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7. [Two police shot in Northern Ireland](#)

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14. [BLASTS RAISE FEARS OF IRA CAMPAIGN](#)

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15. ['95 WINTER-SPRING ARTS GUIDE; Au revoir, Matisse. Hello, Hamlet. The Phantom's returning. So is the opera. And the circus. Then there's Toni Braxton, Pilobolus and Clint Eastwood. In short, enough stuff to help you survive winter and greet the flower shows. What's ahead on Atlanta's arts and entertainment map?: Details are at your fingertips in our first winter/spring preview.; BOOKS](#)

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25. [Names in the News](#)

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26. [Women Spur N. Ireland Talks](#)

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29. [Labour Landslide in Britain Boosts Europe Ties, Women](#)

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31. [Why Diana's Popularity Continues to Escalate](#)

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32. [The News in Brief](#)

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55. [ACCUSATION OF IRA SUPPORT JOLTS A SLEEPY ELECTION IN IRELAND](#)

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## **IRA's senior female prisoners freed under terms of Belfast accord With BC-I**

Associated Press International

November 10, 1998; Tuesday 09:20 Eastern Time

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**Section:** International news

**Length:** 157 words

**Dateline:** BELFAST, Northern Ireland

### **Body**

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Two of the ***Irish Republican Army***'s senior ***female*** prisoners were freed Tuesday in accordance with the historic Northern Ireland agreement.

Martina Anderson of Londonderry and Ella O'Dwyer of Tipperary both received life sentences in 1985 in connection with bomb attacks on London and English seaside towns.

Gerry Kelly, a senior figure in the IRA-allied Sinn Fein party, embraced both of the freed inmates outside Maghaberry prison west of Belfast, where ***women*** convicted of terrorist crimes are kept in their own unit. Kelly was convicted of London car bombs in 1972 and led a mass escape from Northern Ireland's Maze prison in 1983.

More than 200 of an eligible 450 prisoners from both the IRA and outlawed pro-British paramilitary groups have already been paroled early as part of April's agreement on how Protestants and Catholics should jointly govern Northern Ireland. The releases are conditional on each group maintaining a cease-fire.

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**Load-Date:** November 10, 1998

## Current Quotations

The Associated Press  
May 1, 1998, Friday, BC cycle

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**Section:** Domestic News

**Length:** 163 words

### **Body**

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"It's got to be absolutely clear that people who are going to serve in the government of Northern Ireland have got to have given up violence for good." - British Prime Minister Tony Blair, after the **Irish Republican Army** on Thursday refused to disarm as part of the Belfast peace accord.

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"If it's something that's going to help me the way I need it to help me, I'll take the risk. ... I want to be a sort of guinea pig." - Robin Lyles, a 39-year-old Germantown, Md., woman hoping to take part in a study on whether Viagra, a drug to treat male impotence, can restore sexual satisfaction to **women** experiencing difficulties caused by high cholesterol, hysterectomies, or getting older.

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"The dream economy lived on for another quarter." - economist Robert G. Dederick of Northern Trust Co. in Chicago, as the Commerce Department on Thursday announced the nation's gross domestic product grew a robust 4.2 percent in the January-March period, exceeding most economists' expectations.

**Load-Date:** May 1, 1998

**AP Top Headlines At 9:30 a.m. EDT**

Associated Press Online

August 29, 1997; Friday 09:31 Eastern Time

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**Section:** Domestic, non-Washington, general news item

**Length:** 148 words

**Body**

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Villagers in Algeria Say Attackers Massacred At Least 300 People in the Worst Attack Since the Islamic Insurgency Began Five Years Ago

Sinn Fein, the Political Arm of the **Irish Republican Army**, Invited To Join Talks on Future of Northern Ireland

Thousands Plan To March in New York Today in Protest of Police Brutality After Alleged Torture of Haitian Immigrant

Spacewalk by Mir Crew Is Delayed Until Next Friday To Allow American Astronaut More Time To Train

Anti-NATO Mobs Who Wounded at Least Two U.S. Soldiers in Rioting Yesterday End Rampage

Secretary of State Madeleine Albright Plans To Visit Israel Next Month in Effort To Revive Mideast Peace Process

Associated Press Has Learned Japanese Automaker Mitsubishi Will Pay \$9.5 Million To Settle Harassment Lawsuit Brought by 27 **Female** Workers

Top-Ranked Players Pete Sampras and Martina Hingis Each Win Easily at the U.S. Open Tennis Tournament

**Load-Date:** August 29, 1997

**AP Top Headlines At 1:30 a.m. EDT**

Associated Press Online

April 30, 1998; Thursday 01:31 Eastern Time

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**Section:** Domestic, non-Washington, general news item

**Length:** 172 words

**Body**

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Judge Rules That Ex-White House Intern Monica Lewinsky Does Not Have Immunity From Prosecution in Investigation of Alleged Affair With President Clinton

Health Departments Throughout Country Are Asked To Watch for Cases of E. Coli After Nation's Biggest Meat-Packing Company Recalls 282,000 Pounds of Ground Beef

**Irish Republican Army** Says It Won't Give Up Its Weapons, Calling Northern Ireland Peace Accord Significant but That It 'Falls Short' of Lasting Settlement

First Formal U.S. Test of Abortion Pill RU-486 Finds It Successfully Ended Pregnancies in 92 Percent of **Women**

Blue Cross and Blue Shield Affiliates File Lawsuits Against Tobacco Industry, Alleging Violations of Federal Racketeering and Antitrust Laws

Dow Industrials Close Up 52.56 at 8,951.52, Snapping Weeklong Slump

Hakeem Olajuwon Scores 28 points As Houston Rockets Defeat Utah Jazz 89-85 To Take 2-1 Lead in Best-of-Five NBA Playoff Series

San Antonio's Avery Johnson Scores Career-High 30 Points As Spurs Beat Phoenix Suns 99-80 To Move to Second Round of NBA Playoffs

**Load-Date:** April 30, 1998



**AP Top Headlines At 12:30 a.m. EDT**

Associated Press Online

April 30, 1998; Thursday 00:31 Eastern Time

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**Section:** Domestic, non-Washington, general news item

**Length:** 168 words

**Body**

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Michael Jordan Scores 38 Points As Chicago Bulls Sweep New Jersey Nets in First Round of NBA Playoffs

**Load-Date:** April 30, 1998

**IRA bombing suspect gives birth in British hospital**

Associated Press International

May 26, 1997; Monday 12:36 Eastern Time

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**Section:** International news

**Length:** 172 words

**Dateline:** LONDON

**Body**

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A **women** facing extradition to Germany for questioning on IRA bombing charges gave birth Monday under armed guard in hospital.

Friends of Roisin McAliskey, daughter of former civil rights protester and militant nationalist lawmaker, Bernadette Devlin, said she had given birth to a baby girl.

"It is a 5 pound 13 ounce (2.62 kilos) girl. I gather it was quite a long labor and Roisin is very tired, but they are both fine," said a spokesman for the Roisin McAliskey campaign, speaking on terms of anonymity.

McAliskey, who suffers from asthma, was taken to the Whittingdon hospital in north London with an armed police escort after a court granted her bail last Friday.

She had been held without charge in prison while fighting extradition to Germany. Supporters claim she has been mistreated and has lost weight since her arrest.

German police want to interview her in connection with a June 28 mortar bomb attack at a British army base in Germany. Nobody was injured in the **Irish Republican Army** attack, but buildings were damaged.

(rs)

**Load-Date:** May 26, 1997

## **Two police shot in Northern Ireland**

United Press International  
June 16, 1997, Monday, BC cycle

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**Section:** International

**Length:** 182 words

**Dateline:** BELFAST, June 16

### **Body**

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Two British policemen have been shot dead as they walked yards from a police station in Northern Ireland. Witnesses told the Belfast Telegraph the attackers looked like women.

The Telegraph said the two policemen were shot directly outside a surgeon's office. A doctor rushed to the officers' aid within 30 seconds of the shooting, but said there was nothing they could do to save them. A witness said the attackers shot the policemen at close range "and then walked over and shot more bullets into them as they lay on the ground." The Telegraph said a massive security operation was mounted after the shootings. Two helicopters joined in the search for the attackers. The telegraph said nobody had claimed responsibility for the attack. It said if the attack had been carried out by the Irish Republican Army, the two officers will have been the first to have been murdered by the IRA in three years. In Washington, White House spokesman mike McCurry condemned the killings as acts of "cowardice and terrorism." ---

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**Load-Date:** June 17, 1997

## TODAY IN HISTORY

The Daily Telegraph (Sydney, Australia)

June 19, 1998, Friday

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**Section:** FEATURES; Pg. 45

**Length:** 191 words

### **Body**

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1819

The S.S. Savannah arrives in Liverpool, England, after making the first Atlantic crossing by a steamship.

1937

Sir James Barrie, creator of the book and stage character Peter Pan, the boy who never grew up, dies aged 77.  
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1953

Julius and Ethel Rosenberg go to the electric chair in New York for passing atom bomb secrets to the Soviets. They are the first American civilians to be executed for espionage.

1963

The contraceptive pill is made available to women in Britain free on the National Health Service. The move sparks anger among church and community groups.

1969

The Australian Arbitration Commission declares that women should be paid the same as men. The increases are to be phased in over three years.

1970

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1996

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1908

The ship Kasato Maru arrives in Santos with 168 Japanese families, beginning Japanese immigration to Brazil.

1937

J.M. Barrie, creator of the book and stage character Peter Pan the boy who never grew up -dies, aged 77.

1953

Julius and Ethel Rosenberg go to the electric chair in New York for passing atom bomb secrets to the Soviets. They are the first American civilians to be executed for espionage.

1963

The contraceptive pill is made available to women in Britain free on the National Health Service. The move sparks angers among church and community groups.

1969

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1976

Eddy Arnold confirms his status as the No 1 country artist, recording his 100th hit on the country and western chart with Cowboy.

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Three explosions in Britain and Northern Ireland yesterday raised fears of an IRA bombing campaign in the days before Britain's May 1 general elections.

After twin explosions at a major British rail artery yesterday morning, a man fired an explosive device at a police station in Coalisland, a town in central Northern Ireland, police said.

Police returned fire, hitting a 19-year-old man, who was in serious condition with a gunshot wound to the abdomen, said a spokesman for South Tyrone Regional Hospital in nearby Dungannon. It was not immediately clear if he was the man who fired the device.

Two women also were admitted to the hospital after being hurt in an ensuing scuffle, said the spokesman.

The morning blasts, in Wilmslow, 160 miles north of London, occurred hours after a telephone warning from a man claiming to represent the **Irish Republican Army**, and a day after Scotland Yard warned of possible pre-election IRA attacks.

In response, Labor and Conservative party leaders broke a longstanding commitment to stand united when it came to Northern Ireland, sniping at each others' policies on dealing with IRA violence.

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flower shows. What's ahead on Atlanta's arts and entertainment map?;  
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A chill on big novels? Curl up with a biography

Winter 1997 is a slow season for new books, with only a handful of major fiction writers producing works. John Grisham, Bill Barich, Anita Brookner, Patricia Cornwell, Walter Mosely, Robert Parker, Edna O'Brien, Muriel Spark, Robert Stone and Joanna Trollope are among the few to publish novels or story collections through April.

It might be a good time to settle in with one of the multiple biographies, autobiographies, diaries or memoirs in store. Hefty works chronicle the lives of the Rev. Billy Graham, Gerry Adams, the Berrigan brothers, Bruno Bettelheim, Humphrey Bogart, Whittaker Chambers, Jimmy Carter, Albert Einstein, Stephen Foster, Katharine Graham, Ron Goldman, Christopher Isherwood, Clare Booth Luce, Elijah Muhammad, Joan Rivers, Paul Robeson and Robert Penn Warren.

Among the more intriguing offerings is "The Oxford Book of the American South," a collection of writing from the 18th century to present, and a book about writing and activism by Alice Walker.

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Chart: FICTION

"Yo!" by Julia Alvarez (Algonquin). A flamboyant writer's friends and family explain what it's like to be caught up in the glare of fame.

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(January)

"Carson Valley" by Bill Barich (Knopf). A novel about a family that struggles to keep a vineyard in Northern California. (March)

"Love Invents Us" by Amy Bloom (Random House). The National Book Award finalist follows the passions of Elizabeth Taube from childhood through middle age. (January)

"Altered States" by Anita Brookner (Random House). Alan Sherwood submits to a highly unsatisfactory engagement, only to have a former love re-enter his life. (January)

"Girls" by Frederick Busch (Harmony). A father who has lost his daughter tragically becomes embroiled in searching for another missing girl. (March)

"Vendetta" by Jackie Collins (HarperCollins). Lucky Santagelo has a no-holds-barred fight to the finish when rival Donna Landesman sets a devious plot in motion. (February)

"Briar Rose" by Robert Coover (Grove). A recreation of the story of

"Sleeping Beauty" from one of our foremost postmodern writers. (February)

"Hornet's Nest" by Patricia Cornwell (Putnam). A non-Kay Scarpetta

mystery looks at two women in police work and a male police reporter in Charlotte facing a blotter of crimes. (January)

"Earl in the Yellow Shirt" by Janice Daugharty (HarperCollins). The Valdosta writer tells the story of what happens when the mother of a poor family dies in the backwoods of Georgia. (March)

"Cloud Chamber" by Michael Dorris (Scribner's). A family saga that moves from late 19th-century Ireland to contemporary America. (January)

"The Partner" by John Grisham (Doubleday). A new page turner by the author of "The Runaway Jury" will hit book shelves in time to warm up the cold months. (Feb. 20)

"Naked Came the Manatee" by Carl Hiaasen, Elmore Leonard, et al. (Putnam) A wickedly funny Florida suspense thriller written serially by 13 of the state's most talented writers. (January)

"Le Divorce" by Diane Johnson (Dutton). Two sisters from California --- including the Valley Girl narrator --- move to Paris and face love, betrayal and family power struggles amid politics. (January)

"Veritas" by William Lashner (HarperCollins). Detective Victor Carl discovers that a supposed suicide is murder and unravels a Gothic tale of a Philadelphia family. (February)

"White Widow" by Jim Lehrer (Random House). The anchor of the PBS news show writes about a Corpus Christi, Texas, bus driver who becomes involved with a woman traveling alone. (January)

"Hunger Point" by Jillian Medoff (HarperCollins). A debut novel told in the voice of a young woman struggling to come to terms with her sister's

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anorexia and her own obsession with dieting. (February)

"Sanctuary: A Tale of Life in the Woods" by Paul Monette (Scribner's).

The final work of the late National Book Award winning-author is a fable with a message about society's arbitrary rules. (February)

"Gone Fishin' " by Walter Mosley (Black Classic). Another fine Easy Rawlins mystery from the California writer. (January)

"Small Vices" by Robert Parker (Putnam). Spenser sets out to exonerate a black youth jailed for a murder committed by someone in a rich white family. (April)

"Tycoon" by Harold Robbins (Simon & Schuster). Jack Lear founds a network and marries well, but he hungers for what he cannot have. (February)

"Reality and Dreams" by Muriel Spark (Houghton Mifflin). A filmmaker's life is turned upside down when he falls off a crane directing his latest movie. (April)

"Bear and His Daughter" by Robert Stone (Houghton Mifflin). The author of "Dog Soldiers" publishes a book of short stories spanning nearly 30 years. (April)

"Crash Course" by Kathy Hogan Trocheck (HarperCollins). The second Truman Kicklighter mystery by this Atlanta author begins with a murder at an auto dealership and travels through biker bars and strip joints in Tampa. (February)

"A Spanish Lover" by Joanna Trollope (Random House). Frances cannot measure up to her perfect twin sister, Lizzie. Then she takes a married lover, a Spanish Catholic who will never leave his wife. (February)

"After Hannibal" by Barry Unsworth (Doubleday). A group of people from different backgrounds are all laid low by the gleeful chicanery of Italian locals. (March)

#### BIOGRAPHY/MEMOIRS

"Before the Dawn: The Autobiography of Gerry Adams" (Morrow). The memoir of the controversial president of Ireland's Sinn Fein, the *Irish*

*Republican Army*'s political wing, is lyrical and riveting. (February)

"Bad Boy: The Life and Politics of Lee Atwater" by John Brady (Addison-Wesley). A look at the man who was instrumental in the rise of media politics and crucial in repositioning the Republican Party in the South. (January)

"Disarmed and Dangerous: The Radical Lives and Times of Daniel and Philip Berrigan" by Murray Polner and Jim O'Grady (Basic). The biography of the two brothers who burst onto the 1960s anti-Vietnam War protest scene and became infamous activist clergymen. (January)

"The Creation of Dr. B: A Biography of Bruno Bettelheim" by Richard Pollack (Simon & Schuster). The book shows the shocking disparity between

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the myth and reality in the life of one of this century's most respected psychotherapists.

"Erma Bombeck: A Life in Humor" by Susan Edwards (Avon). The late humorist spent a lifetime battling disease ---from kidney failure to cancer ---and making us laugh. (March)

"Bogart" by A.M. Sperber and Eric Lax (Morrow). Published the 40th anniversary year of the actor's death, this is one of two biographies to appear in 1997. Sources include Warner Bros. archives and Bogie's FBI folder. (April)

"Bogart: A Life in Hollywood" by Jeffrey Meyers (Houghton Mifflin). More life and times of the actor. (April)

"Whittaker Chambers" by Sam Tanenhaus (Random House). A groundbreaking biography of the man primarily known as the accuser of Alger Hiss ---but whose career changed American life. (February)

"Jimmy Carter: A Comprehensive Biography from Plains to Post-Presidency" by Peter G. Bourne (Scribner). Jimmy Carter's friend and former White House associate reassesses the 39th president's performance during and after the White House years. (February)

"Memory Slips: A Memoir of Music and Healing" by Katherine Cutting (HarperCollins). The story of a concert pianist who lost and regained her ability to remember music after memories of childhood sexual abuse nearly destroyed her life. (January)

"On My Own at 107: Reflection on Life Without Bessie" by Sarah L. Delany with Amy Hill Hearsh (HarperSan Francisco). Inspired by her beloved garden, Sarah recounts her period of mourning after the death of her sister Bessie in 1995 to a renewed sense of life. (February)

"Albert Einstein" by Albrecht Fosling (Viking). A searching, balanced work that is both an engaging portrait and a distillation of scientific thought. (March)

"Doo-Dah! Stephen Foster and the Rise of American Popular Culture" by Ken Emerson (Simon & Schuster). A definitive biography of the songwriter who fused European and African-American styles to help create American pop culture. (April)

"Just as I Am" by Billy Graham (HarperCollins/Zondervan). One of the world's most beloved religious leaders tells his life story. (April 30)

"Personal History" by Katharine Graham (Knopf). The chairman of the board of the Washington Post tells the story of her family, her marriage and her newspaper. (February)

"Searching for Everardo" by Jennifer Harbury (Warner). A chronicle of events from the woman who took on the U.S. government to learn the truth about her missing husband in Guatemala. (March)

"His Name is Ron" by the family of Ron Goldman with William and Marilyn



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Hoffer (Morrow). To be published immediately following the verdict in the civil trial of O.J. Simpson, the family tells of the pain of losing a family member through murder and the burdens of grief as public spectacle. (TBA)

"Diaries: Vol. I: 1939-1960" by Christopher Isherwood (Harper Collins). The private thoughts and daily experiences of the late literary giant who was also the elder statesman of the gay liberation movement. (January)

"American Sphinx: The Character of Thomas Jefferson" by Joseph J. Ellis (Knopf). A spirited biography that abstains from Jefferson worship and Jefferson bashing. (January)

"Leaving Pipe Shop: Memories of Kin" by Deborah E. McDowell (Scribner). The author delves into the family past in Pipe Shop, a black working-class neighborhood in Bessemer, Ala. (January)

"Rage for Fame: The Ascent of Clare Boothe Luce" by Sylvia Jukes Morris (Random House). The biographer had access to Luce's files for this narrative, which ends in 1943 when her marriage to Henry Luce is breaking up and she is elected to Congress. (March)

"An Original Man: The Life and Times of Elijah Muhammad" by Claude Clegg (St. Martin). Born Elijah Poole in 1897 in Georgia, he eventually became the head of the Nation of Islam for more than 40 years. (February)

"Bouncing Back: How to Survive Anything...And I Mean Anything" by Joan Rivers (HarperCollins). The comic uses her characteristic verve and wit to candidly reveal how she hit rock bottom and made it back to the top. (March)

"The Young Paul Robeson: On My Own Journey Now" by Lloyd L. Brown (Westview). The biography of the African-American activist, scholar, athlete and actor, written by his close friend, Lloyd Brown. (February)

"George Rodrigue: A Cajun Artist" by Lawrence S. Freundlich (Viking). This book about the man who created the Blue Dog also focuses on Cajun landscape and the culture that formed his art. (January)

"A Lifelong Passion: The Letters of Nicholas and Alexandra" edited by Sergei Mironenko and Andrei Maylunas (Doubleday). Buried for 70 years in the Russian State Archive in Moscow, this collection finally tells in their own words the story of the lives of the last tsar and tsarina of Russia. (March)

"May Sarton" by Margot Peters (Knopf). The first biography of the much-admired writer studies her life, her work, and the struggle between the heroic public woman and the difficult private self. (March)

"Robert Penn Warren" by Joseph Blotner (Random House). An in-depth life of the southern writer who wrote 10 novels, 16 volumes of poetry, a play, critical essays, and biographies, among other works. (February)

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"John Wayne's America: The Politics of Celebrity" by Garry Wills (Simon & Schuster). John Wayne was less an actor than a symbol. Wills shows how Americans invested their emotions in that embodiment of their deepest myth. (March)

#### NON-FICTION

"A Slender Thread: Rediscovering Hope at the Heart of Crisis" by Diane Ackerman (Random House). Ackerman's work for a crisis center is juxtaposed to life in her own backyard. (January)

"The Oxford Book of the American South" by Edward L. Ayers and Bradley C. Mittendorf (Oxford UP). A collection of fiction and nonfiction from the late 18th century to present, by writers including Maya Angelou, Willie Morris, William Faulkner and Flannery O'Connor. (April)

"Rising Tide: The Great Mississippi Flood of 1927 and How It Changed America" by John M. Barry (Simon & Schuster). The flood was the greatest natural disaster the country has ever known, and it changed everything --- from demography to politics, race relations and government and society. (April)

"Back from the Brink: The Greenspan Years" by Steven K. Beckner (Wiley). A portrait of the head of the Federal Reserve and of the powerful institution he heads. (January)

"Women on the Hill: Challenging the Culture of Congress" by Clara Bingham (Random House). A look at four women elected to Congress including Cynthia McKinney of Georgia, Patty Murray of Washington, Pat Schroeder of Colorado and Louise Slaughter of New York. (January)

"Dragons of God: A Journey Through Far-Right America" by Vincent Coppola (Longstreet). The Atlanta writer traces today's radical militia movement to its source and establishes a network of radicals, religious fanatics and neo-nazis stretching across the country. (April)

"Into the Storm: A Study in Command" by Tom Clancy with Gen. Fred Franks Jr. (ret.) (Putnam). This non-fiction work is first in a series of military history in which the bestselling author looks deep into the operational art of war as seen through the eyes of some of America's outstanding commanders. (March)

"The Unique Voice of Hillary Rodham Clinton: A Portrait in Her Own Words" edited by Claire G. Osborne (Avon). This book, a series of excerpts, sheds light on the beliefs of the First Lady. (February)

"Color-Blind: Seeing Beyond Race in a Race-Obsessed World" by Ellis Cose (HarperCollins). An analysis of the present and future state of race in America that offers a 10-step blueprint for the development of a race-neutral society. (January)

"Southern Journey: A Return to the Civil Rights Movement" by Tom Dent

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(Morrow). The writer returns to the places where protestors took a stand for equality to ask whether significant changes have developed from their efforts. (January)

"Monster: Living Off the Big Screen" by John Gregory Dunne (Random House). An account of the eight years it took to get the 1996 movie "Up Close & Personal," starring Michelle Pfeiffer and Robert Redford, made. (February)

"Thirteen Ways of Looking at a Black Man" by Henry Louis Gates, Jr. (Random House) In portraits of Colin Powell, Louis Farrakhan, Anatole Broyard Albert Murray and others, the critic looks at the facts of race today. (February)

"The Mansion on the Hill: Dylan, Young, Geffen, Springsteen and the Head-On Collision of Rock and Commerce" by Fred Goodman (Random House). In 1964, American business shunned rock and roll. Today the industry will gross \$ 20 billion. Goodman traces how it happened over three decades. (January)

"Irons in the Fire" by John McPhee (Farrar, Straus and Giroux). The journalist writes about crime in Nevada, exotic car auctions, New Jersey forests, and much more in this slice of Americana. (April)

"Virus-X: Tracking the New Killer Plagues: Out of the Present and into the Future" by Frank Ryan, M.D. (Little, Brown). British physician looks at the outbreak of AIDS, hantavirus, Ebola, malaria, the "flesh-eating disease", and cholera in an account of man against microbe. (February)

"The Island of the Colorblind" by Oliver Sacks (Knopf). In this journey to Pacific Islands, the author of "An Anthropologist on Mars" investigates a community of people born colorblind and another group of people with neurodegenerative paralysis. (January)

"Anything We Love Can Be Saved: A Writer's Activism" by Alice Walker (Random House). The writer with the special voice speaks out on subjects dear to her heart: global politics, raising a daughter, feminism, race and more. (April)

"A Supposedly Fun Thing I'll Never Do Again" by David Foster Wallace (Little, Brown). The author of "Infinite Jest" publishes a collection of essays and ruminations on events in his life and in the life of the culture. (February)

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#### Irish peace hitch

LONDON: Irish Prime Minister Bertie Ahern has disowned a compromise Ulster peace formula reportedly favoured by Britain. Under the scheme, Belfast would assume governing powers in six months, provided the **Irish Republican Army** surrenders some of its weapons. "It is our determined view that to keep referring it back for six or nine months is not our preferred option or on the agenda at this stage," Mr Ahern said.

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#### Suicide rate doubles

TOKYO: The number of Tokyo children committing suicide is reported to have nearly doubled last year, reflecting a growing tendency for young people to take their lives. A total of 74 people aged 18 or younger killed themselves in the Japanese capital in 1998, compared with 40 children the previous year, the Yomiuri newspaper said. Forty-five were male and 29 **female**.

#### Obuchi reassures US

WASHINGTON: Japanese Prime Minister Keizo Obuchi yesterday told President Bill Clinton the world's second largest economy is poised to make a "major turnaround". In talks between the two leaders, the President warned that Japan must cut back rising steel shipments to the US. A flood of cheap steel from Japan and other countries has led to layoffs in the US.

#### Jury orders execution

SANTA ANA: A Californian jury yesterday recommended that former US marine Charles Ng be sentenced to death for the killings of 11 people in a sex-and-torture murder spree in the mid-1980s. Ng, 38, the son of a wealthy Hong Kong businessman, was convicted on February 24 of killing six men, three **women** and two baby boys after luring them to a remote cabin.

#### Anwar set for trial

KUALA LUMPUR: Former deputy prime minister Anwar Ibrahim will stand trial on June 7 on a charge of sodomy. High Court judge Justice Abdul Wahab Patail has barred the trial's lawyers from talking to the media. Anwar is serving a six-year jail sentence for corruption.

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#### Siege ends

DZHIKHASKARI, Georgia: A bizarre, week-long hostage siege ended yesterday with two UN hostages gaining their freedom while a third escaped. Meanwhile, the leader of the hostage-takers also managed to escape, but 11 of his comrades surrendered, according to authorities. The crisis began to move towards resolution after the Georgian government agreed to talks with exiled opponents of President Eduard Shevardnadze. Mr Shevardnadze alleges the kidnappers are the same men who tried to kill him on February 9.

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#### Conciliatory Kim

SEOUL: Newly installed South Korean President Kim Dae-jung yesterday proposed a meeting with opposition leaders to break an impasse over his appointment of leading conservative Kim Jong-pil as his prime minister. The opposition Grand National party blocked the appointment only hours after the President took the oath of office on Wednesday.

#### Paxon resigns

WASHINGTON: Leading Republican congressman Bill Paxon has stunned his party by announcing his retirement. The 43-year-old New Yorker not only was a key architect of the party's 1994 capture of Congress but was a rising Republican star regarded by many of his colleagues as House Speaker Newt Gingrich's successor. Mr Paxon said he would quit at the end of this year to devote time to his family.

#### Belfast blast

BELFAST: A letter bomb wounded four workers yesterday inside Northern Ireland's postal headquarters. A Royal Mail spokesman said one postman was in a critical condition after he took the full force of the blast in his stomach. Another man and two women suffered minor injuries. The bombing added to the troubled backdrop for Northern Ireland's peace negotiations, which continued yesterday in east Belfast. The British and Irish Governments have expelled Sinn Fein until March 9 in punishment for two killings blamed on the *Irish Republican Army*.

#### Price of fame

NEW YORK: A silk handkerchief from the Duchess of Windsor's estate bearing a facsimile of the speech her husband made on his abdication from the British throne sold for \$US25,300 (\$A38,142) yesterday, the seventh day

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of the nine-day Windsor estate auction at Sotheby's. The buyer was Lynda Resnick, vice-chairman of the Franklin Mint.

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#### China funds denial

BEIJING: China had not made contributions to the United States Democratic Party to influence American policy and the visit by US Vice President Al Gore had no link to improper payments, China said yesterday. The official People's Daily also pointed an accusing finger at Taiwan for stirring up accusations of Chinese involvement to try to shift blame from itself. "The Chinese Government is not involved in the so-called 'political contributions scandal' in the slightest way and is entirely free of guilt," the report said.

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#### Gruesome find

BRUSSELS: Limbs belonging to at least three bodies had been found in 10 plastic rubbish bags in the town of Cuesmes, Belgian police said yesterday. "We have found several limbs \_ feet, legs, arms, forearms, thighs and hands \_ in litter bags. There were no trunks or heads. Based on the number of feet and hands, they must have belonged to at least three people, probably women," a police official said. In a separate find in the western village of Merelbeke, the skull of an elderly man was found in a plastic bag.

#### War secrets stolen

LONDON: Dutch computer hackers stole United States military secrets during the Gulf War and offered them to Iraq, the Sunday Telegraph reported. However, the Iraqis feared it was a hoax and ignored the hackers. The paper said a former head of computer security at the US Department of Energy, Eugene Schultz, had revealed in a BBC documentary how hackers stole secrets using the Internet.

#### Prison tunnel find

BELFAST: Officials at Northern Ireland's maximum security Maze prison had discovered an escape tunnel leading from a block housing members of the Irish Republican Army, the British Government said yesterday. No one had escaped through the tunnel at block H-7, one of the notorious "H-blocks" which were the scene of a breakout by 38 IRA prisoners in September, 1983, a spokesman said.

#### High price for hair

SAN FRANCISCO: Balding men soon may be able to grow their hair back by popping a pill, the pharmaceutical firm Merck and Co has announced. But there might be a price men were unwilling to pay \_ side effects include



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decreased libido and difficulty achieving an erection. Sixty-five percent of balding men who took the drug, Propecia, daily for a year grew hair, the firm said.

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### Olympic flame

ATHENS: A new forest fire broke out yesterday near ancient Olympia, home of the Olympic Games of antiquity, firemen said. Major resources were brought in to tackle the latest fire as officials feared that the ancient site might be damaged, a spokesman for the firefighting co-ordination centre said.

### Guns silent

SRINAGAR: Artillery fell silent on India and Pakistan's disputed Kashmir border yesterday after a week of shelling which left more than 120 dead, Indian officials said. But they said tension remained high in the divided Himalayan region.

### QNP

### Leeson cancer

SINGAPORE: Nick Leeson, the imprisoned former securities trader whose futures dealing destroyed Britain's Barings bank, was in Changi Prison Hospital with colon cancer, the British High Commission said yesterday.

### Ex-dictator dies

SOFIA: Bulgaria's former communist dictator Todor Zhivkov has died in a Sofia hospital at the age of 86, doctors said yesterday. Zhivkov ruled from 1954 until he was ousted in a bloodless coup by fellow party members in 1989. He was released from house arrest in September 1997 after becoming Eastern Europe's first communist leader to stand trial in 1991.

### Seven dead

BERLIN: The bodies of seven people, including a boy of 13, were found in the ruins of a Berlin apartment block that collapsed after an apparent gas explosion, authorities said yesterday. The last body, that of a 68-year-old woman, was found in charred remains of the four-storey building's top floor last night. Rescue workers had earlier hoped to find the adolescent, identified only as Sven, alive after camera equipment detected signs of life under rubble 7m or 8m deep. Only the boy's dog was found alive.

### Seoul floods

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SEOUL: Another 60 people were feared dead or missing yesterday as record heavy overnight rains in South Korea unleashed landslides and fierce flooding in and around Seoul, officials said. The capital of about 12 million people was thrown into chaos, sending tens of thousands of citizens fleeing their flooded homes.

## Early release

BELFAST: Britain could begin the early release of Northern Ireland's paramilitary prisoners by the end of the month, British officials said yesterday. Among paramilitaries the British Government deems eligible to be freed before the end of their sentences are members of the **Irish Republican Army** and the main Protestant groups.

## Stance hailed

OTTAWA: An international symposium is recognising one of Canada's top medical ethicists for her declaration that circumcising baby boys is criminal assault. Dr Margaret Somerville of McGill University was scheduled to receive a human rights award yesterday at the fifth international symposium on sexual mutilations at Oxford University. The award recognises her courage for stating last year that male circumcision is as ethically wrong as **female** circumcision.

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Northern Ireland

#### PRAYER REPLACES MARCH

Protestant marchers barred from parading into a Catholic section of Belfast yesterday responded by praying in front of a barricade of armoured cars. About 60 members of the Orange Order, Northern Ireland's major Protestant organization, sang hymns and God Save The Queen."

United States

#### MANY INMATES ABUSED

Almost half of female inmates and 13 per cent of jailed men in the United States have been abused sexually or physically at least once in their lives, according to a study by the U.S.

justice department. More than a quarter of the women and 3 per cent of men said the abuse included rape.

#### PUBLIC FUNERAL FOR RAY

James Earl Ray, the convicted killer of Martin Luther King Jr., will have a public funeral in Nashville, Tenn., where the civil rights leader was assassinated. Ray died Thursday of chronic liver disease. His brother said he hopes King's relatives, who believe Ray was not responsible for the 1968 killing, will attend the service. The date of the funeral was not set.

Russia

#### LEBED LEADS VOTE

Russia's former security chief, Alexander Lebed, came in first yesterday in the race for governor of the Krasnoyarsk region of

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Siberia but he failed to win enough votes to avoid a runoff against the current governor. Lebed hopes a win will serve as a stepping stone to the Russian presidency. With 98 per cent of the votes counted, Lebed was leading Governor Valery Zubov by 45 per cent to 36 per cent.

Bolivia

## ANTI-DRUG PLAN

Bolivia's new government has developed a five-year plan to get out of the drug trade and is breaking all records for eradication of illegal coca plantations, Bolivian Vice-President Jorge Quiroga Ramirez says in an interview with Newsweek International.

Nigeria

## STRIKE CALL ISSUED

Opponents of Nigeria's ruling general, Sani Abacha, called yesterday for strikes to resist his effort to retain power as civilian president. They declared themselves energized after Nigerians boycotted legislative elections Saturday that Abacha had called as part of his transition to civilian rule.

Argentina

## BASQUES EYE IRISH PEACE PACT

The Argentine newspaper La Nacion reports that the **Irish Republican Army** and the Basque separatist movement ETA have held secret talks in Uruguay about the chances of a peace accord in Spain similar to this month's Northern Ireland agreement.

Serbia

## ARMY AMBUSHES SEPARATISTS'

The Yugoslav army said yesterday it stopped 200 suspected ethnic Albanian guerrillas from entering Kosovo province with a massive amount of weapons. It said it ambushed the separatists who opened fire on army border guards on Pastrok mountain, 32 kilometres south of Prizren.

Austria

## HAVEL RECOVERING

Czech President Vaclav Havel is slowly recovering at the Innsbruck University Clinic from surgery for a ruptured colon. His doctors said he left his bed yesterday for the first time in

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two weeks and was awake and responsive."

From The Star's wire services.

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GERTRUDE B. NIELSEN, 100, the widow of television ratings giant A. C. Nielsen and a noted philanthropist, died Thursday in Winnetka, Ill. Mrs. Nielsen was a major supporter of the Chicago Botanic Garden and helped establish the Gertrude B. Nielsen Child Care and Learning Center. Her husband, Arthur Nielsen, founder of the A.C. Nielsen Corp., was a marketing-research whiz who created the Nielsen Television Ratings. He died in 1980.

### OBITUARIES

ELIZABETH DAVIS PITTMAN, 76, the first **female** judge and the first black judge in Nebraska, died Wednesday in Omaha, Neb. Judge Pittman, who retired from the Douglas County Court bench in 1986, was a deputy Douglas County attorney before former Gov. J. J. Exon appointed her to the Omaha Municipal Court bench in 1971. She became a county judge in 1985.

ELEANOR C. LAMBERTSEN, 82, a leader in American nursing education, died March 30 in Gladwyne, Pa. Ms. Lambertsen, a mentor and teacher to generations of health professionals around the world, introduced the concept of team nursing for better patient care. She was a former dean of the Cornell University-New York Hospital School of Nursing and was head of the department of nursing education at Teachers College of Columbia University in New York.

SIR IAN PERCIVAL, a former solicitor general in British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's government and an advocate of restoring capital punishment, died April 4 near London. Mr. Percival, a member of the House of Commons from 1959 to 1987, was solicitor general in Thatcher's first government from 1979 to 1983. After the **Irish Republican Army** blew up Thatcher's hotel in Brighton in 1984, killing five people, Mr. Percival sponsored a motion in the House of Commons to reintroduce capital punishment for terrorism. Britain abolished capital punishment in 1967, a move opposed by many members of the Conservative Party.

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FRANK LLOYD, 86, an entrepreneur embroiled in a 1970s art scandal, died Tuesday in Nassau, Bahamas. In the 1960s and 1970s, Mr. Lloyd created the Marlborough Gallery empire, which included galleries in New York, London, Rome, Zurich, Toronto and Montreal. After abstract expressionist painter Mark Rothko died in 1970, his daughter, Kate Rothko, sued the executors of her father's estate, seeking to block a \$ 1.8-million contract with Marlborough. A trial ended in a \$ 9.2-million judgment against the executors, Mr. Lloyd and his gallery. He later sold Rothko paintings despite a court order against doing so and was later convicted of evidence tampering. He avoided prison but was ordered to create a scholarship and a lecture series for New York City high school students.

LOUIS W. FOSTER, 85, who helped build 20th Century Insurance into one of the nation's largest auto insurance companies, died March 29 in Los Angeles.

RICHARD BELLAMY, 70, a New York art dealer whose Green Gallery was one of the most important showcases of avant garde art during the American art explosion of the early 1960s, died March 29 in Long Island City, Queens.

- Area obituaries and the Suncoast Deaths list appear in local sections.

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#### Netanyahu win

JERUSALEM: Israeli Finance Minister Dan Meridor resigned yesterday after losing a power struggle with Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu over foreign currency reforms. Mr Meridor said he handed in a letter of resignation to Mr Netanyahu after ministers at a special Cabinet meeting rejected the finance chief's opposition to widening the exchange rate band of the shekel. Mr Meridor strongly opposed widening the shekel's trading bands, fearing it would lead to a further appreciation of the Israeli currency, hurt exports and cause the economy to slow. Mr Meridor's departure was likely to stir up a debate already raging among some of Mr Netanyahu's coalition partners over the autocratic way he runs the Government.

QNP

#### Police massacre

BOGOTA: Eight policemen were killed and more than 10 others were injured when a truck exploded in the parking lot of a police station on the south-west outskirts of Bogota, the Colombian capital. Metropolitan Police chief Teodoro Campo said he could not rule out the possibility that a bomb was placed aboard the truck by leftist guerrillas or drug traffickers.

#### Pressure on IRA

BELFAST: IRA guerrillas came under mounting international pressure yesterday to end hostilities in Northern Ireland after they killed two policemen on Monday in an ambush that threw hopes of a lasting peace into disarray. Police detained a man for questioning about the *Irish Republican Army* double murder that has raised fears for the future of a shaky truce by pro-British Loyalist militias. The British Government on Tuesday broke off talks with Sinn Fein, the IRA's political wing, as revulsion over the murders swept Britain.

#### Diana backs ban

WASHINGTON: Princess Diana and Elizabeth Dole joined forces yesterday to promote international awareness of the devastating effects of land mines and to appeal for a worldwide ban. The two *women* also urged developed countries to increase assistance for mine victims and not to overlook the crisis just because it is not taking place in their own back yard. Mrs Dole, the wife of defeated Republican presidential candidate Bob Dole, heads the American Red Cross. Diana's trip to Washington stems from her involvement in an anti-land mine campaign launched by the International Committee of the Red Cross. In January, she made a high-profile visit to Angola, where she met with mine victims, many of them children.

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Fallen star

LOS ANGELES: Popular Home Improvement star Tim Allen has been placed on a year's probation and fined \$A650 for drink driving. Allen, who pleaded guilty and was sentenced on Tuesday, was stopped for speeding in suburban Bloomfield Hills, outside Detroit, on May 24 and arrested after failing sobriety tests. A later blood test showed a blood-alcohol reading of .15 percent, well above the Michigan legal limit of 0.10 percent. Allen was born and brought up in Detroit and was visiting friends and family for the Memorial Day weekend when he was pulled over. He described his sentence as "fair" and apologised for what he said was an embarrassing lapse of judgment.

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VANNIE M. STARR, 91, whose son led the investigation that led to perjury allegations and the impeachment of President Clinton, died Sunday from cardiovascular disease, the Bexar County, Texas, medical examiner's office said. Kenneth Starr, the independent counsel who reported to Congress on Clinton's affair with former White House intern Monica Lewinsky, as a young child lived with his family in Thalia in north Texas before moving to Centerville and then to San Antonio. Mrs. Starr, who continued to live in a blue-collar part of San Antonio until her death, in September described her son as "just an ordinary guy."+++CATHAL GOULDING, 75, a committed Marxist and former chief of staff of the **Irish Republican Army**, died Saturday in a Dublin hospital. Goulding's poorly armed and organized IRA was unwilling to launch insurrection in British-ruled Northern Ireland in the late 1960s. After a bloody feud, younger Catholic militants such as Gerry Adams and Martin McGuinness broke away to form the "Provisional" IRA and Sinn Fein. Under Mr. Goulding's direction, the "Official" IRA called a cease-fire in 1972.+++DOROTHY NYEMBE, 67, a black activist who led rural **women** into the struggle against white rule in South Africa, died last week in Johannesburg, South Africa, of asthma. Ms. Nyembe, who was jailed for 18 years by the apartheid government, was a key organizer of the 1956 **women**'s campaign against apartheid-era pass laws that forced non-whites to carry identity documents at all times and strictly limited their movements within the country.

OBITUARIESAfter Nelson Mandela's African National Congress party was banned in 1960, Ms. Nyembe joined the underground military wing, Spear of the Nation. She served two jail terms - one for three years, another for 15 - for her political activity. She was elected to Parliament in the 1994 elections that ended apartheid.+++HANS OESCHGER, 71, a Swiss climate researcher who warned of the effects of human activity on the Earth's climate, died Monday in Bern, Switzerland, after a long illness. With his research into climate changes that occurred over thousands of years, Mr. Oeschger showed that carbon dioxide levels in the atmosphere had increased over the past two centuries. Mr. Oeschger became a professor at the University of Bern and in 1992 was made professor emeritus of physics.+++SADIE LIPNER SHULMAN, 107, the first woman judge commissioned in Massachusetts, died Wednesday in Johnson City, Tenn. She was sworn in as an associate justice of the Municipal Court of the Dorchester District of Boston by Gov. Frank G. Allen on Dec. 17, 1930. She was the first woman named assistant corporation counsel of the city of Boston, a post she held from 1926 to 1930. She was also the first woman president of the Boston University Law School Alumni Association.+++WANG GANCHANG, 90, the scientist credited with founding China's atomic bomb program, died Dec. 10. The state-run Xinhua News Agency said Mr. Wang died of an unspecified illness and was cremated Friday at Beijing's Babaoshan cemetery, the final resting place of many of China's revolutionary heroes. Mr. Wang worked as a research scientist at the University of California at Berkeley after the end of World War II. He returned to China just before the communists took power in October 1949. Working at a government-run academy, Mr. Wang oversaw the design and manufacture of China's first atomic bomb.- Area obituaries and the Suncoast Deaths list appear in local sections.

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JERZY GROTOWSKI, 65, a Polish director who was one of the most important and influential theatrical innovators of his time, died Thursday in Pontedera, Italy. He had leukemia, said director Andre Gregory, a friend. Mr. Grotowski had a profound effect on the art of acting and on the experimental theater movement. He was founder and head of the Polish Laboratory Theater, a teacher and the author of a seminal 1970 book, *Towards a Poor Theater*. In the 1980s, he found a home in America, teaching at Columbia University and, for several years, at the University of California at Irvine. Eventually, he was awarded a "genius" grant from the MacArthur Foundation. In recent years he had been working at his theatrical center in Pontedera.

OBITUARIES

RAYMOND PEYNET, 90, the cartoon illustrator whose drawings of young lovers embodied romance for generations of French, died Thursday at the Plein Ciel Clinic in the Riviera town of Mougins, near Cannes, his family said. His daughter, Annie Peynet, said her father died in his sleep of natural causes. He created his starry-eyed lovers during World War II. They hold hands, kiss and simply embrace in an expression of tender devotion that Annie Peynet said reflected his own happy marriage. He began his career drawing humorous cartoons for French newspapers. He also illustrated books and designed sets for the theater. He designed a series of dolls portraying the women of Paris. Britain's Queen Elizabeth purchased a set on a state visit in 1957. His *Les Amoureux* (the Lovers) were widely used in France to symbolize Valentine's Day; they were emblazoned on scarves, greeting cards, posters, jewelry, a postage stamp and even national lottery tickets sold on Feb. 14. Two museums in Japan and two in France are devoted solely to his work. Three statues of the Lovers were erected in Japan, including one in Hiroshima symbolizing love and peace.

ALDO van EYCK, 80, considered the most important Dutch architect of the 20th century, died Thursday at his home of a heart attack, Amsterdam media reported Friday. Reports did not specify where his home was. His most famous creation was the State Orphanage designed in Amsterdam in 1959. It was credited with smashing all architectural conventions of the time. The simple, village-like structure featured small houses for the children linked by covered plains and walkways.

LEO CHERNE, 86, who helped the United States mobilize for World War II and spent 40 years working on behalf of political refugees, died Tuesday in New York City. In 1946, he helped Gen. Douglas MacArthur decide how to aid Japan's recovery from World War II. He served as a member of the President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board

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from 1973 to 1991 and was its chairman under President Gerald Ford. From 1951 to 1991, he was chairman of the International Rescue Committee, a private refugee aid group.

LORD LOWRY, 79, once Northern Ireland's senior judge who in the early 1980s survived an assassination attempt by the **Irish Republican Army**, died Friday in a London hospital. The cause of death was not announced. While serving as lord chief justice, he was the target of an IRA attempt on his life during a visit to Queen's University in Belfast. None of the four bullets fired hit him, but one struck and wounded a professor nearby.

MANFRED KARNOVSKY, 80, a Harvard University biochemist who made important discoveries in the way white blood cells fight bacteria, died Jan. 7 in Cambridge, Mass. He also conducted ground-breaking research into the molecular factors that contribute to sleep.

FRAN HENRY HORN, 90, president of the University of Rhode Island from 1958 to 1967, died Monday in South Kingstown, R.I.

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Hugh Downs, ABC's longtime host of "20/20," says he's stepping down from the newsmagazine in September.

Downs, 78, who has been with the program since its second week in 1978, said Wednesday he wants to pursue opportunities in new media.

"This fast-moving cybernetic age holds such challenge and opportunity that I now find it irresistible," he said.

The Akron, Ohio, native began working at NBC after serving in the Army during World War II. The Guinness Book of Records certified him in 1985 as having logged the most hours on network commercial television.

"There is a reason for that," said ABC News Chairman Roone Arledge. "His warmth, intelligence and his common sense have endeared him to generations of viewers."

The anchor lineup for next season's "20/20" will be announced later this month.

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SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AP) - A jury awarded Priscilla Presley \$ 1.74 million in damages against film producers and publicists who used her name to promote a proposed film based on an unauthorized biography.

"I have always done everything in my power to protect my name, and I am willing to continue to do so in the future if that's what's necessary," Miss Presley said.

The court entered the judgment Monday after a nine-day trial that ended April 6.

Miss Presley sued Bud Grant, Lee Solters, Robert Burge, Third Coast Entertainment Inc., 3rd Coast Entertainment Inc. and The Lee Solters Co. over a press release and other publicity claiming she had been asked to consult on a film based on the biography.

Stanley Stone, who represents the defendants, wouldn't comment.

Miss Presley, who was married to singer Elvis Presley, also sued Currie Grant, one of the primary sources for the biography, "Child Bride," and obtained a defamation judgment against him last year.

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## Names in the News

JUPITER, Fla. (AP) - One last performance at the Burt Reynolds Dinner Theater brought out 200 people to bid on Reynolds' memorabilia.

The six-hour auction Tuesday raised "a drawer full of money" for the theater's new owners, Christ's Church of the Palm Beaches, music director D. Cooper Getschal said.

One hotly contested item was a photo of Reynolds and some of the Rat Pack - Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, Sammy Davis Jr., and Reynolds sidekick Dom DeLuise.

Michael Galvin of Palm Beach Gardens won the bidding with \$ 2,250.

"It's so unusual to find all these signatures together," Galvin said. "The Dean Martin line is a classic."

But too profane to repeat here.

"We had to get rid of it," said Chelly Templeton, the church's children's program director. "We couldn't put it in the church, not even in the coffee house."

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LOS ANGELES (AP) - Radio host Laura Schlessinger is bringing her tough-love to daytime television.

An hour-long show offering Ms. Schlessinger's "unique insights into today's issues and problems" will begin a syndicated run in fall 2000, Paramount Domestic Television announced Wednesday.

She is "thrilled" to be able to explore ethical and moral issues on TV, Ms. Schlessinger said.

"The Dr. Laura Schlessinger Program" airs on more than 450 North American radio stations. Her books include "Ten Stupid Things Women Do to Mess Up Their Lives."

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OMAGH, Northern Ireland (AP) - Prince Charles returned to Omagh to support the rebuilding of the town and encourage victims of last summer's bombing, the worst atrocity in the province's long sectarian conflict.

"You set a wonderful example to many other communities, not only in Northern Ireland but in other parts of the world who also have suffered so traumatically," the prince told a crowd Wednesday.

He had visited Omagh three days after the Aug. 15 bombing by Irish Republican Army dissidents, which killed 29 and injured 370.

"I was determined to come back today to see how all of you were faring after all the terrible things you have had to go through," he said.

"I found him a very nice person. He does care and was a sympathetic listener," said Marion Radford, who was injured in the bombing and whose 16-year-old son was killed.

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## **Women Spur N. Ireland Talks**

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**Highlight:** The Women's Coalition helped get both sides to compromise. It also gained a seat at the negotiating table.

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The peace talks on the future of Northern Ireland have been under way for more than a month, with representatives of the two opposing communities reporting slow progress, after a rocky start.

The two sides only sat down together after a more than year-long standoff. Part of the credit for ending the stalemate is claimed by one of the smaller groups involved in the talks: The Women's Coalition. Formed in early 1996, the Women's Coalition seeks to build bridges between the region's divided communities - one of which wants Northern Ireland to remain under British control, while the other, nationalist, side aspires to integration with Ireland.

When the talks began near Belfast in September, Coalition delegates met separately with the various parties, helping to persuade unionist representatives and Sinn Fein, the political wing of the Irish Republican Army, to enter round-table talks.

One member of the Ulster Unionist Party, the largest pro-British party in Northern Ireland, described how the "moral weight of these women, many [of them] mothers of the victims of the conflict, at key moments brought a badly needed dose of reality and got us moving again."

One of the leading figures in the coalition is university lecturer Monica McWilliams. She says, "women have long experience of being excluded from the political system. But we are not content to sit back and let ourselves be left out any more."

All 15 politicians from Northern Ireland attending the British Parliament in London are men, as are the region's three representatives at the European Parliament. The Women's Coalition says it wants to find a solution to the region's problems away from the established political parties, looking instead to local community groups.

## Women Spur N. Ireland Talks

One of the delegates at the peace talks, Bronagh Hines, says those in the Coalition "do not believe in raising people's passions for political advantage."

Yet the Coalition has raised passions within some of the more hard-line political parties. The Democratic Unionist Party, led by the Rev. Ian Paisley, has described the Coalition as being composed of "feckless women" with "limited intellect."

In reply, Ms. McWilliams says, "many male politicians of Northern Ireland have been for too long macho in their style."

In last May's election in Northern Ireland, the Coalition campaigned with the slogan "vote women for a change." But with few resources at their disposal, the group failed to make a significant electoral impact. Its performance was not a total failure, however, as the Coalition did gain sufficient votes to be represented at the peace negotiations.

One of the strongest features of the Coalition is that it draws from across Northern Ireland's sectarian divide. Members represent all political and class groupings. With the exception of the small Alliance Party, all of the mainstream parties in Northern Ireland represent one or the other of the two communities. The members of the Coalition admit they have opposing views, but say they have agreed to differ.

The negotiations on the future of Northern Ireland will continue until next May, which the British and Irish governments have set as a deadline for the participants to reach a "lasting settlement."

Thus far, the main parties have been concentrating on the constitutional issues of the region's future. However, the Women's Coalition has set out broader priorities, including: strengthening the peace process, tackling poverty, and seeking an improvement in the quality of public services.

Earlier this month, McWilliams told a meeting on the talks process that the coalition wanted the negotiations to be "driven by visions for the future rather than the protection of historical certainties."

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PHOTO: CALL TO PEACE: Local woman walks past graffiti in Belfast July 19, the day the IRA agreed to restore its cease-fire. The declaration paved the way for its political wing, Sinn Fein, to attend peace talks which began in September. BY PAUL MCERLANE/AP

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2. What was the surname of the composer whose given names were Johann Sebastian?
3. Who was named Australian of the Year on January 26?
4. What is an "entente cordiale"?
5. With a Little Bit of Luck, I Could Have Danced All Night and On the Street Where You Live are songs in which stage and film musical?
6. Who was the first president of the United States of America?
7. What is the capital city of New Zealand?
8. What is the monetary unit of Singapore?
9. What is 45 per cent of \$90?
10. Which team won the fourth Test between Australia and the West Indies at Adelaide Oval on January 28?
11. In Roman mythology, who was the god of fire?
12. What, in a church, is the gospel side?
13. In which year was an American U-2 spy plane, piloted by Francis Gary Powers, shot down over Russia?
14. In which year was Pope John Paul II born in Poland?
15. Name the three Sydney 2000 Olympic Games mascots.
16. How many faces has a cube?
17. Which cartoon character is known as the Friendly Ghost?

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18. Into which body of water does the Mississippi River flow?
19. Who played the king in the original Broadway production of the musical The King and I ?
20. What is Victorian Premier Jeff Kennett's middle name?
21. Which country is known as the Land of the Rising Sun?
22. Who, on television, rode a horse called Buttermilk?
23. What is the plural of the word "crisis"?
24. Which English author and poet set his novels in "Wessex"?
25. In which Australian State is the city of Shepparton?
26. Who was named South Australian Sports Star of the Year on January 24?
27. Who wrote the play Hamlet ?
28. What is Israel's national airline?
29. Alberta is a province of which country?
30. Who is the federal Treasurer?
31. Nashville is the capital of which of the United States of America?
32. Which American jazz saxophonist (1920-55) was nicknamed Bird?
33. According to the proverb, how many wrongs don't make a right?
34. What nationality was composer Franz Schubert?
35. Who was the author of the first outside inquiry into the ABC for 16 years, the recommendations of which were announced on January 24?
36. The Suez Canal connects the Mediterranean and which other sea?
37. In which year was the Adelaide Symphony Orchestra established \_ 1936 or 1946?
38. What is the name of the **Irish Republican Army**'s political wing?
39. Maputo is the capital of which African republic?
40. Who won the **women**'s singles final at the Australian Open tennis championships in Melbourne on January 25?
41. Hampstead Heath is a large park in which English city?
42. How many hours are in four weeks?

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43. What was the name of the orphan boy in the television series

Circus Boy ?

44. Which river flows through the Italian city of Florence?

45. In war, what is indicated by a white flag?

46. Who played Shane Parrish in the Australian television drama series

Home and Away ?

47. Honshu is the main island of which country?

48. What is necrophilia?

49. Who directed the 1967 film The Graduate ?

answers

1. Yothu Yindi. 2. Bach. 3. Professor Peter Doherty. 4. Cordial

understanding; friendly agreement, especially between two governments.

5. My Fair Lady. 6. George Washington. 7. Wellington. 8. Singapore

dollar. 9. \$40.50. 10. Australia. 11. Vulcan. 12. The left-hand side

facing the altar. 13. 1960. 14. 1920. 15. Olly, Millie, Syd. 16. Six.

17. Casper. 18. Gulf of Mexico. 19. Yul Brynner. 20. Gibb. 21. Japan.

22. Dale Evans (in The Roy Rogers Show ). 23. Crises. 24. Thomas

Hardy. 25. Victoria. 26. Mark Woodforde. 27. William Shakespeare. 28.

El Al. 29. Canada. 30. Peter Costello. 31. Tennessee. 32. Charlie

Parker. 33. Two. 34. Austrian. 35. Bob Mansfield. 36. Red Sea. 37.

1936. 38. Sinn Fein. 39. Mozambique. 40. Martina Hingis. 41. London.

42. 672. 43. Corky (played by Mickey Braddock). 44. Arno. 45.

Surrender. 46. Dieter Brummer. 47. Japan. 48. A morbid attraction to

corpses. 49. Mike Nichols. 50. Brass.

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THE VIEW

KIRSTEN DUNST IN STRIKE!

Composer Quenten Doolittle has penned his latest opera, The Leviathan Hook, co-written with playwright/librettist Rex Deverell. Opera Anonymous performs musical workshops of the opera Aug. 25 and 26 at The Music Gallery (179 Richmond St. W.), 535-0654: "I live in Calgary but did live here for a year during the 1970s. When visiting, I usually try to take in a Second City show. I go back to the John Candy days in the Old Firehall and haven't been to the new theatre (56 Blue Jays Way) yet. We'll also have dinner at Le Select Bistro (328 Queen St. W.). We have such a nice association and lots of occasions where good things happened there. When we did the opera Charlie The Chicken a couple years ago, we frequently went there with various friends who came into town to see the production. Besides my serious reading, I am a mystery fan and L.R. Wright is a very good author in this genre. She lives out on the west coast and has written a half-dozen books that are always set in the same coastal town and revolve around a central character who is an RCMP officer. She's a fine writer." Pop music critic Betsy Powell:

Japanese punk-pop band Shonen Knife cut through with their mix of catchy, hummable melodies, buzzing power chords and fun lyrics. At The Horseshoe on Queen. St. W. tonight. Mike Shelley opens. \$8 in advance, \$10 at the door.

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What's On editor Douglas Cudmore:

Two very different ways to move ahead your rock career. Guitarist Bernard Butler left multi-million selling British group Suede. Emm Gryner left barely populated Ontario town Forest. Now Gryner opens for Butler at Reverb (651 Queen St. W.). Tickets are \$15.50, doors open at 8. Call 870-8000.

Television columnist Antonia Zerbisias:

If you're seeking The View, that dishy breakfast show with Barbara Walters, Star Jones, Debbie Matenopoulus and Meredith Veira, it's back - on CTV. Catch it live at 11 on Channels 9 and 13.

How time flies. So brace yourself for two weeks of Lady Diana tributes starting with Diana: Queen Of Hearts, on Channel 17 at 8:30, followed by Diana, Princess Of Wales: The Shrine at 8:50.

Sophia Loren gets the A&E Biography business at 8.

Pump up the volume for Stomp Out Loud, featuring the percussive performers who have played to sold-out shows in Toronto. This is the troupe's first TV special. Bravo! has it at 8:30.

Touched By An Angel's Roma Downey hosts Before Your Eyes: Don't Take My Daddy, a special about three U.S. women with young children, whose husbands, natives of Northern Ireland, face possible deportation because of alleged ties to the Irish Republican Army. Channel 4 at 10.

It's a double feature every night on Showcase starting tonight when The Showcase Revue moves to 10 p.m. on weekdays. First flick is An Awfully Big Adventure, the 1995 British drama about a theatre company hopeful (Georgina Cates) who is infatuated with both a play's director (Hugh Grant) and star (Alan Rickman).

That's followed at 12:25 by the newly launched Showcase Late Revue, more of an arty movie slot, which presents the 1996 French film Irma Vep, a spoof of moviemaking.

Talk Tonight: Mark Farrell, Chuck Shamata and Jackie Richardson are on Grumps. Dolly Parton is on Leno while Letterman visits Boston with Dana Carvey and Steven Wright. Christopher "Kid" Reid, Joe Mantegna and Cloris Leachman are doing Politically Incorrect and Barbara Walters is the interviewee on Conan.

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## Freebie:

Fred Schodt, author of *Manga Manga: The World Of Japanese Comics* and *Dreamland Japan: Writings On Modern Manga*, gives a lecture at The Japan Foundation (131 Bloor St. W., Suite 213) at 6 p.m. Call 966-1600 for information.

## Sound bite

"You'll have to sleep on rollers till your scalp bleeds. You'll have to get up at six every morning for the comb-out. Your lungs will be lined with hair spray. And then you'll need all that equipment to push up the tits, and spray the pits and blitz the zits. Then you stagger into class and you look perfect but you're exhausted."

Verena (Kirsten Dunst) in the new movie *Strike!*, on why she is against co-education

## StarPhone

Vancouver-based acoustic rocker John Bottomley is back with the new release *Raggle Taggle*, now in CD stores. Check out a sample of his tune "Friendship" at (416) 350-3000, category 2005.

- compiled by Joan Vander Doelen and Douglas Cudmore

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## **Labour Landslide in Britain Boosts Europe Ties, Women**

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**Dateline:** LONDON

**Highlight:** Blair names record five **females** to his Cabinet; routed Tories in disarray.

### **Body**

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Britain's first Labour Party government in 18 years has begun rewriting the nation's political agenda. Tony Blair, who last Thursday became at 43 the youngest prime minister since 1812, is promising "a radical approach" at home and abroad and "a new era of hope."

Following a landslide election victory May 1, he has appointed a record five **women** to his cabinet. One of them, Ann Taylor, now is leader of the House of Commons. Margaret Beckett is president of the Board of Trade, charged with promoting British trade and industry. They are among more than 100 **women** elected to the 659-seat House of Commons, nearly double the number in the last Parliament. Meanwhile, the badly defeated Conservative Party is facing a bitter leadership battle.

Mr. Blair's huge majority of 179 seats in Parliament, says political analyst Anthony King, "means that he is excellently positioned to govern with real authority. No Labour government has ever won so handsomely, and no Tory party has lost so badly since 1832."

The new prime minister has put four issues at the top of his list of priorities:

"Constructive engagement" with Europe. New Foreign Secretary Robin Cook says the government will defend British interests while embracing the European Union's charter of workers' rights. The Conservative government had rejected the charter.

Restarting peace talks on Northern Ireland. Within hours of her appointment, new Northern Ireland Secretary Mo Mowlam flew to the province and began to explore the possibility of relaunching the stalled peace process.

A "radical overhaul" of the welfare state. Over the weekend, Blair appointed a duo of senior ministers to oversee reforms.

## Labour Landslide in Britain Boosts Europe Ties, Women

A vote on local parliaments for Scotland and Wales and a bill of human rights for the whole country. The new prime minister has confirmed his intention to deliver on these campaign promises.

President Clinton congratulated Blair on Labour's victory in a phone call Friday. Alastair Campbell, Blair's press secretary, said Saturday that relations between the two leaders are already good and "likely to get better."

Foreign Secretary Cook served notice Saturday that he plans to shed "the xenophobia of the Tories" and replace it with a vigorous approach aimed at "restoring Britain to its rightful place as one of Europe's Big Three," along with Germany and France. "We want to take Britain out of a position of isolationism and into being a leading member of an international community," he said.

More surprisingly, because Northern Ireland had not figured as a prominent election issue, Ms. Mowlem moved swiftly to make contact with the province's political leaders.

She told Sinn Fein, the political wing of the **Irish Republican Army**, that it could take a seat at new peace talks if the IRA restored the cease-fire that it broke in February 1996.

"The ball is now in Sinn Fein's court," she said in Belfast over the weekend.

On the home front, Blair is set to honor a campaign pledge to cut unemployment and restructure the welfare and health-care systems.

Gordon Brown, the new chancellor of the exchequer, confirmed Saturday that he will levy an estimated 5 billion (\$ 8 billion) tax on utilities. Money from electricity and water companies privatized under Conservative Party rule, he said, "would help to put unemployed young people back in jobs."

Overseeing attempts to reform the social security system will be Harriet Harman, a senior Labour Party figure. She will work in tandem with Frank Fields, widely regarded as Britain's leading expert on welfare.

Labour's election platform contained a pledge to abandon the Conservative government's attempts to introduce market forces into the running of state-owned hospitals and clinics.

Blair has confirmed his pledge to give the people of Scotland and Wales the right to choose their own parliaments, which would operate with some autonomy from the Parliament in London.

One astonishing outcome of the election was the Conservatives' failure to win a single seat in Scotland or Wales. Donald Dewar, the new secretary for Scotland, is calling Scotland and Wales "Tory-free zones" and has promised both components of the United Kingdom that referendums on greater self-rule would be held later this year.

Meanwhile, any hopes of an orderly election to choose a new Conservative Party leader have received a double blow.

## Labour Landslide in Britain Boosts Europe Ties, Women

Michael Portillo, who was a senior Cabinet minister and a leading contender to replace outgoing Prime Minister John Major as head of the party, lost his seat in Parliament and is out of the picture. And Michael Heseltine, deputy prime minister under Mr. Major, has said he will not seek the post because of poor health.

Their removal from the race appeared to improve the chances of Kenneth Clarke, the outgoing chancellor of the exchequer who is a committed pro-European. He was quick to declare his candidacy last Friday.

Sources close to John Redwood, a leading Euro-skeptic who challenged Major for the leadership two years ago, said he was almost certain to contend.

The Conservatives went through the campaign profoundly divided on the issue of how quickly and how deeply Britain should become involved in Europe, such as through joining a common currency. Most analysts say that the divisions within the party on this issue played a large part in its defeat.

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YUEN CHAROENSUK, 84, Thailand's famed crocodile hunter and tamer, died Aug. 1 in Bangkok of lung disease. Hundreds of thousands of tourists witnessed Mr. Yuen's shows since he began performing at the farm in 1973. In each act, he thrust his head inside a crocodile's jaws.

TOMMIE RYAN, 97, who founded the Shannon Rovers, a bagpipe band that has played in Chicago parades for every president since Franklin D. Roosevelt in 1939, died July 26 in Park Ridge, Ill. Born in Ireland, he joined the **Irish Republican Army** at age 16 to fight the British. After 14 months in prison during the Irish Civil War, he was given a one-way ticket in 1923 to America.

OBITUARIES

ZBIGNIEW HERBERT, 73, one of Poland's great postwar poets and a critic of communism, died July 28 in Warsaw. Considered a "class enemy" by communists during the Stalinist era, he rarely saw his poems published. Directly linked to the democratic opposition in the 1970s, he became a Solidarity supporter in 1981. In 1986, he left Poland to protest communist policies, but returned to Warsaw in 1992, three years after the end of communism in Poland.

CHARLES MANN, 68, Penn State's librarian of rare books for four decades, died July 17 in State College, Pa., of a heart attack.

CHARLES C. TILLINGHAST JR., 87, a former chairman of Trans World Airlines and a former chancellor of Brown University, died July 25 in Little Compton, R.I.

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DELBERT WARD, 67, a dairy farmer who became a cause celebre and the topic of an award-winning film when he was charged with murdering his brother, died Thursday. The film *Brother's Keeper* was recognized as the best documentary at the 1992 Sundance Film Festival and by the New York Film Critics Circle. In 1990 Ward was accused of smothering his brother William. Delbert Ward maintained that his brother had died naturally. The town rallied around him. Supporters collected nearly 900 signatures on petitions calling on the county prosecutor to review the autopsy results. When a judge set bail at \$ 10,000, supporters raised the entire amount in a few minutes. Ward eventually was acquitted.

RUDEL BRISCOE, 65, who abandoned an art career for a turn in the world of high-fashion hairdressing, died Aug. 2 of heart disease. A Philadelphia native who grew up in Harlem, he was one of the first black hairdressers to operate a downtown salon in New York City. In 1965, he and a partner opened a Manhattan salon. Within months, they were attracting scores of black women who were finding a boom in employment opportunities outside Harlem. Black models and celebrities like singer Leslie Uggams and actress Diana Sands put Briscoe on the high-fashion map, and he eventually earned credits in publications such as *Harper's Bazaar*, *Mademoiselle*, *Seventeen*, *Ebony* and *Essence*. He developed a line of designer wigs for Uggams and was a consultant for *Clairol* and *Revlon*.

DOROTHY CARNEGIE RIVKIN, 85, who succeeded her husband, Dale Carnegie, as head of the self-improvement empire that bore his name, died Thursday after a long illness. Mrs. Carnegie Rivkin's business skills complimented Carnegie's talent for motivational speaking, and she made the Dale Carnegie Training company into a multinational success after his death in 1955.

ROBERT ALDEN CORNOG, 80, physicist and engineer, who helped develop the atomic bomb and missile systems from the Snark to the Minuteman, died July 17 in Santa Monica, Calif., of pneumonia, said his daughter, Ann Tidwell. A technical adviser on the film *Fat Man and Little Boy*, about the atomic bomb, his graduate student research led to the co-discovery, with Luis Alvarez, of hydrogen and helium of atomic mass 3. During World War II, he designed magnetic equipment for ships and later became chief engineer of the ordnance division of the atomic bomb development team.

SERGE GOLOVINE, 73, a star of the Grand Ballet du Marquis de Cuevas in the 1950s who was considered one of the most brilliant dancers of his generation, died July 31 at a hospital in Paris. The cause was complications from a heart bypass operation in early July, *Le Figaro* reported. He lived in Paris. As popular as Rudolf Nureyev and Mikhail Baryshnikov in later years, Golovine was known for the airborne quality, lightness and virtuosity of his dancing. His best-known roles were the Blue Bird in *The Sleeping Beauty*, and the title role of *Le Spectre de la Rose*. He was also greatly praised for his poignant portrayal of *Petrouchka*, which he danced at the Paris Opera in the 1970s. His best-known ballets were *Feu Rouge*, *Feu Vert* and *La Mort de Narcisse*.

LEONARD TALL, 74, founder of Tall's Camera Supply and CX Corp., died Thursday of cancer. He founded the camera supply store in 1948 and, 20 years later, the CX Corp. By 1976, the CX Corp. sold about 70 percent of the photo-finishing equipment in North America and was the first processor to apply bar codes to its fully automated process, which allowed automatic pricing and speeded production from 50 packs an hour to 400.

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AHMAD TARAWNEH, 78, a former aide to Jordanian kings who served repeatedly as a Cabinet minister, died Saturday in his hometown of Kerak, 75 miles south of the capital Amman. Mr. Tarawneh, who also had been a member of the upper and low houses of Parliament, was the father of Fayez Tarawneh, current chief of the Royal Court. He held that position three times himself, in 1950 under King Hussein's grandfather, King Abdullah, and in 1960 and 1970 under Hussein. He was minister of justice, agriculture, transport, trade, public works, finance, defense and interior at various times from 1950 to 1972. King Hussein ordered Mr. Tarawneh to be buried in Amman's Royal Cemetery on Sunday.

- Area obituaries and the Suncoast Deaths list appear in local editions.

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## *Why Diana's Popularity Continues to Escalate*

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**Highlight:** The BBC's coverage of her funeral will be the biggest broadcast in company history.

### **Body**

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From dinner-table conversation in Missoula, Mont., to the carpet of flowers spreading over the steps of the most remote British consulates, the global outpouring over the death of the Princess of Wales is taking on proportions that few could have imagined even a few days ago. Some are comparing it to the worldwide response to President Kennedy's assassination.

Certainly, Diana's status as an international figure - first, as the most glamorous member of the British royal family and more recently, as a champion of humanitarian causes - is beyond doubt. But how can one explain the surge of deep sentiment and emotion, a phenomenon that has surprised even her most ardent fans?

Mere celebrity, even in our celebrity-crazed culture, doesn't capture it. Rather, it is the complex of Diana's life that has caused so many to pause in reflection, and to gorge on the wall-to-wall media coverage, in this week between her passing and her funeral tomorrow at London's Westminster Abbey. It will be one of the most watched funerals in history. The British Broadcasting Corporation will broadcast to 187 nations in 44 languages. "She was probably the most well-known woman in the world," says biographer Anne Edwards. "But I don't call her a celebrity."

"She comes into a different category completely. Princess Di has been someone whom young people in particular could identify with, and I think she headed into the realm of a leader of some sort," says Ms. Edwards, whose subjects have included Barbra Streisand, Katharine Hepburn, and England's "royal sisters," Queen Elizabeth and her sister, Margaret.

Diana represented the new view of what the British monarchy could be, a royalty that didn't resist human contact but instead welcomed it, much the way Bill Clinton has infused a personal touch into his presidency, Ms. Edwards adds.

Touching royalty

## Why Diana's Popularity Continues to Escalate

"Somehow or other with Diana, there was the idea that [people] could touch her in a way, and that what they were touching was the essence of ruling power," says Edwards, who has been working on a biography of Diana that focuses on her efforts to remake the monarchy.

Diana's personal life, at once extraordinary and ordinary, also gave people something to relate to. Even if her adult life began as a fairy tale, it soon bore common troubles. And even if by the end, her life hardly resembled anything the average person could fathom, she was still a devoted mother.

"What should never be forgotten is the fact that she's left two young children, whom she adored," says C. Margaret Hall, a sociologist at Georgetown University. "Family themes always have widespread international interest. We can all identify with that."

Diana, in a way, had become a living Rorschach test, particularly for young women. For some, she represented a woman who had married young, and perhaps ill-advisedly, but seemed to have landed on her feet and found her own style. For others, she was the valiant single mother, coping with the challenges of co-parenting with an ex-spouse. For others still, she remained the fairy princess, the model for the Princess Di paper dolls some women cut out as six-year-olds.

Earlier this week, a young mother from suburban Maryland avoided the throng outside the British Embassy on Massachusetts Avenue in Washington, D.C., going instead to the nearby ambassador's residence. She tied her bouquet of pale pink roses to the gate, read aloud a note to Diana, and paused to reflect.

"I just feel so badly for her boys," the woman sighed.

What has also emerged from the reaction to Diana's death is a bit of a gender gap.

Men don't get it

Conservative radio host Oliver North commented this week that he didn't quite see why people viewed Diana as a role model. Several men called in to agree they didn't get it either. Even the mourner from Maryland represents a one-family gender gap: Her husband declined to come to the embassy with her, saying his wife was being "overly sentimental."

Of course, Diana did have her detractors, particularly in England. Earlier this summer, she was raked over the coals for taking her sons to see "The Devil's Own," a violent film sympathetic to the Irish Republican Army.

Diana also was known for partaking of unusual therapies. But in this proper period of reflection, such details are often swept aside in favor of hagiography.

Part of the sadness about Diana is also, no doubt, linked to the fact that her story has ended. Many feel that cheated that they'll never know if the princess really was going to live happily ever after. Or what causes she might have taken up next, or if she was, as some have said, really planning on dropping out of public life altogether.



## Why Diana's Popularity Continues to Escalate

The flip side of "Diana, Regular Person" was "Diana, Rich and Famous," a tabloid staple that led editors to pay exorbitant fees to the paparazzi who might have contributed to her death.

"We live vicariously through richer, more beautiful, better-dressed versions of ourselves," says Hollywood biographer Frank Sanello. "Based on my experience, the celebrity ultra-rich are truly different from you and me. They inhabit an alternate universe that's other-worldly when you get a glimpse of it."

It is that other-worldliness, in part, that has given the news media so much to talk about in the days since the accident. And judging by the high ratings, the public is lapping it up, almost wallowing in the hours of daily television coverage.

"People are just reluctant to let go," says Edwards, the author. "The same thing happened with John Kennedy."

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PHOTO: CONDOLENCE LINE: Dozens of people wait to write messages and sign condolence books outside the British consulate in Boston. ANGELA ROWLINGS/AP

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## *The News in Brief*

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The US

Justice Department prosecutors recommended that an independent counsel investigate Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt's role in rejecting a request from three bands of Chippewa Indians to turn a Hudson, Wis., dog track into a casino, department officials said. Attorney General Janet Reno was reportedly expected to endorse their recommendation. Last month she rejected a GOP request that an independent counsel investigate President Clinton's role in the casino affair, but a department inquiry into Babbitt's part in the matter has continued.

A Minnesota court suit against the tobacco industry was scheduled to begin today in St. Paul. The state wants to recover billions of dollars in compensatory and punitive damages for public funds spent treating smokers. A settlement was still possible, but seemed far from certain. Minnesota was seeking \$ 1.75 billion in actual damages and an untold amount in punitive damages. Texas settled a suit against the industry late last week for \$ 15.3 billion over 25 years - surpassing the combined \$ 14.4 billion negotiated by Florida and Mississippi in deals last year.

Clinton gave six hours of sworn testimony in the sexual- harassment lawsuit brought against him by former Arkansas state employee Paula Jones. His deposition to attorneys representing Jones was reportedly the first time a president had testified as a defendant while in office. The federal psychiatrist examining the mental competency of Theodore Kaczynski turned in her report over the weekend, a step that may get the oft-derailed Unabomber trial back on track. Sally Johnson questioned Kaczynski for about 19 hours and studied transcripts of his conversations with lawyers to reach her conclusions. Kaczynski is accused of waging a nationwide bombing campaign that killed three men and maimed or injured 29 other people. A competency hearing was scheduled for Thursday.

A State Department effort to have Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat visit the Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington this week was scrapped after US Jewish groups objected. Museum chairman Miles Lerman said he would extend a formal invitation to Arafat once there is a peace settlement in the Middle East. Arafat is to meet with Clinton in Washington Thursday as part of an effort to revitalize Mideast peace talks.

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The Republican National Committee rejected a resolution that would have denied party funding to any candidate who did not support a ban on so-called partial-birth abortions. The measure was defeated on a 114-to-43 vote during a meeting in Palm Springs, Calif.

The US space agency enthusiastically offered US Sen. John Glenn a return to orbit. The Ohio Democrat, who plans to retire next year, asked to become the oldest person to travel in space after hearing the agency was considering sending an older American into orbit to study some seemingly similar effects of weightlessness and aging.

One in every 155 US residents was behind bars as of mid-1997, new statistics released by the Justice Department indicated. The report said the prison and jail population stood at more than 1.7 million on June 30, 1997, an increase of nearly 6 percent from an estimated 1.6 million the previous year.

Repair crews from as far away as North Carolina were at work on Maine's electrical system. Officials estimated that some 140,000 people began the weekend without electricity as a result of last week's massive ice storm. They said it could be late this week before service is fully restored.

Ving Rhames shares his Best Actor award with veteran Jack Lemmon at the 55th Annual Golden Globe Awards. After receiving the award, Rhames invited Lemmon to the stage, handed him the trophy, and said Lemmon deserved it for his role in "12 Angry Men."

## The World

Saying, "it will end when it ends" and that to demand early completion makes no practical sense, UN weapons-inspection chief Richard Butler rejected Iraq's threat to stop the work of his investigators unilaterally by June. In Baghdad for meetings with senior Iraqi officials, Butler also said the UN would not drop its requirement that all suspected weapons-storehouses be made accessible.

The red-carpet sendoff given to Israeli Prime Minister Netanyahu by Cabinet ministers and Jewish settlement leaders was a signal to the US that he won't be pressured into yielding additional West Bank land on terms other than his own, analysts said. Netanyahu is to meet with President Clinton today at the White House. But first he is due to talk with American Jewish leaders, Christian fundamentalist backers of Israel, and key congressional leaders, whom he could use as a counterweight to pressure from Clinton, the analysts said.

Back in his Kremlin office for the first time in a month, Russian President Yeltsin scolded his government for failing to pay promised back wages to employees of the state. Analysts said the reprimand was a warning that Yeltsin may be about to replace key members of his administration, such as first deputies Boris Nemtsov and Anatoly Chubais.

Supporters of war-crimes suspect Radovan Karadzic will ignore all decisions made by the Bosnian Serb sub-state parliament, a spokesman said. Karadzic allies walked out of parliament Sunday rather than vote to approve the selection of relative moderate Milorad Dodik as prime minister in President Biljana Plavsic's government. Plavsic and Karadzic are rivals in a struggle for political supremacy in Serb-held Bosnia. Dodik pledged to observe the terms of the Dayton peace accords "to the dot."

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Chinese officials gave US Defense Secretary William Cohen an unprecedented tour of the country's secret air-defense center, later described as "a mix of old and new technology." A spokesman for Cohen's 14-man party said the visit was a breakthrough in building US-Chinese trust. Less than two years ago their respective navies engaged in a confrontation in waters near Taiwan, where China was conducting maneuvers.

An offshoot of the ***Irish Republican Army*** claimed responsibility for killing a Protestant shopkeeper in a Belfast suburb as negotiators resumed talks on the political future of Northern Ireland. The incident was the sixth of its type since Christmas. Meanwhile, in London, British Prime Minister Blair was to meet with Sinn Fein leaders Gerry Adams and Martin McGuinness. The political ally of the IRA has denounced a proposed power-sharing assembly for Northern Ireland, but says it will remain a partner in the negotiations.

Cuba's young communists were officially encouraged to do their "patriotic duty" and attend Sunday's Roman Catholic mass in Havana conducted by Pope John Paul II. After all but ignoring the papal visit in recent weeks, the Cuban news media now are devoting extensive coverage to it, although some appearances may not be broadcast live to conserve fuel used in generating electricity.

Two Guatemalans were arrested in connection with the robbery and sexual assault of visiting US college students and their escorts. The ***women***, from St. Mary's College of Maryland, were returning to Guatemala City from a tour of historical sites when their bus was forced to stop at gunpoint in a region known for lawlessness. Five other men remain at large after the attack.

Etceteras

"The US is now second only to Russia in its rate of incarceration and locks up its citizens

at a rate five to 10 times that of most industrialized nations."

- The Sentencing Project, a private group, noting a steadily rising prison population - despite declining crime rates.

Remember "Candle in the Wind 1997," Elton John's tribute to the late Diana, Princess of Wales? According to Billboard magazine, it has slid from No. 1 to No. 3 in US sales after 14 weeks. Three more weeks atop the charts and it would have set a record.

The Day's List

Winners of Movie, TV Golden Globe Awards

Winners of the Hollywood Foreign Press Association's Golden Globe Awards, presented Sunday night:

Motion Pictures

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Drama: "Titanic"

Actress, drama: Judi Dench, "Mrs. Brown"

Actor, drama: Peter Fonda, "Ulee's Gold"

Musical or comedy: "As Good As It Gets"

Actress, musical or comedy: Helen Hunt, "As Good As It Gets"

Actor, musical or comedy: Jack Nicholson, "As Good As It Gets"

Foreign language: "My Life in Pink" ("Ma Vie en Rose"), Belgium

Supporting actress, drama, musical, or comedy: Kim Basinger, "L.A. Confidential"

Supporting actor, drama, musical, or comedy: Burt Reynolds, "Boogie Nights"

Director: James Cameron, "Titanic"

Screenplay: Matt Damon/Ben Affleck, "Good Will Hunting"

Original score: James Horner, "Titanic"

Original song: "My Heart Will Go On" from "Titanic"

Television

Drama series: "The X-Files"

Actress, drama: Christine Lahti, "Chicago Hope"

Actor, drama: Anthony Edwards, "ER"

Musical or comedy series: "Ally McBeal"

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Actress, musical or comedy: Calista Flockhart, "Ally McBeal"

Actor, musical or comedy: Michael J. Fox, "Spin City"

Miniseries or movie for TV: "George Wallace"

Actress, miniseries or TV movie: Alfre Woodard, "Miss Evers' Boys"

Actor, miniseries or movie for TV: Ving Rhames, "Don King: Only in America"

Supporting actress, series, miniseries, or movie for TV: Angelina Jolie, "George Wallace"

Supporting actor, series, miniseries, or movie for TV: George C. Scott, "12 Angry Men"

- Associated Press

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PHOTOS: 1) Ving Rhames shares his Best Actor award with veteran Jack Lemmon at the 55th Annual Golden Globe Awards. BY MARK J. TERRILL/AP 2) US Defense Secretary William Cohen (l.) and Chinese counterpart Chi Haotian conclude the signing of an accord with a handshake. BY POOL PHOTO/GOH CHAI HIN/REUTERS MAP: Showing Guatemala. BY STAFF

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The US

President Clinton was scheduled to visit US troops at Tuzla Air Force Base in Bosnia. Enroute, he walked through downtown Sarajevo and pledged US support for those Bosnians ready to build a united, multiethnic country.

US diplomats pressed reluctant UN Security Council members to back military action against Iraq, if that proves necessary to gain access to all suspected weapons storehouses. Prior to a scheduled Security Council meeting, it appeared the US had failed to get Russian, Chinese, and French support to even condemn further moves by Iraq to keep UN inspectors out of palaces and other "sovereignty sites" that have been declared off limits. Nonetheless, US Ambassador Bill Richardson told NBC TV: "We believe we will have support within the Security Council" if force is necessary.

The number of Americans who believe in God has increased more than 10 percent over the past decade, a new survey indicated. The poll, released by the Pew Research Center in Washington, found 71 percent of respondents saying they never doubt the existence of God. In a similar 1987 survey, the figure was 60 percent. The poll found 61 percent saying they believe miracles come from the power of God, an increase of 14 percent from a decade ago. Fifty-three percent said prayer is important to daily life, up from 41 percent in 1987. The Immigration and Naturalization Service will make a new effort to impose hefty fee increases, the agency's commissioner said. Doris Meissner told the Associated Press the INS is preparing a plan that would substantially increase more than two dozen of the fees it charges for such services as processing naturalization applications, issuing border-crossing cards, and renewing green cards for resident aliens. The agency retreated in September from a similar proposal, after an outcry from lawmakers and advocacy groups.

Immigrants are being pressured to pay back health and welfare benefits they have legally received, the Los Angeles Times reported. Officials of the State Department and the Immigration and Naturalization Service, along with federal immigration judges and state agencies, have reportedly pushed for repayment of benefits. In some instances, immigrants who temporarily left the US were prevented from returning until they agreed to pay off their "debt," the Times said.

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The Office of National Drug Control Policy is about to test plans to spend \$ 195 million on an ad campaign to convince children to stay away from drugs, director Barry McCaffrey said. He said his office will spend \$ 20 million on radio, TV, and print ads during a four-month test in 12 cities, beginning next month. The program is designed to combat rising levels of drug use among young people.

An experimental vaccine with unknown health effects was given to 8,000 unwitting soldiers during the Gulf war, despite an Army review board's recommendation not to administer it, The Cleveland Plain Dealer reported. The botulinum toxoid vaccine was meant to protect against chemical and biological warfare, but is now being studied as a possible source of health problems known as "Gulf war syndrome," the newspaper said.

Harvard University and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology were reportedly considering bans on corporations that use high-pressure pitches to recruit graduates - sometimes giving them only 24 hours to respond to job offers. Elizabeth Reed, interim director of career placement at MIT, told the Boston Herald that school officials may fashion a policy on when firms may offer jobs and how long students should have to decide on the offers.

American International Group agreed to acquire American Bankers Insurance Group Inc. for \$ 2.2 billion in AIG stock. AIG, a New York-based insurance giant, said it had agreed to pay the equivalent of \$ 47 a share to acquire the Miami-based provider of specialized insurance services.

## The World

British officials were trying to hold the Northern Ireland peace process together after Protestant leaders complained of too many concessions to the rival ***Irish Republican Army***. Nine IRA prisoners were freed last week by the Irish government before completing their sentences, and Britain followed by transferring another from a prison in England to one near his home in Northern Ireland. The Protestant Progressive Union Party threatened to leave peace talks. Two others quit when the IRA's political ally, Sinn Fein, was admitted to the negotiations in September.

With the consent of President-elect Kim Dae Jung, South Korea's outgoing chief of state pardoned two disgraced predecessors, Chun Doo Hwan and Roh Tae Woo. They had been in prison for their roles in a 1979 military coup and the brutal suppression a year later of a prodemocracy movement. Meanwhile, Kim Dae Jung reversed course and said he now supported layoffs by employers facing bankruptcy to help the battered economy recover.

Foreign Minister Milan Milutinovic claimed victory in the fourth attempt to elect a president in Serbia. But his ultranationalist rival, Vojislav Seselj, claimed the election was rigged and suggested he would challenge the outcome in court. The turnout was put at 50.5 percent, barely enough to qualify as legal. Milutinovic was hand-picked by Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic, who had held the post until last July.

Ousted Cambodian co-Prime Minister Norodom Ranariddh announced plans to return home Jan. 15 to prepare for next year's national elections. Ranariddh left the country July 6 after a violent overthrow by the rival with whom he shared power, Hun Sen. Hun Sen has insisted that Ranariddh must be tried for "political crimes, and government officials said he would be arrested on arrival in the capital, Phnom Penh.

Military ruler Sani Abacha's own deputy and 11 others were arrested in Nigeria for what the government said was a plot to seize power "violently." Most of the accused are Yoruba tribesmen from southwestern Nigeria, which has led



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opposition to military rule. Yoruba businessman Mashood Abiola was poised to win the presidency in 1993 until the Army voided the election. Abacha, who is from northern Nigeria, has promised to give up power to an elected president next October. But the only legal political parties are viewed as fronts for the Army.

Hundreds of leftist guerrillas overran an Army communications base in southern Colombia, and casualties were reportedly heavy. A helicopter carrying reinforcements turned back after being hit by gunfire, indicating the base was still surrounded. The attack, by the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia, was the most serious in four months.

A runoff election for president in Lithuania was set for Jan. 4 after voters failed to give either of two political novices a majority. Former prosecutor Arturas Paulauskas led Valdas Adamkus, a retired environmentalist who has spent most of this decade in the US, by 45 percent to 28 percent. Parliament Speaker Vytautas Landsbergis, who led Lithuania to independence from the Soviet Union in 1990, finished third.

Following up efforts to reenergize peace negotiations for Cyprus, the island's Greek voters will go to the polls Feb. 8 to choose a new president, the Interior Ministry announced. Six candidates, among them incumbent Glafkos Clarides, are expected to seek the post. Greek and Turkish Cypriot negotiators held two sets of talks last fall to try to end the dispute that has divided the island for 34 years.

"In the end, the future is up to you - not to Americans, not to Europeans, not to anyone else."

- President Clinton, addressing the people of Bosnia and their quarrelsome leaders at a stopover in Sarajevo.

Etceteras

Central Pennsylvanians are chuckling over what happened when the United Way of Lebanon County held its year-end drawing to give away a new car. Of the 8,000 people who were eligible - by virtue of their donations to the charity - the winner was . . . a man awaiting trial in a jail 50 miles away on charges of driving under the influence of alcohol and without a license. The prize, a \$ 10,000 1997 Dodge Neon, now will go to his fiancée.

In Omaha, Neb., The Weather Channel's ratings are - well - sky high this week because of an auto dealer's idea for a promotion to pump up flat sales. Olsen Nissan-Hyundai offered \$ 10,000 to any customer who bought a new or used car by last Thursday night - provided the city gets at least four inches of snow between midnight Dec. 24 and midnight on Christmas as measured at the local weather observatory. Sixty-seven people are eligible. Just in case, Olsen did a little buying of its own: a \$ 1.5 million insurance policy from Lloyd's of London. The early forecast for Omaha: possible snow.

The Day's List

Most-Requested Gifts For the Holiday Season

Have you finished shopping for that special someone this Christmas? While there's still time to buy, do you really know what he or she is most hoping to find under the tree? Market Facts, an international research firm, and Kurt

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Salmon Associates, a New York-based retail consultant, jointly polled 1,000 Americans 18 and over to find their most-requested presents. The top five responses, by gender:

**Women**

1. Clothes
2. Jewelry
3. Electronics (TV, radio, stereo equipment)
4. Home appliances
5. Car/car accessories

**Men**

1. Electronics
2. Clothes
3. Sporting goods
4. Car/car accessories
5. Tools

- PRNewswire

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PHOTOS: 1) Doris Meissner told the Associated Press the INS is preparing a plan that would substantially increase more than two dozen of the fees it charges for such services as processing naturalization applications, issuing border-crossing cards, and renewing green cards for resident aliens. BY TYLER MALLORY/AP 2) Police restrain a

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human rights protester who tried to prevent Chun's car from leaving the prison in Seoul. BY LEE YOUNG-HO/REUTERS MAP: Showing Cyprus. BY STAFF

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#### The US

Secretary of State Albright left Washington for her first official visit to the Middle East, with a Clinton administration spokesman saying she would attempt to convince Israel and the Palestinians that they have a common destiny in peacemaking. Asked whether she also would press for reconsideration of the old formula of trading land for peace, the spokesman said, "Yes." But the White House denied that she would try to pressure the two parties into reopening peace negotiations.

No one in the White House ordered the Democratic Party to bend the rules on raising funds for political campaigns, former chairman Don Fowler told the Senate Governmental Affairs Committee. In an opening statement, Fowler took responsibility for mistakes made by the party's national committee during the 1995-96 election cycle. But he said they were errors of "process, not intent." The party has returned \$ 3 million illegally donated in that period, much of it from Asian business interests.

Army Gen. Henry Shelton, President Clinton's new choice to be chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, headed to confirmation hearings before the Senate Armed Services Committee. Dan Coats (R) of Indiana, a member of the panel, called Shelton "a terrific selection" who "will be easily confirmed." US businesses increased their productivity at the fastest pace in 3-1/2 years between April and June, the Labor Department reported. It measured the gain at 2.7 percent, 1.3 percent higher than in the first quarter of the year.

Cigarette makers vowed to fight a \$ 14 billion lawsuit filed by the state of Texas and said they would cut no more deals to pay for the treatment of ill smokers. The suit is scheduled to be heard in Texarkana beginning Sept. 29. Attorneys for the defendants said the industry stand was based on concerns that a tentative \$ 368.5 nationwide settlement had bogged down in Congress and might not pass.

Attempts by gambling operators to solicit business in Minnesota via the Internet may be regulated by the state, a court in St. Paul ruled. In its opinion, the Court of Appeals said Las Vegas-based Granite Gate Resorts Inc. "purposefully availed [itself] of the privilege of doing business in Minnesota" and was successful in at least one

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solicitation. The company argued that the courts lacked jurisdiction because it had not mailed material to the state or paid to advertise in any media there.

Damages totaling \$ 3.4 billion were awarded to New Orleans residents who claimed they had been harmed physically and emotionally by a 1987 railroad tank-car explosion. Some 8,000 people in a 200-block area were evacuated after a cargo of butadiene, a petrochemical, leaked and caught fire. Hardest-hit by the jury's decision was CSX Transportation, which was ordered to pay \$ 2.5 billion of the amount. Defense attorneys called the award "outrageous" and vowed a prompt appeal.

A Philadelphia man should be stripped of his US citizenship for service to Nazi Germany in 1943, the Justice Department said. It accused Fedir Kwoczak of helping to kill thousands of Polish Jews while acting as a guard for the Hitler regime. Kwoczak told US immigration authorities in 1949 that he had worked on farms in Germany and Poland during World War II.

A low-cost automobile body that is made of plastic was to be unveiled by Chrysler in what the company said could be a breakthrough to allow sales of cars in the developing world for as little as \$ 6,000. The process was to be demonstrated at an international auto show in Germany. The body will be made of predyed, crushed Fiberglas designed to stand up to the ultraviolet rays of the sun - unlike earlier cars with plastic bodies - Chrysler said.

A two-day exam for promotion to the rank of inspector was canceled by the San Francisco Police Department after discovery that the questions had been leaked to some of the candidates. The test, given every five to seven years, was to be taken by 700 officers. An internal investigation was ordered.

## The World

NATO troops evacuated Bosnian Serb leaders loyal to war-crimes suspect Radovan Karadzic from a hotel in Banja Luka, ending a standoff with supporters of Serb sub-state President Biljana Plavsic. Peacekeepers escorted the hardliners to NATO vehicles through an angry crowd of Plavsic backers who had surrounded the building. The evacuation came one day after NATO troops prevented buses carrying Karadzic supporters from entering the city.

Sinn Fein became the 10th and final party to enter Northern Ireland's peace talks by joining a declaration renouncing the use of violence. The leader of the party allied with the ***Irish Republican Army***, Gerry Adams, signed the so-called Mitchell Principles in Belfast. The talks, chaired by former US Senate majority leader George Mitchell, are to resume Monday.

Iraq was expected to make a full disclosure of its biological weapons program before the end of today, chief UN weapons inspector Richard Butler said. He spoke after meeting with Deputy Prime Minister Tareq Aziz in Baghdad. Releasing the information would be a dramatic change for Iraq, which must convince the UN it has dismantled its weapons of mass destruction before UN sanctions, imposed after the 1990 invasion of Kuwait, can be lifted.

Mir's crew fixed the latest series of problems aboard the space station, restarting its main computer and realigning solar panels to absorb maximum energy from the sun, Russian Mission Control said. The computer failed Monday, forcing the crew to shut down some systems.

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A political scientist was chosen to lead South Africa's National Party, which began and then dismantled the policy of apartheid. Martinus van Schalkwyk, a member of parliament, will replace former President F.W. de Klerk, who announced last month he was quitting politics. Van Schalkwyk has been a strident critic of the ruling African National Congress.

About 2,500 unarmed Zapatista rebels and their supporters headed toward Mexico City in buses to demand greater Indian rights. The caravan, which left San Cristobal de Las Casas in the southern state of Chiapas, is due to arrive in Mexico City Friday. The trip comes more than 3- 1/2 years after the Zapatistas promised an armed march on the capital after launching a brief rebellion.

Red Cross officials from Japan and North Korea signed a detailed agreement in Beijing allowing Japanese women, who married North Korean men and live in the communist state, to begin home visits within a month. About 1,800 such women moved to North Korea between the 1950s and 1980s after marriage. The two countries agreed in principle to the visits last month in talks to normalize relations.

A plan to resolve Nicaragua's long-standing land disputes was agreed to by the government and the Sandinista opposition. The proposal announced by President Arnoldo Aleman aims to settle bitter feuds over ownership and compensation for nearly 2.5 million acres of property confiscated by the Sandinista government during the 1980s. It would give land titles to thousands of poor families occupying confiscated property, while allowing for their relocation when necessary to make way for public-improvement projects.

Tamil rebels set ablaze a car-go ship along Sri Lanka's northeastern coast, killing five government troops and leaving 12 soldiers and crew members missing, military officials said. Navy gunboats battled the rebels after the Panamanian-registered Cordiality and its Chinese crew were attacked before dawn. Tamil rebels have been fighting since 1983 for an independent homeland in northern Sri Lanka.

"This is a watershed. There is an expectation and an understanding out there of the importance of this moment."

- Sinn Fein leader Gerry Adams, as his IRA-allied party signed a document to gain entry to Northern Ireland peace talks.

Etceteras

What happens when you stage an endurance contest and the judges wear out before the finalists do? That happened in Los Angeles, where a boat company wanted to give away one of its \$ 15,000 models to the contestant who could sit with his or her lips pressed against it longest. Fifty-five hours later, 18 other competitors had quit, but neither Jesus Vega nor Maureen Huertas was willing to kiss off the prize. So the sponsors called it a draw and awarded each of them a boat.

What is 54 feet long, weighs a quarter of a ton, and had to be assembled in a rented railroad station? Answer: perhaps the world's largest braided rug. The Country Braid House of Tilton, N.H., didn't even want the assignment when a New York designer called with the request - because its shop was too small. But it now thinks its labors have set a record. The teal-colored rug required half a mile of wool, and 26 folding tables were needed to support it during construction.

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## The Days List

## 'Fire Down Below' Soars To Top of Box Office List

In its first week in release, Steven Seagal's environmental thriller is the new No. 1 film at the box office, according to industry estimates - although analysts blame the start of the fall television season for a drop in overall movie earnings compared with those at the height of summer. The top-grossing films for the Sept. 5-7 weekend, with estimated revenues (in millions of dollars):

1. "Fire Down Below" \$ 6.1

2. "G.I. Jane" 5.5

3. "Money Talks" 4.9

4. "Hoodlum" 4.3

5. "Air Force One" 4.1

6. "Conspiracy Theory" 3.5

7. "Excess Baggage" 3.0

8. "Copland" 2.5

9. "Mimic" 2.4

10. "Men in Black" 1.8

- Exhibitor Relations Inc./AP

## CORRECTION

In a Page 1 story Sept. 8, "Doing Good in Camera's Harsh Eye," Mother Teresa's name was misspelled.

## Graphic

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PHOTOS: 1) Some of the plaintiffs exult in their victory outside the courthouse in New Orleans. TED JACKSON/THE TIMES-PICAYUNE/AP 2) Rebels take part in a rally before their departure. HERIBERTO RODRIGUEZ/REUTERS. MAP: Showing Sri Lanka BY STAFF

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The US

President Clinton dictated his terms for a tobacco settlement. Focusing on the lowering of teen smoking rates, they included: nontax-deductible penalties for cigarette firms if they fail to lower teen rates, raising pack prices as much as \$ 1.50 over 10 years to encourage teens to quit, and allowing the government free reign over tobacco regulation. He also insisted on full disclosure of documents by cigarette firms, but called for protection for tobacco farmers.

Construction of new homes unexpectedly fell in August to the lowest level this year, the Commerce Department said. The surprise news confirmed the view of many analysts that the economy, while robust, isn't racing at too fast a pace. Stock markets see this as good news, as it hints that the Federal Reserve won't raise interest rates.

Now that 100 nations have approved a draft of the treaty banning landmines, analysts say the US faces a dilemma: sign a pact it has opposed or risk world censure. The US had sought changes to the treaty, including an exception for wartime and postponing the implementation date for nine years. The draft is likely to be ratified today in Oslo. The final treaty could be signed this year. The furor over a University of Texas professor's criticism of affirmative action entered another day in Austin. The Rev. Jesse Jackson led a march of 4,000 students Tuesday, calling on them to make Prof. Lino Graglia a "social pariah." The debate appeared to hint that future university admissions and hiring policies will combine merit-based and race- or class-based evaluations.

In the fifth military airplane crash since Saturday, two New Jersey Air National Guard jets collided over the Atlantic Ocean. Neither of the pilots was severely injured. On Saturday, an Air Force F-117A nose-dived at a Maryland air show, prompting questions in Congress about why the \$ 2 billion planes are allowed at such events. But a Pentagon spokesman said, "This is something the American public enjoys and expects."

The federal government filed a sexual harassment suit against the Mitsubishi Motors plant in Normal, Ill., alleging management allowed an atmosphere to flourish in which women were physically and verbally harassed. Plant officials admit some harassment took place, but say 15 offenders were fired.

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The Los Angeles Police Department acquired 600 M-16 assault rifles to better defend officers against heavily armed criminals. They will be carried in patrol cars and be used at the discretion of sergeants on the force. In February, police responding to an armed robbery at a bank had to rush to a gun store to buy more powerful weapons in the midst of a shootout with heavily armed bank suspects.

In what analysts said were signs of uncertainty at Apple Computer, its executive vice president for marketing resigned, citing personal reasons. Earlier, company founder Steve Jobs was named interim chief executive officer, raising expectations that he would eventually be named CEO, despite saying he didn't want the job. Apple said it may not fill the post until the end of the year.

Clinton threatened Canada with retaliation if it allows more "illegal" acts in the dispute over dividing the salmon catch with US fishermen. In a letter to Alaskan senators, Clinton said if incidents such as the blockading of an Alaskan ferry by Canadian fishermen in July occur again, the US will take "appropriate countermeasures." Talks broke down in July. Both sides have appointed envoys, but they haven't met yet.

A Montana dispute over ownership of a dinosaur fossil continues. The bones could be the largest Tyrannosaurus rex ever found - or an entirely new species. The government, the landowners, and scientists all claim control of the bones. Federal agents had to stop unauthorized digging last weekend, apparently by the landowners. These kind of bones have great scientific and monetary value: A similar fossil that will be auctioned next month could fetch \$ 1 million.

## The World

Yasser Arafat warned of a "very negative reaction" if Israel does not swiftly resolve the latest obstacle to the Middle East peace process: the takeover by Jewish settlers of two houses in an Arab neighborhood of Jerusalem. Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu proposed that the four families leave the disputed buildings in exchange for a recognition of their right to settle there. But his proposal was rejected by the settlers and was condemned as "deceitful" by Arafat's Palestinian Authority.

Northern Ireland's largest Protestant political party will join peace talks with the political ally of the **Irish Republican Army**, its leader announced. But David Trimble said only that his Ulster Unionists would take part in the negotiations to counter the presence of Sinn Féin, not when that would happen. Trimble accused the IRA of involvement in the bombing of a police station at Markethill, although the group has denied responsibility.

Namibia denied it was to blame for the apparent collision of US and German military planes off its coast and suggested that the fault lay elsewhere. An air-traffic control official in Windhoek, the capital, said Germany had failed to provide adequate flight information for its plane and that controllers in Angola and Niger did not pass along the flight plan either. Meanwhile, searchers said efforts to find possible survivors, the remains of those who died in the accident, or wreckage would continue.

The senior international mediator for Bosnia and 10 other officials were killed in the crash of a chartered helicopter, police and diplomatic sources said. Gerd Wagner was the deputy to International High Representative Carlos Westendorp. One American also was said to be among the casualties, although his identity was not released. The aircraft went down in mountainous terrain 55 miles northwest of Sarajevo, despite apparently clear weather. The helicopter was believed to be Soviet-made, with a Ukrainian pilot and crew.

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Japan recorded another major trade surplus - the fifth in as many months, the Finance Ministry in Tokyo said. It said the overall gain for August was just under 114 percent compared with the same month last year. The surplus with the US, which has been complaining once again about its imbalance with Japan, was 59.8 percent for the month - or \$ 2.9 billion. Analysts said the news was not likely to be welcomed at this weekend's meeting in Hong Kong of G-7 finance ministers.

Iraq again is impeding the work of UN weapons inspectors despite the appointment of a new chief supervisor, diplomats reported. They said Iraqi officials had prevented a UN photographer from taking pictures of a suspected arms site north of Baghdad and likely had removed documents from another site earlier this week before admitting inspection teams. New UN inspection chief Richard Butler of Australia is due to report on Iraqi cooperation Oct. 1.

Zapatista guerrillas in Mexico announced the formation of a peaceful political front to carry on the campaign for expanded Indian legal rights. The Zapatistas said the new organization would not participate in elections and vowed that their armed rebellion against the Mexican government would continue.

Wales, which has not had its own parliament for almost 600 years, votes today on whether to establish one in Cardiff. The referendum was expected to pass, even though the assembly would have no power to tax or pass laws. Unlike Scotland, where a similar referendum won easily last week, Wales has no separate legal system from Britain. The assembly would implement laws passed by the British Parliament and decide how to spend Wales's \$ 11 billion annual budget.

"If you call the right number, you'll get the right answer."

- Namibia's air-traffic control chief, Jochen Sell, rejecting claims that his staff didn't answer calls about the disappearance of a US Air Force transport plane.

Etceteras

A new survey has found Americans know appallingly little about their government. For example, 1 in 4 respondents couldn't name any of the freedoms enshrined in the First Amendment to the US Constitution. But the survey - sponsored by the National Constitution Center - came up a bit short itself, listing freedom of speech, press, assembly, and religion ... but omitting the right to petition the government for a redress of grievances.

Ever fumbled your way into a darkened theater because you arrived after the movie started? That wouldn't be a problem if you lived in the Malaysian state of Kelantan. The Muslim fundamentalist government there decreed that theater lights must be left on to discourage intimacy between male and female moviegoers. Said a senior official: "We watch tele- vision at home with the lights on, so why not in cinemas?"

Local unions in Como, Italy, are steamed at the city government for its stand on espresso breaks. A letter to business managers called the midmorning ritual a "flagrant violation of office duties" and urged them to put a stop to it. To the unions, that was grounds for indignation. "Productivity," they sniffed, "is not measured by a five-minute coffee break."

## The Day's List

## Magazine Rates Cities For Interracial Welcome

Multiracial families looking for a place to fit into American society are most likely to find one in Montclair, N.J., according to the current issue of Interracial Magazine, which hit newsstands this week. After a survey that drew responses from 543 readers, the quarterly published this ranking of US cities that are most accepting of multiracial families:

1. Montclair, N.J.
2. San Jose, Calif.
3. Denver
4. San Diego
5. Washington
6. Seattle
7. Minneapolis
8. Madison, Wis.
9. Oakland, Calif.
10. Columbus, Ohio

- Associated Press

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PHOTOS: 1) A scientist works on uncovering some of the bones. BY CLIFF SCHIAPPA/AP 2) St. Luca's church in Bologna, Italy, provides the backdrop for a triple exposure of what's expected to be the last lunar eclipse visible over much of the world in this century. BY VINCENZO PINTO/REUTER MAP: Showing Wales. BY STAFF

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The US

House Speaker Newt Gingrich urged Republican lawmakers to put aside internal feuds that have overshadowed the GOP agenda over past two weeks and focus on major tax and spending bills. But many congressmen said they would press for an airing soon of issues that impelled a group of dissidents to attempt to oust the Speaker and ultimately forced Rep. Bill Paxon of New York to quit his post on Gingrich's leadership team.

House and Senate Republicans agreed to a common stance for negotiations with the White House on tax legislation. Republicans said they would push for a reduction in the maximum capital-gains tax rate to 20 percent, from the current 28 percent - and for indexing the tax to take inflation into account. The White House opposes the indexing concept.

President Clinton promised to "defend the vote of any member of Congress, Democrat or Republican," who supported raising Medicare premiums for the affluent elderly. House Republicans were reportedly concerned that backing the proposed measure would make them vulnerable at the polls. A Senate proposal would raise Medicare premiums for single beneficiaries with incomes of \$ 50,000 a year and for couples earning \$ 75,000. Democrats were expected to go on the offensive in Senate campaign-finance hearings. After weeks of testimony about illegal contributions to the Democratic Party during the recent presidential campaign, they were expected to call witnesses who would discuss donations from foreigners that helped Republicans win 1994 congressional contests.

Sen. Fred Thompson (R) of Tennessee expressed frustration with the Justice Department refusal to specify why it opposed granting partial immunity so four Buddhist nuns would testify about a fund-raiser attended by Vice President Al Gore. The Senate committee probing campaign-finance abuses, which is chaired by Thompson, was scheduled to consider defying the department's objections and granting limited immunity.

Democrats threatened to slow down Senate action if a probe into alleged fraud in the 1996 Louisiana Senate race is not completed by July 31. Sen. John Warner (R) of Virginia, who chairs the Senate rules committee, said he wants it extended until Sept. 9. But he acknowledged that the probe so far has not found evidence of irregularities

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that would affect the outcome of the tight race, in which Democrat Mary Landrieu defeated Republican Louis "Woody" Jenkins.

Anti-tobacco senators introduced legislation to outlaw any trade negotiations that would weaken curbs on smoking in other countries and deprive people abroad of warnings about the dangers of tobacco. The bill is designed to prevent a repeat of 1988 trade talks that ultimately forced South Korea to eliminate a ban on tobacco advertising, said Sen. Frank Lautenberg (D) of New Jersey. It also would require that American cigarette exports bear the same warning labels required in the US.

Federal Reserve vice chair Alice Rivlin warned of the risk of inflation and said whether the central bank needed to raise interest rates further was a "tough call." Her congressional testimony came a day after a generally upbeat midyear report to Congress from her boss, Alan Greenspan, sent stock prices soaring. The Federal Reserve Board chairman's comments were generally taken as a signal the Fed sees no reason for an immediate interest-rate increase.

United Auto Workers members walked off the job at a General Motors engine-component plant after talks failed to produce a new contract. The strike in Warren, Mich., affected some 2,800 hourly workers. Meanwhile, a strike was averted at another key GM parts plant in Indiana after a tentative accord was reached with workers there.

US home ownership reached its highest level in nearly 17 years from April to June, Housing Secretary Andrew Cuomo said. In the second quarter, 65.7 percent of US households owned their residences, he reported.

## The World

Protestant parties rejected guidelines for admitting supporters of the **Irish Republican Army** to participate in peace talks. The rules called for making IRA disarmament a goal in the negotiations that would have included IRA ally, Sinn Fein. Protestants want guarantees the IRA will disarm during talks on Northern Ireland's future. Three Protestant parties voted against the plan at a meeting in Belfast.

Making good on a preelection vow, Albanian President Sali Berisha resigned, one hour before the country's new opposition-dominated parliament convened in Tirana. The move cleared the way for Socialist Prime Minister Fatos Nano to choose a new president. Berisha's Democratic Party lost the June 30 election amid public perceptions that its leaders had profited from get-rich-quick investment schemes that cost thousands of Albanians their life savings.

Russian President Yeltsin rejected a controversial draft law restricting religious freedom. In a statement, Yeltsin indicated the measure went against constitutional guarantees of equality for all faiths. The draft law favored Russia's traditional faiths by requiring smaller religions to wait 15 years before applying for full legal rights.

The European Commission recommended approval of a planned \$ 15 billion merger between US aircraft manufacturers Boeing and McDonnell Douglas. The decision came after Boeing agreed to give up exclusive contracts with US airlines, averting the possibility of a US-Europe trade war. The concession addressed concerns that European manufacturer Airbus would be excluded from large parts of the US market. A final commission decision is due next week.

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Cambodia watched from the sidelines while Laos and Burma were installed as members of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations. The group said it still recognizes the ousted Norodom Ranariddh as Cambodia's co-premier. His designated replacement, Ung Huot, was not invited to the installation ceremonies in Malaysia. ASEAN said Cambodia would not be initiated until the conflict over Ranariddh's ouster was resolved.

Moves to raise \$ 1.4 billion for the rebuilding of war-torn Bosnia ran into immediate difficulty at an international donors conference in Brussels. Some of the 30 participants rebelled at pledging new contributions that would reach Serb-held territory until indicted war-crimes suspects there are brought to justice.

Swiss banks took the unprecedented step of running newspaper ads containing names of 1,756 holders of dormant World War II-era accounts, including assets left by Holocaust victims. The accounts reportedly contained around \$ 40 million. The ad said more names would be made public in October. Some Jewish organizations claim up to \$ 7 billion in assets remain hidden in Swiss banks.

Near-complete results from Liberia's presidential election gave faction leader Charles Taylor an insurmountable lead: more than 75 percent of the vote. One of Taylor's 11 opponents, former foreign minister Baccus Matthews, called the voting "reasonably free and fair." Liberia's election commission was expected to announce the winner no later than today.

Saying, "We emphatically deny that press freedom is threatened," members of President Fujimori's Cabinet opened testimony before Congress on the largest scandal in recent Peruvian history. The hearings were triggered by public outrage over the government's move against the owner of a Lima TV station. An hour before a scheduled report on systematic wire-tapping by government agents, the citizenship of Israeli-born Baruch Ivcher was revoked. The incident caused street protests, and five Cabinet chiefs have quit.

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"This was a difficult decision. But many articles in the bill ... establish inequality of different faiths and contradict international obligations undertaken by Russia."

- President Boris Yeltsin, in vetoing controversial legislation that would have curbed religious freedom in his country.

Seen the bumper sticker "DARE to Keep Cops Off Donuts"? Harold Bruce has. And the Memphis, Tenn., police sergeant is taking its message to heart. He's the publisher of "The Donut Diaries," a monthly newsletter dedicated to keeping the men in blue in the pink - and off the doughy dietbusters. He says a growing number of the city's 1,400 officers have become slimmer and trimmer since publication began two years ago.

Critics of the Taliban movement, which controls much of Afghanistan, are wondering whether the superstrict Islamic fundamentalists also control the country's sneaker market. The Taliban religious police, otherwise known as the Department for Promoting Virtue and Preventing Vice, has decreed that females may not make noise with their shoes when they walk.



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When Queen Elizabeth II isn't attending to matters of state or walking her Welsh corgis, her favorite way to pass the time now seems to be surfing the Internet. A royal spokesman says the British monarch takes special delight in reading the message book for her official Web site and in sending e-mail to her subjects.

## The Day's List

## Tracing Asian Investment In US Real Estate Market

California attracted the largest portion of Asian investment in US real estate over the past four years, according to a study by the Los Angeles-based E&Y Kenneth Leventhal Real Estate Group. The most attractive properties: hotels and office complexes. Hong Kong (\$ 2.91 billion in total purchases) and Singapore (\$ 1.42 billion) were the busiest buyers. The eight geographical entities (seven states, plus the District of Columbia) receiving the most Asian investment and each entity's four-year total (in millions of US dollars):

1. California\$ 1,400
2. New York1,300
3. Illinois677
4. Texas602
5. Florida416
6. Hawaii287
7. Michigan223
8. District of Columbia216

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PHOTOS: 1)Thompson fields questions about the immunity issue at a news conference. He is flanked by fellow GOP committee members Sen. Thad Cochran of Mississippi (l.) and Sen. Arlen Specter of Pennsylvania (r.). RON EDMONDS/AP 2) A Sarajevo resident looks through a broken window at the city's battered business center. DAMIR SAGOLI/REUTERS MAP: Peru - STAFF

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The US

Two of the computer industry's fiercest rivals, Apple Computer Inc. and Microsoft Corp. unveiled plans to cooperate. Under the agreement, Microsoft will invest \$ 150 million in Apple, and release versions of its popular Office software in Macintosh formats. In exchange, Apple will make Microsoft's Internet Explorer the easiest choice for accessing the Internet from a Macintosh computer. Apple co-founder Steve Jobs was booed when he announced the agreement at the MacWorld Expo in Boston.

A South Korean official reportedly described the atmosphere as "cozy," after the opening session of talks to arrange a peace conference on replacing the 1953 Korean War armistice. Delegations from North and South Korea, China and the US were said to have presented broad views on the issues at their meeting in New York. North Korea's official newspaper said the withdrawal of 37,000 US troops from South Korea was the key to peace. The US was expected to argue that any withdrawal must follow big steps by the North to reduce its military threat to the South. The alleged principal plotter of the 1993 World Trade Center bombing went on trial in New York. Ramzi Yousef is accused of mixing the bomb chemicals and organizing the attack that killed six people and injured more than 1,000 others. In opening statements, prosecutors said Yousef hoped the blast would "send a message to Americans that they were at war." Last year, Yousef was convicted of a foiled plot to blow up a dozen US jetliners.

The White House said an apology for slavery was not an appropriate first step for President Clinton's national dialogue on race relations. Clinton has said he would leave the matter up to his race advisory board which is looking into ways to fight racism. The apology idea was proposed by US Rep. Tony Hall (D) of Ohio.

Labor Secretary Alexis Herman urged the United Parcel Service and its 185,000 striking workers to restart stalled labor talks. Herman spoke by phone with Teamsters president Ron Carey and UPS chairman James Kelly. Afterward, the two sides expressed a willingness to meet. The strike against the world's largest parcel delivery company has left people across the country scrambling to find other avenues for shipping packages.

The trial of a militia leader accused of plotting to make bombs opened in US District Court in Wheeling, W. Va. Defense attorneys argued Mountaineer Militia leader Floyd "Ray" Looker was entrapped by a government

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informant. Prosecutors planned to use a confession, a tape recording made by the informant, and testimony from co-conspirators in the case.

An agreement to form an anti-heroin unit was signed in Bogota by the head of the US Drug Enforcement Administration and Colombia's national police chief. The DEA's Thomas Constantine said 63 percent of the heroin seized in the US comes from Colombia.

Teenage drug use dropped last year - the first decrease since 1992, a government report said. The National Household Survey on Drug Abuse said 9 percent of teens used drugs in 1996 - down from nearly 11 percent in 1995. Marijuana and tobacco use remained unchanged, while alcohol use dropped.

A California law requiring unmarried **females** under 18 to get parental or judicial consent to have an abortion was struck down by the state's Supreme Court. The justices ruled the law violated a pregnant minor's privacy rights. Last year, the same court ruled the statute was constitutional. But after two new judges were appointed, the court reversed its decision.

Bernard Parks, a disciplinarian with 32 years of police experience, was expected to be named as the next chief of the Los Angeles Police Department, the Los Angeles Times reported. If confirmed by City Council, Parks would become the second African-American to hold the post. He would replace Willie Williams, who left the office in May.

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Israel and the Palestinian Authority both were urged not to allow extremists to derail the Middle East peace process by Crown Prince Hassan of Jordan. He substituted for his brother, King Hussein, at a meeting in Jerusalem with Israeli Prime Minister Netanyahu. Meanwhile, however, Palestinian Authority President Arafat told followers to be "prepared for the battle that Netanyahu is forcing on us, because what is coming is worse than what has already been."

Despite the anger of local Protestants, Britain's new secretary for Northern Ireland held her first face-to-face meeting with senior Sinn Fein leaders. But Mo Mowlam kept out of public view as she greeted Gerry Adams and other representatives of the **Irish Republican Army**'s political ally in Belfast. She was expected to press for assurances that the IRA would commit itself to gradual disarmament during the next round of peace talks.

Four key figures in the effort to build a permanent peace in the Balkans met to try to shore up the Muslim-Croat federation that governs half of Bosnia. Bosnia's Muslim co-President, Alija Izetbegovich, Croatian President Franjo Tudjman, and US envoys Robert Gelbard and Richard Holbrooke held talks in the Croatian port city, Split. A US source at the meeting said, "We're not looking for paper commitments; we want action."

As expected, members of Cambodia's parliament voted to replace co-Premier Norodom Ranariddh with Foreign Minister Ung Huot. The outcome was never in doubt, and Ung Huot won six more votes than needed for confirmation.

Iraq formally submitted a plan to the UN under which it would resume the sale of oil for food and medical supplies. No details were made public on what the Baghdad government proposed to charge, but knowledgeable sources

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said prices were cut because of objections by UN officials who oversee the oil-for-food program. The Security Council had 48 hours to raise concerns.

Just returned from a month's vacation, Russian President Boris Yeltsin moved quickly to repair ties to the country's dominant Orthodox Church. Relations were strained when he vetoed controversial legislation that would have restricted "nontraditional" religions - among them Protestant and Roman Catholic faiths - in favor of Orthodoxy. Yeltsin pledged to strengthen relations with the church, saying, "No obstacles shall separate us."

Many ordinary Thais ignored Prime Minister Chavalit Yongchaiyudh's efforts to promote calm following his government's shutdown of more than half the nation's finance companies. Rumors that commercial banks would be next sent depositors flocking to withdraw their money. One bank handed back \$ 20 million in a single day. Other Thais canceled credit cards and hoarded food as hedges against a plan by the International Monetary Fund to rescue the nation's struggling economy.

A foreign journalist whose investigative reporting linked Panama's government to scandals and corruption was ordered out of the country. Gustavo Gorriti, associate editor of the newspaper La Prensa and a Peruvian citizen, must leave by Aug. 29, the Labor Ministry said. La Prensa's president called the order "a cheap and low attempt" to silence the paper and said it would be appealed to the Supreme Court.

A Korean Air jet returned for an emergency landing at Osaka, Japan, hours after another of the carrier's flights crashed on Guam in a hard rainstorm. Aviation officials praised US military personnel on Guam for responding quickly to the crash. Navy and Air Force crews cut an access road to the site, moved in rescue and fire-fighting apparatus, and ferried survivors to a hospital. One report said at least 220 people died in the mishap.

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"We have to let go of the notion that for Apple to win, Microsoft needs to lose."

- Apple Computer co-founder Steve Jobs, announcing his company's new alliance with industry giant Microsoft Corp.

If it's true that life sometimes imitates art, then Exhibit A might be actor E.G. Marshall, who played a crusading lawyer on "The Defenders" TV series. Well, he's crusading again - to stop a neighbor from disturbing the tranquility of posh Bedford, N.Y., by commuting to and from work in a helicopter. Marshall built his case on an ordinance that bans aircraft takeoffs and landings. Argues the neighbor, helicopter flights are a mode of transportation, not land use, and are not subject to zoning.

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Malaysia wants to find out whether shaming people who trash its cities will work - since fines and a nationwide education campaign haven't. A new draft bill would punish those convicted of tossing aside waste by making them sweep the streets in T-shirts reading: "I am a Litterbug."

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## The Day's List

## World's Priciest Cities For Foreign Workers

Thirteen of the world's 20 most expensive cities are in Asia, according to a report released in Geneva by the Corporate Resources Group. It compares the prices of housing and products and services commonly sought by people posted abroad. New York, ranked 31st, was assigned a base value of 100 for comparing living costs. The top 20 cities and their values:

1. Tokyo 170
2. Hong Kong 153
- (tie) Moscow 153
4. Osaka, Japan 148
5. Beijing 141
6. Shanghai 136
7. Seoul 133
8. Singapore 127
9. Guangzhou, China 120
10. St. Petersburg, Russia 118
11. Shenzhen, China 117
12. Taipei, Taiwan 116
13. Kiev, Ukraine 115

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14. London 114

15. Sao Paulo 111

16. Dalian, China 108

(tie) Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam 108

18. Jakarta 107

(tie) Dar es Salaam, Tanzania 107

20. Nassau, Bahamas 106

- Associated Press

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PHOTOS: 1) Constantine (r.) and Gen. Rosso Jose Serrano lay a wreath to honor Colombian officers killed in the fight against drug traffickers. JOSE MIGUEL GOMEZ/REUTERS. 2) Yeltsin with his wife, Naina, I., and Patriarch Alexy II at the consecration of a Moscow chapel. POOL/GRIGORY DUKOR/REUTERS. MAP: Showing Guam. TOM BROWN - STAFF

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The US

State officials and tobacco representatives were scheduled to resume their talks in Washington in a bid to resolve remaining issues, including whether cigarette makers can be sued for punitive damages and whether the Food and Drug Administration can regulate cigarettes. Negotiators on both sides were expecting a preliminary accord to reach President Clinton by the end of the week, The Dallas Morning News reported. If administration officials accept the plan, it will go to Congress.

The focus on tax legislation shifted to the US Senate, where Finance Committee chairman William Roth (R) of Delaware was expected to unveil his plan for implementing the balanced-budget accord between congressional leaders and the White House. A tax bill passed by a House committee last week was severely criticized by the administration. Wrangling over the measure has spawned concern that Clinton and Congress could be on a collision course over implementing their budget accord.

Clinton said he needed time to decide whether the US should formally apologize to American blacks whose ancestors were slaves. After launching a drive for racial reconciliation on Saturday, the president was asked Sunday on CNN's "Late Edition" about an apology proposal made by a dozen white lawmakers. Without committing himself, he said apologies under the right circumstances "can be quite important." Americans are just as likely to view immigration as good for the US as to think it bad, a nationwide poll indicated. A survey published by The Miami Herald found 45 percent of respondents saying immigration is beneficial, 42 percent saying it is not. Ten percent said the impact was mixed, and 3 percent had no opinion. The poll by Princeton Survey Research Associates showed a drop in anti-immigrant feelings since 1993, when 3 out of 5 people said immigration was not good for the country.

The US Supreme Court rejected an attempt to revive an invalidated Utah law that would bar most abortions for women more than 20 weeks pregnant. Without comment, the court left intact a ruling that the law violates women's constitutional right to end pregnancies. Also, the justices voted 6 to 3 to reverse an appeals-court ruling that blocked enforcement of a Montana law banning abortions performed by licensed physician assistants.



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The Clinton administration released \$ 110 million to Minnesota and the Dakotas for rebuilding flood-damaged cities. The funds were part of the \$ 500 million in grants authorized by the disaster-aid bill the president signed into law late last week.

Jim McDougal was to begin serving a three-year sentence for fraud and conspiracy. The former Clinton business partner was convicted in May 1996 of 18 felony counts related to his running of Madison Guaranty Savings and Loan during the 1980s. He was to report to the Federal Medical Center Institution in Lexington, Ky. McDougal received a relatively light sentence because of his cooperation with prosecutors investigating the president and Hillary Rodham Clinton. The Clintons were partners with the McDougals in the Whitewater land development in Arkansas.

Ellis Island was added to a list of America's most endangered historic places. The National Trust for Historic Preservation took the action, saying buildings on the south side of the New York Harbor island are in dire need of repair. It blamed the problem on a lack of funding for the National Park Service. Parts of the island, where millions of would-be immigrants were processed between 1900 and 1954, were reopened to tourists seven years ago.

The New York legislature approved an extension of rent regulation after a last-minute accord was struck to continue rent protections for all but the wealthiest among 2.7 million tenants in millions of rent-regulated apartments, most of them in the New York City area. The state's rent-control laws had officially expired at midnight Sunday.

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No less than the future of the European Union was at stake as leaders of its member countries opened a conference in Amsterdam, analysts said. But as the leaders were to discuss such issues as Europe's high unemployment, negotiators worked behind the scenes to defuse a growing dispute over the "euro," the proposed single currency that has overshadowed the rest of the agenda. France's new government said it would not go along with the currency plan unless it was linked to an EU effort to increase jobs.

Colombian President Ernesto Samper said he was willing to discuss peace with the leftist rebels who freed 70 Army soldiers they had held prisoner for months. The handover, staged for maximum public relations value in remote Cartagena del Chaira, was attended by numerous diplomats and was widely covered by the news media. The rebels have been engaged in a 30-year struggle against the Colombian government.

Discussions were under way in Gabon to try to arrange peace talks that would end the fighting in the neighboring Congo Republic. But as representatives of President Pascal Lissouba and his rival, former dictator Denis Sassou-Nguesso, were meeting, troops from both sides were reported jockeying for position to take over the country's main airport. Meanwhile, French troops began their pullout from the airport, saying their job of evacuating foreign nationals was over. Lissouba has called for the deployment of an African peace force as a buffer between the two sides.

Modern Turkey's first Muslim prime minister will resign by the end of the week, his coalition partner said. Tansu Ciller said she would reassume the office she lost to Necmettin Erbakan in elections held in December 1995. Erbakan, who is feuding with the military over the rise of Islamic fundamentalism, called the mounting pressure on him to quit "backwardness." No date has been fixed for new elections.

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The **Irish Republican Army** claimed responsibility for the deaths of two police patrolmen in a Northern Ireland town known for its deep sectarian divide. The men were shot at close range in Lurgan, 35 miles southwest of Belfast - the first double slaying in the North since 1993. Meanwhile, Catholics in Londonderry, the North's No. 2 city, vowed to stage protests if Protestants hold a march through their neighborhood next month.

Croatian President Franjo Tudjman was coasting to victory in his bid for a new five-year term, the elections commission reported. With more than 90 percent of the vote counted, Tudjman held a 40 percent lead over his closest rival. International monitors said only about 10 percent of the country's ethnic Serbs cast ballots, although others tried - only to find that their names were not listed on the voter rolls.

Another senior Russian sports executive was murdered at her home outside Moscow. Larisa Nechayeva was director-general of Spartak, perhaps Russia's top professional soccer team. The attackers also killed another team employee and wounded a chauffeur. The president of Russia's Ice Hockey Federation was murdered in similar fashion in April. Investigators say sports organizations increasingly are targets of the Russian underworld because of their large revenues.

The capture or death of notorious Khmer Rouge leader Pol Pot could come "within days," Cambodian copremier Norodom Ranariddh said. He said the man held responsible for the deaths of more than 1 million people when the Khmer Rouge held power in the 1970s was surrounded by guerrillas who had turned against him at the Anlong Veng stronghold. Rival copremier Hun Sen said he would ask Secretary of State Madeleine Albright for help in bringing Khmer Rouge leaders to justice. She is scheduled to visit Cambodia later this month.

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"Listen, mother! Nothing happened to me. Everything's fine."

- Colombian soldier Nelson Nunez, one of 70 prisoners freed by leftist guerrillas in an elaborate public relations move.

A Colorado Springs bank owes one of its depositors a sizable debt ... of gratitude. Myung Ho Lee was only trying to add to his savings account when the teller handed back his passbook showing the new balance: \$ 1.2 million higher than it ought to have been. His efforts to point out the error got no-where. An accountant told him: "Hey, it's yours. Take it." But he persisted until the mistake was traced to some extra key strokes at the deposit window. Not surprisingly, bank officials now say his honesty is commendable.

If you're - shall we say - ticked at how cold June has been across much of the US and can't wait for July, be advised: It will be a bit late in arriving. For the 21st time since 1972, the National Institute of Standards and Technology will insert a "leap second" to keep clocks in time with Earth's spin. This one will fall between 11:59:59 p.m. June 30, and midnight. The institute says it's vital to computer, navigation, and telecommunications systems and to power grids.

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## 10 Most-Threatened Wild Areas in the US

The nation's most beleaguered wildlife areas, as rated by the Washington-based Wilderness Society (with the major threat to each in parentheses):

1. Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, Alaska (oil drilling)
2. Okefenokee National Wildlife Refuge, Georgia/Florida (mining)
3. Klamath Basin National Wildlife Refuge, California/ Oregon (water diversion)
4. Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge, Arizona (military training flights)
5. Owyhee Canyonlands, Idaho (military training flights)
6. Grand Staircase/Escalante National Monument, Utah (oil drilling)
7. Whitney Estate, Adirondacks, New York(subdivision)
8. Boundary Waters Canoe Wilderness, Minnesota (motorboats, snowmobiles)
9. I-90/Snoqualmie Pass, Washington (road building)
10. Mojave Desert, California (military training)

- Associated Press

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PHOTOS: 1) Some tourists inspect the Immigrants' Wall of Honor on the island. KATHY WILLENS/AP/FILE PHOTO. 2) A freed Colombian soldier is reunited with his mother. FERNANDO LLANO/AP. MAP: Showing Cambodia. STAFF

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The US

US Rep. Bill Paxon denied participating in a plan to oust House Speaker Newt Gingrich. The New York Republican resigned late last week as chairman of the party's House leadership after press reports implicated him in the incident. There was concern that confusion in GOP ranks could complicate party efforts to reach a tax accord with the White House.

More than 100 Canadian fishing boats surrounded an Alaskan ferry in Prince Rupert, B.C., blocking its departure and demanding progress in a salmon-fishing dispute between the US and Canada. The two nations have been holding talks for months on how to divide Pacific salmon stocks, but failed to reach an accord before the start of the fishing season.

Bell Atlantic and Nynex apparently removed a major hurdle to the second-biggest merger in US history, promising to take steps to make it easier for rivals to compete in local phone markets. Three of four Federal Communications Commissioners reportedly said the pledge clears the way for the \$ 23 billion merger, announced last year. It would create the second-biggest US phone company, controlling lines from Maine to Virginia. President Clinton announced the nomination of Felix Rohatyn as US ambassador to France. Rohatyn retired this year as managing director of Lazard Freres & Co., a New York investment bank. Rohatyn was a key player in restructuring New York City finances during a fiscal crisis in the mid-1970s. He is a big contributor to the Democratic Party.

The Federal Election Commission said it had fined a German businessman \$ 323,000 for numerous illegal political contributions. Thomas Kramer agreed to pay the fine, the largest the FEC has levied against an individual, to settle the case. It involved \$ 322,600 in illegal donations made in 1993 and 1994. The agency also fined the Republican Party of Florida \$ 82,000 for accepting illegal contributions from Kramer. And it sent letters of admonishment to a long list of political candidates - including Democrats - but took no further action against them.

Episcopal Church leaders came within one vote of approving a motion to recognize same-sex marriages. Delegates attending the denomination's annual convention also voted to enforce a 1976 action that provides for

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ordaining and recognizing women priests. Four dioceses have refused to recognize women priests, a church spokesman said.

Some 5,800 auto workers voted to return to work in Pontiac, Mich., after overwhelmingly approving a tentative agreement with General Motors. It calls for GM to add 557 new workers and pay \$ 9.5 million to settle grievances and other demands.

The state of New York sued the Environmental Protection Agency, saying it had failed to address the state's acid-rain problem. The lawsuit says the EPA failed to develop "deposition standards" to regulate emissions from Midwestern factories as required by law. Meanwhile, the American Trucking Associations, the US Chamber of Commerce, the National Coalition of Petroleum Retailers, and three freight firms also filed suit, saying EPA failed to consider the impact its clean-air standards will have on small businesses and had based the standards on "inadequate science."

Hurricane Danny was downgraded to a tropical storm after winds slackened from 75 to 70 m.p.h. It was drifting east across coastal Alabama toward the Florida panhandle, lashing the coast with torrential rains. Some 1,500 people spent Saturday night in shelters set up by the Red Cross in Alabama, where there was at least one storm-related fatality. Danny had come ashore earlier in Louisiana, between Grand Isle and the mouth of the Mississippi.

Clinton said 10 more cities would join an effort to track the sale of illegal guns to young people. Seventeen cities are already sending data on guns seized from juveniles to a computer system that tries to trace the weapons to the sellers for possible prosecution.

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The **Irish Republican Army** began a new ceasefire, after its political ally, Sinn Fein, received assurances that it could take part in peace talks if Britain determines the truce to be genuine. But the move was overshadowed by threats from pro-British Unionists in Northern Ireland to boycott the talks. British Prime Minister Tony Blair was scheduled to meet Ulster Unionist Party officials in London today to try to persuade them to keep negotiating. Irish newspapers reported the IRA planned to rescind the truce after four months if there was no progress in the talks on Northern Ireland's future.

Biljana Plavsic, the Bosnian Serb sub-state president, was expelled from her own political party by supporters of her rival and predecessor, Radovan Karadzic. The Serbian Democratic Party also formally urged her to resign from her post. The board met as NATO peacekeepers and vehicles massed in a show of force near Karadzic's heavily guarded house, although it was not clear whether the indicted war-crimes suspect was home.

Russian space officials were expected to announce that vital repairs on the Mir space station will be carried out by a new crew due to arrive Aug. 7. They said two cosmonauts were training to repair Mir's power supply, which was damaged in a docking accident last month. Meanwhile, the current crew fixed eight of 12 devices that help to steady Mir.

UN officials said they had "irrefutable evidence" that 30 soldiers loyal to ousted Cambodian co-Premier Norodom Randiddh were subjected to beatings, torture, and other atrocities by the forces of rival Hun Sen. Meanwhile, Hun

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Sen rejected a proposal by the Association of Southeast Asian Nations that he again share power, pending new national elections.

Many African heads of state gathered in Congo (formerly Zaire) for a regional development meeting that analysts said was an important show of solidarity for self-appointed President Laurent Kabila. Prominent among those at the one-day session were the leaders of Rwanda and Uganda, who backed Kabila's successful seven-month campaign to overthrow ex-President Mobutu.

Before an estimated 15,000 supporters in Managua, Sandinista leader Daniel Ortega called for a new election to replace Nicaraguan President Arnoldo Aleman. He said Aleman's government policies had caused increased unemployment, poverty, and hunger. Aleman defeated Ortega in last October's presidential election.

Afghanistan's anti-Taliban alliance said it captured a key air base and the town of Charikar, both north of the capital, Kabul. If true, that would put it within rocket range of the capital, controlled by the Taliban Army. An opposition jet dropped bombs near Kabul's airport, killing at least seven people and injuring 12 others, residents said. The alliance is demanding the Taliban disarm and surrender Kabul to a neutral force.

Australian government spokesmen scrambled to limit diplomatic damage from a scathing report on the economies of 15 neighboring countries and the personal habits of some of their senior leaders. The top-secret document was left on a hotel table at a regional conference and found its way to news organizations, which published excerpts. Nauru and the Cook Islands called the 93-page report "inaccurate," "patronizing," and "insulting."

Oil-rich Qatar will proceed with a controversial economic conference in November, even if other Arab states boycott it, Emir Sheikh Hamad bin Khalifa al-Thani said. The Middle East-North Africa summit, scheduled to be held in Doha, the capital, traditionally is attended by Israel. But Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates vowed to stay away if there was no progress in Israeli-Palestinian peace talks. Egypt, Jordan, and Morocco also said they may not go if other Arab states don't attend.

Etceteras

"We had tourists all over the place, with room for a few more. But Danny we didn't want."

- Marina owner Butch Gaspard of Grand Isle, La., on dealing with Hurricane Danny.

Ever wonder what first ladies talk about while their husbands are holding a summit conference? Some insights from Kumiko Hashi-moto, wife of Japan's prime minister: When she and Hil-lary Rodham Clinton met at the White House, she says the latter wanted to discuss childbirth in middle age. In Paris, French President Jacques Chirac's wife, Bernadette, brought up the subject of street sanitation.

Australians must file their income-tax returns by Oct. 31. So the Association of Tax Accountants thought it might be helpful to publish tips on what not to bother claiming as deductions - or, rather, what previous filers tried to claim, only to have them disallowed. Two favorites:

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\* a secretary's costs for dyeing her hair because her boss preferred blondes;

\* an auto mechanic's bid to write off expenses for a guard dog. It was a miniature poodle.

At a hotel in Davenport, Iowa, over the weekend a women's group met for its third annual convention. Nothing unique about that, right? Maybe not, except that every one of those attending - roughly 100 - has the same first name. They're members of LINDA, otherwise known as Lindas Involved in Network Development Association.

## THE DAY'S LIST

## World's Biggest Firms, Based on '96 Revenues

General Motors and Ford have jumped to the top of Fortune Magazine's Global 500 list - the first US companies so ranked since 1995. The 10 largest, their home countries, and 1996 revenues (in billions of US dollars):

1. General Motors, US\$ 168.37
2. Ford, US 146.99
3. Mitsui, Japan 144.94
4. Mitsubishi, Japan 140.20
5. Itochu, Japan 135.54
6. Royal Dutch-Shell Group Britain/Netherlands 128.17
7. Marubeni, Japan 124.03
8. Exxon, US 119.43
9. Sumitomo, Japan 119.28
10. Toyota, Japan 108.70

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PHOTOS: 1)Jamie Weeks of Montgomery, Ala., battles the storm along a beach highway in Gulf Shores, Ala. DAVE MARTIN/AP 2)Supporters cheer Ortega's words. ANITA BACA/AP. MAP: Qatar - STAFF

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Robert Kilborn and Lance Carden

The US

A grand jury in Washington charged a Saudi man with conspiring to kill Americans in Saudi Arabia last year. The one-count indictment of Hani Abdel Rahim Hussein al-Sayegh was part of a deal with the Justice Department in which he agreed to tell what he knows about a bombing that killed 19 Americans at a military housing complex in Dhahran. The indictment said an unnamed terrorist organization paid him for his work.

Baptist leaders voted to boycott the Walt Disney organization and its subsidiaries. The vote by the Southern Baptist Convention, meeting in Dallas, is not binding on the 15 million members of the nation's largest Protestant denomination. The boycott resulted from what church leaders saw as company policies that go too far in accommodating homosexuals. There were signs of discontent with Speaker Newt Gingrich among House Republicans, as a group of conservatives met privately to discuss leadership. Rep. Lindsay Graham (R) of South Carolina, who organized the meeting, said he saw no need for a no-confidence vote, but a review of strategy was needed after a GOP retreat in a showdown over disaster-aid legislation.

There were also tensions between the White House and Senate Democrats. Led by Daniel Patrick Moynihan of New York, Democrats on the Finance Committee rejected administration pleas that they produce an alternative to a tax bill issued by committee chairman William Roth (R) of Delaware. Instead, they worked with Roth on a bipartisan proposal. Democrats reportedly were displeased at not being included in budget-balancing talks between the president and GOP leaders.

Republicans introduced a bill to end affirmative action. In an apparent reply to the president's recent defense of the practice, the GOP measure would bar the US government from discriminating against or granting preference to any individual or group based on race, color, national origin, or gender. A similar measure stalled in the last Congress.

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Owners and players agreed on proposals to repeal aspects of major league baseball's 75-year-old exemption from anti-trust laws, Senate Judiciary Committee chairman Orrin Hatch (R) of Utah said. He said the accord was "a momentous occasion," but details were not released. Repeal would mean baseball would be governed by the same rules as other professional sports, and players would have the same rights. Baseball's minor leagues would not be affected.

A House Interior subcommittee approved a \$ 13 billion bill for land and energy programs in fiscal 1998. The spending level was \$ 100 million less than the Clinton administration requested. The measure would shut down the National Endowment for the Arts and exclude \$ 700 million for land purchases approved in a budget accord between the White House and Congress.

Worker productivity rose by its quickest pace in more than three years, the Labor Department said. It grew in the first quarter at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 2.6 percent, double the 1.3 percent of the previous quarter.

General Motors and the United Auto Workers reached a tentative accord on a new contract at a key parts plant near Milwaukee, averting a threatened strike. Details were not released, pending a ratification vote later this week. The plant produces catalytic converters used on virtually all GM cars and trucks made in North America.

More than 200 Holocaust survivors who were US citizens at that time of their persecution may be eligible for reparations from Germany, the US Foreign Claims Settlement Commission said. Congress authorized the agency to rule on individual claims after Germany agreed in 1995 to pay reparations to certain US Holocaust victims.

An election in Washington State appeared to be tipping in favor of a proposal to build a new \$ 425 million football stadium for the Seattle Seahawks. With 90 percent of the votes counted, officials said 51 percent favored the project and 49 percent opposed it. Billionaire Microsoft cofounder Paul Allen paid for the election and has an option to purchase the team.

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Notorious Khmer Rouge leader Pol Pot surrendered to members of his own guerrilla group who had turned against him, according to reports from Cambodia's capital, Phnom Penh. An Army spokesman said the guerrillas planned to hold him for trial before an international tribunal for his role in the genocide of 1975-79. There was no word on Pol Pot's whereabouts. He was believed to have been on the run in the country's northern jungle.

Cambodia's co-premiers accused each other of assassination plots after a shootout between their security guards in Phnom Penh left at least two people dead. Although Prince Norodom Ranariddh and Hun Sen are coalition partners, they remain bitter rivals for power and are competing for the support of thousands of defectors from the Khmer Rouge guerrilla movement.

Turkish Prime Minister Necmettin Erbakan handed his resignation to President Suleyman Demirel, news agencies in Ankara reported. Erbakan's coalition partner, Tansu Ciller, said she had enough support in parliament to form a new government, but it was not certain Demirel would designate her as prime minister.

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Concern mounted in Hong Kong that the July 1 handover of authority by Britain could turn ugly if democracy activists carried out a vow to occupy the chamber where a new Beijing-appointed legislature is to be sworn in. The Democratic Party said some of its followers would make speeches there in support of political pluralism. It threatened "radical" action if the delegation was obstructed.

Japan's surplus with its trading partners grew by more than 200 percent in May - and by 93 percent with the US alone - over the same period last year, the finance ministry announced. Analysts said the news was not likely to be welcomed by the leaders of other countries attending the G7 summit this weekend in Denver. But they doubted that the issue would lead to a confrontation with Prime Minister Hashimoto.

In a rare public declaration, North Korea's defense ministry accused the US and rival South Korea of preparing for a "final battle" while professing to seek peace. The statement, carried by Pyongyang's official news agency, said fighting "is about to break out" while the North is weakened by food shortages. Analysts said the North's language was unusually strong, even by daily propaganda standards.

The executions of two Protestant policemen by the ***Irish Republican Army*** were a "slap in the face" to campaigners for peace in Northern Ireland, the leader of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland said. At the funeral for one of the victims, the Rev. Sam Hutchinson said their deaths undermined the faith of "people of goodwill" that there was any point in trying to bring Sinn Fein, the IRA's political ally, into talks on Northern Ireland's future.

US Ambassador Aubrey Hooks left the Congo Republic despite a new truce, warning that "the situation remains fragile and tense." The State Department said the US Embassy in Brazzaville no longer could be protected. The capital was reported calm with the truce in effect. But it is due to expire tomorrow when the last French troops withdraw, having completed the evacuation of thousands of foreigners.

Refugees were reported streaming out of western Ugan-da as fighting erupted between government troops and a force of rebels and Hutu militiamen. The Army confirmed the clashes near Bundibugyo, 300 miles west of the capital, Kampala, but withheld all other details. Uganda has accused ousted President Mobu-tu Sese Seko of the former Zaire (now known as Congo) of financing the rebel movement.

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"Well done . . . well deserved . . . and it's about time."

- Army Secretary Togo West, at ceremonies making Claudia Kennedy the nation's first ***female*** three-star general.

Environmental protection took on a whole new meaning in central Massachusetts when a snapping turtle crawled up to the front door of a US Fish and Wildlife Service office, dug a hole in the earth, laid her eggs in it, and left. Biologists put up stakes to keep the area from being disturbed by groundskeepers, because snappers don't guard their nests. If the eggs aren't found by hungry raccoons or skunks first, the biologists say they should hatch about Sept. 1.

Perhaps on the grounds that past customers hadn't been given enough of a break, two glass company representatives in New York chose an uncoventional method of drumming up additional business, police said. The

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two were indicted for an alleged smashing spree in which they used slingshots and hammers. Their targets: trendy Manhattan shops that already had contracts with the company to replace broken display windows.

Heard about the purebred golden retriever that won the title of Most Obedient Dog in the US? At a trial in St. Louis sponsored by the American Kennel Club, he prevailed over 89 other competitors by carrying out various commands precisely - without acting up once. The animal's name: Naughty.

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## How US Public Opinion Ranks New immigrants

Cubans were the least favorably regarded of recent immigrant groups in a nationwide poll of 1,314 US residents - all of them citizens since at least 1980. It was conducted in May for Knight-Ridder newspapers by Princeton Survey Research Associates, with a margin of error of plus or minus 3 percent. The results, according to the percentage of respondents expressing a negative opinion of immigrants from the following places:

Europe 12%

Japan 18%

Africa 18%

China 19%

Caribbean islands 29%

Middle East 30%

Mexico 34%

Cuba 35%

- Associated Press

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PHOTOS: 1) Billionaire Microsoft cofounder Paul Allen (r.) jams on guitar during an election-night party. Allen paid for the election and has an option to purchase the team. ELAINE THOMPSON/AP. 2) Government troops set up a machine gun amid the fighting. RICHARD VOGEL/AP. MAP: Uganda - STAFF

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The US

The US government wants to send Joe Camel packing. The FTC charged cigarette maker R.J. Reynolds with unfair ad practices, saying the camel cartoon aims to entice children to smoke and should be banned. RJR denied the claim. The move now goes before a judge and could take up to a year.

The Oklahoma City bombing trial was handed over to the jury after closing arguments. Many observers said the paucity of evidence presented by the defense hints at a guilty verdict.

Residents in Jarrell, Texas, continued to clean up tornado damage. Officials accounted for all missing people and put the death toll at 28. The Red Cross number for callers to offer assistance is: 1-800-HELP-NOW. The Chicago Bulls beat the Miami Heat in Chicago, 100-87, grabbing the Eastern Conference title. Michael Jordan had 15 points in the first quarter alone. Heading into last night's game in Houston, Utah led Houston, 3-2, in the best-of-seven Western series.

Canada released three of four US fishing boats it detained. But the US still won't discuss a pact to divide northwest salmon stocks. It first wants Canada to stop detaining boats and show that it's ready to deal. Canada has accused US fishermen of overfishing the salmon, which travel through Alaskan waters into Canadian waters.

Alaska's Gov. Tony Knowles signed into law a \$ 1-per-pack tax on cigarettes - the nation's highest. He said the price will discourage smoking by kids. It goes into effect in October.

Americans' charitable giving is growing. It totaled \$ 150.7 billion in 1996, up 7.3 percent from 1995, says the American Association of Fund-Raising Counsel. The booming economy is seen as the main reason.

There's no word on why Air Force Pilot Amy Lynn Svoboda's A-10 attack plane crashed at a remote training base in Arizona. It was the second A-10 crash in two months. She couldn't eject before the plane went down.

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Five Army trainees testified they had sex with drill Sgt. Vernell Robinson Jr. at the Aberdeen Proving Ground in Maryland. They said he told them to keep quiet about it. He is charged with sexual misconduct and interfering with the investigation against him. Twelve staff members were charged in the investigation.

Two top officials defended the military's gender and sex standards. Defense Secretary William Cohen said prohibitions against adultery and some sex are needed for discipline. Gen. William Hartzog, head of the Army's training command, said recent sex scandals at training camps stem from "a few bad apples," not a flawed system.

No lipstick, close-cropped hair, unlocked barracks: Those are some of the rules for 32 women accepted into Roanoke's Virginia Military Institute, according to an outline filed in federal court. Last year, the Supreme Court said the school can't receive state funding while barring women.

The number of charter schools in the US has doubled every year since 1992, when the first one opened, an Education Department study said. There were 252 of the publicly funded but largely independent schools in the 1995-96 school year. Small classes are the norm, and average enrollment was 275.

Former Miami city manager Cesar Odio pleaded guilty to telling an underling to lie to cover up alleged kickbacks. In return, prosecutors dropped charges that could have resulted in a 35-year prison sentence. The case led to discovery of a \$ 68 million shortfall caused by years of corruption.

Don't disconnect your car's air bags, says a major air bag maker. TRW Inc. is making the pitch as officials get ready to allow owners the option. Sixty six deaths have been attributed to air bags, although officials say they've also saved 1,800 lives.

## The World

President Clinton, backing British Prime Minister Tony Blair, called on the Irish Republican Army to lay down its arms during a joint news conference in London with his counterpart. He also reached out to the new government in Tehran, saying the US's 18-year estrangement with Iran can come to an end if the country abandons its support for terrorism.

Laurent Kabila was sworn in as president of Congo in the capital, Kinshasa. He gave himself sweeping powers that include ruling by decree and the right to hire and fire state workers at will. Kabila also set up three branches of government - executive, legislative, and a nominally independent judiciary - until democratic elections are held in two years.

With only 6.5 percent of the votes counted in Indonesia's parliamentary elections, the Golkar Party was headed for an overwhelming victory, analysts said. The Muslim-oriented United Development Party and the Indonesian Democratic Party had received little support in early tallies. They were the only other parties permitted by the government to run in the tightly controlled race.



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Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu denied Israeli news reports that he plans to offer the Palestinians less than 40 percent of the West Bank in talks on a permanent peace pact. Haaretz newspaper said the plan would give the Palestinians no land link between the northern and southern parts of their territory in the West Bank. The Palestinians now control 27 percent of the West Bank. Israel also plans to set aside \$ 16.5 million for further development of Jewish settlements, the Treasury Department said.

Nigeria sent hundreds of troops to Sierra Leone to increase pressure on the leaders of a military coup to surrender. The troops will bolster other Nigerians stationed outside the capital, Freetown, since 1994. The UN hoped to start flying its workers out of the country, and Lebanon evacuated 242 Lebanese women and children. Sunday's coup was Sierra Leone's third in five years.

French markets dropped to a three-month low against the deutsche mark Wednesday on fears that the opposition left might win Sunday's runoff vote. Socially minded Gaullist Philippe Seguin, the outgoing National Assembly Speaker and a favorite among French voters, has emerged as the man to succeed outgoing Prime Minister Alain Juppe if the right wins the vote. Some 1,183 candidates will contest runoffs in 565 of France's 577 National Assembly constituencies in the second round of elections.

Opposition factions attacked the Taliban army in northeastern and central Afghanistan, and scores of soldiers were killed or wounded in a battle north of Kabul. The Taliban also began peace talks with opponents in Mazar-i-Sharif, where the Taliban was recently driven out, the Pakistani Foreign Ministry said.

Two Somali factions announced a cease-fire in Cairo after meeting with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak. Hussein Aidid and Ali Mahdi Mohamed said they would invite other factions to begin reconciliation talks to end Somalia's civil war, which began in 1991. Two previous cease-fire agreements between the two leaders broke down in clan fighting.

Papua New Guinea unveiled a plan to peacefully end a nine-year secessionist rebellion on Bougainville Island. The strategy includes negotiations with the rebels, increasing Bougainvilleans' control of their own affairs, and efforts for peacekeeping operations for the Papua New Guinea military on the island. Thousands have been killed in the South Pacific conflict.

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"There are some who now suggest that the military is preaching Victorian values in the Age of Aquarius... They would have the military define decency down."

- Defense Secretary William Cohen at the Air Force Academy's graduation, saying high standards are critical in wartime.

Rush-hour commuters in suburban Detroit got a break from the monotony when an armored truck spilled as much as \$ 600,000 onto a freeway. Some commuters helped pick up the cash when police officers closed the highway for 1-1/2 hours to cleanup. But others couldn't resist the finders-keepers rule: Authorities believe one man took off with as much as \$ 20,000 in \$ 20 bills.

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A garbage truck in historic Bristol, Vt., has extra horsepower to get the job done. Selectmen voted to approve a horse-drawn wagon to cover the eight-mile garbage route. Officials say it will add to the community's friendly, small-town image. The driver plans to carry a shovel to pick up after Luke and Zack, too.

Here's some food for thought. The University of Michigan in Ann Arbor plans to recycle food students don't eat instead of sending the leftovers to a landfill. As much as 130 tons of food from dormitory kitchens per year will be added to yard compost piles.

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## Polysyllabic Stumblers in National Spelling Bee

Some 245 fourth-through-ninth-graders participated in the National Spelling Bee in Washington. Here are some of the tough words - with Webster's definitions added - that knocked 129 students out of the first round.

crambo: cabbage repeatedly served

ginglymus: a hinge joint allowing motion in one plane only

grissino: a long, slender, crusty bread stick

hebetude: the condition of being dull and lethargic

lacteal: of or like milk, milky

lapideous: stony

mucilaginous: slimy, sticky

myrmecologist: one who studies the science of ants

polyphagism: feeding on a variety of plants or animals

ratiocinate: to reckon, deliberate, consider

thesmothete: one who lays down

xylophagous: eating, boring into, or destroying wood

- Associated Press

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PHOTOS: 1) Michael Jordan had 15 points in the first quarter alone. MICHAEL CONROY/AP. 2) A Muslim woman votes at a polling station in the village of Pondok Aren, West Java. ANAT GIVON/AP. MAP: Showing papua New Guinea. STAFF

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The US

Having found Timothy McVeigh guilty, jurors in the Oklahoma City bombing case must now decide, in a hearing slated to begin today, whether he should be executed for the April 19, 1995, attack that killed 168 people. Still to face trial is Terry Nichols, McVeigh's alleged accomplice.

President Clinton was to meet with congressional leaders to discuss health issues in their balanced-budget accord. The House is to vote this week on a GOP Medicare plan that includes tax-free medical savings accounts that White House officials say would undermine medical insurance for the elderly. The blueprint for balancing the budget by 2002 is expected to win final congressional approval this week. Details will have to be fleshed out in legislation.

The Senate was to continue debating a GOP comp-time bill that would give private-sector workers a choice between time off and overtime when they work more than 40 hours a week. Republicans say it offers workers a chance to get more time off without losing money. Democrats and organized labor say it will not protect workers from exploitation and will undermine the 40-hour work week. A key gauge of economic activity posted its first drop in more than a year during April, the Conference Board said. The index of leading indicators, which is supposed to forecast economic trends six to nine months ahead, fell by 0.1 percent in April. This was its first decline since a 0.7 percent fall in January 1996. It posted a revised 0.2 percent rise in March. Six of the 10 indicators weakened in April, a sign of potentially slower growth in coming months.

The Justice Department's antitrust division is investigating the fine-art auction industry for "possible anticompetitive practices," a spokeswoman confirmed. The possibility that dealers illegally were agreeing not to engage in bidding wars has long been rumored in the art world. The New York Times reported that telephone bills, invoices, and other records of two dozen art dealers and the auction houses Sotheby's and Christie's have been subpoenaed.

The number of international tourists visiting the US hit an all-time high in 1996, the Commerce Department said. About 46.3 million visited last year - up 7 percent from 1995. Last year's surge followed three years of decline, a tourism office said. It attributed the increase in part to improving economies in Canada and Mexico. More than 15 million Canadians and nearly 9 million Mexicans visited the US in 1996.

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Rep. Dan Burton (R) of Indiana apparently is seeking special access to income tax records of Democratic Party officials and donors. Burton heads the House campaign-finance inquiry. A GOP draft resolution, obtained by The Associated Press, would allow him to seek "any tax-return information" for the years 1990 to 1997 on "individuals and entities" under investigation by his committee. Rep. Henry Waxman (D) of Calif. said this would constitute "an egregious infringement on civil liberties."

**Women's** Army Corps veterans lashed out at a decision to shut down the WAC Museum, a collection of artifacts and archives on exhibit at Fort McClellan, Ala., since 1955. The Army says it intends to reassemble the museum at another base. But veterans said they doubt the Army will take the trouble and invest sufficient money to duplicate the quality of the present exhibits. The Army is abandoning Fort McClellan.

Another court-martial opened at Maryland's Aberdeen Proving Ground. Staff Sgt. Wayne Gamble was expected to plead guilty to some of 32 misconduct charges involving 14 **female** trainees. He is the fourth soldier to be tried since the Aberdeen scandal began. Also, the Army said the commander of the base, Gen. John Longhouser, would retire effective June 30. The New York Times, citing unidentified Pentagon officials, reported that the decision was driven by an affair Longhouser allegedly had with a civilian while separated from his wife in the early 1990s.

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Citing "extreme tension" in the capital, Algeria's military-backed government closed schools until after tomorrow's national election. Algiers residents also were urged to report suspicious vehicles and packages in the wake of four more terrorist bombings that killed or injured 144 people since last week. Thousands of troops were expected to guard polling stations against violence by Muslim fundamentalists.

Canada's Liberal Party eked out a victory in national elections that Prime Minister Chretien chose to call 1-1/2 years early. The Liberals' majority in Parliament, however, fell from 174 seats to 155, and Chretien barely won reelection from his own district in Quebec. Analysts said Chretien "ought to have won decisively" and suggested that pressure is building for him to step down and turn power over to Finance Minister Paul Martin.

France's new Socialist prime minister assumed the powers of office. But Lionel Jospin quickly ran into logistical complications as Communist Party leaders sought key concessions in exchange for backing his government's agenda in parliament and trade unions pressed for an increase in the national minimum wage, plus a pledge to end the selloff of government-owned industries to the private sector.

Less than \$ 3.5 million in assets of former Zairean President Mobutu, his relatives, or associates were found in Swiss banks, officials in Geneva said. A search for the assets was ordered by the Swiss government at the request of prosecutors in Zaire, now known as Congo. They alleged Mobutu had \$ 7.7 billion in Swiss holdings. Regulators said returning Mobutu assets to his country's new government "could take years" under Swiss law.

Negotiations on the future of Northern Ireland resumed after a six-week lull - still minus Sinn Fein, the political ally of the **Irish Republican Army**. Britain's new Labour government ruled out a seat at the talks for Sinn Fein until the IRA declares a "meaningful, unequivocal cease-fire."

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Hundreds of Aung San Suu Kyi's followers were freed by Burma's military junta - two weeks after being detained to keep them from attending a convention of her National League for Democracy. The Nobel Peace Prize-winner was accused of "intending to incite unrest and upheaval" in calling the meeting at almost the same time Burma was being considered for membership in the Association of Southeast Asian Nations.

Bosnian Serb leader Biljana Plavsic rejected any handover of wartime president Radovan Karadzic to the UN war crimes tribunal in The Hague. She said the constitution of the self-styled Serb minstate bans extradition and that the arrests of Karadzic and military commander Ratko Mladic - both indicted by the tribunal - could "destroy all the hard work on realization of the Dayton peace accord." Secretary of State Albright pressed for Karadzic's extradition last weekend during a tour of the Balkans.

Israel's opposition Labor Party was expected to choose ex-military chief Ehud Barak as its new leader to succeed former Prime Minister Shimon Peres. Barak's chief rival was party veteran Yossi Beilin. The winner will lead Labor against Prime Minister Netanyahu in the 2000 elections - sooner if Netanyahu's tenuous coalition unravels.

Civilians in Sierra Leone's capital sought new shelter after fighting between rebel troops and forces from Nigeria drove them from the hotel where they had awaited evacuation. A brief halt in the battle for Freetown was arranged by the Red Cross so the civilians could leave safely. The airlift resumed, and it was unclear how much longer the Nigerians would continue their offensive.

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"I believe the opportunity exists for substantial and substantive progress . . . . That's why I've come back."

- Former US Sen. George Mitchell, as talks on the future of Northern Ireland (which he chairs) resumed in Belfast.

Oregon State University students had mixed emotions over their failed bid to make the Guinness Book of World Records. Kiss Off '97 was supposed to draw 1,500 couples who would engage in simultaneous lip-lock. That would have broken the existing mark of 1,420. But it rained, and only 160 couples showed up. Said one participant: Any excuse to kiss in public was fine with him. Another lamented: "It's not like I'm going to get into the book by climbing mountains or something."

As an ex-marine with a reputation for brusqueness, Georgia Gov. Zell Miller normally isn't one to back down from a challenge. But he allowed himself to be talked out of a plan to telephone high school dropouts and urge them to resume their education. Advisers said "I shouldn't do it," he admitted. "They think it would be all right - for a nicer governor."

In its relentless - uh - drive to advance on the research front, Ohio State University plans to unveil a fully automated fleet of cars this summer. Three modified Honda Accords will be part of a demonstration in southern California. Each will be steered by computers and radar, although a human will be aboard, too - just in case.

The Day's List

## US Rated World's Most Competitive Economy

The International Institute for Management Development, a business school in Switzerland, bases its competitiveness ratings on a wide range of government and financial statistics, as well as questionnaires returned by numerous executives. The institute's latest ranking of the top dozen economies:

1. US
2. Singapore
3. Hong Kong
4. Finland
5. Norway
6. Netherlands
7. Switzerland
8. Denmark
9. Japan
10. Canada
11. Britain
12. Luxembourg

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PHOTOS: 1) 1) Pedestrians pass a national-debt counter in Providence, R.I., which is touring the country. It currently rises at a rate of \$8,900 a second. MATT YORK/AP. 2) The Liberals' majority in Parliament, however, fell

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from 174 seats to 155, and Chretien (above) barely won reelection from his own district in Quebec. PAUL CHIASSON/AP. MAP: Showing Sierra Leone. STAFF

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This guide includes "family films," potential blockbusters, and movies that might interest young people. Only films with G ratings are tagged as all-family fare by Hollywood. Most have stronger MPAA ratings that call for extra alertness from parents. The Family Movie Guide and the Monitor's more-comprehensive Freeze Frames movie guide appear on alternate Fridays.

Star ratings from Monitor film critic David Sterritt precede the film credits. Those from a staff panel of at least three viewers follow the credits. Our ratings indicate the overall quality of movies, not their suitability for children.

o Forget It

\* Poor

\*\* Fair

\*\*\* Good\*\*\*\* Excellent

Shiloh [PG]

\*\*\* Directed by Dale Rosenbloom. With Blake Heron, Scott Wilson, Michael Moriarty. Running time: 93 minutes.

**PLOT** A country boy steals a mistreated dog from its hard-boiled owner, keeping this a secret from his financially strapped and morally upright parents.

**MESSAGE** Some ethical dilemmas defy clear right-and-wrong answers, but simple compassion is always a good policy.

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SEx/PROFANITY None.

VIOLENCE A small amount of violence aimed at the dog and the boy, depicted in a very mild way.

DRUGS/ALCOHOL The mean-spirited dog owner drinks beer.

Warriors of Virtue [PG]

\* Directed by Ronnie Yu. With Angus McFadyen, Mario Yedidia. Running time: 102 minutes.

PLOT Taunted by bullies, a boy is magically transported to a legendary realm where a struggle between good and evil may be swayed by lore contained in a mysterious book.

MESSAGE One should cultivate skill and maturity in accord with accepted wisdom rather than peer pressure.

SEX A little innuendo.

VIOLENCE A great deal of action-movie violence, sometimes stylized but usually very aggressive.

PROFANITY Vulgar words and expressions.

DRUGS/ALCOHOL None.

Anaconda [PG-13]

Directed by Luis Llosa. With John Voight, Eric Stoltz, Jennifer Lopez, Ice Cube. Running time: 100 minutes. \*\*

PLOT Documentary filmmakers enter the South American jungles in search of native tribes but run into a snake hunter who uses filmmakers' resources to hunt for man-killing 40-foot anacondas.

MESSAGE The quest for money corrupts, but evil is eventually destroyed by evil.

SEX A mild amount of sex talk.

VIOLENCE 20 scenes that range from the snake hunter strangling a woman between his legs to a man being squeezed to death by a snake.

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PROFANITY 27 instances, mostly the mild variety.

DRUGS/ALCOHOL Some drinking and smoking.

Anna Karenina [PG-13]

\*\*\* Directed by Bernard Rose. With Sophie Marceau, Alfred Molina, Mia Kirshner, Sean Bean, James Fox. Running time: 110 minutes. \*\*\*

PLOT Two intertwined love affairs take place in 19th-century Russia: one between a married woman and a handsome military officer, which brings tragedy to all concerned, and another between a ditsy princess and a thoughtful but insecure aristocrat.

MESSAGE Human experience is often a tumultuous mixture of satisfaction and frustration, and solidly grounded morality is necessary for things to turn out well in the end.

SEX Some strongly suggested sexual activity with a small amount of nudity.

VIOLENCE Some violence including a tragic railroad accident and a suicide at the climax.

PROFANITY Some vulgar expressions.

DRUGS/ALCOHOL Drinking, in keeping with the historical period.

Austin Powers [PG-13]

Directed by Jay Roach. With Mike Myers, Elizabeth Hurley, Robert Wagner. Running time: 97 minutes. \*\*

PLOT A spy who was frozen in the '60s thaws out 30 years later and discovers that his swingin' ways and groovy outfits are out of sync in the '90s.

MESSAGE In the '60s, people expressed their freedom, but sometimes it went too far. Today, we have the best of both worlds - freedom with responsibility.

SEX Almost every scene has a reference to sex and there are many scenes with partial nudity.

VIOLENCE Many scenes with shooting and killing - much of it for laughs, but unnecessary.

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PROFANITY Lots of crude bathroom humor.

DRUGS/ALCOHOL None.

The Fifth Element [PG-13]

\*\* Directed by Luc Besson. With Bruce Willis, Gary Oldman, Ian Holm, Milla Jovovich. Running time: 113 minutes.

PLOT A few hundred years in the future, a cabdriver helps a mysterious woman fulfill her destiny of saving the world from extraterrestrial doom.

MESSAGE Good can defeat evil, but a lot of violence and skulduggery may be needed to do it.

SEX Nudity; a little sexual activity.

VIOLENCE A great deal of science-fiction violence, much of it quite flamboyant and enhanced with special effects.

PROFANITY Four-letter words and other vulgarities.

DRUGS/ALCOHOL Drinking.

Liar Liar [PG-13]

\*\* Directed by Tom Shadyac. With Jim Carrey, Justin Cooper, Jennifer Tilly. Running time: 86 minutes. \*\*\*

PLOT A fast-talking attorney runs into personal and professional trouble when his little boy makes a birthday wish that he won't be able to lie for 24 hours.

MESSAGE Honesty is the best policy, although it may cause problems when a situation calls for diplomacy.

SEX A large amount of innuendo, sex-related dialogue, and a tape recording of sexual activity.

VIOLENCE Some cartoonish violence.

PROFANITY Four-letter words and other vulgarities.

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DRUGS/ALCOHOL Drinking.

The Saint [PG-13]

\*\* Directed by Phillip Noyce. With Val Kilmer, Elisabeth Shue, Rade Serbedzija. Running time: 110 minutes. \*\*

PLOT A hero with many disguises thwarts a nasty Russian schemer trying to capture a gifted American scientist who thinks she's discovered a phenomenal new energy source.

MESSAGE Inner satisfaction comes more from understanding oneself than from triumphing over shady enemies.

SEX Mildly explicit sexual activity.

VIOLENCE About 12 scenes of action-movie fighting, shootings, and killings.

PROFANITY Five instances, mostly the harsh type.

DRUGS/ALCOHOL Drinking; one instance of cocaine use.

Breakdown [R]

Directed by Pat Jonathan Mostow. With Kurt Russell, Kathleen Quinlan, J.T. Walsh. Running time: 105 minutes. \*\*\*

PLOT A couple runs into trouble when their car breaks down on an empty stretch of desert road.

MESSAGE Beware of strangers and accepting their help. However, dogged determination can rescue a seemingly hopeless situation.

SEX None.

VIOLENCE A couple of brief shootouts and fistfights.

PROFANITY Some bad language, but nothing overly offensive or excessive.

DRUGS/ALCOHOL None.

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## The Devil's Own [R]

\*\* Directed by Alan J. Pakula. With Brad Pitt, Harrison Ford, Margaret Colin. Running time: 110 minutes. \*\*

**PLOT** A member of the ***Irish Republican Army*** comes to New York and moves into the home of an Irish-American police officer, who doesn't know his guest is assembling a deal to buy heavy weaponry for his organization.

**MESSAGE** Moral issues and personal relationships can grow very complex when people close to each other are pursuing different goals that they strongly believe in.

**SEX** None.

**VIOLENCE** At least 10 major scenes of extreme and often gruesome violence.

**PROFANITY** At least 39 instances.

**DRUGS/ALCOHOL** A good deal of drinking.

## 8 Heads in a Duffel Bag [R]

\* Directed by Tom Schulman. With Joe Pesci, Andy Comeau, David Spade. Running time: 93 minutes. \*

**PLOT** A hit man chases a medical student who accidentally picked up the grisly package he was delivering to a mob chief.

**MESSAGE** Idiotic people can be found in all walks of life.

**SEX** Some sexual activity played for laughs.

**VIOLENCE** Fighting, shooting, torture, and killing, much of it played for laughs; much slapstick humor revolving around severed heads; and the story begins with a horrible massacre, not shown but strongly suggested.

**PROFANITY** Many four-letter words and vulgarities.

**DRUGS/ALCOHOL** Much drinking; a secondary character is an alcoholic.

## Murder at 1600 [R]

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\*\* Directed by Dwight Little. With Wesley Snipes, Diane Lane, Alan Alda. Running time: 108 minutes. \*\*\*

**PLOT** A homicide cop tries to find out who murdered a young woman after a sexual rendezvous in the White House, and gets temporarily stymied when government insiders block his path.

**MESSAGE** Washington skulduggery runs frighteningly deep, but honest investigation can uncover and correct it.

**SEX** A very explicit sex scene.

**VIOLENCE** Much fighting, shooting, and killing.

**PROFANITY** Many four-letter words and vulgarities.

**DRUGS/ALCOHOL** Drinking.

Paradise Road [R]

\*\* Directed by Bruce Beresford. With Glenn Close, Frances McDormand, Pauline Collins, Cate Blanchett, Julianna Margulies. Running time: 120 minutes. \*\*

**PLOT** Held in a brutal prison camp during World War II, a group of women lift their spirits by forming a "vocal orchestra" that sings great musical works re-created from memory.

**MESSAGE** Musical inspiration can help people survive the most horrible ordeals.

**SEX** Dialogue about sex and sexual violence; nudity in nonsexual contexts.

**VIOLENCE** Scenes of wartime destruction, including the sinking of a crowded ship, and harrowing prison-camp violence including beatings, torture, and a person being burned alive.

**PROFANITY** A few four-letter words.

**DRUGS/ALCOHOL** Some drinking.

Romy and Michele's High School Reunion [R]

Directed by David Mirkin. With Mira Sorvino, Lisa Kudrow, Janeane Garofalo. Running time: 101 minutes. \*\*

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**PLOT** Two bubble-headed slackers try to show they've made something of their lives at their 10th high school reunion.

**MESSAGE** Being popular in high school doesn't always guarantee success in life; sometimes appearances can be deceiving.

**SEX** Mild talk about sex; no nudity.

**VIOLENCE** None.

**PROFANITY** Some vulgarities.

**DRUGS/ALCOHOL** Some drinking; one character is constantly smoking cigarettes.

Volcano [R]

Directed by Mick Jackson. With Tommy Lee Jones, Anne Heche. Running time: 105 minutes. \*\*

**PLOT** Plates beneath Los Angeles crack and a volcano erupts; an emergency city director and a geology expert are forced to save the city.

**MESSAGE** Perseverance in the face of grave danger will end in success, and extreme situations bring out the heroes in all of us.

**SEX** None.

**VIOLENCE** Most of the violence is caused by natural disaster. For example, seven city workers are burned to death in a tunnel and one geologist burns and falls into a fiery fissure.

**PROFANITY** 44 instances, mostly the mild variety.

**DRUGS/ALCOHOL** Hospital scenes; two instances of cigarettes.

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PHOTO: 'SHILOH': A country boy (Blake Heron) steals a mistreated dog from its mean-spirited owner and keeps this a secret from his morally upright parents. GOOD DOG PRODUCTIONS

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### **Body**

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The US

President Clinton planned to unveil two proposals to help foster more volunteering in the US. He wants another 50,000 scholarships for AmeriCorps workers over the next five years by spending less per participant in his national program. Corporations would help to pay the difference. And he wants \$ 20 million in federal grants for a program where students could work as police officers for four years in exchange for college tuition.

A militant separatist group holed up in a west Texas mountain compound swapped two hostages for its chief of security, who was arrested earlier on weapons charges. FBI agents are camped outside the site where the self-styled Republic of Texas is holed up. The group is demanding a referendum to allow the state's citizens to vote on being an independent nation.

More than two-thirds of Grand Forks, N.D., was opened to evacuees who wanted to assess damage. And banks, grocery stores, motels, and a bridge between the town and neighboring East Grand Forks, Minn., opened. The Red River has fallen six feet since cresting in the town more than a week ago, and the crest has moved into Canada. States can bar political candidates from appearing on an election ballot under more than one party banner, the US Supreme Court ruled. The decision was seen as a blow to independent candidates and minor parties. The court also left intact Baltimore's bans on billboard ads for cigarettes and alcoholic beverages. The justices turned away, without comment, the arguments that the bans violate free-speech rights.

Two other high court rulings affect police forces nationwide. Police armed with warrants to search for drugs cannot always enter homes without announcing themselves, the justices ruled, adding they must be able to show they had a reason to believe a suspect would be dangerous or destroy evidence if alerted to the raid. The court also set aside an \$ 818,000 award against an Oklahoma county, sending the message that local governments should be less vulnerable to lawsuits over excessive force used by their police departments.

Sales of new homes fell slightly in March by 2.5 percent, the Commerce Department reported. Also, February sales were revised to a 1.1 percent gain - the strongest sales pace since April 1986.

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Jurors resumed deliberations in the trial of a former Army drill instructor charged with raping six women at the Aberdeen Proving Ground in Maryland. Delmar Simpson could get life in prison if convicted on even one rape charge.

Former Los Angeles police detective Mark Fuhrman headed an antifemale police group in the 1980s, the New York Daily News reported. It said he was the "Grand Dragon" in "Men Against Women," an all-male club of officers that reportedly ostracized policewomen in an attempt to drive them from the force. Fuhrman mentioned the club during a taped interview that was used in the O.J. Simpson murder trial.

Road violence rose by 51 percent from 1990 to 1995, according to a report by the American Automobile Association for Traffic Safety. Of 1,037 recorded violent clashes, 218 led to deaths, the report said.

Fifty-one teens head to Washington this week to express their views on youth-related issues. The students were selected from a field of thousands who entered a letter-writing contest on national public policy issues. They will meet with members of Congress as part of the RespecTeen National Youth Forum.

The A-10 Thunderbolt warplane that crashed into a Colorado mountainside was piloted by Capt. Craig Button, the Air Force determined. DNA testing of human remains found near the plane identified the pilot.

## The World

Aid workers located thousands of Rwandan Hutus who had fled refugee camps in eastern Zaire, the UN said. It said a trainload of food was ready to be sent to them. Zairean rebel leader Laurent Kabila gave aid agencies two months to find and repatriate all Rwandan Hutu refugees - a deadline that workers said they considered impossible to meet. Meanwhile, the UN accused Kabila's rebels of dragging 50 Rwandan children from a hospital over the weekend. The childrens' whereabouts were not known, the UN said. Meanwhile, US Ambassador to the UN Bill Richardson arrived in Zaire for talks with President Mobutu and with Kabila.

With three days remaining until Britain's elections, a new poll showed the opposition Labour Party holding a 19-point lead over Prime Minister John Major's Conservatives. Major attacked Labour's plans for returning some legislative responsibilities to elected assemblies in Scotland and Wales. Labour leader Tony Blair criticized Irish Republican Army efforts to disrupt the election and vowed that, if elected, his government would not bow to guerrilla violence.

New Indian Prime Minister Gujral's government was threatened by a decision by federal investigators to prosecute senior leaders of his United Front coalition for the alleged theft of \$ 138 million from a state treasury, reports from New Delhi said. The reports said it could take up to three weeks for formal charges to be filed.

A government crackdown against Islamic education in Turkey is not proceeding fast enough to suit the country's military, published reports said. The reports followed the resignations of two Cabinet ministers because of Prime Minister Erbakan's reluctance to comply with armed forces' demands to curb Islamic activism. Erbakan did, however, win a vow of continued support from his coalition partner and predecessor, Tansu Ciller.

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The Bank of Japan surprised financial analysts by failing to intervene as the US dollar traded as high as 127.10 against the yen. It later fell back to 126.75. Concern was raised after finance ministers and central bank governors from the G-7 countries issued no forceful statement about the issue. Meeting in Washington, they said only that "excess volatility" in currency trading was undesirable. Analysts said that view opened the door for the dollar to hit 130 against the yen, a level not seen since early 1992.

Kidnappers in the breakaway region of Chechnya will be executed publicly if caught, President Aslan Maskhadov vowed. Kidnappings - mostly for ransom - lead a wave of lawlessness that has swept Chechnya since its war with Russia ended last year. Two Russian journalists and an Italian were freed earlier this month, but four other Russians and the son of the late Georgian President Zviad Gamsakhurdia remain in captors' hands.

One of four black South Africans convicted of murdering an American student applied for amnesty from the country's Truth and Reconciliation Commission. Mongezi Manquina was jailed for 18 years in the 1993 slaying of Amy Biehl of Newport Beach, Calif., who was mistaken for a white settler while researching women's rights. Similar applications were expected from Manquina's codefendants. The panel can pardon apartheid-related crimes if those convicted admit to having political motives.

The release of 85 Moroccans held prisoner in the dispute over Western Sahara was announced by former Secretary of State James Baker. Baker, now a UN special envoy, was on a fact-finding mission to the region. A 15-year war for control of the mineral-rich area between Morocco and Algeria-backed Polisario rebels ended in 1994. But implementation of a UN peace plan has stalled over terms of a referendum on self-determination.

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"The only poll that counts is on election day. I don't think this is landslide country."

- Labour leader Tony Blair, on a Gallup survey that showed his party with a 19-point lead three days before Britain's elections.

A cargo handler at Zurich airport took what he assum-ed was an empty freight container to pack with luggage for a flight to Atlanta when something inside caught his eye. It turned out to be sacks containing \$ 11 million worth of uncut diamonds en route from troubled Zaire to London. The gems lay unprotected for two hours because no telex message had advised of their arrival. The worker pocketed - no, not some of the diamonds - a reward for reporting his find.

The trail of some house burglars in Dummerston, Vt., was in danger of growing cold when police picked up a hot new clue. The place had been robbed over the winter, and in his haste to leave the scene, one of the suspects had dropped his wallet on the ground outside. It remained under the snow until last week, when enough of the white stuff melted to reveal it. The suspect's ID led police to his residence, where they found a substantial amount of stolen property.

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How Occupations Rate On the Prestige Scale

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Many pro athletes and entertainers make huge salaries and are regularly in the public eye. But relatively few Americans attach great prestige to those vocations, according to results of a Harris Poll of 1,006 adults taken between March 26 and April 1. Here's how selected occupations compared in the survey (in percents):

Medical doctor87

Scientist 86

Teacher78

Engineer74

Minister/Clergyman73

Police officer 68

Military officer66

Member of Congress58

Business leader58

Lawyer52

Banker 52

Journalist 51

Accountant 50

Artist 50

Athlete 49

Entertainer46

Union leader 39

- Associated Press

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PHOTOS: 1) Brian Washington beams after tackling a painting project at the Philadelphia "summit" on volunteering. MPOZI MSHALE TOLBERT/AP. 2) Major greeting voters in Belfast, Northern Ireland. PAUL McERLANE/AP. MAP: Showing the Western Sahara. STAFF

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The US

President Clinton was expected to renew most-favored-nation trade status for China for another year, unidentified US officials said. The action seemed certain to spur a major debate in Congress, where many lawmakers have indicated they would fight to overturn such a decision.

The possibility of the Federal Reserve raising interest rates today seemed to be causing less anxiety on Wall Street than it did two months ago, when interest rates went up a quarter of a point, observers said. The economic expansion that began in March 1991 is in its 74th month.

Defense Secretary William Cohen was scheduled to reveal results of his department's quadrennial review. While proposing a reduction of 100,000 people from the 1.4 million active-duty and 900,000 reserve forces, the review reportedly does not lay out any major changes in the overall defense posture. The Treasury Department has developed a new strategy for the war on drugs, The New York Times reported. Under guidelines about to be announced, all nonbank wire transfers of more than \$ 750 will have to be reported, making it tougher for drug cartels to move money out of the US. Currently, only wire transfers of \$ 10,000 or more must be reported, except in New York City, which requires that transfers of \$ 750 or more be reported.

Attorney General Janet Reno criticized California's Proposition 209, which bans consideration of race and gender in state hiring, contracting, and education - linking it to growing anti-immigrant sentiments. Proposition 209 was approved by voters in November, but has not taken effect because of legal challenges. "We must always honor this country as a nation of immigrants," Reno told graduating students during a commencement address at the University of California's Hastings College of Law.

Garry Kasparov asked for a rematch with the IBM supercomputer, Deep Blue. But the computer designers have refused to commit to another face-off with the world chess champion. The computer beat the Russian 3-1/2 points to 2-1/2 in a six-game match that ended a week ago. Kasparov challenges IBM to a 10-game match over 20 days in an essay published in this week's Time magazine.

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Joan Kroc, widow of the founder of McDonald's, was identified as the mystery donor offering \$ 15 million to help rebuild flooded Grand Forks, N.D., and East Grand Forks, Minn. After the Grand Forks Herald reported that a Gulfstream IV jet registered in her name had visited the local airport, Sen. Byron Dorgan (D) of North Dakota confirmed her as the donor. Since April, residents have referred to their benefactor as "Angel."

The US Supreme Court agreed to decide whether bans on using lie-detector tests as evidence in criminal trials violates some defendants' rights. The justices will review the California case of a court-martialed airman in which the nation's highest military court threw out such a flat ban as unconstitutional. Many state and US courts have upheld similar bans, so the case could affect civilian as well as military law.

Black students have closed part of the education gap between themselves and white students, the American Council on Education said. The council reported that blacks and whites in their late 20s have about the same high school-completion rate - 87 percent. But there's still a gap in younger-age groups, an indication that many blacks are passing high school-equivalency exams later in life. Also, blacks and Hispanics still are finishing college at a much lower rate than whites. The rates are 26 percent for whites, 15 percent for blacks, and 9 percent for Hispanics.

Storms and twisters tore a swath through the Midwest from Illinois to West Virginia, leaving tens of thousands of homes without power. Police in Ottawa, Ohio, said a woman died when a tree fell on her car. At least eight homes were destroyed in LaGrange, Ind., and one police officer was hurt when his car was hit by a powerful storm.

## The World

The announcement of a new government in Zaire was expected from self-declared president Laurent Kabila. But a Kabila spokesman said new elections would be held only after Zaire's people had been "reeducated" starting at the level of peasant collectives. Meanwhile, deposed President Mobutu and three close aides were reported to be guests of Togo's leader, Gnassingbe Eyadema, in the capital, Lome.

US Ambassador Martin Indyk said the mutual trust that formed the basis of Israel's peace agreement with the Palestinians "has broken down . . . and cannot be salvaged by a quick fix." He said the US cannot advance the peace process without direct negotiations between them. Responding, Palestinian Authority President Arafat complained that the US had failed to pressure Israel "to save" the process.

Kurdish rebels struck back at Turkey, launching a rear-guard action at government installations in the southeastern region of the country. The move came as the campaign by Turkish forces against rebel targets in northern Iraq entered its sixth day. The raid on Turkish soil appeared aimed at demonstrating that the rebels are still active in the area, despite government claims that they had been pushed out of the country.

Japan's overall trade surplus more than doubled last month from April 1996 - and in the case of the US grew 174 percent, the government in Tokyo report-ed. The increases were attributed to a weak yen, which made exports more attractive, and to a consumption-tax hike that held down domestic demand. Analysts said continued increases in the surplus can be expected for at least the next few months until the yen strengthens.



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With 43 days to go until Hong Kong reverts to Communist Chinese control, more of its residents still prefer democratic leadership to that of Beijing, a new survey showed. The South China Morning Post said its poll of 610 adults gave prodemocracy parties 38.2 percent support, to 24.9 for pro-Beijing leader-in-waiting Tung Chee Hwa. Another 30.9 percent said they did not know whom to back.

Two Sinn Fein leaders argued before authorities in the British Parliament that they should be allowed to assume the offices they were elected to on May 1. Party president Gerry Adams and Martin McGuinness won seats from districts in Northern Ireland. But the new Speaker of the House of Commons ruled they could not use their offices unless they swore allegiance to Queen Elizabeth II along with all other members of Parliament. Sinn Fein, the political ally of the ***Irish Republican Army***, does not recognize the authority of the British crown.

***Women*** in Vietnam are being left behind in the drive to reform the economy along market lines, a new report maintained. It said ***women*** were paid less than three-quarters of the wages earned by men while carrying 60 percent of the overall workload on top of household chores and bringing up children, especially in the agricultural sector. The report warned that many ***women*** were turning to prostitution and drug abuse under the stress.

The leader of Mongolia's formerly communist People's Revolutionary Party won by a landslide in the country's presidential election. Natsagiin Bagabandi defeated incumbent Punsalmaagiin Ochirbat in what analysts called a backlash against the latter's strategy of free-market reforms, which have driven up consumer prices and left thousands of people unemployed.

More than 500,000 people were evacuated from their homes as a cyclone raked the coast of Bangladesh. Early reports said one person was killed and at least 50 others hurt, with thousands of houses demolished even though the storm off the Bay of Bengal did not hit at high tide. A 1991 cyclone caused 139,000 deaths and heavy property losses.

Etceteras

"I think IBM owes me, and all mankind, a rematch."

- World chess champion Garry Kasparov, challenging the IBM supercomputer to a new 10-game series.

Don't call Lynn Elliott flighty, but the McPherson, Kan., resident thought she would never see her purse again after it fell from her family's private plane two years ago. Wrong. Last week, a youngster found the leather bag in a field on his family's farm near Westfall, Kan., 40 miles away. It was weather worn but still held nearly \$ 300 in travelers checks, \$ 80 in cash, and credit cards.

It was the sort of story judge Arthur Doran says he hears all the time from defendants in traffic court. As he drove to work in Yonkers, N.Y., he thought his eyes were playing tricks on him when he saw a horse heading his way. But sure enough, a mare named Butterfly Sahbra had jumped a three-foot fence at Yonkers racetrack and was galloping down the street in mid-rush hour.

Add \$ 10,000 more to the amount little Kiefer, Okla., has on hand to help retire its \$ 200,000 debt. As related in this space recently, the police chief raised \$ 5,000 by sitting atop town hall and pleading with passersby for donations.

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Now the town has held a garage sale and auction. A truckload of gravel brought \$ 90, but the top attraction was a dunk tank. Anyone paying a buck got three tries to plunge a town official into a tub of water.

## The Day's List

## Where the US Spent Its Defense Dollars in 1996

For the second year in a row, Lockheed Martin was paid more in defense contracts than any other US company, according to the Pentagon. The aerospace giant builds F-16s, helicopters, missiles, and electronic and communications gear. The top 10 defense contractors and their awards (in billions of dollars):

1. Lockheed Martin\$ 12.0
2. McDonnell Douglas9.9
3. General Motors3.2
4. Raytheon3.0
5. General Dynamics2.7
6. (tie) Northrop Grumman2.6
- United Technologies2.6
8. (tie) Boeing1.7
- Litton Industries1.7
10. General Electric1.5

- Associated Press

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PHOTOS: 1) Ed Kemble waited in line in April for one of the \$2,000 checks Kroc promised to each of the towns' flood-victim families. ERIC GAY/AP. 2) Party president Gerry Adams (r.) and Martin McGuinness (l.) won seats from districts in Northern Ireland. TIM OCKENDEN/AP. MAP: Bangladesh. STAFF

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## **Family Movie Guide**

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This guide includes "family films," potential blockbusters, and movies that might interest young people. Only films with G ratings are tagged as all-family fare by Hollywood. Most have stronger MPAA ratings that call for extra alertness from parents. The Family Movie Guide and the Monitor's more-comprehensive Freeze Frames movie guide appear on alternate Fridays.

Star ratings from Monitor film critic David Sterritt precede the film credits. Those from a staff panel of at least three viewers follow the credits. Our ratings indicate the overall quality of movies, not their suitability for children.

o Forget It

\* Poor

\*\* Fair

\*\*\* Good\*\*\*\* Excellent

Cats Don't Dance [G]

\*\*\* Directed by Mark Dindal. With Scott Bakula, Natalie Cole, Jasmine Guy, Don Knotts. Running time: 80 minutes.

**PLOT** In the animated film, a cat leaves the Midwest for Hollywood, dreaming of success in silver-screen musicals, but runs afoul of a bratty star who doesn't like animals.

**MESSAGE** Dreams don't come true easily, but cleverness and perseverance pay off in the long run.

**SEX/PROFANITY** None.

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VIOLENCE Some comic mayhem.

DRUGS/ALCOHOL Some drinking.

The Empire Strikes Back [PG]

\*\*\* Directed by Irvin Kershner. With Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford, Carrie Fisher, Peter Mayhew, David Prowse, James Earl Jones. Running time: 118 minutes. \*\*\*

PLOT Rulers of the evil Empire fight heroic rebels trying to defeat them, and imperial mastermind Darth Vader takes interest in seducing virtuous Luke Skywalker to the dark side of the Force.

MESSAGE The forces of evil may appear strong and wily, but right-minded determination usually prevails in the end.

SEX/PROFANITY/DRUGS/ALCOHOL None.

VIOLENCE Action-movie violence, including brief shots of dismemberment and disembowelment.

Return of the Jedi [PG]

\*\*\* Directed by Richard Marquand. With Mark Hamill, Carrie Fisher, Harrison Ford, Billy Dee Williams, Alec Guinness. Running time: 133 minutes. \*\*\*

PLOT Luke Skywalker, Princess Leia, and Han Solo defeat the evil Empire and reclaim Luke's father for the good side of the Force.

MESSAGE Good prevails over evil in the end.

SEX None.

VIOLENCE Great deal of action-movie violence and killing. Some of it involves scary monsters, most of it enhanced with high-tech special effects.

PROFANITY/DRUGS/ALCOHOL None.

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Selena [PG]

\*\* Directed by Gregory Nava. With Jennifer Lopez, Edward James Olmos. Running time: 130 minutes. \*\*\*

**PLOT** The life of popular Latina singer Selena Quintanilla Perez, from her start in a family rock band to her murder at an early age.

**MESSAGE** Hard work and talent can conquer obstacles to a music-star career, including prejudice against Mexican-Americans on both sides of the border.

**SEX** None.

**VIOLENCE** A harrowing depiction of circumstances surrounding the heroine's violent death.

**PROFANITY** A few four-letter words.

**DRUGS/ALCOHOL** Drinking.

Shiloh [PG]

\*\*\* Directed by Dale Rosenbloom. With Blake Heron, Scott Wilson, Michael Moriarty, Ann Dowd, Bonnie Bartlett, Rod Steiger. Running time: 93 minutes.

**PLOT** A country boy steals a mistreated dog from its hard-boiled owner, keeping this a secret from his financially strapped and morally upright parents.

**MESSAGE** Some ethical dilemmas defy clear right-and-wrong answers, but simple compassion is always a good policy.

**SEx/PROFANITY** None.

**VIOLENCE** A small amount of violence aimed at the dog and the boy, depicted in a very mild way.

**DRUGS/ALCOHOL** The mean-spirited dog owner drinks beer.

Anna Karenina [PG-13]

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\*\*\* Directed by Bernard Rose. With Sophie Marceau, Alfred Molina, Mia Kirshner, Sean Bean, James Fox. Running time: 110 minutes.

**PLOT** Two intertwined love affairs take place in 19th-century Russia: one between a married woman and a handsome military officer, which brings tragedy to all concerned, and another between a ditzy princess and a thoughtful but insecure aristocrat.

**MESSAGE** Human experience is often a tumultuous mixture of satisfaction and frustration, and solidly grounded morality is necessary for things to turn out well in the end.

**SEX** Some strongly suggested sexual activity with a small amount of nudity.

**VIOLENCE** Some violence including a tragic railroad accident and a suicide at the climax.

**PROFANITY** Some vulgar expressions.

**DRUGS/ALCOHOL** Drinking, in keeping with the historical period.

Hamlet [PG-13]

\*\*\* Directed by Kenneth Branagh. With Kenneth Branagh, Julie Christie, Kate Winslet, Billy Crystal, Robin Williams. Running time: 242 minutes. \*\*\*\*

**PLOT** A young prince broods over his father's death, his mother's marriage to the late king's brother, and his own desire for revenge.

**MESSAGE** A thoughtful young person may find much that is rotten in the existing structure of family, social, and political power.

**SEX** Explicit views of sexual activity; discussion of what the hero considers an incestuous marriage.

**VIOLENCE** Sword fighting, poisoning, stabbing.

**PROFANITY** Some vulgar Shakespearean wordplay.

**DRUGS/ALCOHOL** Two drinking scenes.

Liar Liar [PG-13]

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**PLOT** A fast-talking attorney runs into personal and professional trouble when his little boy makes a birthday wish that he won't be able to lie for 24 hours.

**MESSAGE** Honesty is the best policy, although it may cause problems when a situation calls for diplomacy.

**SEX** A large amount of innuendo, sex-related dialogue, and a tape recording of sexual activity.

**VIOLENCE** Some cartoonish violence.

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**MESSAGE** Inner satisfaction comes more from understanding oneself than from triumphing over shady enemies.

**SEX** Some mildly explicit sexual activity.

**VIOLENCE** About 12 scenes of action-movie fighting, shootings, and killings.

**PROFANITY** Five instances, mostly the harsh type.

**DRUGS/ALCOHOL** Drinking; one instance of cocaine use.

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**MESSAGE** Moral issues and personal relationships can grow very complex when people close to each other are pursuing different goals that they strongly believe in.

**SEX** None.

**VIOLENCE** At least 10 major scenes of extreme and often gruesome violence.

**PROFANITY** At least 39 instances.

**DRUGS/ALCOHOL** A good deal of drinking.

8 Heads in a Duffel Bag [R]

\* Directed by Tom Schulman. With Joe Pesci, Andy Comeau, Kristy Swanson, David Spade, Dyan Cannon, George Hamilton. Running time: 93 minutes. u

**PLOT** A hit man chases a medical student who accidentally picked up the grisly package he was delivering to a mob chief.

**MESSAGE** Idiotic people can be found in all walks of life.

**SEX** Some sexual activity played for laughs.

**VIOLENCE** Fighting, shooting, torture, and killing, much of it played for laughs; much slapstick humor revolving around severed heads; and the story begins with a horrible massacre, not shown but strongly suggested.

**PROFANITY** Many four-letter words and other vulgarities.

**DRUGS/ALCOHOL** Much drinking; a secondary character is an alcoholic.

Inventing the Abbotts [R]

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**PLOT** Class conflicts mix with romantic yearnings as two brothers from a broken home play out love-hate relationships with members of a wealthy Midwestern family.

**MESSAGE** People will lead happier lives if they think in terms of ethics and responsibilities rather than short-term rivalries and ambitions.

**SEX** Brief but explicit sex, some of it with nudity.

**VIOLENCE** Some emotional and physical violence.

**PROFANITY** A few harsh four-letter words.

**DRUGS/ALCOHOL** Drinking.

Love Jones [R]

\*\* Directed by Theodore Witcher. With Larenz Tate, Nia Long, Isaiah Washington, Lisa Nicole Carson, Khalil Kain, Bill Bellamy. Running time: 110 minutes. \*\*

**PLOT** A young woman pursues her photography career while hesitating between her fiancé and a likable but somewhat pushy poet she's just met.

**MESSAGE** People don't always act decisively or follow their best interests when romantic complications strike.

**SEX** A couple of fairly explicit bedroom scenes.

**VIOLENCE** None.

**PROFANITY** A number of harsh four-letter words.

**DRUGS/ALCOHOL** Drinking.

Murder at 1600 [R]

\*\* Directed by Dwight Little. With Wesley Snipes, Diane Lane, Daniel Benzali, Alan Alda, Dennis Miller. Running time: 108 minutes. \*\*\*

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**PLOT** A homicide cop tries to find out who murdered a young woman after a sexual rendezvous in the White House, and gets temporarily stymied when government insiders block his path.

**MESSAGE** Washington skulduggery runs frighteningly deep, but honest investigation can uncover and correct it.

**SEX** A very explicit sex scene.

**VIOLENCE** Much fighting, shooting, and killing.

**PROFANITY** Many four-letter words and vulgarities.

**DRUGS/ALCOHOL** Drinking.

Paradise Road [R]

**\*\*** Directed by Bruce Beresford. With Glenn Close, Frances McDormand, Pauline Collins, Cate Blanchett, Julianna Margulies. Running time: 120 minutes. **\*\***

**PLOT** Held in a brutal prison camp during World War II, a group of women lift their spirits by forming a "vocal orchestra" that sings great musical works re-created from memory.

**MESSAGE** Musical inspiration can help people survive the most horrible ordeals.

**SEX** Dialogue about sex and sexual violence; nudity in nonsexual contexts.

**VIOLENCE** Scenes of wartime destruction, including the sinking of a crowded ship, and harrowing prison-camp violence including beatings, torture, and a person being burned alive.

**PROFANITY** A few four-letter words.

**DRUGS/ALCOHOL** Some drinking.

Volcano [R]

**\*** Directed by Mick Jackson. With Tommy Lee Jones, Anne Heche, Gaby Hoffman, Stanley Tucci. Running time: 105 minutes. **\*\***

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**PLOT** Plates beneath Los Angeles crack and a volcano erupts; an emergency city director and a geology expert are forced to save the city.

**MESSAGE** Perseverance in the face of grave danger will end in success, and extreme situations bring out the heroes in all of us.

**SEX** None.

**VIOLENCE** Most of the violence is caused by natural disaster. For example, seven city workers are burned to death in a tunnel and one geologist burns and falls into a fiery fissure.

**PROFANITY** 44 instances, mostly the mild variety.

**DRUGS/ALCOHOL** Hospital scenes; two instances of cigarettes.

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**PHOTO:** 'INVENTING THE ABBOTTS': Liv Tyler and Joaquin Phoenix portray two young people whose strong friendship and love endure formidable obstacles. MERIE W. WALLACE

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### **Body**

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The US

Parents cannot sue states to force them to comply with a US child-support enforcement program, the Supreme Court ruled. But it left open the possibility parents still might have rights to sue under a program that ties US welfare funds to states' child-support enforcement efforts. The court let stand rulings that said Brown University illegally discriminated against its women athletes. The Rhode Island university argued that lower-court rulings could require schools to offer varsity opportunities for women based on a "stark numerical quota." The justices also turn-ed aside arguments that a court-ordered 20 percent goal for new female apprentices in a California program is unfair. The Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee is a labor-management group that operates a carpentry program in northern California.

Air Force officials were hoping a helicopter could reach the apparent crash site of a warplane that broke formation and disappeared over Arizona April 2. Scraps of paper on a snow-covered peak in Colorado led a helicopter crew to the site, but high winds prevented investigators from being sent to examine the wreckage. There was reportedly no sign of the plane's pilot, Capt. Craig Button. In Grand Forks, N.D., the Red River was expected to crest at 54 feet - some 26 feet above flood stage. Firefighters subdued a blaze that destroyed six downtown buildings, but more than 70 percent of Grand Forks was still under water. Residents had no water for taps, toilets, or hydrants. The mayor said it could be two weeks before a water-processing plant is repaired. Thousands of residents have left dwellings in North Dakota and Minnesota due to Red River flooding.

Roger Ferguson, a financial consultant, is President Clinton's second pick to round out the Federal Reserve Board, White House officials said. A formal announcement is a week or so away, pending a final screening process, they added. Late last week, officials confirmed that University of Michigan economist Edward Gramlich was Clinton's other nominee. Both would need Senate confirmation. If Ferguson is confirmed, the District of Columbia native would be the only black on the seven-member panel.

Shortly after becoming Treasury Department ethics watchdog, Valerie Lau arranged a no-bid contract for a longtime acquaintance who had written to the White House recommending her for her job, the Associated Press reported. Lau's action reportedly has prompted a rare congressional inquiry into activities of an inspector general. Documents obtained by the AP show that she wrote to a Treasury contracting office on Dec. 11, 1994, asking that it

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select auditor Frank Sato for a management study of her office without competitive bidding because of the "urgency" of the review.

Representatives of Goodyear and the United Steelworkers of America resumed talks in Cincinnati over wages and benefits in a new contract. The union has targeted Goodyear and its Kelly-Springfield division to set a standard for 1997 contracts in the tire and rubber industry. More than 12,500 workers at nine Goodyear plants in seven states walked off the job April 19 after their contract expired.

Administration officials pleaded for ratification of a treaty to ban chemical weapons. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright and Defense Secretary William Cohen made a joint appearance on NBC's "Meet the Press" to argue that failure to ratify would relegate the US to the status of so-called rogue states such as Iraq and Libya. But Senate majority leader Trent Lott said treaty language that would require the sharing of antichemical weapons data and technology was a "fundamental flaw." The Senate is due to vote Thursday on the treaty, which takes effect April 29.

US, South Korean, and North Korean negotiators met again in New York, but reached no breakthrough on four-power talks to end the decades-old standoff on the Korean peninsula. North Korea continued to demand massive food aid as a prerequisite for negotiations that also would include China. The US and South Korea want the Pyongyang government to accept talks unconditionally.

## The World

Bomb threats blamed on the ***Irish Republican Army*** brought chaos to London - the second time in four days that a major security alert disrupted transportation. Gatwick and Luton airports and four rail terminals were evacuated, subway stations were closed, and street traffic was barred from Trafalgar Square and Whitehall. Commuter traffic backed up for 10 miles outside the capital. There were no explosions, and no bombs were found. Another bomb threat halted ferry service at the port of Dover. In Belfast, Northern Ireland, a bomb damaged the offices of Sinn Fein, the IRA's political ally.

Opposition politicians in Israel asked the Supreme Court to overturn a prosecutors' ruling that Prime Minister Netanyahu should not be indicted in an influence-peddling scandal. Analysts rated the prospects for a reversal as poor. Netanyahu admitted to having "made mistakes" in the affair, but said he committed no crime. Labor Party leader Shimon Peres said the prime minister had lost the public's confidence and demanded that he call new elections.

Chinese President Jiang Ze-min was due in Moscow today for an official visit that analysts said signals a Russian effort to find new strategic partners. Jiang and Russian President Yeltsin, were expected to release a statement implying criticism of NATO expansion plans in eastern Europe. Meanwhile, Russian and NATO representatives announced new discussions May 6 in Luxembourg on ways to resolve the Kremlin's security concerns about the proposed expansion.

The UN suspended its relief efforts for Hutu refugees in eastern Zaire after a trainload of food intended for them was attacked. Officials said they assumed the attackers were local people who resented the refugees' presence, because rebel forces in control of the area had permitted the train to proceed.

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Former White House chief of staff Thomas McLarty ended a two-day visit to Mexico in an effort to improve strained relations before President Clinton visits the country on May 6. McLarty said he and Mexican leaders stressed "mutual trust" and "making cooperation work" despite US congressional criticism of Mexico's narcotics-enforcement record and Mexican resentment of a tough new US immigration law.

Inder Kumar Gujral was sworn in as India's third prime minister in less than a year. He faced an immediate vote of confidence in Parliament. But the influential Congress Party, which succeeded in toppling his predecessor, H.D. Deve Gowda, said it would support him.

Pakistan's new prime minister plans to cut 200,000 civil-service jobs from the government payroll, according to published reports. One newspaper said Nawaz Sharif's government would offer retraining and small-business loan programs to those being displaced in an effort to reduce overstaffing and waste in the public sector. The layoffs were predicted to begin within two months.

Iraq said it would launch a "suitable response" if the US threatened any aircraft used to ferry Muslim pilgrims home from Saudi Arabia. The Baghdad government announced plans to defy the US-enforced "no fly" zone, a legacy of the 1991 Gulf war, because of what its official news agency said was a right to use civilian aircraft. Iraq violated UN sanctions earlier this month in flying a planeload of pilgrims to Saudi Arabia.

The separatist province of Abkhazia was threatened with a cutoff of electricity if its leaders do not agree to negotiations on a peace agreement with the republic of Georgia. Abkhazians fought a successful war in 1992-93 to drive Georgian troops and civilians off their soil. But they depend on Russia for their power, and Georgian President Eduard Shevardnadze said he would ask the Kremlin to pull the plug if peace talks were not resumed.

Etceteras

"We can't accept the idea that the Israeli state is being governed by a gang."

- Opposition politician Yossi Sarid, on why he joined in asking Israel's Supreme Court to order the indictment of Prime Minister Netanyahu on fraud charges.

Police in Italy arrested a Finnish tourist who went joyriding in one of the country's most famous modes of transportation. Now, you might assume that his choice would be a Lamborghini, a Ferrari, or a Maserati - the super-expensive, high-performance sports cars built in Italian factories. But no. Under cover of darkness, he helped himself to a gondola in Venice. He gave himself away, however, by his inability to steer the thing.

As he frequently seemed to do when he served as vice president, Dan Quayle trip-ped over his tongue again in a speaking engagement at Hofstra University in Hempstead, N.Y. The Bush administration, he told his audience, deserved credit for cutting red tape to get "life-threatening drugs" onto the market.

Some teenagers in Ellwood City, Pa., no doubt wish someone had thrown cold water on their idea for a little joke before it got out of hand. They printed flyers warning that the water supply was contaminated with "dihydrogen monoxide," which could cause severe health effects. They were caught stuffing the flyers in mailboxes and have agreed to apologize and explain that the ominous-sounding compound is only water.

## The Day's List

## States That Invest the Most in Tobacco Stocks

Talks between the tobacco industry and anti-tobacco leaders have been taking place in Chicago. Several of the 22 states suing to recover treatment costs for tobacco-related illnesses have pension-fund investments in the industry. Some of those appear on this list of the top 10 investors (no figures were available for Hawaii, Missouri, and North Dakota).

California\$ 1.2 billion

Florida\$ 750 million

New York\$ 583 million

Texas\$ 477 million

Ohio\$ 476 million

New Jersey\$ 420 million

Michigan\$ 353 million

Minnesota\$ 281 million

North Carolina\$ 267 million

Washington\$ 250 million

- Associated Press

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PHOTOS: 1) A family uses a pontoon boat to evacuate their home in East Grand Forks, Minn. JOHN GAPS III/AP.  
2) Gujral (r.) is escorted by Deve Gow-da to the oath-taking ceremony in New Delhi, the capital. AJIT KUMAR/AP.  
MAP: Showing Georgia. STAFF

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o Forget It

\* Poor

\*\* Fair

\*\*\* Good\*\*\*\* Excellent

Cats Don't Dance [G]

\*\*\* Directed by Mark Dindal. With Scott Bakula, Natalie Cole, Jasmine Guy, Don Knotts. Running time: 80 minutes.

**PLOT** In the animated film, a cat leaves the Midwest for Hollywood, dreaming of success in silver-screen musicals, but runs afoul of a bratty star who doesn't like animals.

**MESSAGE** Dreams don't come true easily, but cleverness and perseverance pay off in the long run.

**SEX/PROFANITY** None.

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VIOLENCE Some comic mayhem.

DRUGS/ALCOHOL Some drinking.

The Empire Strikes Back [PG]

\*\*\* Directed by Irvin Kershner. With Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford, Carrie Fisher, Billie Dee Williams, Peter Mayhew, David Prowse, James Earl Jones. Running time: 118 minutes. \*\*\*

PLOT Rulers of the evil Empire fight heroic rebels trying to defeat them, and imperial mastermind Darth Vader takes interest in seducing virtuous Luke Skywalker to the dark side of the Force.

MESSAGE The forces of evil may appear strong and wily, but right-minded determination usually prevails in the end.

SEX/PROFANITY/DRUGS/ALCOHOL None.

VIOLENCE Action-movie violence, including brief shots of dismemberment and disembowelment.

Return of the Jedi [PG]

\*\*\* Directed by Richard Marquand. With Mark Hamill, Carrie Fisher, Harrison Ford, Billy Dee Williams, Alec Guinness. Running time: 133 minutes. \*\*\*

PLOT Luke Skywalker, Princess Leia, and Han Solo defeat the evil Empire and reclaim Luke's father for the good side of the Force.

MESSAGE Good prevails over evil in the end.

SEX None.

VIOLENCE Great deal of action-movie violence and killing. Some of it involves scary monsters, most of it enhanced with high-tech special effects.

PROFANITY/DRUGS/ALCOHOL None.

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Selena [PG]

\*\* Directed by Gregory Nava. With Jennifer Lopez, Edward James Olmos. Running time: 130 minutes. \*\*\*

**PLOT** The life of popular Latina singer Selena Quintanilla Perez, from her start in a family rock band to her murder at an early age.

**MESSAGE** Hard work and talent can conquer obstacles to a music-star career, including prejudice against Mexican-Americans on both sides of the border.

**SEX** None.

**VIOLENCE** A harrowing depiction of circumstances surrounding the heroine's violent death.

**PROFANITY** A few four-letter words.

**DRUGS/ALCOHOL** Drinking.

Star Wars [PG]

\*\*\* Directed by George Lucas. With Mark Hamill, Carrie Fisher, Harrison Ford, Alec Guinness, David Prowse. Running time: 105 minutes. \*\*\*\*

**PLOT** Heroic rebels battle an oppressive empire, and the Force is with them all the way.

**MESSAGE** The struggle of good against evil is an exciting and ultimately triumphant adventure.

**SEX** None.

**VIOLENCE** Fighting and killing, including the destruction of an entire planet; bloodless but enhanced with high-impact special effects.

**PROFANITY** Mild.

**DRUGS/ALCOHOL** Characters consume what appear to be drinks, drugs, or other intoxicating substances in the cantina scene.

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## Anna Karenina [PG-13]

\*\*\* Directed by Bernard Rose. With Sophie Marceau, Alfred Molina, Mia Kirshner, Sean Bean, James Fox. Running time: 110 minutes.

**PLOT** Two intertwined love affairs take place in 19th-century Russia: one between a married woman and a handsome military officer, which brings tragedy to all concerned, and another between a ditzy princess and a thoughtful but insecure aristocrat.

**MESSAGE** Human experience is often a tumultuous mixture of satisfaction and frustration, and solidly grounded morality is necessary for things to turn out well in the end.

**SEX** Some strongly suggested sexual activity with a small amount of nudity.

**VIOLENCE** Some violence including a tragic railroad accident and a suicide at the climax.

**PROFANITY** Some vulgar expressions.

**DRUGS/ALCOHOL** Drinking, in keeping with the historical period.

## Hamlet [PG-13]

\*\*\* Directed by Kenneth Branagh. With Kenneth Branagh, Julie Christie, Kate Winslet, Billy Crystal, Robin Williams. Running time: 242 minutes. \*\*\*\*

**PLOT** A young prince broods over his father's death, his mother's marriage to the late king's brother, and his own desire for revenge.

**MESSAGE** A thoughtful young person may find much that is rotten in the existing structure of family, social, and political power.

**SEX** Explicit views of sexual activity; discussion of what the hero considers an incestuous marriage.

**VIOLENCE** Sword fighting, poisoning, stabbing.

**PROFANITY** Some vulgar Shakespearean wordplay.

**DRUGS/ALCOHOL** Two drinking scenes.

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## Liar Liar [PG-13]

\*\* Directed by Tom Shadyac. With Jim Carrey, Justin Cooper, Jennifer Tilly. Running time: 86 minutes. \*\*\*

**PLOT** A fast-talking attorney runs into personal and professional trouble when his little boy makes a birthday wish that he won't be able to lie for 24 hours.

**MESSAGE** Honesty is the best policy, although it may cause problems when a situation calls for diplomacy.

**SEX** A large amount of innuendo, sex-related dialogue, and a tape recording of sexual activity.

**VIOLENCE** Some cartoonish violence.

**PROFANITY** Four-letter words and other vulgarities.

**DRUGS/ALCOHOL** Drinking.

## The Saint [PG-13]

\*\* Directed by Phillip Noyce. With Val Kilmer, Elisabeth Shue, Rade Serbedzija. Running time: 110 minutes. \*\*

**PLOT** A hero with many disguises thwarts a nasty Russian schemer trying to capture a gifted American scientist who thinks she's discovered a phenomenal new energy source.

**MESSAGE** Inner satisfaction comes more from understanding oneself than from triumphing over shady enemies.

**SEX** Some mildly explicit sexual activity.

**VIOLENCE** About 12 scenes of action-movie fighting, shootings, and killings.

**PROFANITY** Five instances, mostly the harsh type.

**DRUGS/ALCOHOL** Drinking; one instance of cocaine use.

## Shine [PG-13]

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\*\*\* Directed by Scott Hicks. With Noah Taylor, Geoffrey Rush, Armin Mueller-Stahl, Lynn Redgrave, John Gielgud. Running time: 105 minutes. \*\*\*

**PLOT** The musical gifts of a brilliant Australian pianist are offset by mental and emotional problems made more severe by conflicts with his father, who never recovered from seeing the Holocaust destroy his family.

**MESSAGE** Neither the rewards of genius nor the charms of music can make life's problems magically vanish, but a fulfilling life may eventually be achieved if one refuses to give up hope.

**SeX** Some sexual behavior.

**VIOLENCE** Domestic violence, references to the Holocaust, and scenes of severe mental illness.

**PROFANITY** Some four-letter words.

**DRUGS/ALCOHOL** Barroom scenes, other drinking.

**NOTE:** Geoffrey Rush won the best actor Oscar.

The Devil's Own [R]

\*\* Directed by Alan J. Pakula. With Brad Pitt, Harrison Ford, Margaret Colin. Running time: 110 minutes. \*\*

**PLOT** A member of the **Irish Republican Army** comes to New York and moves into the home of an Irish-American police officer, who doesn't know his guest is assembling a deal to buy heavy weaponry for his organization.

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## Donnie Brasco [R]

\*\*\* Directed by Mike Newell. With Al Pacino, Johnny Depp, Michael Madsen, Bruno Kirby. Running time: 115 minutes. \*\*\*

**PLOT** A young FBI agent infiltrates an organized-crime family by becoming the protege of an aging hoodlum.

**MESSAGE** A police officer may have to use guile, deception, and betrayal to defeat criminal foes, sacrificing a stable family life in the process.

**SEX** Some passionate kissing and grappling.

**VIOLENCE** A great deal of fighting, killing, and mayhem, including a scene of especially horrifying death and dismemberment.

**PROFANITY** Many harsh four-letter words.

**DRUGS/ALCOHOL** Much drinking, and drug-dealing is one of the mob's illegal activities.

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## Paradise Road [R]

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**VIOLENCE** Scenes of wartime destruction, including the sinking of a crowded ship, and harrowing prison-camp violence including beatings, torture, and a person being burned alive.

**PROFANITY** A few four-letter words.

**DRUGS/ALCOHOL** Some drinking.

## Private Parts [R]

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\* Directed by Betty Thomas. With Howard Stern, Robin Quivers. Running time: 90 minutes. \*\*

**PLOT** Howard Stern turns a flair for vulgarity, sensationalism, and controversy into a highly successful radio career.

**MESSAGE** Today's radio scene is driven more by money and publicity than by good taste.

**SEX** Large amount of nudity, and a great deal of dialogue dealing with sex in many forms.

**VIOLENCE** Some comic fighting.

**PROFANITY** Large number of four-letter words.

**DRUGS/ALCOHOL** Drinking and drug use.

**OTHER** A great deal of scatological humor.

## Graphic

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**PHOTO:** 'THE SAINT': Val Kilmer plays a hero with many disguises who must protect a gifted American scientist (Elisabeth Shue) who thinks she's discovered a phenomenal new energy source. STEPHEN MORLEY

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New Releases

All Over Me (PG-13)

+++ A 15-year-old girl struggles with her sexual identity as her dream of starting a rock band is sidetracked by a disintegrating friendship and inner-city problems. The story is slow and sometimes bleak, but also compassionate and original. Directed by Alex Sichel, the performances are fresh, believable, and appealing. By Jean Hacklander V  
S P

+++ Original, bleak, bittersweet.

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## CHILDREN OF THE REVOLUTION (R)

++++ An intense and dedicated pro-Soviet radical in Australia of the 1950s has a brief encounter with Joseph Stalin, which may (or may not) have produced an offspring. Back home, "Little Joe" (Richard Roxburgh) joins his mother (Judy Davis) and mild-mannered step-father (Geoffrey Rush of "Shine") on the barricades. But over the years as young Joe learns of his background, and of the use of manipulative political power, the story turns more sober and somewhat surreal. Writer/director Peter Duncan's first film is darkly humorous, with dashes of slapstick, brilliant, and original material. Great music and scenery. Two brief sex scenes, a glimpse of nudity, and some profanity earn its "R." S N P By Brad Knickerbocker

## LA PROMESSE (Not rated)

++++ This thoughtful, powerful drama focuses on a 15-year-old boy whose promise to a grieving widow pits him against his father, a ruthless exploiter of immigrant labor. Stunningly acted by a fine cast and vividly directed by Belgian brothers Jean-Pierre and Luc Dardenne. V P S

## RIPE (Not rated)

++ Running away from society after their parents' death in an accident, twin 14-year-old girls start living on a military base where the male population treats them with a mixture of amusement, condescension, and lust. Parts of the story aren't very imaginative, and the ending is weak. But filmmaker Mo Ogrodnik shows keen insight into the menacing aspects of male bonding and the predatory behavior this can breed. Daisy Eagan and Monica Keena head the uniformly excellent cast. Contains sex and violence. S V P N

## Currently in Release

## ANACONDA (PG-13)

+++ Coil up with a tub of popcorn, get a stranglehold on your soda - this is a creepy, action-packed boat ride down a jungle river with lots of huge snakes dropping by for man-sized snacks. Filmmakers in search of tribal footage let an anaconda hunter (Jon Voight) slither into their midst, and the trouble begins. Not for the squeamish or those in a cerebral mood, but the film packs many thrills. P V By Katherine Dillin

++ Gripping, predictable, a no-brainer.

## ANNA KARENINA (PG-13)

+++ The classic tale of two intertwined love affairs: one between a married woman and a handsome military officer, which brings tragedy to all concerned, and another between a ditsy princess and a thoughtful but insecure aristocrat. Much gets eliminated when a 1,000-page epic is squeezed into less than two hours of screen time, but filmmaker Bernard Rose has adapted Leo Tolstoy's timeless masterpiece with skill and understanding, capturing a tumultuous array of human emotions against a backdrop of imperial elegance that recalls the golden age of

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historical movies. Sophie Marceau is a radiant Anna and Alfred Molina is perfect as Levin, the character closest to Tolstoy himself. V S N

+++ Great costumes, authentic period piece, opulent.

## AUSTIN POWERS (PG-13)

++ Mike Myers plays Austin Powers as well as the archenemy Dr. Evil in this goofy take on the James Bond series. After being frozen for 30 years, Powers thaws out to save the world, but his swinging sexual attitude from the '60s gets him in a bit of trouble in the politically correct '90s. The drawn-out, lowbrow humor is either "love it" or "hate it," so it may not be your bag, baby. Elizabeth Hurley and Robert Wagner star. S P N V By Chas Sabatine

++ Tasteless, juvenile, silly.

## BREAKDOWN (R)

+++ Kurt Russell and Kathleen Quinlan play a couple who run into trouble when their car breaks down on an empty stretch of desert road. The not-so-original story is a cross between "The Vanishing" and "Frantic," with a bit of "Duel" thrown in. It starts slowly, but builds to a spectacular climax with hearty sound effects and deftly directed stunts. V P By Chas Sabatine

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## BROKEN ENGLISH (NC-17)

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\*\*\*\* An actress known mainly for action-adventure roles travels from Hong Kong to Paris, where she's been asked to star in the remake of a silent-film classic for a burned-out director who has only the foggiest notion of what he hopes to accomplish. Maggie Cheung, a real-life Hong Kong movie star, plays herself in this continually amusing and inventive comedy. Directed by Olivier Assayas, one of France's most gifted young filmmakers. S V P

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## GENTLEMEN DON'T EAT POETS (R)

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\*\*\*\* Reissue of the classic 1967 comedy about a recent college grad who drifts into an affair with an older woman, then falls goofily in love with her daughter and scrambles to escape the traps he's fallen into. Dustin Hoffman gives the inspired performance that launched his movie career, and director Mike Nichols shows a gift for social satire that has never glistened quite so brightly since. Anne Bancroft and Katherine Ross head the marvelous supporting cast. Simon & Garfunkel spice up the soundtrack with "The Sound of Silence" and other hits. N P V

\*\*\* Provocative, sophisticated for its time, great music.

## GRAY'S ANATOMY (Not rated)

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\*\* Hip, sexy, strong cinematography.

## MANDELA (Not rated)

\*\*\* A nonfiction look at the tumultuous life and history-making career of Nelson Mandela, touching on a wide range of issues that have influenced South Africa during the past several decades. Gives a colorful overview of a complex and fascinating subject, although there are many areas where more careful and detailed treatment would have been appropriate. Directed by Jo Menell and Angus Gibson. V

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## PRIVATE PARTS (R)

\*The life and times of radio personality Howard Stern, who has turned a flair for vulgarity and sensationalism into superstar status and a zillion-dollar career. Some scenes paint a convincing portrait of Stern as a witty opponent of stuffiness, prudery, and hypocrisy. Others mix gross-out humor with nasty doses of racism, sexism, and homophobia that reveal a dark side to Stern's professional personality. Stern and his co-host, Robin Quivers, play themselves. Directed by Betty Thomas. S V N P

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## THE QUIET ROOM (PG)

\*\*\* This sensitive, imaginative drama is told from the perspective of a little girl whose parents' constant arguing has made her decide to stop talking. Few movies have paid more sincere attention to the fact that children are full-fledged human beings with complicated inner lives; and few have depicted childhood with such skillful avoidance of simplistic or sentimental notions. Written and directed by Australia-based filmmaker Rolf de Heer.

## RETURN OF THE JEDI (PG)

\*\*\* Reissue of the concluding 1983 chapter in George Lucas's celebrated "Star Wars" trilogy, with Han Solo and Princess Leia helping Luke Skywalker reclaim his father from the dark side of the Force. Less original than the first "Star Wars" and less resonant than "The Empire Strikes Back," but packed with fast-paced action and downright cuddly Ewoks. It stars Mark Hamill, Carrie Fisher, and Harrison Ford plus Billy Dee Williams and the great Alec Guinness. V

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\*\*\* Sweet, inspirational, celebrates innocence.

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\*\* A simple and humorous film for viewers of all ages. The movie is an amusing tale of how the ghost of a recently deceased college basketball player assists his team in reaching the Final Four. Marlon Wayans heads the cast of this comedy. Contains cameo appearances by college coaches Dean Smith (UNC) and Bruiser Flint (UMass) as well as an appearance by the loquacious basketball announcer Dick Vitale. V P By Tom Balcom

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\*\*\* Young and not-so-young adults spin a complex web of relationships as they cope with emotional and sexual tensions in a Midwestern suburb. Jeff Lipsky's first feature is more honest than penetrating, but deserves praise for earnestly exploring a wide range of ideas and feelings. S N P

## THE DEVIL'S OWN (R)

\*\* A member of the ***Irish Republican Army*** comes to New York and moves into the home of an Irish-American police officer, who doesn't know the guest is planning a deal to buy heavy weaponry for his organization. Brad Pitt and Harrison Ford have good chemistry, and the story takes a few interesting turns. The dramatic situations aren't intense or knotty enough to match the moral issues behind them, however. Treat Williams, Ruben Blades, and Simon Jones head the supporting cast. Directed by Alan J. Pakula. V P S

\*\* Disturbing, fine acting, unrealistic.

## GRAY'S ANATOMY (Not rated)

\*\*\* Spalding Gray delivers one of the monologues that have become his trademark, this time putting a typically comic spin on his effort to cure an anxiety-causing illness. Inventively directed by Steven Soderbergh, although some will take offense at Gray's irreverence toward everything from sex to religion, not to mention his vivid descriptions of unpleasant physical conditions. P

## INVENTING THE ABBOTTS (R)

\*\* Class conflicts mix with romantic yearnings as two brothers from a broken home play out love-hate relationships with members of a wealthy Midwestern family. The drama is long on 1950s atmosphere and complicated feelings, short on emotional depth and real psychological insight. It also contains enough sex and nudity to make it questionable for some moviegoers who might otherwise respond to its nostalgic moods and varied performances. Pat O'Connor directed. S N V P

## LOVE &amp; OTHER CATASTROPHES (R)

\*\* Randy comedy about sexual shenanigans among a group of Australian university students with various orientations. Directed by Emma-Kate Croghan, a promising newcomer. S N V P

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## A MONGOLIAN TALE (Not rated)

\*\*\* Set in rural Mongolia, this beautifully filmed drama traces the experiences of a man and woman who grow up in the same household, separate when he travels to the city for his education, then reunite after their lives have moved onto very different pathways. The movie is less profound than director Xie Fei's earlier masterpiece, "Women From the Lake of Scented Souls," but it glows with the eye-filling images and warm-hearted acting that distinguish Chinese cinema at its best, and shows special sensitivity to the challenges facing women in a tradition-bound land starting to feel the pressures of growth and modernization. P V

## THE SAINT (PG-13)

\*\* He's more of a trickster than his nickname would suggest, but he's ultimately on the right side in an action-packed conflict between a nasty Russian schemer and a gifted American scientist who thinks she's discovered a phenomenal new energy source. Val Kilmer is fun as the mercurial hero, and Elisabeth Shue would be great as the physicist if the movie didn't have her waste so much time making googoo-eyes at her handsome new boyfriend. And will someone tell Hollywood the cold war is over? Relations between Russia and the US are confused enough without suspicion-mongering pictures like this. Directed by Phillip Noyce. S V P

## TROMEO &amp; JULIET (Not rated)

\* Troma, a low-budget production company specializing in over-the-top sleaze, jumps on the Shakespeare bandwagon with this deliberately brainless update of the classic play about ill-starred lovers. The result is a tragedy in every sense of the term, but it might steer some youngsters toward the original. Directed by Michael J. Herz. S V N

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## CRASH (NC-17)

\* A young couple gets involved with a group of bizarre people who find erotic pleasure in automobile crashes. The original novel, written by J.G. Ballard in 1973, is a cautionary tale suggesting that new forms of amorality may flourish in today's highly technologized world. David Cronenberg's movie is a chilly meditation on this theme, carrying some cinematic interest but surprisingly dull given the story's outrageous subject. James Spader and Holly Hunter head the cast. Contains much explicit and perverse sex and violence. S N V P

\* Gory, perverted, appalling.

## CITY OF INDUSTRY (R)

\* A psychopathic hoodlum runs away with the loot after a successful burglary, and a hate-filled partner spends the rest of the movie tracking him down for a nasty revenge. Harvey Keitel lends a degree of professional panache to

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the cast, which also includes Stephen Dorff and Timothy Hutton; but in the end John Irvin's thriller is just another caper picture, with more hard-hitting violence than it needs to say the few things on its mind. V P S N

\*\* Brutal, gloomy, deadly.

## THE DAYTRIPPERS (Not rated)

\*\*\* Worried that her husband might be philandering on her, a suburban woman packs her mother, father, sister, and future brother-in-law into the car, and they head for the city to find out what's really going on. The slender story gains humor and warmth from excellent acting by Hope Davis, Anne Meara, Parker Posey, Stanley Tucci, Campbell Scott, Liev Schreiber, and others. Written and directed by first-time filmmaker Greg Mottola. P S V

\*\*\* Smart, funny, real.

## DONNIE BRASCO (R)

\*\*\* A young FBI agent infiltrates a Mafia family by becoming the protege of an aging hoodlum, jeopardizing his safety and alienating his wife in the process. This sort of story has been told many times before, but thoughtful performances by Al Pacino and Johnny Depp make it more engrossing than expected. Directed by Mike Newell, who's known mainly for lighter fare like "Enchanted April" and "Four Weddings and a Funeral." Contains some very strong violence. S V P

\*\*\* Intense, gruesome, strong characters.

## THE EIGHTH DAY (Not rated)

\*\* French star Daniel Auteuil plays an uptight executive who embarks on an unlikely journey with a mentally slow man as his companion. The movie deserves credit for its compassionate approach to a subject most filmmakers steer away from, but it eventually cops out with a manipulative ending that's more superficial than insightful. Directed by Belgian filmmaker Jaco Van Dormael, who explored similar terrain in "Toto the Hero," a more exciting and original adventure. S P V N

## THE EMPIRE STRIKES BACK (PG)

\*\*\* The best of the "Star Wars" trilogy is a trifle darker and more thoughtful than the other installments. It develops real mythic power in the escalating conflict between Luke Skywalker, the budding Jedi knight, and Darth Vader, the enigmatic supervillain now revealed as our hero's secret father. The upgraded "special edition" is almost identical to the 1980 original, but if a movie isn't broken, why fix it? V

\*\*\*\* Explosive, superb, action-packed.

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## GENTLEMEN DON'T EAT POETS (R)

\* They don't watch silly movies like this, either. Sting plays a new butler who brings uproarious instability to the eccentric household of a British aristocrat (Alan Bates) and his motley group of friends and relatives. Patrick McGrath directed the dank and dour comedy from his own screenplay - a blend of the scatterbrained, the sensational, and occasionally the sick. S N V P

## THE GRADUATE (PG)

\*\*\*\* Reissue of the classic 1967 comedy about a recent college grad who drifts into an affair with an older woman, then falls goofily in love with her daughter and scrambles to escape the traps he's fallen into. Dustin Hoffman gives the inspired performance that launched his movie career, and director Mike Nichols shows a gift for social satire that has never glistened quite so brightly since. Anne Bancroft and Katherine Ross head the marvelous supporting cast. Simon & Garfunkel spice up the soundtrack with "The Sound of Silence" and other hits. N P V

## HAMLET (PG-13)

\*\*\* The most ambitious screen version of Shakespeare's most celebrated tragedy, shown in a dazzling big-screen format and featuring an all-star cast. Kenneth Branagh's acting and directing are equally immodest, but he keeps the action hopping at a lively pace. Most noteworthy in supporting roles are Derek Jacobi as the king, Kate Winslet as Ophelia, the wonderful Julie Christie as Gertrude, and Billy Crystal as the gravedigger. Other familiar faces, from Robin Williams to Charlton Heston are pretty much wasted. S N V

\*\*\*\* Riveting, exquisite, well-directed.

## Jungle 2 Jungle (PG)

\*\*\* A simple and lighthearted film for children, which parents can watch without being bored. Tim Allen plays a father who discovers that he has a son by his estranged wife (Jo-Beth Williams), a doctor living with an Indian tribe. The son, who has been raised in the jungle, accompanies Allen back to New York City on a quest to get fire from the Statue of Liberty. What ensues is a series of adventures that bring father and son closer together. Martin Short and Lolita Davidovich also star in the film. By Sharon Johnson-Cramer

\*\*\* Family-oriented, funny, simple.

## KAMA SUTRA: A TALE OF LOVE (Not rated)

\*\* Rivalry simmers for years between an aristocrat and her beautiful servant, who wind up competing for the attention of a handsome ruler. Mira Nair's sensuous drama decks out a trite and predictable tale with exquisite colors, textures, and music. Contains a number of heavily erotic sequences. S N V P

\*\* Romantic, exotic, sensual.



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## KOLYA (PG-13)

\*\*\* Not long before the fall of the Soviet bloc and the Velvet Revolution in Czechoslovakia, a middle-aged Czech musician agrees to a marriage of convenience with a Russian woman, then finds himself caring for her five-year-old son after she unexpectedly leaves the country. This thoughtful comedy-drama demonstrates how difficult it is to draw lines between the personal and political in the rapidly changing modern world. N S P

\*\*\* Moving, endearing, film does good job of weaving in Czechoslovakian context.

## LIAR LIAR (PG-13)

\*\* An overzealous lawyer hits personal and professional trouble when his little boy makes a birthday wish that his dad won't be able to lie for the next 24 hours. Jim Carrey proves that he's the most inspired clown in movies today, but parents should be warned that much of the picture's humor is extremely rude and crude. Tom Shadyac directed. S V P

\*\*\* Energetic, hilarious, Carrey at his best.

## LOVE JONES (R)

\*\*\* A woman pursues her photography career while coping with romantic dilemmas involving her one-time fiancé, not the most reliable person around, and a young poet she just met, who's a little too pushy for comfort. The story is thin, but it's fun to spend time with more likable African-American characters than most Hollywood movies ever put under the spotlight. Larenz Tate and Nia Long star in the comedy, which was written and directed by Theodore Witcher. Contains explicit sexual situations and language. S P N

\*\* Hip, sexy, strong cinematography.

## MANDELA (Not rated)

\*\*\* A nonfiction look at the tumultuous life and history-making career of Nelson Mandela, touching on a wide range of issues that have influenced South Africa during the past several decades. Gives a colorful overview of a complex and fascinating subject, although there are many areas where more careful and detailed treatment would have been appropriate. Directed by Jo Menell and Angus Gibson. V

## PRIVATE PARTS (R)

\* The life and times of radio personality Howard Stern, who has turned a flair for vulgarity and sensationalism into superstar status and a zillion-dollar career. Some scenes paint a convincing portrait of Stern as a witty opponent of stuffiness, prudery, and hypocrisy. Others mix gross-out humor with nasty doses of racism, sexism, and

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homophobia that reveal a dark side to Stern's professional personality. Stern and his co-host, Robin Quivers, play themselves. Directed by Betty Thomas. S V N P

\*\* Hilarious, juvenile, insightful.

## THE QUIET ROOM (PG)

\*\*\* This sensitive, imaginative drama is told from the perspective of a little girl whose parents' constant arguing has made her decide to stop talking. Few movies have paid more sincere attention to the fact that children are full-fledged human beings with complicated inner lives; and few have depicted childhood with such skillful avoidance of simplistic or sentimental notions. Written and directed by Australia-based filmmaker Rolf de Heer.

## RETURN OF THE JEDI (PG)

\*\*\* Reissue of the concluding 1983 chapter in George Lucas's celebrated "Star Wars" trilogy, with Han Solo and Princess Leia helping Luke Skywalker reclaim his father from the dark side of the Force while defeating the evil Empire that has terrorized the galaxy. Less original than the first "Star Wars" and less resonant than "The Empire Strikes Back," but packed with fast-paced action and downright cuddly Ewoks. It stars Mark Hamill, Carrie Fisher, and Harrison Ford plus Billy Dee Williams and the great Alec Guinness. The supposedly improved "special edition" includes a brief musical number and fancy new shots in final scene. V

\*\*\* Futuristic, inventive, fantastic but slow.

## ROSEWOOD (R)

\*\*\* In a segregated Florida community during the 1920s, a white woman falsely says a black fugitive has beaten her, touching off a rampage by bigoted whites that takes a horrifying toll in death and destruction. The fact-based story is so riveting and revealing that the filmmakers needn't have used melodramatic formulas to boost its impact. But even with its flaws, the movie carries strong messages about the hurtfulness of hate, bias, and conceptions of "manhood" based on power and domination. Ving Rhames and Jon Voight head the excellent cast. S V P N

\*\*\*\* Educational, disturbing, haunting.

## SELENA (PG)

\*\* The life of Selena Quintanilla Perez, the hugely popular Latina singer, from her beginnings in a family pop group to her tragic death at an early age. The dialogue swings between platitudes and cliches, but the acting is lively and the music will set even lazy toes tapping. Directed by Gregory Nava. V P

\*\*\* Sweet, inspirational, celebrates innocence.

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## SMILLA'S SENSE OF SNOW (R)

\* The setting is wintry Copenhagen, and the heroine is a lonely woman from Greenland who uncovers a sinister conspiracy while investigating the death of a little Inuit boy who'd become her only friend. The movie is gorgeously filmed and contains some fascinating lore about life in northern climes. But the plot is tritely predictable and far-fetched. Julia Ormond, Gabriel Byrne, and Vanessa Redgrave are among the performers who deliver less than their best. V S N P

\*\* Suspenseful, improbable, intriguing mystery.

## STAR WARS (PG)

\*\*\* Heroic rebels battle an oppressive empire, and the Force is with them all the way. George Lucas's legendary 1977 science-fiction epic still packs an entertaining punch with its blend of old-movie formulas, new-age philosophies, and video-game visuals. A small amount of new material, added for the 20th-anniversary reissue, is fun to look for but doesn't make much difference to the story or its impact. V

\*\*\*\* Great special effects, inspiring, awesome.

## WAITING FOR GUFFMAN (R)

\*\*\* The quirky, sometimes hilarious tale of a Broadway wannabe staging a community-theater production to celebrate the 150th birthday of a small Missouri town. Christopher Guest directed the picture, co-wrote the mischievous screenplay with Eugene Levy, and plays the leading role. The humor is uneven and sometimes crude, but much of the mock-documentary is surprising and amusing. P

\*\*\* Offbeat, a little bizarre, very funny at times.

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PHOTOS: 1) 'INVENTING THE ABBOTTS': Billy Crudup (l.) and Joaquin Phoenix portray two brothers from a broken home who become involved with sisters from a wealthy family, one of whom is played by Liv Tyler (center). MERIE W. WALLACE/20TH CENTURY FOX, 2) 'THE DEVIL'S OWN': Brad Pitt stars as an IRA fugitive who goes to New York and moves into an Irish-American police officer's home. AP PHOTO/KEN REGAN, COLUMBIA/TRISTAR

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### **Body**

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Fifteen newspapers have been named finalists in the Associated Press Managing Editors association's 27th annual Public Service Awards competition.

Ten finalists were chosen from newspapers of 50,000 or more circulation, and five were selected from newspapers under 50,000 circulation.

One winner in each category will be announced in October during the APME national conference in Atlanta.

"The work that we judged in this competition represents some of the very best in American journalism," said David V. Hawpe, president of APME and chairman of the judging committee. "The 83 entries are testimony that newspapers around the nation are performing a watchdog role, and living up to the responsibility that the First Amendment imposes."

Finalists in the over-50,000 circulation category are:

- The Boston Globe, for a series of stories on the safety of American military personnel, which revealed a heavy toll of noncombat deaths. In response, members of Congress have called for an investigation.
- Chicago Tribune, for "Code Blue: Survival in the Sky," a study of the potential consequences of inadequate on-board medical help in commercial airliners. American Airlines announced it would improve its on-board medical kits and put defibrillators on all flights.
- The Cincinnati Enquirer, for an examination of the use of force by police in Cincinnati. Seven of every 10 individuals against whom force was used were black. Settlements in such cases have been minimal.
- Sun-Sentinel of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., for an examination of pawnshops in Florida, which showed that they frequently and easily are used as an outlet for stolen goods. Florida law was rewritten as a result.
- The Kansas City (Mo.) Star, for a series that described the exploitation of Amish, conservative Mennonites and Hutterites by medical hucksters.
- The Palm Beach Post, West Palm Beach, Fla., for revealing the extent to which state welfare agency employees have been able to slip quietly out of trouble. The reporting showed that the inspector general's office was ill-equipped to monitor wayward employees. A number of resignations resulted.

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- The Philadelphia Inquirer, for courageous reporting on efforts by the Chinese government to eradicate Tibetan religion, culture and sense of nationality. Reporters accompanied released prisoners as they attempted to escape the country.
- The Seattle Times, for a report titled "Safety at Issue: the 737," which revealed mechanical problems with one of the world's most widely used aircraft.
- The Toronto Star, for an investigation into children at risk in the province of Ontario. Called "Cry for the Children," the report included a seven-step plan to address the problems.
- USA Today, for a look at the home health care system and those who use it to exploit patients, as well as to steal from Medicare and Medicaid. The report traced the causes of the problem and explored possible solutions.

Finalists in the under-50,000 competition are:

- The Herald-Dispatch of Huntington, W.Va., for an in-depth look at the case of a local couple accused of a murder in the Caribbean. The revelations about the treatment they have received produced expressions of concern from President Clinton and discussions between the president and the prime minister of St. Vincent's.
- The Advertiser of Lafayette, La., for a revealing profile of a Klan figure who has his own local-access television program and has been the object of coverage by national television programs. His background proved to contradict his publicly stated values.
- Virgin Islands Daily News, for a project called "Cheating our Children," which revealed inadequacies in the public school system and efforts by officials to hide the system's failures.
- The Tribune Chronicle of Warren, Ohio, for a six-month investigation into the ways in which HUD funds were squandered in Trumbull County. The newspaper's reports produced both investigations and reforms.
- Daily Local News of West Chester, Pa., for an investigation of an incident in which a prisoner died when a 911 dispatcher fell asleep. The newspaper revealed efforts to keep the public from knowing the details. A special commission was appointed to look into the matter.

Judges were Hawpe, editor of The Courier-Journal of Louisville, Ky., William E. Ahearn, vice president and executive editor of The Associated Press, and three former APME presidents: Lawrence K. Beaupre, editor of The Cincinnati Enquirer, Bob McGruder, executive editor of the Detroit Free Press, and Bob Ritter, editor of Gannett Suburban Newspapers. Judges did not participate in discussions or votes concerning their own newspapers.

Access to police records, applications for public jobs and closed teacher grievance hearings were among the issues tackled by the six finalists in this year's competition for the Associated Press Managing Editors association's Freedom of Information award.

The winner of the 27th annual award will be announced at APME's annual conference in October in Atlanta.

"The overall quality of the entries was excellent from one end of the country to another," said Bruce Giles, Freedom of Information committee chairman and executive editor The Tuscaloosa (Ala.) Times. "Large newspapers and small newspapers are carrying out their roles of helping the public maintain its access to its government. Without that access, the public can't fulfill its role in a democracy."

The finalists, selected from among 29 entries, are:

- The Advocate, Baton Rouge, La., for a successful fight to make applications for public jobs in Louisiana open to public inspection.
- New York Daily News, for persistent efforts to improve access to New York's Family Courts, death penalty case proceedings and agencies dealing with city corruption cases.

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- The Palm Beach Post, West Palm Beach, Fla., for successfully challenging the practice of county commissioners settling lawsuits in private.
- News-Herald, Port Clinton, Ohio, for succeeding in getting an Ohio State Supreme Court ruling reversed that could have denied newspapers access to a special appellate procedure used to challenge court orders.
- Waterbury (Conn.) Republican-American, for a successful five-year court battle to open teacher and administrator grievance hearings to the public.
- The Record, Hackensack, N.J., for exposing a local police practice of failing to report crimes such as rape, sexual assault and armed robbery.

Entries in the FOI contest covered the period from July 1996 through June 1997. Judges were members of the APME executive committee and the FOI committee chairman.

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## APME names Bouju, Diggs winners of AP staff photography contest

NEW YORK (AP) - Photos by Jean-Marc Bouju chronicling an execution by Zairian rebels and a feature by Brian Diggs of a visitor reaching toward a statue of Eleanor Roosevelt at the FDR Memorial won top awards in the Associated Press Managing Editors annual AP staff photography contest.

Bouju, based in Nairobi, Kenya, was recognized in the news category for his photos of the execution made while covering the civil war in Zaire last spring. Bouju shared last year's news award for his coverage of civil strife in Liberia.

Diggs, a recently hired staffer in Washington, won the feature prize for his photo made during dedication ceremonies for the newly opened FDR Memorial in Washington.

The contest, judged Aug. 3 by the executive committee of the APME, is open to AP staff photographers throughout the world.

Runners-up in the news category were Mark Lennihan of New York for a photograph of a lone mourner on a Long Island beach following the TWA Flight 800 crash, and Madrid staffer Santiago Lyon for his coverage of conflict in Albania and Afghanistan.

Runners-up in the feature category were Lacy Atkins of San Francisco, for a picture package on street kids, Los Angeles staffer Susan Sterner for her package on adoptive parents, and Kiev staffer Efrem Lukatsky for his photo of young boys smoking in front of an anti-smoking billboard in downtown Kiev.

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## APME announces awards for top writing achievements

NEW YORK (AP) - Coverage of the Peruvian hostage rescue, an investigation into the federal government's wild horses program and a story about a dying mother who put her children up for adoption earned top prizes for AP staffers in the Associated Press Managing Editors association's writing competition.

Chelsea Carter of AP's Atlanta bureau won the John L. Dougherty Award, which each year recognizes an outstanding reporter with less than three years' experience with the AP. Dougherty was the longtime managing editor of the Rochester (N.Y.) Times-Union and Democrat & Chronicle who died in 1981 while serving as APME treasurer. He was known for his emphasis on good writing and nurturing young journalists.

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Members of APME's executive committee selected the winners on Aug. 3. Entries covered the period from July 1996 through June 1997. The awards will be presented at APME's national conference in Atlanta, Oct. 15-18.

The staff of the AP's bureau in Lima, Peru, under the direction of bureau chief Monte Hayes won the deadline award for its coverage of the surprise raid that rescued the hostages at the Japanese ambassador's residence on April 22. Reporters and photographers had been camped for more than four months on rooftops overlooking the compound, anticipating the moment when the story would reach its climax.

Honorable mentions went for coverage of verdicts and sentencing in the Timothy McVeigh trial and the O.J. Simpson civil suit. Cited for the McVeigh story were Sandy Shore and Steve Paulson of Denver, Michael Fleeman of Los Angeles, Paul Queary of Oklahoma City and James Martinez of the General Desk. The Simpson coverage was headed by Special Correspondent Linda Deutsch and Fleeman.

Martha Mendoza of the Albuquerque bureau won the enterprise award for her stories explaining how thousands of wild horses are slaughtered after being removed from public land and placed for adoption under a law meant to protect them: the Free Roaming Wild Horse and Burro Act. Her stories described how some federal employees profit by adopting horses themselves, how the government lost track of 32,000 animals and how politics shut down a grand jury's criminal investigation into the program last year.

Honorable mention in this category went for an examination of high school coaches' salaries in Texas. The project was coordinated by Dallas supervisor Linda Leavell with contributions from correspondents in Fort Worth, Lubbock and El Paso, as well as staffers in Dallas and Austin.

Sharon Cohen, the AP's Midwest regional reporter based in Chicago, won the feature prize for her story about Blanca Enriquez, a dying mother in Texas who wanted her eight children to stay together, and what an Illinois couple went through to adopt them and forge a new family.

Beth Duff-Brown, a staffer in Abidjan, Ivory Coast, won honorable mention for a first-person story recounting her trip back to the African village where she had been a Peace Corps volunteer to learn how it - and she - had changed since she left in 1981.

The New York Post will defend itself against a \$ 15 million libel suit by former Atlanta bombing suspect Richard Jewell.

"The Post stands by the stories at issue in the Richard Jewell lawsuit. We do not believe the suit has merit and we intend to aggressively defend," said spokesman Pat Smith, quoting Post attorneys.

Jewell, a security guard, was initially portrayed as a hero in July 1996 for spotting a suspicious package in Atlanta's Centennial Olympic Park and helping to evacuate people before an explosion that killed one person and injured more than 100 others.

Then the FBI identified him as a suspect in the bombing and his name was leaked to the Atlanta Journal-Constitution. He was cleared by the Justice Department last October.

On July 31, Attorney General Janet Reno offered Jewell an apology but limited it to the leak of his name as a suspect.

There have been no arrests.

In December, Jewell reached a reported \$ 500,000 settlement with NBC over comments anchorman Tom Brokaw made on the air shortly after the bombing. Jewell also settled with CNN for an undisclosed amount.

He has suits pending against Cox Enterprises Inc., owner of the Journal-Constitution, and Piedmont College, where he had worked as a guard before he took a temporary job at the Olympics.



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Last month, Jewell sued the Post, charging that it had libeled and defamed him in articles, headlines, photographs and editorial cartoons.

The suit, filed in U.S. District Court in Manhattan, seeks \$ 5 million in compensatory damages and \$ 10 million in punitive damages.

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#### Harte-Hanks to buy ABC Shoppers Group

SAN ANTONIO (AP) - Harte-Hanks Communications Inc. said it reached a definitive agreement with ABC Inc. to acquire the ABC Shoppers Group for about \$ 104 million in cash.

The ABC Shoppers Group publishes free-circulation advertising reaching 2.4 million households in California and the Midwest.

The deal is expected to close by the end of September.

Harte-Hanks publishes shoppers with 590 separate zoned editions reaching 7.1 million households each week in four major markets.

San Antonio-based Harte-Hanks has been increasingly concentrating on its shopper and direct marketing businesses. It is in the process of selling its newspaper and television operations to the E.W. Scripps Co.

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#### Wall Street Journal to launch New England Journal on Oct. 1

NEW YORK (AP) - Dow Jones & Co. will begin publishing a four-page insert to The Wall Street Journal for readers in New England, beginning Oct. 1.

The New England Journal will appear Wednesdays in the Marketplace section of the nearly 130,000 Wall Street Journals circulated from Connecticut to Maine.

The insert will focus on regional business, finance and economic issues.

Caleb Solomon, formerly a Wall Street Journal reporter and most recently editor of the Texas Journal, was named editor of the New England Journal. The Texas Journal was the first, in 1993, of the paper's regional news sections. It was followed in 1994 by the Florida and Southeast Journals and in 1995 by The Wall Street Journal/California.

In addition to The Wall Street Journal, New York-based Dow Jones publishes other newspapers, magazines and newswires, including Dow Jones News Service. It also produces business television programming.

A judge dismissed charges against a reporter for The Columbus Dispatch arrested at the scene of a hostage situation and charged with misconduct and resisting arrest.

Municipal Court Judge James Green dismissed the charges July 30 against Dean Narcisco, 37, after prosecutor Steve McIntosh said there wasn't enough evidence.

Narcisco, a reporter at the paper for 10 years, said police removed him from a yard where a neighbor had given him permission to observe a house where a 23-year-old man was holding a 5-year-old girl.

Officers said in a report that Narcisco tried to run when approached and refused to be handcuffed. The officers also said they believed he was in danger.

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Narcisco said he did not try to run away or resist arrest. He said he was crouched in a corner and using a cellular phone and a two-way radio to communicate with an editor during the three-hour standoff.

A police report indicated the officers knew he was a reporter.

Narcisco was charged with one count each of misconduct in an emergency and resisting arrest.

Dispatch attorney John Zeiger said reporters are exempt from the misconduct statute as long as they act lawfully.

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## ACLU petitions U.S. Supreme Court to hear reporter-activism case

SEATTLE (AP) - The American Civil Liberties Union is asking the U.S. Supreme Court to reverse a Washington state court finding that reporters can be barred from political activism by the newspapers that employ them.

The case involves Sandy Nelson, who was removed from the education beat at The News Tribune of Tacoma in September 1990 and assigned to the copy desk when she refused to stop her off-duty activism for a city gay-rights initiative.

Nelson sued the newspaper and its parent, McClatchy Newspapers Inc.

In February, the Washington Supreme Court found for the media, saying a state law that prohibits employers from discriminating on the basis of political activities does not apply to newspapers.

Newspapers must be free to enforce conflict-of-interest policies to preserve credibility and "the appearance of objectivity," the court ruled in a 7-2 decision.

The ruling "denies journalists the rights of citizenship," Nelson was quoted as saying by the ACLU of Washington.

Attorney Jim Lobsenz, who petitioned the nation's highest court, said the state court's ruling could "block the enforcement of any employment discrimination statute against a newspaper employer."

He said the ruling conflicts with numerous U.S. Supreme Court decisions and is "the first known decision to accept a newspaper's contention that the First Amendment exempts it from compliance with employment anti-discrimination laws."

The case has drawn national attention from groups representing gay rights, journalism and labor.

Nelson, a journalist for 17 years, still works at The News Tribune. She has been active in organizations advocating women's rights, gay rights and socialism for much of her career.

News Tribune editors said the award-winning writer did not lose her reporting job because of her political beliefs. The newspaper's editorial board endorsed the initiative, which failed at the polls.

Her editors said they feared that the newspaper, one of the state's largest, would lose credibility if a reporter were seen participating in political activities.

The News Tribune's position was endorsed by Allied Daily Newspapers, a trade group representing Washington newspapers.

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## Times Square "zipper" resumes after two-month upgrading

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NEW YORK (AP) - After being dark two months for an upgrade, the "zipper" that flashes the day's news in Times Square resumed operation. It now can be read in bright sunlight.

The zipper, which wraps around the 22-story building at 1 Times Square and has been displaying news headlines since 1928, was upgraded to make it clearer, faster and more reliable, according to Dow Jones & Co., its operator.

The 369-foot ribbon of moving words is illuminated by 235,000 amber light-emitting diodes, instead of the old 12,400 incandescent light bulbs, which were hard to read on a sunny day.

Dow Jones has operated the zipper, which was originated by The New York Times, since June 1995, using feeds from its own news operation, The Associated Press and the ESPN SportsTicker.

CompuServe, the second-largest online service, will create an adults-only area requiring passwords and proof of age to keep sexually explicit material away from young eyes.

The move is the latest among online services reacting to growing pressure from consumer groups and the White House to regulate themselves and control who can see risqué material.

"This isn't foolproof. But it's a start," CompuServe spokesman Steve Conway said July 29. "Everybody is taking a different approach to keep kids out of adult material."

CompuServe, with 5.4 million customers worldwide, plans to move all adult chat rooms, games and other materials on its flagship CSi online service into what it calls the Adult Community starting Aug. 5.

The company will mail confirmation of access to account holders CompuServe has already identified as adults.

Only those members, after providing passwords and proof of age, will be able to access the area, which contains everything from lingerie catalogs to a gay forum.

The content of the Adult Community will be controlled by Microsystems Software, which already provides CompuServe with software that allows parents to control what their children see. It will use the SafeSurf Internet Rating Standard, a voluntary system measuring sex, adult themes, violence, intolerance, gambling, drug use and profanity.

The Supreme Court in June struck down a law designed to keep cyberspace's seedy side away from children. After a July meeting with President Clinton, computer industry representatives announced that they will provide greater access to anti-smut software.

America Online, the largest online provider with more than 8 million customers, does not have any adult material on its service but uses Microsystems' ratings guidelines.

"The real goal of AOL is to give parents the technological tools so they can set the parameters for what their children can view," said Tricia Primrose, spokeswoman for the Dulles, Va.-based company.

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Scripps Howard Foundation awards \$ 261,000 in scholarships

CINCINNATI (AP) - The Scripps Howard Foundation has awarded \$ 261,000 in undergraduate journalism scholarships to 109 students for the 1997-98 school year.

The Cincinnati-based foundation awards scholarships to encourage full-time undergraduate students to prepare for careers in print and broadcast journalism. Recipients were chosen from more than 650 applicants. Candidates must demonstrate scholastic achievement and the commitment to stay in the profession after graduation.

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The newly selected scholarship winners will study on 73 campuses, including the University of Missouri-Columbia, with 14 recipients; Ohio University, five; the University of Texas at Austin and Syracuse University, both with four.

Individual scholarships range from \$ 1,000 for freshmen and sophomores to \$ 3,000 for juniors and seniors. Women received 66 percent of the scholarships; minorities received 30 percent.

The Lighthouse Scholarship - a two-year, \$ 15,000 award - was presented to Jason J. Clayworth, who will be a junior at Drake University in Des Moines, Iowa. Clayworth writes for Drake's two on-campus magazines and is the photography editor of the university's newspaper.

The Scripps Howard Foundation supports journalism education, literacy and First Amendment causes.

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TCI completes purchase of Salt Lake Tribune's parent company

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - Tele-Communications Inc. has completed its purchase of the Salt Lake Tribune's parent with the newspaper company's shareholders approving the deal.

TCI paid \$ 731 million in stock for Kearns-Tribune Corp., which in addition to Utah's biggest paper owns three papers in Idaho and one in Nevada. It also owns a Salt Lake City-based newspaper software development company and part of a newsprint mill in Washington.

The owners of nearly 97 percent of the shares of Kearns-Tribune voted for the merger July 31.

TCI, the nation's largest cable television company, said the deal will allow it to experiment with electronic publishing and explore further arrangements between cable and newspapers.

The deal was worth \$ 627 million when it was announced in April, but TCI's stock has since risen.

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Lott: Media gave Democrats a break about swastika tattoo story

WASHINGTON (AP) - Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott says Democrats "got a pass" from national media which failed to report that a Democratic witness on tax cuts had a Nazi swastika tattoo.

"If I had brought a couple in here from my state and the guy had a swastika or something like that on his arm or his hand, I would have been absolutely crucified and very likely would have been run out of office," the Mississippi Republican said July 30 in an interview with NBC radio.

Lott was referring to a West Virginia man who appeared with Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., and Jay Rockefeller, D-W.Va., to praise the Democratic position on tax cuts.

Rickey McCumbers, a 41-year-old flower deliverer from Frametown, W.Va., said the small tattoo on his hand was "a youthful mistake" and that he has never been a Nazi sympathizer.

"Now, in defense of Tom Daschle and Jay Rockefeller, they didn't know this was on the guy's hand," Lott said. "The story is the national press ... quashed the story, and the American people need to know the kind of biased reporting here that we are faced with."

The International Herald Tribune will publish a daily Israeli edition together with the respected Haaretz newspaper.

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The edition, which is to launch at the end of the summer, will include a four-page supplement on Israeli affairs translated daily into English from the Hebrew.

It will be printed on the Haaretz presses. The IHT is now produced at 14 locations on three continents.

Israel, home to tens of thousands of native English speakers, has one major English daily, the Jerusalem Post, as well as several English magazines.

The IHT has usually been available here a day late because of the need to fly it in from European printing locations.

The decision to launch a local edition was taken by IHT publisher Richard McClean together with the management of Haaretz, the companies said July 29. The editor of the Israel supplement will be David Landau, a former managing editor of the Jerusalem Post.

The IHT - which first appeared in 1887 as the European edition of the New York Herald - is now co-owned by The New York Times and The Washington Post and reprints much of those papers' material.

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#### Turkish police accused of killing reporter surrender

ANKARA, Turkey (AP) - Six of nine police officers charged in the fatal beating of a reporter surrendered in the city where their trial is to begin next month.

Justice Minister Oltan Sungurlu told the Anatolia news agency the six turned themselves in July 28 to the prosecutor's office in Afyon in central Anatolia.

Three other officers remain at large.

Metin Goktepe, a 27-year-old reporter for the defunct left-wing daily Evrensel, was detained by police in January 1996 while covering the funeral of leftist militants in Istanbul.

Witnesses have testified the officers beat Goktepe for hours in front of hundreds of onlookers in a gymnasium used as a detention center.

The officers face up to 15 years imprisonment if convicted.

The case, seen as a test of Turkey's pledge to improve press freedom, captured the attention of hundreds of Western journalists, including Terry Anderson, a former bureau chief for The Associated Press who was held hostage in Lebanon for nearly seven years.

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#### Journalist group urges action in photographer slaying probe

UNITED NATIONS (AP) - A journalists' group appealed to Argentina's president to press for a more complete investigation into the killing of a photographer.

In a letter to President Carlos Menem, the Committee to Protect Journalists noted that the Jan. 25 slaying of Jose Luis Cabezas had "stirred widespread indignation and protest" in Argentina.

The charred, handcuffed body of the 36-year-old photojournalist for the investigative magazine Noticias was found in his car in the beach resort of Pinamar.

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The committee said it was heartened by the arrest of a former police officer, but it expressed concern that powerful figures may have instigated the assassination and that they remain at large.

Members of the committee delivered the letter July 28 to Argentine diplomats at the United Nations.

The Argentine Press Workers' Union estimates that about 720 journalists have been attacked or threatened with violence or lawsuits since Menem took office in 1989.

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Colombian president: press helps turn violence into spectacle

GUATEMALA CITY (AP) - Colombia's president accused the news media of helping trivialize violence and turning it into a "normal and daily spectacle."

Ernesto Samper told the hemisphere's main press freedom group July 31 that the pursuit of larger audiences has led the media to expand their coverage of violence - and has inadvertently helped perpetuate it.

While saying curbing the media is not the answer, Samper told the Inter-American Press Association, "the simple conclusion is that journalists cannot be isolated spectators of violence or neutral communicators."

Earlier, the media group, meeting in the Guatemalan capital, criticized the unsolved killings of six journalists in Mexico, Colombia and Guatemala. It has formed a special team of investigators to look into their killings.

IAPA president Gabriel Cano called the slayings "the extreme system of press censorship." His brother, Guillermo Cano, is one of dozens of journalists killed in Colombia over the last decade.

A suspect in his slaying was recently arrested, Cano noted.

Former Nicaraguan president Violetta Chamorro told a panel that the 1979 killing of her husband, La Prensa editor Joaquin Chamorro, stiffened her resolve to defend freedom of the press during her term.

More than 200 journalists have been killed in the Americas in the past 10 years.

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Journalists in Belarus convicted of taking part in illegal protest

MINSK, Belarus (AP) - Fourteen journalists were fined and warned after they were convicted for taking part in an unauthorized demonstration outside the residence of the Belarusian president.

The journalists were protesting the arrest of two of their colleagues, a team for Russia's ORT television, who were filming a report on Belarus' poorly guarded frontier. The journalists were charged with crossing the country's border illegally.

Their Aug. 1 convictions could further fray relations between Moscow and the former Soviet republic, which recently signed a union treaty.

Moscow has criticized the arrests of the journalists and asked for explanations.

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Irish politician wins record libel award from newspaper

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DUBLIN, Ireland (AP) - A former Cabinet minister won a record \$ 450,000 in damages from Independent Newspapers, Ireland's dominant newspaper group, after a four-year legal battle and three trials.

The 12-member jury ruled July 31 that a December 1992 column by the Sunday Independent writer Eamon Dunphy libeled Proinsias de Rossa by accusing him of involvement in IRA criminal racketeering and in soliciting funds from Moscow.

Under Ireland's strict libel laws, prosecutors do not need to prove that a writer libeled a public figure with malicious intent, only that any published accusations were not proved.

The previous high-water mark for libel in the Irish Republic was \$ 130,000.

The Independent Newspapers group may also be liable for the entire legal bill for all three trials, estimated to exceed \$ 1.1 million. The judge ordered the first trial halted after other Independent journalists defended Dunphy in print, while the second ended in a hung jury.

De Rossa was the minister for social welfare in the three-party government of Prime Minister John Bruton, which held power from December 1994 until national elections last month.

He was interned without trial as an **Irish Republican Army** member in the early 1960s, but left the outlawed organization long before it split into rival wings with the rise of violence in neighboring Northern Ireland in 1969.

ABC's "Nightline" received a leading nine nominations for the 18th Annual News and Documentary Emmy Awards, while the network topped its competitors with 29 total bids.

Other ABC news shows making a strong showing included "PrimeTime Live" with seven nominations and "Turning Point" with four, the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences announced July 30.

Other leading nominees were CBS' "60 Minutes" with eight bids, "Dateline NBC" and TBS' "National Geographic Explorer" with seven each, and PBS' "Frontline" and NBC's "National Geographic Special" with six each.

PBS received the second-highest number of nominations, 25, followed by NBC with 17, CBS with 16 and Home Box Office with nine.

Other network totals: TBS, seven; Discovery, six; Learning Channel, four; Arts & Entertainment, three; CNN, three; MSNBC, three; Cinemax, two and Family Channel, one.

Black Entertainment Television received a nomination for newsman Ed Gordon's January 1996 interview with O.J. Simpson, the first Simpson gave after the slayings of his ex-wife Nicole Brown Simpson and Ronald Goldman.

The 128 nominations were chosen from a near-record 1,300 entries, said academy president John Cannon.

The large field reflects television's response "to viewers' ever-growing interest in news and their concerns about social, political and cultural issues shaping today's world," Cannon said.

Awards will be presented at a Sept. 10 ceremony in New York.

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Appeals court rejects privacy suit by Simpson flight attendant

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) - A federal appeals court rejected a privacy suit by a flight attendant on O.J. Simpson's plane trip to Chicago whose doorstep conversation with an ABC producer was secretly recorded.

Though the attendant was unwilling to go on the air, she could not have reasonably expected her comments to be confidential, according to a 2-1 ruling July 29 by the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals.

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California law, on which the suit was chiefly based, prohibits the recording of any "confidential communication" without the consent of all parties. But the court said a conversation about a newsworthy topic with an identified news media employee, who has not been asked to keep the contents a secret, could not be considered confidential.

The dissenting judge said the ruling would give reporters virtually free rein to record conversations without consent.

Beverly Deteresa was an attendant on the American Airlines flight that Simpson took to Chicago the night of the killings of his ex-wife, Nicole Brown Simpson, and her friend Ronald Goldman in June 1994. A week later, ABC producer Anthony Radziwill came to the door of her home in Irvine, identified himself and asked her to discuss the flight on television.

Deteresa said she wasn't interested in going on television but later told Radziwill she would think about it. She also said she was frustrated to hear inaccurate news reports; for example, according to the court, she said Simpson had not kept his hand in a bag during the flight.

When she told Radziwill by telephone the next day that she would not go on camera, he told her that he had audiotaped their previous conversation and that it had also been videotaped from a nearby street.

Over objections from Deteresa and her husband, five seconds of the video was shown that night on ABC's "Day One." Her voice was not heard and she was not identified by name, but an announcer described her statements.

Her suit was dismissed without a trial by U.S. District Judge Linda McLaughlin, whose ruling was upheld.

A deal worked out by key lawmakers gave TV broadcasters the conditional right to keep channels that the government was going to make them give up in nine years.

Critics complain that broadcasters are trying to do an end run around Federal Communications Commission rules in an attempt to keep the channels indefinitely, even as broadcasters begin switching to new channels to provide cinema-quality digital TV.

Broadcasters say flexibility is needed so viewers are not forced to buy expensive digital TV sets or less-expensive converters needed to watch TV on old sets once conversion to digital television is complete.

In April the FCC gave each of the nation's 1,600 TV stations a new, second channel to broadcast digital TV. But the commission also told broadcasters they would have to surrender their old "analog" channels by 2006.

Under the July 28 agreement, a TV station would be allowed to keep its old analog channel after 2006 if one of three conditions were met:

- That 15 percent or more of TV households in the market do not subscribe to cable television or other multichannel TV providers that carry local digital broadcast signals in that market. And, these households don't have a new digital TV set or a converter box so they can watch programs on old analog sets.

- That stations affiliated with one of the four major broadcast networks are not broadcasting a digital TV signal into a local market.

- That converter box technology, which changes a digital signal back into analog for display on existing TV sets, is not generally available in the market.

"If Congress thinks it is going to get analog spectrum back after 2006, it is kidding itself," said Gigi Sohn, executive director of the Media Access Project, which is fighting the provision.

But Ken Johnson, spokesman for Rep. Billy Tauzin, R-La., one of the lawmakers in the deal, disagreed. "We fully expect the vast majority of licenses to be returned in 2006," he said. "There are no blanket exemptions."



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The returned channels would be auctioned for uses such as digital TV, mobile phone or data services, raising billions for the government.

The deal was worked out among four Republicans: Tauzin, Rep. Thomas Bliley of Virginia, Sen. John McCain of Arizona and Sen. Ted Stevens of Alaska.

The accord was approved by House and Senate budget negotiators and became part of a final budget bill.

Negotiators also agreed to make it easier for media companies to own more outlets, once broadcasters' transition to digital is complete.

Negotiators agreed to let media companies own two digital TV stations in cities of 400,000 or more. Decades-old federal rules now generally prevent such combinations, although regulators have made exceptions for companies to own two UHF stations in one market.

Negotiators also agreed to let media companies have a newspaper and a digital TV station in cities of 400,000 or more - something longstanding federal rules forbid in most cases.

The Clinton administration does not welcome such changes, citing concerns about decreased diversity in programming.

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NBC swapping stations in Ohio, Mass., Calif. for Hartford station

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) - NBC has reached an agreement to acquire its Hartford affiliate from the Paramount Stations Group in exchange for three stations.

WVIT-TV in Hartford becomes the 12th station owned and operated by the network.

Paramount is acquiring WWHO-TV in Chillicothe, Ohio, WLWC-TV in New Bedford, Mass., and KPWB-TV in Sacramento, Calif.

The three stations are affiliates of the Warner Bros. network and are to become UPN affiliates. NBC operates them under local management agreements.

NBC has more than 200 affiliates that broadcast its programs but are owned by other companies.

The deal, which is subject to approval from the Federal Communications Commission, is expected to be completed by year's end.

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Jacor Communications buys St. Louis radio station

COVINGTON, Ky. (AP) - Jacor Communications Inc. has agreed to buy radio station WCBW-FM in St. Louis from Continental Broadcasting for \$ 13 million.

The deal is subject to approval by the Federal Communications Commission. Jacor Communications already operates KATZ-AM, KATZ-FM and KMJM-FM in St. Louis.

Including announced pending acquisitions, Jacor owns, operates or represents 155 radio stations in 34 U.S. markets.

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Denver radio station sold to Chancellor Media

DENVER (AP) - Chancellor Media of Dallas has purchased radio station KXPB-FM in Denver for \$ 26 million from Ever Green Wireless LLC.

Bob Greenlee, Ever Green's majority shareholder, said July 30 that the station was sold because it was becoming too difficult for an independent to compete against corporate-owned radio stations.

The station, which began broadcasting in June 1994, is based in southwest Denver. Chancellor owns about 100 radio stations nationwide.

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After winning suit against station, former sportscaster sues law firm

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) - Former sportscaster Tom Ryther is suing his former law firm, saying it's trying to bill him too much for representing him in his successful age discrimination suit against KARE-TV.

Ryther, 59, filed the lawsuit July 29 against Larkin Hoffman Daly & Lindgren, which had represented him in his six-year legal battle.

"I disputed their bill, and they turned on me like pit vipers," Ryther said.

KARE fired Ryther in 1991. He contended that the station dumped him because of his age. In June, the U.S. Supreme Court let stand a lower court's judgment.

Ryther's award was approximately \$ 1.2 million, and the lower court had added about \$ 400,000 in attorneys' fees and costs.

His agreement with Larkin Hoffman provided that the law firm receive 37 percent of the award.

Larkin Hoffman says it is entitled to 37 percent of the entire \$ 1.6 million. Ryther contends the \$ 400,000 in attorneys' fees should be used to reduce the amount of money he owes the law firm and that he should receive \$ 1.16 million.

A hearing is scheduled for Aug. 14.

PBS may soon be producing compact discs along with television shows.

The Public Broadcasting Service said July 28 it is working with the Hollywood talent agency Creative Artists Agency with the idea of setting up its own music label.

Don't look to PBS for the next Spice Girls - the network talked in its announcement about the potential for discs with classical music and children's music.

PBS is exploring releasing companion recordings for its prime-time and children's programming, said Ann Blakey, PBS vice president of licensing and distribution.

With movie soundtracks doing so well, the idea has spread to television in recent months. Both "Friends" and "Mad About You" released music featured on the show.

Discs are also planned of performances from both David Letterman and Conan O'Brien's late-night shows.

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Getting into the music business isn't without its risks. The Walt Disney Co. has seen little success with its own music imprint.

PBS also produces home videos and has its own Web site.

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## PEOPLE:

Gazlay named news editor in AP's London bureau

NEW YORK (AP) - Kristin Gazlay, assistant managing editor-features for The Associated Press for the past seven years, has been named news editor in London.

The appointment was announced Aug. 1 by William E. Ahearn, AP vice president and executive editor.

As assistant managing editor, Gazlay, 38, directly supervised the AP's national, regional and specialty writers. She previously was special projects editor for the AP in New York, bureau chief in Little Rock, Ark., assistant bureau chief and news editor in Dallas, and correspondent in San Antonio.

A graduate of Southern Methodist University, she joined the AP in Dallas in 1980.

She replaces Robert Barr, who requested reassignment to the London staff.

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Rivard named editor of San Antonio Express-News

SAN ANTONIO (AP) - Robert Rivard has been promoted from managing editor to editor and senior vice president of the San Antonio Express-News.

Rivard, 44, will succeed Jim Moss, who will retire on Sept. 1. A national search will be undertaken for a managing editor.

Noting that Moss' 28-year tenure at the paper "spanned the modern era in San Antonio, from shortly after Hemisfair, to nearly the turn of the century," Rivard said, "I'm taking the reins at a time with a real sense of history and transition to the next century."

While working for the Dallas Times-Herald in 1981, Rivard was sent to Central America where he covered civil wars in El Salvador, Nicaragua and Guatemala. He was awarded the Society of Professional Journalists' Distinguished Service Award for Foreign Correspondence in 1982 in recognition of his articles on military-backed death squads in El Salvador.

Rivard became Newsweek's Central American bureau chief in 1983 and was named chief of correspondents two years later.

Rivard returned to Texas in 1989 and became deputy managing editor of the San Antonio Light. When the newspaper closed in 1993, he went to the Express-News as assistant managing editor.

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In other changes in the news industry:

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- Glenn McCutchen, publisher of The Lufkin Daily News, was named to succeed Bill Martin as publisher of the Longview (Texas) News-Journal, effective Sept. 1. Martin, publisher of the News-Journal since 1993, will assist in the transition until he retires at year's end. Cox Newspapers owns both papers.

- Doug Weller and Mike Corn have been appointed to share the position of managing editor at The Hays (Kan.) Daily News. They succeed Greg Halling, who was named managing editor of The Hutchinson (Kan.) News. Both newspapers are part of the Harris Group. Weller has been assistant managing editor and Corn has been regional editor at Hays.

- Chadwick M. Beatty, publisher of Journal Register Company's Phoenixville (Pa.) Newspapers, was named publisher of The Middletown (Conn.) Press. Journal Register also is the parent company of the Press.

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## DEATHS:

ADOLPH BREMER, 79, retired chief editorial writer for the Winona (Minn.) Daily News, July 24 in Winona after a series of strokes.

Bremer started his career as a reporter for several Iowa newspapers. After serving in World War II as an Army paratrooper, he became city editor in 1945 for the Winona Republican-Herald, which later became the Winona Daily News. He became editor in chief in 1969 and chief editorial writer in 1982 before retiring in 1985.

Survivors include a son and a daughter.

BOB ELLIOT, 47, former NBC News correspondent who worked for two TV stations in Portland, Maine, July 30 in Portland of a heart attack.

Elliot joined WMTW-TV in February after 10 years with WCSH-TV, a rival station in the Portland market. Earlier, he spent four years with NBC, working out of Houston and covering both the Southwest and Latin America.

His "Bob's Basement" features often put Elliot at the center of the action, sometimes at the wheel of his 1960s-era Cadillac Eldorado. In one report, he shepherded a teen-age girl to her high school prom, giving viewers an insight into how that rite of passage had evolved.

Survivors include his wife, a brother and a sister.

FRED B. FAOUR, 61, former Houston Chronicle sports page designer, July 26 in Houston.

Faour worked at the Chronicle for 30 years, first covering the Astros, Oilers, Rockets, Aeros and Dallas Cowboys. But he made his mark as a page designer and organizing the Chronicle's outdoors and high school football pages. He retired in 1992.

Survivors include three sons, two daughters, his mother and two sisters.

JAMES ISAAC GARNER, 67, editor of The Daily Courier in Prescott, Ariz., since 1987, July 31 of cancer in Garner.

He had been editor or publisher of papers in Illinois, Wisconsin, Massachusetts, California and Arizona during a long career.

Survivors include his wife, five daughters, two sons, a stepdaughter and a stepson.

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RAYMOND JACKSON, 70, combative newspaper cartoonist known simply as "Jak" during more than 30 years of entertaining - and occasionally outraging - Londoners, July 27 in London after surgery following a heart attack.

Jak joined the Evening Standard in 1952, where he remained for 45 years, becoming the newspaper's principal cartoonist.

Survivors include his wife, a son and two daughters.

LEONARD J. MURPHY, 83, who spent his entire 45-year career on the news staff at The Philadelphia Bulletin, July 31 in Ventnor, N.J.

Murphy, whose late father was a city editor on the Bulletin, started working for the paper in 1933 as a police reporter and retired in 1978 as an editor.

A Marine in World War II, Murphy served as a combat correspondent in the South Pacific and Japan.

Survivors include his wife, a son, a daughter, a sister and three brothers.

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NOTES FROM EVERYWHERE: The Italian parliament has approved a measure creating a regulatory body in charge of limiting media ownership in Italy's broadcast industry and of overseeing telecommunications. It will be set up in September. ... A third newspaper claiming to be the successor of the original Pravda hit newsstands in Moscow Aug. 1, promising to avoid the hard-line communism of its predecessor and to appeal to a broader audience. The new weekly was launched by Viktor Linnik, editor in chief of the original Pravda, the defunct newspaper founded by Lenin that was the official voice of Soviet communism. ... The Westerly (R.I.) Sun has purchased the Mystic River Press, a 10,000-circulation weekly in nearby Mystic, Conn. No terms were disclosed. ... Corbis Corp., a company founded by Microsoft chairman Bill Gates to acquire and license digital images, has reached a deal with the Japanese photo agency Pacific Press Service for distributing the images in Japan. ... The New York Times has discontinued its early weekday edition, formerly sold at night at some city newsstands. An early edition of the Sunday paper will be available on Saturday evening from newsdealers who have carried it.

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## **ACCUSATION OF IRA SUPPORT JOLTS A SLEEPY ELECTION IN IRELAND**

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Presidential election campaign in Ireland has erupted into national debate over outlawed ***Irish Republican Army*** and its political wing, Sinn Fein; five candidates are contending for largely ceremonial post in Oct 30 election; four ***women*** candidates seem to be imitating style of Mary Robinson, who left job after seven-year term to become United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights; Mary McAleese, law professor at Queens University in Belfast, is leading in opinion polls; Derek Nally, only male candidate, has charged that she is closet supporter of IRA and Sinn Fein (M)

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