ZAT finalist

WICHITA FALLS — Clayton Vandergriff of the Midland College Tennis Center's traveling team reached the finals of the Wichita Falls ZAT Tournament last weekend. He also qualified for the championship level in the boys 16 division. Quillan Harris also reached the final and placed second.

Case shoots ace in Andrews

ANDREWS — Midland's Mike Case shot his first hole-in-one, March 16 on No. 5 at the Andrews Country Club. Case used a 7-iron on the 144-yard layout and was witnessed by Ken Spradley, Jerry Cobb and Dean McQueen.

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NBA Results

By The Associated Press EASTERN CONFERENCE Atlantic Division

Table with columns: Team, W, L, Pct, GB. Rows include Orlando, New York, Miami, Washington, New Jersey, Philadelphia, Chicago, Indiana, Cleveland, Detroit, Charlotte, Milwaukee, Toronto.

Midland Bowling

By Karen Jordan CITY LEADERS

Midland Park Lanes hosted the city leaders last week. Jeff Minick, 2700 pins...

Transactions

By The Associated Press AUTO RACING Winston Cup

DARWAL INC.—Name: Jeff Hammond team manager for driver Darrell Waltrip.

Baseball

AMERICAN LEAGUE TORONTO BLUE JAYS—Assigned Frank Viola, pitcher, to Knoxville of the Southern League.

Midland Park Lanes

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Exhibition Baseball

By The Associated Press

Dodgers 4, Expos 2

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P. J. Martinez, Manuel (6), Scott (7), Terrell (8), and Steve Lincecum (9) were the starting pitchers.

Twins 2, Braves 1

Atlanta 11 000 000 11 0 0 Minn. 010 00100 2 9 0

Maddux, Woodall (5), Clontz (7), Wohlers (8) and Lopez, Racke, Parra (7), Bennett (8), Stevens (9) and Walker, W-Racke (2), HR—Woodall (2), 2 Sv—Stevens (2), HR—Atkins, Giovannola (2).

Phillies 6, White Sox 4

Chicago (A) 010 03000 4 10 1 Philadelphia 110 1300 6 10 0

Avarez, L. Thomas (6), Levine (7), Hernandez (8) and Karvonen, Krueter (7); S Fernandez, Ryan (6), Bottalico (7), Leiper (6), Springer (9) and Lieberthal, W-Ryan (2), 1 L—L. Thomas, 1-4 Sv—Springer (1).

Rode 6, Astros 2

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Schourek, McElroy (7), Shaw (7), Carrasco (8) and Taubensee, Drabek, Small (5), Johnson (7), T Jones (9) and Eusebio, Luce (9), W-Ryan (2), 2-3 L—Drabek (1), T Jones (9), Chicago, Hernandez (3).

Angels 6, A's 3

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Florida 10 000 000 12 0 0 Detroit 100 12010 6 11 0

Gardner, Mantle (4), Matthews (6), A. Pena (7), Y. P-Renez (8), N (8) and C. Johnson, Lira, R-Lewis (7), R-River (8), B Williams (9) and Brent Casanova (7); W-Lira, 2-0 L—Mantle (2), Sv—B. Williams (3), HR—Dawson (1).

Royals 5, Yankees 3

New York (A) 000001200 3 6 1 Kansas City 0001220 5 9 1

Cone, Howe (7), M-Rivera (8) and Garcia, Wilson (7), M-Rivera (8), Clark (8), P-Richard (9) and Fasnano, Macfarlane (6); W—Magnante, Gant (1)—Howe, 2-1 Sv—P-Richard (1).

Cardinals 8, Pirates 5

At Bradenton, Fla. Philadelphia 000 010 301 3 8 12

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(10 innings) A-Bene, Morris (7), Eckersley (8), Bailey (10) and Sheaffer, Wagner, Hancock (7), Mooli (9) and Encarnacion, W-Eckersley, 2-1 L—Mickel, 2-1 Sv—Bailey (2), Gant (1), Pittsburgh, Cummings (1), Martin (1), W-Eckersley, 2-1 L—Mickel, 2-1, Bailey (2).

Rangers 7, Red Sox 4

At Fort Myers, Fla. Texas 003 100 000 6 14 0

Helling, Vozro (5), Anderson (6), Cook (8) and Rodriguez, Valle (8), Sapan, Garcia (3), Evergood (5), Osherby (6), Pennington (8), Schemb (9) and Newman, W-Helling, 3-0 L—Sapan, 0-2 Sv—Cook (2), HRs—Texas, Taitford (2), Eilers (2), Boston, Mitchell (2), Cordero (3).

Reds 12, Blue Jays 0

At Winter Haven, Fla. Toronto 000 000 0 0 3 0

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Hanson, Crabtree (8), Scott (7), Bohanon (8) and O'Brien, Krorr (8); Ojeda, Assenmacher (7), Poole (8), Torres (9) and Hernandez (9); Ojeda, 3-0 L—Hanson, 0-3 HRs—Cleveland, Ramirez (7), Espinoza (2), Lewis (3).

Orioles 8, Mets 3

At Port St. Lucie, Fla. Baltimore 10022000 8 14 1

New York (N) 03000000 3 10 0

Molina, Knivik (8), Benay (9) and Hoiles, Zaun (6), Surhoff (8), Zaun (9); B Jones, Minor (5), DiPoto (6), Henry (8), Franco (9) and Mayne, W—Murray (8), Hernandez (9), Hernandez (9)—Baltimore, Alomar (1), Hoiles (4).

Rockies 4, Giants 3

At Scottsdale, Ariz. Colorado 000 000 10 4 8 10

San Francisco 000210000 3 6 10

Ritz, M Thompson (6), Leskovic (9) and Brito, Letter, Bourgeois (7), Creek (8), Hook (9) and Manwaring, Lampson (9); W—Creek (2), M Thompson (2), 1-1 L—Creek, 0-2 Sv—Leskovic (2), HRs—Colorado, Galaraga (10), San Francisco, M Williams (4).

Mariners 12, Cubs 3

At Mesa, Ariz. Seattle 01152000 12 7 0

Chicago (N) 00010000 3 9 13

Hurtado, McCarthy (6), Wells (7), Ayala (8) and Wilson, Marzano (6); Navarro, Patterson (5), Casian (7), Jones (8) and Senack, Donnell (7); W—Hurtado, 3-1 L—Navarro, 2-1 HRs—Seattle, Sorrento (4), K Griffey (3), Chicago, Hernandez (3).

Padres 10, Brewers 9

At Peoria, Ariz. Mil. 001 020001 9 14 1

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(10 innings) Sparks, Carpenter (7), Fellers (9), Potts (10) and Nelson, Strickland, Smith (7), Holtzman (8); (8), Hoffman (9), Florio (10) and Alumnus, Johnson (8), W—Florio, 1-1 L—Potts, 0-1 HRs—Milwaukee, Jaha (4), Valentini (1), Ward (3), San Diego, Lopez (1).

3-0 Thru the Games

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San Diego vs. Seattle at Peoria, Ariz., 2:05 p.m.

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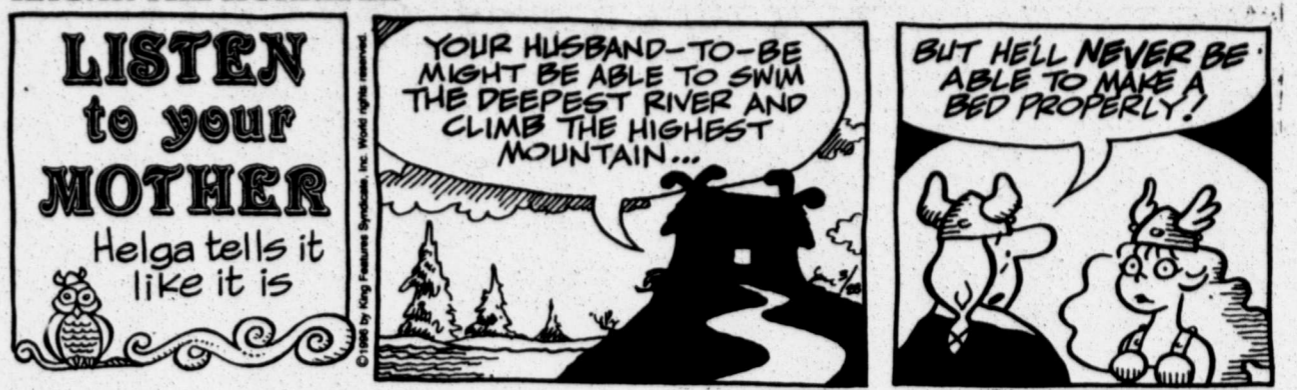
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**CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY:** country music star Reba McEntire, basketball player Byron Scott, actress Dianne Wiest, legendary Hollywood agent Swifty Lazar.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Work projects can be taken to a higher level of success. Avoid letting a fear of abandonment get the best of you. Act confident about a romantic relationship's future.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Talks could reveal the hidden side of a relationship. Be willing to build on what exists rather than fantasizing about the "ideal" partner. Snuggling with a loved one leads to a candid chat about your future.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** End a relationship that has not lived up

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**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Direct action will bring the best results at work. Refuse to stay in a harmful situation. A friend's kindness boosts your morale. Your social life moves into high gear.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** The emphasis now is on supporting your partner or mate's ambitions. Be prepared to play second banana if necessary. Go after the things you want, rather than waiting for them to fall into your lap.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Adopting a positive attitude helps you appreciate what you have. A common-sense approach coupled with intuitive insights, makes you unbeatable! Stay out of disputes that arise at work or home.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Networking is the key to finding new clients or job leads. Corporate headhunters can be helpful, too. Update your image along with your resume.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Challenging social situations bring out the best in you. Avoid going overboard. Taking other people's problems onto your own shoulders will not help them learn how to cope.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Your timing may be off today. An alliance requires careful nurturing if it is to last. Favors performed now will bring handsome returns in the future.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Trust your instincts. You will know what to say at the right time. It is senseless to worry about things over which you have no control.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Interruptions cannot always be prevented. Work at home if doing so will help you meet an important deadline. Check the financial figures before plunging into a new business venture.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** Work overtime to finish a major assignment. An inexperienced person is eager to learn. Offer encouragement as well as practical tips.

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**SOUTH**  
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North's heart cue-bids asked partner to choose a minor suit, and Nickell duly became the declarer at five diamonds. A heart lead would have settled matters there and then — declarer could not avoid losing two trump tricks and a heart — but it is difficult to fault West for selecting the king of spades as the opening salvo.

Declarer ruffed in dummy and led a low trump. East could not

afford to rise with the ace without sacrificing a trump trick, so is forced to play low. The contract was now laydown given any reasonable lie in the club suit.

Declarer abandoned trumps and started running clubs. Had East been able to ruff the third club with the jack and shift to a heart, declarer would still have been in control. After winning the ace of hearts, declarer would cross to dummy with a spade ruff and discard a heart from hand on a high club. Regardless of whether East ruffed, or not, declarer would get rid of the losing heart and the ace of diamonds would be the second and last trick for the defense.

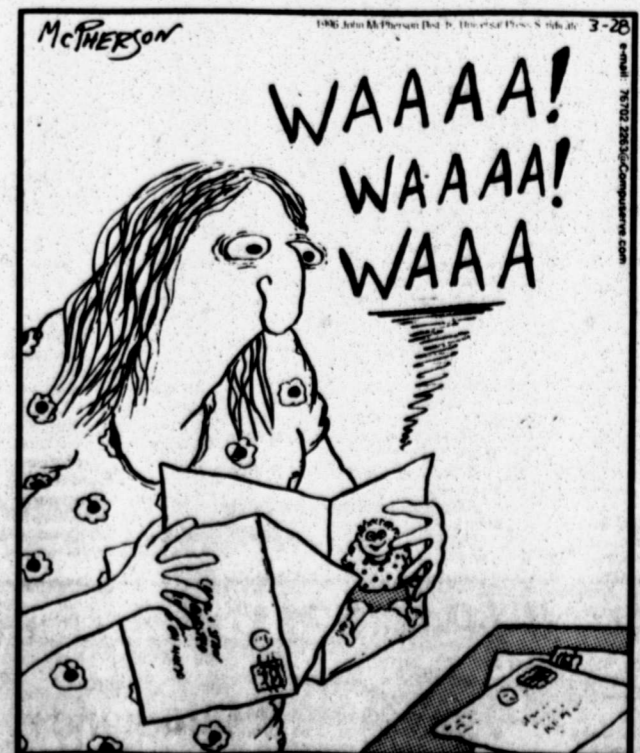
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### OIL PRICES

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### Prices retreat

Heating oil futures prices surged Wednesday on the New York Mercantile Exchange amid continued concerns about tight supplies coupled with lingering wintry weather.

West Texas Intermediate for May delivery fell 40 cents to \$21.79 per barrel. Local crude purchasers lowered their posted price 50 cents to \$20.25 a barrel.

May natural gas rose 7.2 cents to \$2.339 per 1,000 cubic feet.

April heating oil rose as high as 68.00 cents a gallon, a new life-of-contract high replacing the old one of 65.60 cents a gallon. April heating oil settled at 65.93 cents a gallon, up 1.05 cents.

The move higher in heating oil illustrates continued concerns about tight stocks even as the winter heating season comes to an end, analysts said.

Natural gas futures were supported by expectations that weekly storage data from the American Gas Association released after the market closed would show a sharp drawdown of inventory, analysts said.

### Dollar higher

NEW YORK — The dollar moved slightly higher in quiet trading Wednesday on heightened expectations of an interest rate cut in Germany.

In late New York trading, the dollar traded at 1.4845 German marks up from 1.4785 marks, late Tuesday. The dollar was worth 106.55 Japanese yen, up from 106.47 yen Tuesday.

Other late dollar rates in New York, compared with late Tuesday: 1.1975 Swiss francs, up from 1.1930; 5.0630 French francs, up from 5.0570; 1,577.8 Italian lire, up from 1,568; and 1.3630 Canadian dollars, up from 1.3616. The pound fell to \$1.5200 from \$1.5225.

### Markets sink

NEW YORK — Stocks tumbled in the final minutes of Wednesday's session as investors took testimony by Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan as a sign the central bank will not lower interest rates soon.

The Dow Jones industrial average closed down 43.72 points at 5,626.88 after meandering for most of the session at moderately lower levels. Stocks fell late in the afternoon as bond prices deteriorated. Traders said the late decline was assisted by computerized sell programs.

Decliners overtook advancers late in the day on the New York Stock Exchange, but not by much, leading by 6 to 5 as the market closed. Volume on the floor of the Big Board was moderately heavy at 402.35 million shares, the first time in four sessions the volume has topped 400 million.

Broad-market indexes were mixed, with the Nasdaq composite hanging on to its early gains until the final minutes as technology stocks remained firm. The Nasdaq finally succumbed, ending down 5.53 at 1,093.88. The NYSE's composite index fell 1.94 to 348.09, the Standard & Poor's 500-stock index fell 4.06 to 648.91, and the American Stock Exchange's market value index fell 0.12 to 568.59.

### Factory orders

WASHINGTON — Orders to factories for big-ticket durable goods took their biggest tumble in 10 months in February, pulled down by falling demand in the volatile aircraft and military sectors.

"Excluding those two sectors, we actually saw an increase in the month and a steady rise in orders over the past six months," said Mark Zandi, an economist with Regional Financial Associates in West Chester, Pa.

"That indicates that, although manufacturing is weak, it will see some improvement as we go through the year," he added Wednesday.

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## Greenspan more upbeat on economy

By Martin Crutsinger  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan, noticeably more upbeat than just a month ago, said Wednesday he believed a major drag on economic growth over the past year was lessening and the economy had new "staying power."

Greenspan's optimism, however, translated into deeper pessimism on Wall Street over prospects for further Fed rate cuts. The Dow Jones industrial average closed down 43.72 at 5,626.88 after tumbling as much as 60 points in late afternoon trading.

Analysts blamed the Fed chairman's remarks and technical factors that had

depressed bond prices.

"This is a hard time to be Fed chairman," said Bruce Steinberg, economist at Merrill Lynch in New York. "If he says everything is fine, then the markets fall because they don't think he will cut rates."

In another development, the Senate Banking Committee unanimously endorsed Greenspan's nomination to a third four-year term, along with two other Clinton nominees — Alice Rivlin and Laurence Meyer — to fill vacancies on the central bank's seven-member board.

The full Senate is expected to confirm the three by the end of the week.

In his testimony before the House Budget Committee, Greenspan cited a number of recent more positive reports about

economic activity since congressional testimony he gave in February in which he had warned that the economy was going through a "soft patch."

"Although not all of the uncertainties have been resolved, recent data have confirmed the expectation that a good bit of the economic sluggishness of late 1995 was related to inventory investment," Greenspan said, describing a buildup of unsold goods that had many analysts worried about a possible recession.

But Greenspan said recent developments seemed to be signaling that business cutbacks in inventories were coming to an end, with consumer demand picking up in such key areas as auto sales and housing.

"The economy is moving past the dis-

ruptions that had slowed it in previous months," he said.

He noted February's 705,000 increase in payroll jobs but cautioned that this bounce back, the biggest payroll increase in more than 12 years, almost certainly exaggerated the current strength in the labor market.

"But even so, the current economic expansion seems to have exhibited staying power," Greenspan said, adding at another point that any remaining downside risks did not appear "so strong as to seriously jeopardize the continued expansion of the economy."

The central bank's interest-setting Federal Open Market Committee met Tuesday and voted to leave rates unchanged.

## Apple takes \$700 million loss in quarter

Investors, analysts take heart company's finances are improving.

By N.Y. Times News Service

Cupertino, California — Apple Computer Inc. will report a wider-than-expected loss of about \$700 million for its fiscal second quarter as the troubled computer maker struggles to remedy inventory problems and ebbing demand.

The loss from operations will be about \$200 million, Apple said. The rest covers charges for writing down excess inventory and firing at least 1,300 workers. Chief Executive Gilbert Amelio called the charges "critical steps" in Apple's comeback.

"I can't say it looks like they're in good shape but at least the bleeding will stop," said analyst Stephen Dube of Wasserstein Perella Securities.

Some investors took heart, as well. Apple shares rose 1 3/8 to 25 1/4 on the Nasdaq Stock Market.

That's in line with how Apple shares have traded relative to the company's book value for the past several quarters. Since Apple first reported problems, the stock has traded at about 1.5 times book value — the value at which an asset is carried on a company's balance sheet. After the loss and charges unveiled Wednesday, book value will drop to about \$17 a share, with the stock's current price about 1.5 times that.

Marian Kessler, portfolio manager at Crabbe Huson Group, which owns about 1 million Apple shares, said that while the loss is huge, it reflects the new management team's desire to sweep everything together and get the bad news out of the way.

When Amelio took over from ousted CEO Michael Spindler last month, the company warned of charges of at least \$125 million and a loss wider than the first quarter's \$69 million.

"We knew it was bad, but this is worse than expected," said analyst Todd Bakar of Hambrecht & Quist. Bakar said the charges may be what Apple needs to start a turnaround. "Hopefully that will help the company get on the path to recovery."

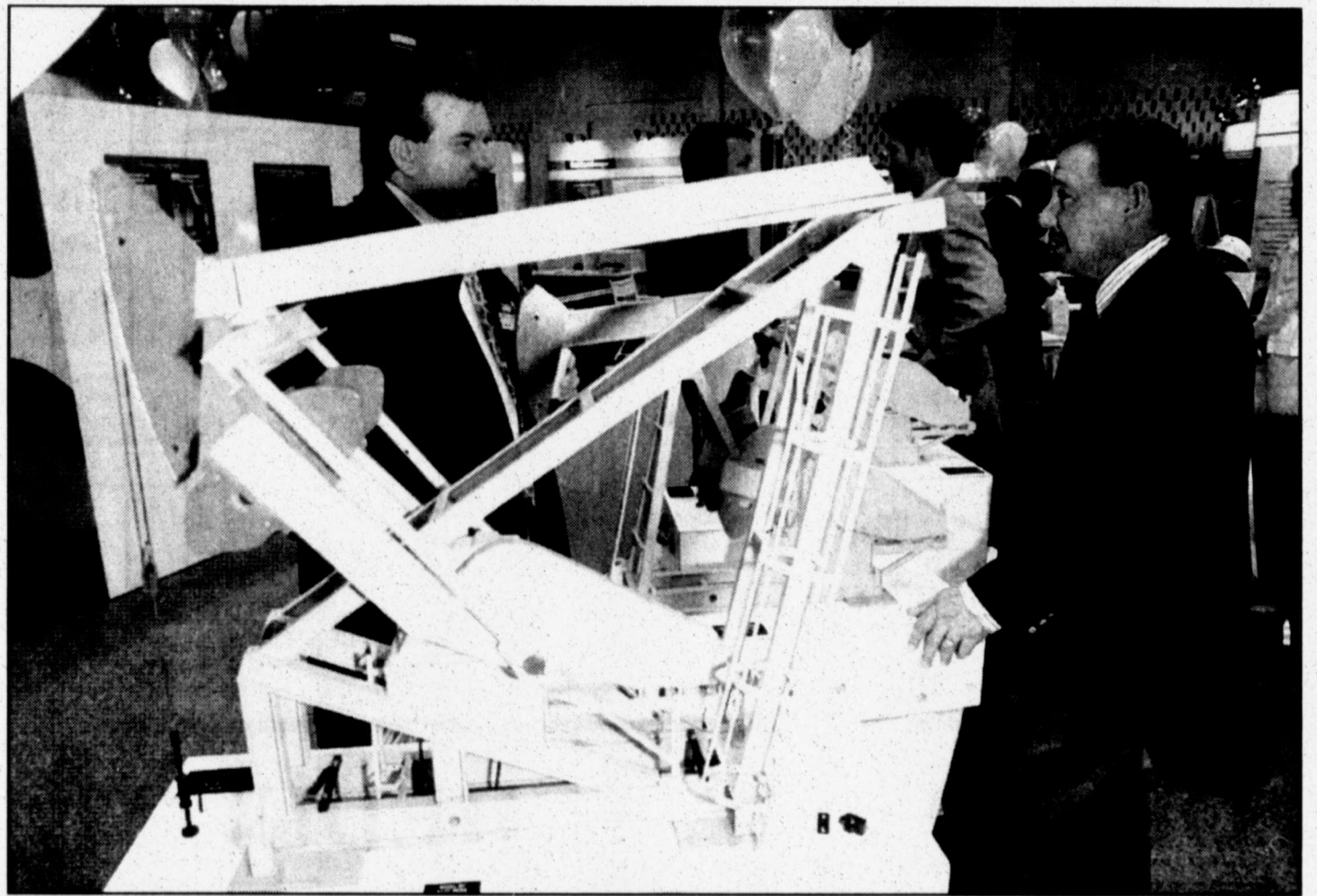
Apple didn't rule out the possibility of more job cuts, and analysts said that more firings are almost certain to be a part of any reorganization.

"We continue to evaluate the business," said Lynne Keast, spokeswoman for Apple. "We'll make an announcement when there is an announcement to make."

The Cupertino, California-based company is one of a string of PC makers that have said they will report lower-than-expected quarterly results because of slowing demand from corporate customers and consumers.

Apple's problems run deeper, however. In addition to ebbing demand, it's reeling from management turmoil and poor forecasting, which will lead to the first annual loss since it went public in 1980, analysts said.

## SPE Oil and Gas Recovery Conference



The biennial SPE Oil and Gas Recovery Conference began Wednesday with panel discussions, presentation of approximately 100 papers and poster sessions. A wide variety of exhibitors set up shop in Midland Center to display the latest in technology and equipment. Above, Mike Huff, right, of Lufkin Industries, Inc., talks with Charlie Newsom of Cardinal Surveys. Left, Mark Mansfield, right, of Landmark, shows off reserves and economics software to Corky Vickers of Tom Brown Inc.

Photos by Brian Adamcik/Reporter-Telegram

## INVESTOR'S GUIDE

### Treasury securities backed by faith, credit of government

By Bill Doyle

Q: Are the three-month, six-month and one-year "Treasury bills" available for purchase through Federal Reserve Bills insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. up to \$100,000, as are certificates of deposit and other bank accounts?

A: Better than that, they are backed — in unlimited amounts — by the full faith and credit of our federal government.

This is basic. Treasury bills are direct debt obligations of these United States of America; as are Treasury notes and bonds. When you own a Treasury security, you are a creditor of the federal government.

Treasury bills, notes and bonds are the three debt securities our government sells so as to have money available to meet the federal deficit — the difference between federal income and higher federal spending — and to finance the national debt — the accumulation of past deficits.



Doyle

When you buy a Treasury bill, note or bond, the U.S. Department of the Treasury becomes your debtor and promises to pay interest and redeem the security at face value on its maturity date.

Despite the laments of some naysayers, Treasury bills, notes and bonds are counted among the world's premier debt securities. Even during the recent flap about shutting down the government for short periods, there were never any real worries about those securities defaulting on payment of interest or principal.

To meet its deficit, our government sells debt securities on a regular schedule. You can buy T-bills, notes and bonds through brokerage firms and most banks. Or, you can open a Treasury Direct account at a district Federal Reserve Bank, thereby avoiding commissions and other charges.

Q: My 12-year-old grandchild has a very difficult time trying to cash Series EE U.S. savings bonds registered in her name and Social Security number. She had purchased these bonds with her savings or received them as gifts. How old must a person be to cash EE bonds?

A: There is no set age. "The Book on U.S. Savings Bonds," which is distributed to all banks and other savings bond agents, has the following to say on the matter: "If the owner or co-owner is a minor and the form of registration does not indicate a guardian or other representative of his or her estate, the agent may make payment to the minor, provided he or she is of sufficient competency to sign his or her name to the request for payment and to understand the nature of the transaction. Normally, the fact that the request for payment has been signed and duly certified will be accepted as sufficient proof."

Based on your letter, your granddaughter should be able to redeem her bonds, after proving her identity. Savings bond agents are required to redeem the bonds at no cost.

Q: The \$65,000 CD in my individual retirement account is due to mature next month. Since I am a 67-year-old married woman who needs to keep this money safe, what would you advise me to do?

I am leaning toward keeping it in the IRA or putting it in a different CD. A: Keep it in the IRA, rolling over the CD when it matures, so the money

remains sheltered from income tax. You'll have to pay tax on the money you will be required to withdraw from the IRA after age 70 1/2. Why rush things? By keeping the money tax-deferred, you will have a bigger nest egg for your golden years.

Q: I'm considering investing in commercial paper issued by a leasing corporation. It seems to be reasonably safe and has a very attractive yield. What are your views on commercial paper?

A: I'd view that type of investment from a distance and not buy, unless the issuing company has a top-notch credit rating.

Corporate paper is a short-term corporate IOU, or promissory note. As such, it often provides a way for a company to borrow money at a lower interest cost than would have to be paid on bank borrowings.

Bill Doyle is a syndicated columnist for King Features. He welcomes written questions, but is able to provide answers only through the column.

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The ancient Chinese art of placement is a method of arranging furniture and other elements in your home in a way believed to help improve finances, relationships, health and well-being.

By Elizabeth M. Cosin  
N.Y. Times News Service

LOS ANGELES — If luck is the residue of design, then feng shui is a way to design your luck.

That is the purpose and belief behind the ancient Chinese art of placement. Pronounced "fung shway," it is the art of arranging furniture and other elements in your home in a way believed to help improve finances, relationships, health and well-being.

Long used in China and by Chinese in homes and businesses all over the world, the practice of feng shui has been gaining acceptance in this country, particularly in California, where several institutes dedicated to the art make their home.

Free-lance writer and producer Kirsten Lagatree said she decided to try feng shui after doing a story on it. But the former Los Angeles resident, who now lives in Fairfax County, Va., said she found many of the books on the subject complicated. She decided to take a practical look at the subject, producing a modest paperback workbook called "Feng Shui: Arranging Your Home to Change Your Life."

THE DAILY NEWS asked readers to call in and nominate their own homes for a consultation from Lagatree, who was recently in Los Angeles as part of a nationwide book tour. We chose two readers' homes for Lagatree to visit to evaluate ways to help the "chi," the name given to the flow of positive energy, believed to flow more freely through the practice of feng shui principles.

Lagatree gave a personal example. When she moved to Virginia, she wanted to put the desk in her office facing a window, looking out over a nice wooded area. However, that would have put her back to the door, which feng shui principles advise against.

The belief is that you should be able to see who is coming and going while you are working in a room, so that you aren't surprised by another person and in order to see things as they develop.

"So I moved the desk so that the side was facing the window and the other side was facing the door, so that I could look both ways, out the window and I could see the door," Lagatree said.

"The amazing thing was that the whole office seemed to come together. It was a much better floor plan than I would have come up with had I not known about feng shui. Now I am having a better response to my work and I'm getting more work, and I feel that my writing environment is more natural."

Don't think of feng shui as purely a mystical discipline. Though it is rooted in Chinese astrology, philosophy and religion, it also has practical and scientific aspects. In fact, many of the principles of feng shui were developed originally by farmers who were reacting to their natural world. A simple example was how they learned not to build on hills after experiencing mudslides.

"One architect said that it is 'folklore based on practicality,'" Lagatree said. "But essentially, it's a system where you arrange everything in your surroundings in such a way they are in harmony and balance with nature, and so are you."

ALTHOUGH THERE ARE many different schools of feng shui, the one Lagatree practices and writes about involves using a compass to follow the components of something called a Bagua chart. There are eight points to the Bagua chart, and each direction — north, northeast,

south, southeast, etc. — governs different aspects of life, based on elements from the natural world.

South, for example, represents fame, fortune and festivity, elements denoted by the color red and the number nine, which the Chinese consider very lucky. The Chinese put so much importance on south that it is at the top of their maps. South represents summer, "the high noon of the year," and is closely associated with birds, Lagatree writes. "Think of the phoenix eternally rising from the ashes to create itself anew, just as the summer rises out of winter and day out of night."

SOUTHEAST IS THE "money corner," representing wealth and fortune.

The theory here is that much of China's trade occurred in southeastern coastal cities such as Hong Kong.

"If making money is important to you, then you should concentrate on the southeast corner of your living room," says Lagatree. "Because purple is the color and four is the number, putting four purple flowers would be one thing you could do. That's just one simple way of applying feng shui. You don't have to go out and paint the wall purple."

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Here are Lagatree's findings in the homes of our two selected readers:

Monica Aguilar is a 22-year-old college student out on her own for the first time. Her first apartment — a second-floor, one-bedroom dwelling with balcony in a small building in Studio City — has the sparseness of that first place a young woman can call her own.

Immediately, Lagatree sees both positives and negatives. She approves of the balcony and the east-facing front door, as well as the

moon design on her welcome mat. But Lagatree suggests that Aguilar follow her neighbor's lead and get plants for the balcony. Too much concrete is bad chi. "I suppose you are riding on your neighbor's chi," Lagatree explains. "But there is a hardness to this building — it's all concrete and square. Monica has intuitively done a very nice thing here by placing the rug at the doorstep. The building has the elements of yang (the masculine force) — the sun beating down, the hardness of the concrete and so on. The moon represents the yin, or the female element, and it gives the entrance a balance."

When Aguilar opens her front door, there is a wall directly in front of it. Lagatree explains why this is not good feng shui because it "blocks the flow of chi."

"Chi means energy, the breath of life," she explains. "It literally needs to be flowing in a healthy way, not too fast and not too slow." Lagatree therefore suggests placing a mirror, an inspirational picture or photograph on the wall facing the door to "soften" the entrance.

HAVING SPECIFIC GOALS in mind is part of applying feng shui in an effective manner.

In Aguilar's case, she would like to earn enough money to buy her first car. Attention, therefore, must be paid to the "money corner" —

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Feng shui, an ancient Chinese method of arranging rooms and furniture to enhance lives, was the idea behind this bedroom by Carol Meltzer, a New York designer and master of feng shui. The bed is in the "marriage" position, and the mirror captures the flow of energy.

AP Laserphoto

## Decorating Quick Fix May Be Prix Fixe

By Barbara Mayer  
Associated Press

If you don't know a Bokhara rug from a Berber, a wing chair from a club chair or a valance from a tie-back, there's a no-brainer way to shop for home furnishings.

It started with the "bed in a bag" products which put everything needed to dress a bed into a see-through bag. All the buyer had to do was choose the size — twin, double/queen, king — and color.

Now for those who would rather spend their Saturdays shopping for shoes than for sofas, there's the "room in a bag." What you see is what you get — all for one price.

Late last year, Decorating Den, a nationwide franchise based in Bethesda, Md., introduced six packaged living rooms ranging from \$4,000 to \$8,000 each. Choose from styles in California contemporary, American traditional and four translations of country. Each package, with about 30 items, includes a sofa or sleep sofa with an extra slipcover, chairs, tables, a rug, simple window coverings and accessories such as lamps and artworks.

The service is aimed at young singles and newlyweds, and each package has something with youth appeal — such as a bright red Adirondack chair, a wood steamer chair, a coffee table with a picket fence base.

"Young adults want a nicely decorated home, but they don't necessarily have the time or expertise to put it together," Bobbie J. Haseley, vice president and general merchandise manager, says.

The packages also are suitable for vacation homes and for the retiree moving to a smaller place.

And, Haseley says, since the average adult will move seven times, the emphasis is on easily moved pieces, with upholstered seating that can be taken apart for shipping.

By industry standards, delivery is relatively speedy. Decorating Den says upholstered pieces usually arrive in two weeks, and the room is complete within six weeks of the original order.

Typically, Haseley says, the rooms are sold the same way as the chain's other products: a home visit by a trained rep. At that time, the windows are measured and any minor changes in the package are negotiated.

There are exceptions.

"If somebody called us on the phone and said 'send it out,' we could

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Decorating Den goes beyond decorating with its "Ready To Live!" packaged living rooms. In six styles and prices, ranging from about \$4,000 to \$8,000, each package includes about 30 pieces, from sofa and rug to lamps and artwork. "Brush Strokes" as shown is about \$6,020, including any installation and set up. Delivery is extra.



Marrakesh Neutral Kitchen is about \$5,000 for a 10x10 room. It is one of 14 pre-designed rooms from Home Depot's "Right At Home" series for kitchen, bedroom and bathroom. Installation of appliances are not included.

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# ART: Feng Shui is ancient Chinese art of creating good 'chi'

(From 1D)

the southeast corner of her living room. That corner, it turns out, is occupied by some paper bags filled with old clothes and other items Aguilar plans to donate to Goodwill. Not good feng shui.

"Once you take the junk out," Lagatree says, "you can create enhancements in that corner around the Bagua chart." She suggests Aguilar start by putting four purple irises in that corner.

Aguilar's bedroom is almost completely white, which, unlike Western custom, does not necessarily represent good things to the Chinese. Lagatree explains that, under feng shui principles, white is the color of death and therefore not appropriate for the bedroom. She suggests Aguilar break up the white by using a color such as yellow, which represents marriage and relationships.

**AFTER THE VISIT,** Aguilar purchased some plants for her balcony, bought red candles for the south wall of her living room, and placed a mirror on the wall facing her doorway. She also covered up a mirror in her bedroom that was reflecting her bed, which the Chinese consider to be bad luck.

"Oddly, just covering up the mirror made me feel better," she said. "I can't really explain it, but it felt different. I wasn't uneasy."

Lagatree's second destination was the Glendale house of Vilma Chahin, a 44-year-old office manager.

Chahin was looking to improve the feng shui of her 1,800-square-foot house, which she is in the process of remodeling. She had read a bit about it — that and her intuition led her to start trying to create positive chi in parts of her home. She explained to Lagatree that she wanted to concentrate on her relationships.

**FENG SHUI HOLDS** that the southwest corner of the bedroom is the most important in bringing luck and good chi for relationships. In Chahin's bedroom, the southwest corner corresponds with the doorway.

"She had a Madonna with child painting on the wall that had some very nice gold tones in it," Lagatree said. "Yellow is an important color in relationships, so it worked

out well to move that to hang on the door."

**PETS CAN BE GOOD** chi, said Lagatree, who was impressed with Chahin's yellow-naped Amazon parrot, named Midori, which often is allowed to fly freely around the living room.

"That the bird flies around in itself creates wonderful chi," Lagatree said. "Not only does it help circulation of chi, but the beautiful relationship that Chahin and her bird have is always very good feng shui."

Lagatree liked the skylight Chahin had installed in the front foyer because it provides good light. She also said Chahin's backyard fountain was a positive addition in an ideal location. It is filled with dark water, and the Chinese believe water represents money — the darker the water, the more money a person will acquire.

**THE KEY TO FENG SHUI** is finding a way to balance different aspects of the system and apply them to whatever is important to you.

"It's not magic, don't expect things to just happen," Lagatree said. "You should be willing to try different things to find out what is right for you — and give it time."

Feng shui is based on more than just Chinese superstitions and beliefs, but is actually rooted in cold, hard, practical facts that had importance and meaning in ancient times and also in our lives today as well.

"Making changes to your bedroom, for example, that improve the flow of chi will also probably make you sleep better. I think it goes without saying that a rested person is a better person, more able to face life. Now that's very practical."

There are many different principles to applying feng shui, but Lagatree contends most people can do it themselves with a little bit of knowledge. Those who find the practice a bit daunting can hire someone else to do it. But feng shui consultants can be hard to find. Consider consulting the Chinese embassy or interior designers, who sometimes hire feng shui masters to work on their projects. Lagatree said most experts charge between \$50 and \$250 an hour.

# A house can marry work and home

By Nathan Cobb  
N.Y. Times News Service

CONCORD, Mass. — It can't be proven, but Brenda and Bill Nichols might just have the shortest telecommute in the whole, wide, virtual world — 19 stairs. That's the distance from the Pentium-powered computer that squats on the kitchen counter of their two-bedroom apartment to their spiffy offices located one story below. So close are the spaces that business meetings in their corporate conference room are occasionally accompanied by a soundtrack of overhead thumps provided by their two frolicking kids.

Don't misunderstand. The couple doesn't descend to the type of funky basement offices many of us maintain in order to work at home a couple of days a week. Theirs is the real deal: 9,000 square feet housing two companies cofounded by Brenda Nichols, not to mention 10 full-time employees. The three-story, shingled structure — top-floor apartment included — was built by a local developer last year specifically to fit the Nicholoses' personal and professional needs. Especially Brenda's.

"I really wanted to be close to my children," says the 35-year-old mother, referring to 4-year-old Abbey and 18-month-old Kippy. "I decided that if I was going to sacrifice my life to business, I was going to make it as sane as possible for everybody."

For 36-year-old Bill Nichols, a soft-spoken certified public accountant who is the chief financial officer for both his wife's companies, the melding of work with the rest of his life wasn't as critical. Still, he allows as how it seems to be working just fine, at least for the first couple of months. "We're both so strapped for time that anything that can provide us with extra time is valuable," he says.

**THE HOME/WORK LINK** isn't just physical, of course. The new wood-frame structure has been officially dubbed Internet House, in homage to the nearly 4 miles of cable that have been laid to run both of Brenda Nichols' businesses. (One is a public relations agency catering to high-tech clients, the other a company that assists businesses in marketing on the World Wide Web segment of the Internet.) This means the family's 1,500-square-foot apartment has no fewer than six direct connections, including the one in the kitchen, to the firms' computer network. The result: The couple can quickly, and without using a modem and a telephone line, access files, financial records, e-mail and whatever else their digital hearts desire. Meanwhile, they can save 19 steps in the process.

"I'm a bit of a workaholic," Brenda Nichols understates. And so, while computers are creating hundreds of thousands of "virtual employees" whose professional presence is on line rather than at a desk, this particular high-tech entrepreneur feels she can't afford to be one of them despite her thoroughly wired existence. Cyberspace or not, she wants to show up for work in the traditional way. "She's the queen bee," says her business partner, Steven Parker. "If she's out of the hive, it doesn't work."

## Clear finish protects natural beauty of wood, brings out texture, grain

Associated Press

To enhance and protect the natural beauty of wood, nothing can compare to a clear finish. Clear finishes bring out texture and natural grain while sealing the wood's porous fibers from stains, moisture, and dirt.

The most commonly used finishes include penetrating oil, shellac, varnish and lacquer. The finish you choose depends on ease of application, durability and desired appearance. Penetrating oil is an in-surface finish while shellac, varnish and lacquer are on-surface finishes.

Proper surface preparation is especially important when working with clear finishes since they won't hide scratches and nicks. In fact, a clear finish often highlights surface defects as it accentuates the wood's grain.

Fill small holes and gouges with wood putty (patching compound). Choose a putty color that matches the wood, but remember that the putty will darken slightly when the finish is applied. Remove dried glue, scratches and any minor surface imperfections with a hand or cabinet scraper or abrasive paper. Remember, the finish will only be as smooth as the bare wood.

**COATED ABRASIVES** (sandpaper) come in various grit sizes (coarseness) and types. The abrasive papers used in woodworking are coated with garnet, aluminum oxide and silicone carbide grits. Abrasives range from coarse to extra fine. The grit numbers,

which range from 40 to 600, refer to the number of abrasive particles per linear inch. A third less abrasive grading order is the 0-grade system — fine-grade paper (150-grit) is listed as 4/0.

The porous surface of the open-grained woods such as oak, ash, mahogany, and walnut must be filled in order to obtain a smooth, glasslike finish.

If, however, you prefer to have the wood's texture show through the finish, then skip the grain-filling step. Paste wood filler (not to be confused with patching compound) is used to fill the wood's pores. Fillers come in various wood-tone colors and in a natural shade that can be tinted. For best

results, tint natural shade fillers with Japan colors. Before application, thin the paste filler with benzene or naphtha to the consistency of thick paint. Dust the surface clean and pply with a stiff bristle brush.

First, brush with the grain, working the filler into the open pores, then brush lightly across the grain. Allow the filler to set until it has lost its wet look and turned dull. This usually takes about 10 to 20 minutes.

Now, wipe across the grain using a coarse rag of burlap or terry cloth. If a second coat is needed, apply it immediately. Allow the filler to dry overnight, then sand with 220-grit abrasive paper.

Before moving into Internet House in December, the family owned a house in nearby Acton while Brenda and Bill commuted to a different office in Concord. One problem: The 3-mile trip wasn't long enough. "The office was so close to home that I kept going back and forth during the day," Brenda Nichols recalls. "This is obviously much easier. And Abbey said to me, 'I love living here, because you're here all the time.'"

Which is pretty much the case. True, there are outside business meetings, shopping trips, family sledding, Sunday drives. But Brenda and Bill Nichols have torn down the barriers between home and office. The two arenas are digitally and physically fused, creating a life that seems to be of a single part.

But it may not stay that way. At least not entirely. The couple admits they are looking for a weekend house. Something big, something on the ocean, something perhaps in Maine. In other words, a getaway place? Brenda Nichols nods. "(It's) That (unitals)," she says, "will be my way of getting out."

## DEAR ABBY

# Letters from old flame give woman glow of confidence

By Abigail Van Buren

**DEAR ABBY:** "Irritated in Ojai, Calif." was bothered by the fact that her husband has kept love letters from a previous girlfriend for more than 12 years and through three moves.



Van Buren

I've kept a previous boyfriend's love letters for 23 years and through seven moves. My husband has never asked me to dispose of them, and I wouldn't toss them even if he asked me to. These letters, along with other assorted keepsakes, help me define who I am now, based in part on who I've been in the past. The letters are nothing more than a record of a girl who was able to love and be loved — an important concept to someone who felt unloved by her family.

In my mind, they affirm my ability to have a loving relationship with my husband. Please encourage "Irritated" not to stop at simply telling her husband how she feels about the letters (and then waiting for him to "toss them out"). Tell her to take the time to explore with him the reason he has kept those letters. It may be an eye-opening, soul-searching experience for them both! — DARLENE IN REDONDO BEACH, CALIF.

**DEAR DARLENE:** While it may be a "soul-searching experience" for some, it could be something else for others.

People keep love letters for a variety of reasons, but it's a pretty good bet that there is an underlying sentimental reason. This is the private business of the keeper — why must it be "explained"?

**DEAR ABBY:** I seldom miss your column in our local newspaper. Our family often discusses and learns from the letters you publish. You have helped us many times, as you have so many of our readers.

It was only after the death of my granddaughter that I saw the letter you printed from the 25-year-old woman thanking you for saving her life by printing the warning signs of an abusive partner. After seeing your column and recognizing that her boyfriend fit every warning you mentioned, she left him and started a new life.

How I wish our beautiful 19-year-old granddaughter had seen that list. She had been living with a young man for four months. Although her family didn't approve of him and had tried to dissuade her from living with him, they made an effort to accept him and welcome him into the family so they wouldn't lose their daughter.

After a particularly nasty quarrel, my granddaughter separated from the young man and returned to her family. A week after she left him, he brutally murdered her. Although she had been close to her parents (and all the family), she had never once confided to anyone the abusive relationship she was in. Her parents are devastated. Their lives have changed forever.

Our family would like to be able to help other young women in these circumstances, but we don't know how to get started, Abby. Do you have any suggestions? And would you please print the warning signs of an abuser again? — TOO LATE IN TEXAS

**DEAR TOO LATE:** Please accept my deepest sympathy on the tragic loss of your granddaughter. I'm sure there are many ways in which you could help other young women in abusive relationships. The most obvious would be to explore what help is available

to battered and homeless women in your city and find out what their immediate needs are — shelter, clothing, funds to tide them over. You might also consider contacting victims' rights groups.

For anyone who might have missed it, I will publish the warning signs of an abusive partner tomorrow. Space limitations prevent me from doing it today.

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## FIX: Ready made rooms make decorating easy

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certainly do it," Haseley says. Rooms To Go, based in Sefer, Fla., sells furniture packages of seven to nine pieces each. Package prices range from about \$1,000 to \$3,000. Rooms To Go, which opened in 1991, has 40 stores in Florida plus stores in Charlotte, N.C., and Atlanta.

A typical store displays about 100 living room, dining room and bedroom vignettes. A living room package might include a sofa, loveseat, three tables, two lamps and a piece of decorative artwork.

"Although they can select individual items, most customers buy the package as we show it, both for the convenience and the best deal," says Jeffrey Seaman, president.

"We positioned ourselves to appeal to the Gap customer, but in reality in Florida we do a big business with retirees," Seaman says. "We have almost everything in stock and can deliver in four or five days."

Home Depot, a nationwide home

## Clear finish protects natural beauty of wood, brings out texture, grain

center based in Atlanta, has 14 pre-designed bedrooms, nine kitchens/great rooms and nine bathrooms. Furniture is not part of this "Right At Home" program. Rather, it is geared to paints, wallcoverings, countertops, floor coverings, lighting, cabinets and other items for home remodeling and construction. The rooms are available in selected color palettes and styles: traditional, country, modern and an ethnic theme called international bazaar.

"The purpose of the program is to help people save time and avoid making mistakes in coordinating products," says Barbara Koller, product marketing director. "In many cases, the products were already in the stores, but they were not organized to make it easy for our customers and sales associates to figure out how to put them together."

The rooms are pictured in store

displays and in a 32-page booklet. Now available in some locations, "Right At Home" is to be in all 400 Home Depot stores by the end of the year. Most items are in stock, but prices do not include installation.

The next sales outlet for ready-made rooms, says the Decorating Den's Haseley, will probably be the Internet. But don't look for packaged rooms to replace the personal services of an interior designer.

"There is a place for the ready-made and packaged look in decorating, especially for younger adults," Haseley says. "But as consumers mature, they want to express their individualism."

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# Jim Courier is steaming over Lipton Championships loss

The Associated Press and New York Times New Service

KEY BISCAJNE, Fla. — In the end, Jim Courier lost it. When his final shot fell at the net, Courier picked up the ball and belted it into the upper deck, punctuating his long, hot, frustrating afternoon.

Courier knew he blew too many big points Wednesday in a 7-6 (7-3), 2-6, 7-5 quarterfinal loss to Arnaud Boetsch at the Lipton Championships. "Put it in perspective?" the seething redhead said. "There's life, and there's tennis. There's your perspective. Don't dig too much for the story. It's right there."

Sixth-seeded Chanda Rubin advanced to the women's semifinals by beating No. 4 Gabriela Sabatini 6-3, 5-7, 6-3. Rubin's opponent Thursday night will be unseeded Karina Habsudova of Slovakia, who beat No. 16 Irina Spirlea 6-4, 7-5.

Boetsch became the first Frenchman to reach the Lipton semifinals since Yannick Noah in 1989. On Friday he'll play No. 3 Andre Agassi, who beat unseeded Michael Joyce 6-4, 6-1 Wednesday night.

For Courier, who has climbed from 13th to eighth in the computer rankings since the start of the year, the loss halted early-season momentum.

"I was a little bit lucky," said Boetsch, ranked 17th. "He got a bit mad at that, especially at the end."

Courier converted only four of 20 break-point chances, compared with Boetsch's 3-for-3. Courier squandered a set point in the first set when he hit a forehand wide, and also wasted a 3-1 lead in the tiebreaker, losing the final four points on unforced errors.

As Courier's frustration grew in the third set, his face reddened with anger.

He swiped at the air with his racket and whacked a ball into the 10th row.

Boetsch broke for a 6-5 lead thanks to consecutive errant ground strokes by Courier. On match point, after 2 hours, 41 minutes of tennis, Boetsch hit a deep crosscourt forehand that Courier returned into the net.

Sulking and sarcastic during a brief postmatch interview, Courier acknowledged the pain of defeat.

"Does anybody else feel like we're at the dentist's office?" he said. "I need some shots of Novocain."

And what about his many missed opportunities on Boetsch's serve?

"Better to have the chances and not to convert than to never have them at all," Courier said.

"He missed some maybe easy shots, you know," Boetsch said. "On the break points after two or three runs, you know, he just missed the ball, so it was easy for me."

Boetsch, who turns 27 Monday, enjoyed his best year in 1995 and finished as France's No. 1 player for the first time. He started this year 1-4 but made a breakthrough in the Lipton by beating MaliVai Washington and Stefan Edberg. He had been 0-4 against Washington and 0-10 against Edberg.

"That's a special time, yes," Boetsch said.

Rubin, seeking her first WTA tour title, outlasted Sabatini in 2 1/2 hours. The 20-year-old from Louisiana squandered three match points in the second set and two more in the final set before closing out the victory when Sabatini hit a backhand wide.

"I felt like at the end I was aggressive when I needed to be and kept pressure on her," Rubin said.

Top seed Steffi Graf will play No. 8



Andre Agassi returns the shot from Michael Joyce at the Lipton Championships. Agassi won the match 6-4, 6-1.

Lindsay Davenport in the other women's semifinal Thursday.

### MATCH POINTS

GABRIELA SABATINI has never been the militant type, but she has been strident on two issues related to the treatment of women in events where both men and women play: scheduling and prize money. Sabatini accused Lip-

ton officials of catering to the scheduling whims of marquee players like ANDRE AGASSI and called the event "an ATP tournament." And she was even more vehement about the million-dollar discrepancy in prize money here: "We make the same effort as they do, prepare the same way they do; I don't think we deserve less," Sabatini said.

# DOGS: Syracuse is not surprised by Bulldogs' success

(From 1C)

Final Four appearance since 1987 when the Orangemen lost the final game to Indiana on a last-second basket by Keith Smart.

"You can't really say Mississippi State is a surprise the way they handled Kentucky and Georgia in the SEC tournament," Syracuse coach Jim Boheim said. The Orangemen needed last-second shots in regulation and overtime to defeat Georgia in the NCAA.

Syracuse's 1991 loss as a No. 2 seed to 15th-seeded Richmond was one of the biggest upsets in recent NCAA tournament history. But this year, the Orangemen were given just a marginal chance to even make the field.

"It's quite unexpected for us to be here," Boheim said. "I thought we had a slim chance, but things had to break right for us."

"At the beginning of the season, I was worried. I thought we could win 18 games, but I raised my expectations because we played well. I knew it would be a long, long shot (to make the Final Four). But the tournament usually goes that way. There always seems to be a surprise team that sneaks in."

Massachusetts (35-1) and Kentucky (32-2), ranked 1-2 nationally and the top seeds in their regions, are certainly no surprise for the Final Four.

Other than the SEC tournament defeat to Missis-

issippi, Kentucky's only loss was to UMass in November. Wildcats coach Rick Pitino said that early setback was the turning point in their season.

"We had a meeting after the UMass loss, and I told the players there were two ways we could go," Pitino said. "With 11 talented players of this caliber, it could either be very difficult for all of us, or we could look at the Larry Bird and Magic Johnson philosophy to care only about the team. If we take the other road, we can reach our goals. And they chose the latter."

Until the Mississippi State upset, Kentucky won every game by double-digit margins, most of them by considerably more than 10. In the NCAA tournament, the Wildcats have won all four games by at least 20.

But Pitino hasn't forgotten UMass' impressive November victory.

"I'm enjoying the Final Four experience very much, except that watching UMass on tape is not enjoyable," he said. "It makes me sick. So 10 percent of the time, I'm sick. The other 90 percent I'm having a heck of a time."

John Calipari, who was hired at Massachusetts by a selection committee that included Pitino, a UMass alumnus, said he has tried to incorporate Pitino's philosophy of meshing many talented players.

"We have a sign that says, 'It's amazing what can get done when no one cares who gets the credit,'" Cali-

### Men's Final Four matchup

Syracuse (28-8)	1995-96 season statistics	Mississippi St. (26-7)
76.5	AVG. POINTS	73.2
68.4	OPP. AVG. POINTS	65.2
46.5	FIELD GOAL PCT.	47.9
40.8	OPP. FIELD GOAL PCT.	38.3
188-526	3-PT. FGM-FGA	203-530
195-675	OPP. 3-PT. FGM-FGA	236-729
70.2	FREE THROW PCT.	70.9
62.5	OPP. FREE THROW PCT.	69.9
38.7	REBOUND AVG.	38.9
37.0	OPP. REBOUND AVG.	33.0
17.4	ASSIST AVG.	15.1
14.3	OPP. ASSIST AVG.	11.3

pari said. "Only a great coach can get great players to sacrifice for the team. It's difficult for people to understand how hard it is to get players to do that."

# DUO: Pitino happy with job Calipari has done

(From 1C)

up with an extra \$5,000 to entice Calipari, then an assistant at Pittsburgh, to take the job.

"My relationship with coach Pitino is based on the fact that I'm the head coach at the University of Massachusetts because he was on the selection committee and felt I would be good for the job and he made the calls to make sure it was done," Calipari said Wednesday. "I never worked for or played for Rick but he's somebody anytime I've had a problem or needed help I've been able to pick up a phone and he's given me great advice and I hope he feels that way even though he doesn't need anything from me."

Calipari talked of the upcoming matchup of his top-ranked Minutemen and the second-ranked Wildcats.

"This week he's the other coach," Calipari said. "But, win or lose I'm going to hug him and tell him how much he means to me."

The two have been on opposite sidelines four times and the first victory for Calipari came this season in a 92-82 win in November that vaulted the Minutemen to the No. 1 ranking. Only Massachusetts, Kentucky and Kansas held the top spot this season.

The intensity of running high-profile programs hasn't stopped Pitino and Calipari from remaining close friends, often talking during the season.

"We have a mutual friend who we're always talking with and both of us have so much fun coaching," Pitino said. "We are not similar in the way we coach but we are similar in that we both absolutely love the game of basketball. You have three, four, maybe five

### Men's Final Four matchup

Massachusetts (35-1)	1995-96 season statistics	Kentucky (32-2)
74.8	AVG. POINTS	92.2
61.8	OPP. AVG. POINTS	69.3
45.4	FIELD GOAL PCT.	46.9
38.4	OPP. FIELD GOAL PCT.	41.1
157-448	3-PT. FGM-FGA	251-634
160-538	OPP. 3-PT. FGM-FGA	182-545
68.0	FREE THROW PCT.	71.4
68.7	OPP. FREE THROW PCT.	67.0
40.2	REBOUND AVG.	41.9
34.3	OPP. REBOUND AVG.	35.8
15.0	ASSIST AVG.	21.8
10.5	OPP. ASSIST AVG.	16.4

good friends in the business. You don't have a lot, but you do have some special relationships."

Calipari sounded a lot like his mentor.

"I talk to maybe Rick and three other coaches on a regular basis," he said. "I need to do that especially as a young guy going through things I've never seen. I have to talk through those things with somebody. I haven't experienced what coach Pitino has experienced. I need that."

# CIGAR: Horse become all-time earnings leader in racing history

(From 1C)

dle of the pack as the field broke out of the gate. L'Carriere, runner-up to Cigar in last year's Breeders' Cup Classic, went to the lead immediately.

As the pack went into the backstretch, Cigar moved into position, laying about fourth and taking aim on the leaders. L'Carriere, ridden by Jorge Chavez, was on the rail when Cigar made his move to the outside.

As the other early leaders faded and the field moved into the final turn, it was Cigar and L'Carriere battling. Cigar got a full length on L'Carriere coming out of the turn for home and

began widening the margin until Soul of the Matter, owned by songwriter Burt Bacharach, came flying along.

Cigar's head turned to his right, as if to eyeball Soul of the Matter, and he moved into a slightly higher gear, holding off Soul of the Matter at the wire.

"My horse showed so much courage, I don't think I've ever been as proud of a horse in defeat," Soul of the Matter's jockey Gary Stevens said. "I was truly surprised that Cigar found another gear in the last eighth of the track."

Cigar now will return to the United States and take aim at the all-time record of 16 straight wins.

# ORANGE: Coach got to 200 wins in nine years

(From 1C)

fastest anyone ever reached that plateau. He got to 200 in less than nine seasons, 300 in less than 13 and 400 in less than 17.

Still, he gets grief because like most fans, who are usually a tad less patient than the stable fellows coaching their teams, the Syracuse faithful do not welcome failure warmly. They expect wins game-in and game-out and when the Orangemen produce less than that, Boheim often gets the rap.

When Lawrence Moten called a timeout Syracuse didn't have, leading to a technical foul that let Arkansas off the hook and allowed the Razorbacks to eventually beat the Orangemen in last year's NCAA tournament, Boheim got blamed.

In 1992, when UMass — not a national power at the time — eliminated Syracuse in the NCAA tournament, Boheim got blamed.

And when Richmond knocked off Syracuse in the first round of the 1991 tournament, the first time a No. 2 seed had ever lost to a No. 15 seed, boy did Boheim get blamed.

So forgive the coach if he's a little sensitive.

When somebody complimented his coaching after the pulsating wins over Georgia and Kansas propelled Syracuse

to the Final Four, Boheim bristled a bit, saying "Who said that?"

"I coach the same every year," he has said. "Sometimes the kids play better, sometimes they don't."

Sometimes, Boheim even bashes himself. After John Wallace's 3-point shot at the end of overtime saved Syracuse against Georgia last Friday, the coach made two confessions. He said he almost called a timeout when Wallace got the ball and then added he didn't think the team's top star would make the shot anyway.

That kind of frankness is a rare commodity among coaches, who are schooled in the fine art of malarkey from an early age, the better to sell prospects on their program.

Boheim must have an ample supply, too. Through the years, he has been one of the best recruiters, attracting a steady flow of quality players to Syracuse.

Wallace is a good example. He grew up in nearby Rochester and had committed to Syracuse just before the program was placed on probation by the NCAA in 1992, the only smudge on Boheim's two decades on the bench. Wallace waffled when that happened but the coach sold him on coming anyway and then staying on for his senior year after he thought about leaving early for the NBA.

Maybe it's the climate.

# HILLIN: Midlander will do anything to qualify for Bristol's Food City 500

(From 1C)

themselves for an afternoon test and were told, "If you can do it, go ahead."

They did, actually getting out on the .533-mile, banked oval for a few quick laps in preparation for Sunday's Food City 500.

"When we got to the race track, there was snow and ice all over the turn three and four banking," Hillin said. "I was holding onto the wall with one hand and holding a shovel, scraping snow and ice off the banking with the other."

"Mark Harrah and I shoveled off the track and then we drove around it in his car (a Mustang Cobra) 220 laps to dry it off. We were pretty determined. The two of us had done a lot before any of the team guys got to the track. And then we just got out on the track with Mark's car and one Ford van and dried it off."

Mike Skinner's drivers showed up and drove laps as well, through the

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snow flurries. "We accomplished some things," he said. "Not a lot, really, but I'm glad we got the few laps we got because we really needed to look at some things on the Bristol car. "But we're asking NASCAR not to count that as a test against us." And nobody else brought their shovels.

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Multi-story office building. Commercial building experience required. Benefit package. Send resume to: Box F-37, c/o The Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland Texas 79702.

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Pipelitters, Pipewelders & Structural Welders needed ASAP for large project in Big Spring. Must have experience. Post offer physical & drug screen required. Call 267-6663. EOE

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**EXPERIENCED ONLY - Vacuum/Pump Truck Drivers,** Class A CDL with X Endorsement, physical and drug screen requirements.

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**MACHINIST - Immediate opening for CNC lathe operator.** Programming a must. Experience person only need apply. Call 563-1266 ask for Barbara.

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**18' x 4' ABOVE Ground pool.** Complete package. Regular price, \$1,750, on sale for \$1,272. Call 563-1807.

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**AIRLESS PAINT Sprayer - new** Titan 440, used four times, 4750 or best offer. 682-6042.

### 413 Jewelry & Furs

**ONE ONLY - 15' x 30' oval** above ground pool. Must sell. Installation available. Call 563-1807.

**LADIES Wedding band, 24** diamonds and 1/2 ct. solitaire, appraised at \$7,000, asking \$2,000. 686-8586.

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**SOUTHWEST Company Club** tickets or other airline mileage awards wanted. Will pay top dollar. 687-5039.

### 430 Household Goods

**ETHAN ALLEN Georgian Court** standing mirror. \$200. Call 683-2072.

**BUNKY Futon bed, black,** heavy duty, paid \$800 will take \$650, 25" console with remote \$75. 689-5405.

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**THURSDAY, Friday & Saturday, 8 am - 5 pm,** 4715 W Illinois. 2 recliners, love-seat, coffee/ end tables, lamps, computer printer, computer software, desk & chair, bookcases, dresser, big steel barbecue pit with smoker, camper shell for small pickup, linens, bedspreads, curtains. Too much to list!

**INSIDE SALE! Thursday only, 4313** Roosevelt. Too much to list - come see!

**CHURCH YOUTH Group** is accepting donations for garage sale. FREE pickup. 699-7775, 694-0010.

430	SLEEPER SOFA - beige and peach, great condition. \$400. Call 686-9550 between 9am - 9.
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**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.

**OAK DINING set, Lighted** china or best offer. 684-4731.

**BROYHILL Loveseat, \$50.** 570-6370.

**FORMAL DINING Room Table,** 6 chairs. Best offer. Call 550-0383.

**DREXEL Queen size bed unit,** 2 armchairs, light board. Paid \$3,500 new. Will take \$1,200. Excellent condition. Matching writing table, \$200. Entertainment center with 2 speakers. \$200. 570-9072.

**1995 MODEL Hot Tub -** Clearance priced up to 40% off. Call 563-1807.

**BEDROOM SUITE - beautiful** pine queen fiber fill waterbed, large dresser with tri-fold mirror, \$700. Large sewing machine cabinet \$75. All excellent condition. 689-5721.

**SECTIONAL sofa** with hide-a-bed, light Southwestern colors. \$875. 84 sq. yds. of used gray carpet, \$250. 11 x 14 commercial carpet, blue, \$75. Please call 684-7236.

**SELF PROPELLED Hoover** vacuum cleaners, completely rebuilt. 1 Year guarantee. \$59. Limited time. 520-6464.

**ELECTRIC RANGE - Whirlpool** stove, white with black front, glass door, 6 months old, \$300. 699-2344.

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**LOVE SEAT, oak dining table** with 6 chairs, coffee table, 2 Basset recliners, (like new). Call 686-9999.

**MIDLAND Piano \$325.** King waterbed/ accessories \$150. Treadmill \$75. 683-1721

505 Livestock & Poultry

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Now is the time for Spring Stocking of Hybrid Bluegill, Florida Hybrid Bass, Channel Catfish, Fathead Minnows, Triploid Grass Carp and Black Crappie.
Permit Required for Triploid Grass Carp.

500 Pets & Supplies

YELLOW female Lab, 7 weeks old, has puppy shots. \$125. 694-3470.

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HORSE BOARDING; Stall, telephone, tack closets, exerciser, arena, northwest area. 694-4978.
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510 Office Supplies

JASPER executive posture office chair. Never used. Paid \$570, sell for \$350. 689-7156.

540 Building Materials

250 FEET 6' X 8' of cedar fence, gates, 34' of 7' fence 682-5157, 697-4712.

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AMERICAN Edoestal Lathes - 20" x 120", 4" spindle hole, Webb lathes - 20" 1/2" x 60". Call (915) 337-5339.

570 On Field Equipment & Supplies

4 X 20 HEATER treaters. Rebuilt, water section coated, 1 year warranty. 684-3759.

FOR SALE: 320-256-144 LUFKIN Mark II Unit plus several 80-114 units. 915-672-7577.

FOR SALE: Structural rods and pipe of all sizes at bargain prices. Call 682-1546.

FOR SALE: oil field electric motors. Rebuilt guarantees from 5 horsepower, 1,200-1,800 RPM. 685-0636, 559-4167, 682-1546.

210 BBL steel tanks with stairs and walkway. Coated bottom and 18", 1 year warranty. 684-3759.

GRADNER Denver T3 triplex pump, 3 inch plungers, excellent condition. \$6,500. 940-5675.

PARA MAQ Technology, paraffin reduction unit. Eliminate or reduce hot oiling and chemicals. 570-8144.

WEEDS & BI-WEEKLY rates. Rooms available with free local calls, cable TV with HBO and some kitchenettes available. Royal Inn, 3601 W. Wall, 694-8521.

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STUDIOS, 1 & 2 Bedrooms Available. All utilities paid, free cable. Deposit required. Lexington Hotel, 1003 S. Midland, 697-3155.

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SMALL PRIVATE Efficiency House. Nice carpet, refrigerator. Stove. Recently redecorated. (No separate bedroom). 689-0930, 699-4142. No pets.

LARGE 1 Bedroom duplex 2501 Elizabeth. \$175 month. 1st and last plus \$100 deposit. 699-1085.

SMALL 2 bedroom near Central YMCA, some carpet, refrigerator. No pets please. Call 682-0706.

4801-B CUTHBERT 2 bedroom duplex. Refrigerated air. Fireplace. Appliances. \$385/month. \$200 deposit. Williams & Assoc., 694-9663.

EXTRA CLEAN 3 bedroom, 2 bath, fireplace, 2 car garage, storage building. \$600/\$400. 697-8090.

SHORT TERM Lease available. Like new, 4 bedroom, 2 bath house near Green Tree. \$1,000 per month. \$200-8630.

CLEAN! Ready 3 bedroom, den, garage, stove, appliances, fenced. Southwest Midland. \$400. HUD. 685-0137.

Hassie free investing! Call Chaparral Realtors to manage your rental properties. Talk with Naida Wolborn for further details. 686-7000 or 697-8301 home.

NICE 2 bedroom, 1 bath, carpet. 3402 Cunningham. \$350 monthly. Agent 694-9853.

NICE 3 and 4 bedroom homes on Midland's westside. 366-4621.

11 QUAIL RUN \$850, 607 Sprabury \$300, 312 Willowwood \$550. Call Dene Kelly Realtors 687-0595.

SEVERAL nice homes & townhomes, \$150-\$1,100. Jeannie Prinitz, Agent 684-8202.

4315 CEDAR SPRINGS, 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, fenced yard, patio, refrigerator, stove. \$425/\$200. 699-7538.

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FRESHLY PAINTED - 3 Bedroom, 1 bath, carpet, new carpet. 1929 English. \$375 monthly. Agent 694-9853.

XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX DUPLEX FOR LEASE
3305 Moss Court, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, fireplace, 2 car garage, \$650 monthly. No pets.

697-4306
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2103 NORTHVIEW Fannin M S. Squeaky clean, 2,000 +, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 1 living area with fireplace, new carpet and flooring, fresh paint. \$500 deposit, \$800 monthly, 1 year lease. No pets. Yard maintenance available. 682-0796. Available today!

ELEGANT 2 bedroom, 2 bath duplex in Wyewood Estates. Updated color schemes, double garage, fireplace, small yard, \$675 monthly. Contact Tammy Edwards, 520-7719.

911 COLLEGE/Duplex, 2 Bedroom, 1 bath, refrigerator & stove, evaporative cooler, hardwood floors. \$275/\$75. Referrals. 699-7538.

3 BEDROOM, 2 1/2 bath, 2 car garage, townhouse, near movie at 4739 Boulder. \$725. 520-8630.

3 BEDROOM, 1 3/4 bath, 2 car garage, wood floors, recent improvements, big yard. 807 W. Cuthbert. No pets. Smoke free environment. \$680 monthly, \$400 deposit. 520-9016.

2 BEDROOM, 1 bath. Located at 3220 Delano. \$275 monthly. Available April 1st. 697-9798. Leave message.

3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage. West Midland. Fireplace. \$600 a month. 697-3137.

3 BEDROOMS, 2 baths, 2 car garage. 2303 Wedgewood. \$750 Monthly. \$400 deposit. Call for appointment 682-2892. Leave message.

Two - 2 BEDROOM, 2 bath Duplexes Great location. Garage, Fireplace. New carpet & paint, super clean. 6605/595 Monthly. \$300 deposit. 4410 A & B St. Andrews. Will show Sunday 2 - 4 pm. 687-1122.

3 BEDROOMS, Living room, kitchen, bath. \$240 month, \$100 deposit. 686-8067.

4504 RUIDOSO COURT. Available April 1. 3 bedroom, 2 bath with fireplace. Appliances furnished and many extras! \$750 monthly. Call Wayne Robinson, Penny Wilhite & Associates. 683-0883 or 570-7508.

EXECUTIVE TOWNHOME. 5004 Belle Grove Ct. (corner cul-de-sac). For the security minded, 2 bedroom, 2 bath, 1,700 sq. ft., formal dining, hot tub, decorations plus much more! \$850/\$675. 699-7538.

2809 W. Louisiana. 4 bedroom, 2 baths, 2 large living areas, 1 car garage, enclosed patio. \$600 per month, \$500 deposit. Call 697-2148.

1500 W. PINE. 4 Bedroom, 2 baths, 2 living areas. \$975 per month. Call Cory or Amy 683-5807.

2 BEDROOM, carpeted, country kitchen. 3 bedroom, carpeted. No pets. Both have 1 bath. 689-0930, 699-4142.

DUPLEX 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 1,500 sq. ft. Sunken living room, fireplace, garage & carport, fenced yard. \$200 Rainbow Road. \$600 per month, 682-4686.

JACUZZI in enclosed courtyard, 2 bedroom, 1 bath, 1 car garage duplex. Available 4 - 5:30-6:00, after 5:30 570-0511.

CONDO & Townhouse Furn.

1 BEDROOM Condo, beautiful courtyard, 3000 W. Illinois. \$300 per month, 1 year lease. 697-5074.

LEASE/ Lease Purchase: 2 bedroom, 1 1/2 baths, covered parking, appliances, pool, immaculate. Some restrictions may apply. \$425/\$250 deposit. No pets. 685-5066 or 697-6515 6 pm - 9 pm.

STEP UP to elegance! Large 2 bedrooms, 2 bath, ceiling fans, wet bars, intrusion alarm, heated pool/jacuzzi, covered parking. Affordable! 697-7974.

FAIRGATE Townhomes - 4400 Fairgate Drive. 2 & 3 Bedrooms 12 and 6 month leases. 1,600 sq. ft. Approx. All appliances furnished, fireplace, garage. Northwest side. 697-5656.

\$49 PAYS MARCH RENT! Close to mall & shopping areas. 1 & 2 bedroom condos. 699-1893.

LAFAYETTE PLACE, West Texas most elegant townhouse complex, 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, available immediately. \$1,250. 684-0996.

TOWNHOMES in 1, 2, 3 bedroom, 900 sq. ft. to 1537 sq. ft., 2 car garage, washer/dryer connections, pool, ceiling fans. 2 bedrooms starting as low as \$610. 697-9788.

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KEY TO Abbreviations
Bdrm. .... Bedroom
Ba. .... Bath
Kit. .... Kitchen
A/C .... Air conditioning
Mst. Bdrm. .... Master Bdrm.
Gar. .... Garage
Bldg. .... Building
Cond. .... Condition
N-QA .... Non-Qualifying
QA .... Qualifying
Assum. .... Assumable
Ac. .... Acre
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