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House abortion decision sparks debate

Sara Kennedy
The Daily Iowan

Battle lines over abortion rights have been drawn in Iowa after the U.S. House of Representatives overturned President Clinton's veto of a ban on a rare late-term abortion procedure Thursday.

On one side is a passionate, pro-choice assembly that calls the ban the first step in reducing a woman's right to choose, and the operation a tragic, but necessary health-care procedure. Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, agreed with them.

"This is a case of religious and political extremists using a tragic

experience for political gain," said Debra Steilen, director of communication for Planned Parenthood of Greater Iowa.

On the other side is an equally passionate anti-abortion constituency that calls the procedure brutal, disgusting and evil. Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, and perhaps more significantly, U.S. Rep. Jim Ross Lightfoot, R-Iowa, Harkin's challenger for the Senate, agreed with them.

"The only reason for this procedure is evilness," said Pat McTaggart, a member of Johnson County Right to Life.

Which side will win will be deter-

mined as soon as next week, although it's unlikely the Senate will follow the House's example. The Senate passed the bill outlawing the procedure last December by a 54-44 vote, well short of the two-thirds margin needed to override.

Steilen said the procedure, which is usually used as a lifesaving procedure used when the fetus is found to have serious abnormalities or the mother faces serious health problems, is misunderstood by its opponents.

"It's Planned Parenthood's opinion that it would be tragic if this opinion was not a possibility to families facing pregnancies that

have gone horribly wrong," she said. "What's sad about it is these are real families with wanted pregnancies who are facing tragic circumstances and painful decisions. The people who don't understand why this procedure is necessary have bought into the rhetoric of the opposition that is using very gruesome details to describe the process, when many other medical procedures could be described to sound just as gruesome."

However, McTaggart said this and all other abortion procedures should be banned, and she and many other anti-abortion lobbyists

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House votes to override veto of abortion ban

Jim Abrams
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Scoring a big win for anti-abortion forces, the House voted Thursday to override President Clinton's veto of a bill that bans a form of late-term abortion.

The apparent lack of sufficient support in the Senate makes it unlikely the attempt to overturn the veto of the so-called partial-birth abortion bill will succeed. However, the House vote sent a message the issue will not be

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COGS' campaign for health care

Charlotte Eby
The Daily Iowan

About 50 members of the Campaign to Organize Graduate Students met UI administrators with signs and chanting Thursday demanding full health-care coverage for graduate employees.

COGS member and negotiator, Jolene Stritecky, opened the first-ever meeting between the graduate student union and UI administrators by highlighting the frustrations of graduate students.

"As organized graduate employees, we now speak with one voice and say that we are no longer willing to tolerate sub-minimum salaries, substandard benefits, little respect, and the burden of returning one-third of our meager salary back to our employer," Stritecky said.

In COGS' opening statement, Mike Evces, a negotiator for the group, said health care coverage for TAs and RAs is an embarrassment to the university and they are the only UI employees without full health care coverage.

COGS emphasized its goal of receiving full tuition waivers, citing a need to take out loans to pay for such expenses as rent and food.

"We need assurances, like those won by our colleagues at other universities, that what is paid to us in salaries is not taken from us in the form of increased tuition," Evces said.

COGS also has asked the UI to contribute to child-care costs for graduate employees, and member Leslie Taylor said there is a need for more spaces in UI sponsored child care. Taylor said she does not know how many graduate employees have dependent children, but the number with children is substantial.

Gene Elk, a representative for

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Cute ... even in fatigues



Associated Press

Kenny Waldron, 5, tries on his father (Sgt. Jon Waldron's) gear in Fort Hood, Texas, Thursday. Sgt. Waldron and other members of the 1st Cavalry Division left for Kuwait Thursday to join other troops for training exercises. See story Page 8A.

Police take steps to build community relations

Brendan Brown
Daily Iowan

Talk of increased communication between police and citizens has abounded since the shooting death of Eric Shaw, and one program has already been started to close the gap.

The Citizens Police Academy, founded through a joint effort by the Iowa City and Coralville Police Departments and the Johnson County Sheriff's Office, seeks to familiarize citizens with police training and procedures.

The program, which was created before Shaw's death, serves as a liaison between the public and the police.

Officer Tim Vest of the Coralville PD's Department of Community Relations said the Citizens Police Academy benefits every party involved.

"We're trying to increase awareness of the duties we carry out and the services we provide to the community," Vest said. "I think it will help to develop better understanding between both sides."

The project was almost fully developed prior to the Aug. 30 shooting of Shaw by Iowa City Police Officer Jeffrey Gillaspie. Although this project was not intended to be a response to the community relations problems resulting from the incident, participant John Lundell said the program can serve as a bridge between the two sides in the future.

"Graduates will be better educated about local law enforcement. They'll know what really goes into it," he said. "That way they can be ambassadors between the community and the police."

Johnson County residents sub-

mitted applications, and 22 people were selected to take part in the 12-week course which began on Sept. 4. Participants meet for three to four hours on Wednesday nights and cover topics ranging from initial officer selection to dealing with violent crimes. Other subjects include motor vehicle operations, officer safety and drug-related crime investigations.

Meetings rotate between the Iowa City, Coralville and Johnson County department headquarters and will include a tour of the Johnson County Jail. Each academy member will also spend four hours riding on patrol with officers. A graduation ceremony will be held at

the conclusion of the program.

"We talk about as many aspects of our job as we can," Vest said. "It gives people a better idea of what we actually do."

Johnson County Deputy Sheriff Greg Hipple said familiarity can help increase community activism.

"We want to show people how law enforcement works for them and works with them," he said. "We want to get them involved."

Lundell said he joined the academy to become further involved in the community and his appreciation for law enforcement has grown since he began. He also said the experience will help him in his work for the UI Hospitals and Clinic's College of Medicine.

"As a coordinator of the Injury Prevention Research Center, I see a lot of injuries caused by domestic violence and obviously that is something police encounter quite a bit," he said. "By seeing how it happens I'll be better able to deal with the patients who come in."

CAMPAIGNING

St. Louis debate postponed indefinitely

Kevin Ho
The Daily Iowan

ST. LOUIS — Students at Washington University in St. Louis are the latest victims of the Commission on Presidential Debates, joining the ranks of Ross Perot, Ralph Nader and dozens of other third party candidates.

The first presidential debate, scheduled to be held on Wash U's campus next Wednesday, was postponed indefinitely Thursday due to continuing negotiations between President Clinton and Bob Dole.

"As a Wash U faculty member it's a disappointment, but as a political scientist this doesn't surprise me," said James Davis, a Wash U professor of political science. "The commission only makes a recommendation and nothing is final until the two sides agree. This is a replay of '92 when the

first debate was scheduled on September 23 of '92, and it actually took place on October 11 of '92."

Despite the delay, Communications Director Susan Killenberg said it is likely the first debate will still take place on the Wash U campus. What officials weren't speculating on, however, was if an additional candidate might be present.

The Commission on Presidential Debates ruled on Tuesday Ross Perot and other third party candidates would not be included in the debate, sparking a law suit by Perot.

Richard Neustadt, professor emeritus at Harvard University, who headed up commission, said Perot's threat of a lawsuit was not a factor in the postponement.

"I can't see how they're connected," Neustadt said. "Of course he's

going to sue, but it doesn't have anything to do with the debate per se. The lawyers will handle it."

Wash U junior Kim Wardwell said the Perot controversy made the postponement less of a shock because of the extra time the commission took to rule on the third party inclusion.

"I'm very disappointed, yet I still hope that the candidates will be here," she said.

Other students are also disappointed, however Wash U freshman Christopher Sunnen said the postponement is a perfect example of politics as usual.

"I'm not surprised because I feel politicians have become accustomed to political infighting," Sunnen said. "They've strayed from their true calling, which is to serve the people."

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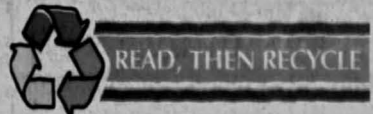
David Cyprus/The Daily Iowan

Not all students waste time waiting for the bus. UI junior and communications major Todd Kunz sits by Washington St. Thursday afternoon while recording bus sounds for an audio project.

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Metro & Iowa

'So Good' enters second printing

Jennifer Cassell
The Daily Iowan

It was "So Good" it went into a second printing.

UI Journalism Assistant Professor Venise Berry's novel, "So Good: An African-American Love Story" is ranked 17 out of 25 in Hard Cover Fiction on the Ingram Distribution list, and went into its second printing within the first month of its August release.



Berry

Berry, who has worked at the UI since the fall of 1991, began writing "So Good" in the mid-'80s when she was in graduate school at the University of Texas.

Although Berry is excited by the success of the book, which has received numerous positive reviews, her ultimate goal is to see "So Good" produced as a movie.

"It's not at the level of success I hope it goes to," she said. "I'm still pushing for it to get to the level I want it. I would like to see it as successful as books by Bebe Campbell or Terry McMillan. And it does have the potential."

The book, which originated as a screenplay based on real-life situations Berry and her friends have encountered, has often been compared to Terry McMillan's "Waiting to Exhale."

"My book is different from

"Waiting to Exhale" because it is the next step up," Berry said. "Waiting to Exhale" was about the difficulty black women have finding a good man," Berry said. "Mine is about the ups and downs and compromises that

"('So Good') is about the ups and downs and compromises that people go through to keep a relationship good."

Venise Berry, UI Journalism Assistant Professor and author of "So Good."

people go through to keep a relationship good."

The book's three main characters, Lisa, Danielle and Sundi are loosely based on Berry and her friends. The life-long friends are going through problems with finding and maintaining a good relationship.

Lisa, who is single and searching for a mate, struggles with her weight and the reality she still hasn't found the right man. Lisa's sister, Danielle, is married and successful, but still isn't happy with her seemingly perfect life. She attempts to escape by having an affair with a younger man at her job. Lisa and Danielle's best friend, Sundi, is married to Chris, a Nigerian, and is having a difficult time dealing

with their cultural differences.

Berry, who was featured in *Essence* magazine after the book's release, said the novel's characters are realistic.

"These characters are human, with good and bad sides," she said.

One review of "So Good" called Berry's writing style flat and dry, and said the book read like a newspaper.

However, this did not come as a surprise or insult to Berry, who has an extensive background in journalism, and said, in fact, it enhanced her writing. Her experience in broadcasting made it easier for her to write a novel in an "oral, rhythmic style," she said. Her script-writing background was also useful for improving her visual description.

Berry teaches courses in broadcasting, popular culture and mass communications and will teach African-Americans and Mass Communication this spring. She said writing the book for her own pleasure was easy, but when she started writing for editors it became more challenging.

"It got more difficult when I started writing revisions for a publisher or editor," she said. "That's because it wasn't just in my perspective anymore."

Despite all of her success, Berry said her life has not changed at all.

"I considered myself a success before this novel," Berry said. "I reached levels and heights that I never thought I could."

UI Legal Clinic offers services to needy

Charlotte Eby
The Daily Iowan

As the U.S. government cuts funding for legal services that benefit the poor, the UI College of Law Legal Clinic is trying to pick up some of the slack.

By offering legal services to people with HIV, victims of domestic abuse and people with employment discrimination grievances, the UI's Legal Clinic gives law students practical training before they enter the legal profession.

"It gives you some experience and, in this profession, very few people have experience leaving law school," said Brian Chehock, a third-year UI law student.

In the program, students work side-by-side with faculty and help with facets of the case such as the initial interview with the client, research and drafting documents.

Barbara Schwartz, a clinical professor at the UI college of law, said the faculty tries to choose cases where students can have the primary responsibility.

In some instances, students argue the cases in court, and some have argued before the Iowa Supreme Court and the Federal District Court.

The UI's Legal Clinic employs seven full-time faculty members, and about 100 students participate in the program each semester.

Students can earn up to 15 hours of credit toward graduation for their efforts and are eligible to work on cases after three semesters of foundational course work.

"It completely changed the type of law I wanted to practice," said Tina Bagby, a third-year UI law student.

Bagby said she initially wanted to practice transactional law, but changed her interest to litigation after working in the program. Bagby said last semester she spent more than 40 hours each week working on her cases.

Bagby and Chehock said they will be in a favorable position for finding a job after graduation because they can point to legal work they completed in law school.

Professor Schwartz agreed, and said clinical experience is gaining

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Brian Chehock, a third-year UI law student.

respect from employers, even large law firms that sometimes like to train their new law school graduates.

UI Law Professor Lois Cox said the clinic, which began in 1972, with professors taking on pro-bono cases, is structured like a law firm, and faculty members pursue their areas of specialty and interest.

Cox heads up the clinic's domes-

tic abuse program and helps abused women obtain orders of protection from their abusers.

The UI College of Law was awarded a grant by the Department of Education in 1990 to establish legal help for people with AIDS.

Students and faculty help AIDS patients with many legal aspects including access to medical care, discrimination, and wills and estate planning.

However, the AIDS Legal Clinic is in the last year of its grant, and its future is somewhat uncertain. UI Law Professor Reta Noblett-Feld said the clinic is often dependent on grants to survive.

Feld said she and other legal clinic faculty are working with the UI College of Law administration to stabilize funding for the clinic.



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JEWISH HOLIDAY

Yom Kippur: renewal and repentance

Will Valet
The Daily Iowan

Yom Kippur, a time when Jews repent for their sins and ask God for another year to live, begins Sunday at sundown, and the local Jewish community will take part in its many traditions.

Fasting is one of the traditions of the Day of Atonement. UI junior Alexis Chavis, vice president of the Hillel Foundation, a Jewish organization run by UI students, said fasting is not as difficult when done with other people.

"There's a motivation behind fasting that helps us get through it," she said. "We know that we're not alone, and that there are lots of other Jewish people who are there for the same cause. That really helps you get through it all. Plus, we eat a huge meal before we start fasting, and that helps, too."

UI senior Dan Orenstein, president of the Hillel Foundation, said the mood of the holiday is a sharp contrast to that of the "cheerier" Rosh Hashana, the Jewish New Year which took place last weekend.

"Yom Kippur is the absolute holiest day of the year," he said. "It is a make-or-break time for people. The mood is very serious and somber. In the services I've been to, I don't think I've ever seen a smile on anyone's face in the room."

Activities for Yom Kippur will

Yom Kippur services

■ Kol Nidre services will be held Sunday night at sundown at the Agudas Achim Synagogue, 602 E. Washington St.

■ Hillel will hold a "break the fast" gathering Monday night at its headquarters at 122 E. Market St.

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begin early Sunday night with a traditional-style dinner in the Main Ballroom of the Union.

Orenstein said the dinner will include soup, salad, chicken and a dessert, all in large helpings to help people get through the fast.

"We don't want to include any salty foods," he said. "There's nothing that will make you too thirsty or too hungry afterwards."

Although UI sophomore Heather Persky participates in other Yom Kippur activities, she prefers not to fast while she is in school.

"I don't feel comfortable fasting, because I'm trying to study and do other stuff," she said. "I usually do it at home, but I just don't think it's healthy when I've got so much other stuff going on."

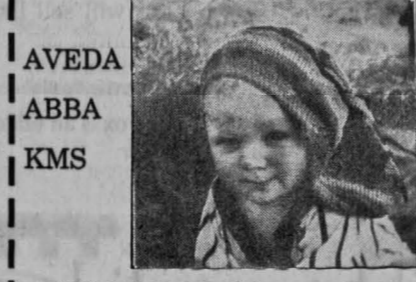
Elliot Zashin, youth director of Hillel Foundation and member of the Association of Campus Ministers, said he expects the services to be well-attended by UI students.

"If students are going to participate in any Jewish holiday, it's

Yom Kippur," he said.

Orenstein agreed Yom Kippur is a holiday Jews take seriously.

"I've never seen anything close to an empty service during Yom Kippur," he said. "Even people who are not that serious about religion try to attend the services."



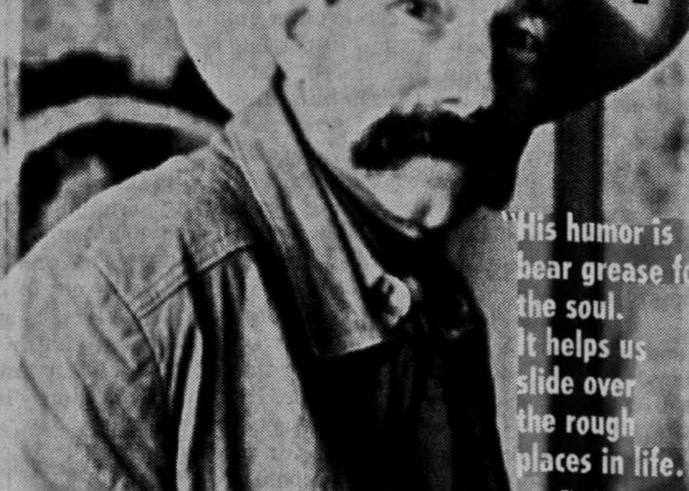
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Viewpoints

Letters to the Editor

Semantics of Latino Heritage Month

To the Editor:
In Monday's paper, there was an article about Latino Heritage Month (DI, Sept. 16, "Holiday stresses celebrating cultural identity"). The following correction must be made.
Last year was NOT the first time Latino Heritage Month was celebrated on this campus.
Either Carlos Serrato, alleged chairperson of the UI Council of the Status of Latinos, has not been paying attention to what we, Iowan Latinos, have

been telling him or he's playing semantic games. Prior to last year, we have celebrated "Hispanic" Heritage Month (a term used by the federal government). Last year, Serrato changed the name to "Latino" Heritage Month. Semantically speaking, yes, last year was the first year we celebrated "Latino" Heritage Month. But prior to that, we publicly celebrated our Latino cultures from Sept. 15 to Oct. 15.
The celebrating of our heritage did not coincide with his coming to campus. It has always been here in one form or another.

Lili Matteo
UI graduate student

Corporate Media Scam

To the Editor:
Hats off to Michael Totten for being brave enough to break the taboo on talking about the true conservative nature of the U.S. mass media (DI, Sept. 18, "Debunking the liberal media myth"). Large corporations — who obviously have conservative interests — have gained greater and greater control of American mainstream media. The *Des Moines Register*, for example, used to be independently owned and was a very liberal, as well as highly respected, newspaper. Since Gan-

nett Corporation, the largest newspaper corporation in the country (which also owns the *Iowa City Press-Citizen* and two Detroit newspapers whose union it won't recognize), gained ownership of the *Register*, the paper has increased in conservatism while decreasing in quality.

These corporations wouldn't want the masses to figure out their conservative slant, so they fill op-ed pages with conservatives who talk about how liberal the media is; that way, people are on the lookout for the wrong kind of bias. And if you think op-ed pages are slanted, let's not forget AM radio.

Tom Soppe
UI senior

Alumnus will fight for Lambda Chi Alpha

To the Editor:
In regards to the commentary on the Internet version of the *DI* last week:

Craig Stevens, I'm betting, is not a member of a social fraternity. Why else would he appoint himself judge of Lambda Chi Alpha's chances of returning to the UI?

If he is, he must be the member of a "frat," as we used to call them, wear the letters on a football jersey and show up to drink alcohol, but with no idea of what a fraternity is.

I have no doubt if the UI allows Lambda Chi Alpha to rejoin the university in the fall of 1997 or maybe even the spring of 1997, the returning members will be committed to the re-establishment of the fraternity.

Craig also must not be aware that Lambda Chi Alpha at Iowa has over 500 alumni who are also committed to a return to campus.

I'm sure your commentary will be prominently posted on the walls of the Lambda Chi Alpha house.

Michael Andreski
UI and Lambda Chi Alpha alumnus

Rohypnol headline contradicts the information

To the Editor:
Webster's New Collegiate Dictionary defines "inhibitions" as something that forbids, debar or restricts, and has an inner impediment to free activity, expression or functioning. In the Sept. 17 edition of *The Daily Iowan*, a front-page article carries the title, "Drug lowers inhibitions, increases chance of rape." The article describes the use of the drug Rohypnol, the acquaintance-rape drug.

I thought it worth mentioning that the title completely contradicts the information contained in the article.

Rohypnol is described as "rendering the person (who ingests it) unconscious," and when Rohypnol is mixed with alcohol or other drugs, "it can lead to respiratory depression, aspiration and even death."

None of these states bring to mind a state of lowered inhibitions. When one is sedated, it is unlikely that one feels more freedom to act, express oneself or function in a less restricted way.

When a drug is used against a person, they do become less able to recognize danger, and therefore less able to protect themselves. That is the point of using Rohypnol — or other drugs — in an assault.

It is not to loosen people up. It is to make them more accessible, more available and easier to isolate.

Often, when a woman is assaulted and has been drinking or using drugs, the fact of drug or alcohol use is construed in a blaming way by society and even by the victim herself.

The reasoning behind this kind of victim-blaming is that by using alcohol or drugs — knowingly or unknowingly — she loses her inhibitions and does things she may not normally do. She puts herself in a dangerous situation; therefore, the assault is her fault. If she dances on the table or kisses someone on the dance floor under the influence of drugs or alcohol, it may be something she would not do in ordinary circumstances.

It is not, however, a crime. Rape is not something a victim chooses. Rape is a crime, a crime that not one person deserves.

Jennifer Anzinger
Iowa City resident



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Scientific skepticism for Natural Law Party

To the Editor:
I would like to lend a skeptical viewpoint to the Sept. 17 front-page story on Natural Law Party (NLP) candidates ("Natural Law candidates bring party politics to UI"). Although one might take issue with many of the NLP's claims, one of its most central is definitely false.

NLP spokespersons and candidates repeatedly claim there is scientific proof of the ability of Transcendental Meditation (TM) to eliminate crime, war, poverty and all other social ills. Nothing could be further from the truth.

Even scientists affiliated with the TM organization do not claim such "proof." They claim only to have gathered evidence in support of the claim. With good reason, they carefully avoid the word "proof" in scientific circles: the claim has not been scientifically proven, nor has the efficacy of the social programs.

I have examined what TM researchers present as their best evidence for the "Maharishi Effect" — a key element of the Natural Law Party's social program. According to TM proponents, when a large enough group of meditators meditate, they supposedly create a field of "coherence" that influences the brain functioning of everyone throughout the population, causing them to feel calmer and to act more rationally — whether or not they want to participate in the "effect." The population needn't be aware of the meditators and may be any distance from them, according to the claim.

The NLP wants to have our government subsidize TM training (now priced at \$1,000 for just the basic course) and the establishment of permanent groups of meditators. However, several courts have ruled that TM is a religion and it cannot be taught in public schools. In other words, the NLP is working toward government sponsorship of religion: their religion.

To put it generously, the case for the NLP's and TM's paranormal beliefs is far from conclusive. Along with other qualified researchers who have looked at the "evidence," I find major problems in the research designs and statistical analyses used by TM researchers. The results are highly questionable.

NLP spokespersons — most of whom simply accept the Maharishi Effect on faith — would like the public to believe their paranormal claims are accepted in scientific circles. They boast that their studies have been published in scientific journals. After many years, many studies and with the efforts of dozens of researchers, the TM movement has managed to publish a few articles on the Maharishi Effect in a very few scientific journals. That any such research has been published in non-TM journals shows an admirable open-mindedness on the part of the editors to air unorthodox, highly speculative research. It does not show scientific acceptance, however.

Although their public pronouncements clearly suggest otherwise, remarkable claims at the core of the NLP's program are generally viewed with great skepticism in science, if not dismissed altogether.

Barry Markovsky
UI professor of sociology

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Will Valet
The Daily Iowan

McGraw Jones, former president of Iowa Film, said he found applying to become a recognized UI student organization worth the work.

"In retrospect, applying was pretty easy," he said. "But, at the time, it was difficult. When you have a small group of people working to approve a budget and get an organization started, it can be a trying process. But, looking back, it didn't seem so bad."

This semester, Iowa Film became one of approximately 350 recognized UI student organizations, a number that grows substantially every year.

Until last year, student organizations were divided into three classes. Class I organizations are deemed essential to the UI. These organizations include KRUI and the Rape Victim Advocacy Program (RVAP). Class II programs are considered less essential — RiverFest and Dance Marathon are examples. Class III organizations are those simply recognized

by the UI and directed toward a smaller student group. Because of a recent Supreme Court case that will affect the way student organizations are funded, the UI is changing organizational funding for Class III groups.

Travis Leo, UI Student Government budget director, is currently in the process of revamping student organizational funding. He said funding for organizations will not be finalized until later this school year.

"When it is finalized, it won't be that big of a financial impact for student organizations," he said. "Some funding will still be available for Class III organizations."

Kristi Finger, student activities adviser for the UI Office of Campus Programs and Student Activities, said 45 student organizations were recognized by the UI last year, 22 of these since last spring.

To become a student organization, organizers must submit a constitution to the campus programs office, outlining the organization's purpose and rules. The Student Activities Board, a

branch of the UISG, reviews the constitution and recommends the organization to the UISG, which votes whether or not to recognize it.

"It takes about three to six weeks to get everything processed," Finger said. "At the end of that time, the organization knows whether or not it has been recognized by the UI."

Once recognized, the organization gets certain privileges. In addition to presenting budget requests, the organization can also reserve meeting rooms in the Union, use campus facilities and equipment and request staff assistance in organizing and planning programs.

Students Undertaking Mathematical Sciences (SUMS), an organization in the UI Mathematics Department, was recently recognized by the UI. The funding that comes with recognition will help pay speakers from outside the UI. The group's most recent speaker, UI Mathematics Professor Margaret Kleinfeld, attracted a crowd of 35 students, SUMS member Terry Sargent said.

Yale hopes to duplicate COGS' success

Kelley Chorley
The Daily Iowan

A representative from Yale University, whose teaching and research assistants have held four strikes demanding pay raises, flew into Iowa City Thursday in hopes the visit will put pressure on Yale administrators to let Teaching Assistants and Resident Assistants organize for collective bargaining.

UI graduate students have been unionized since April, and held their first bargaining meeting with administrators Thursday.

Yale's organizing committee, the Graduate Employment Student Organization, will hold a press conference this morning at 10 in the Union, and a meeting tonight at 7 in Room W151 of the Pappajohn Business Administration Building to discuss their situation, Corey Robin, a teaching assistant at Yale, said.

"Yale University doesn't view university employees as employees," Robin said. "Although, in each paycheck, taxes and social security are taken out, we don't have health insurance or the right to represent ourselves, like a normal job."

After the latest graduate student strike, Yale raised the pay rate by 28 percent, but within two months it was taken away, Robin said.

"Yale makes money an issue," Robin said. "As teachers, we make less than the cost of living in New

Haven (Conn.). We have seen some progress in financial benefits, but it's not a question of money."

The organization's main goal in coming to the UI is to put pressure on Yale by speaking at a school whose graduate students are unionized.

"The UI's teaching and research assistants are now recognized as a union," Joe Barry, from the UI Labor Center, said. "The meeting

... will give publicity for the graduate students and the workers at Yale. Hopefully, the publicity will help spread support for better contracts."

A contract will provide standards for fair minimum wage and job security. The better the jobs, the better off the entire community will be, Deborah Chernoff, spokesperson for the Federation of Union Employees said.

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NewsBrief

Oakdale inmate involved in officer assault sentenced to 8 years

Samuel Cheatham, one of two Oakdale Prison inmates who assaulted Corrections Officer James Grahman on Feb. 27, 1996, was sentenced Thursday to eight years to be served consecutively from three separate charges.

Cheatham was convicted on the charges of assaulting a peace officer, second-degree criminal mischief and interference with official acts.

The counts will run consecutively and will begin after his current five-year sentence for prohib-

ited acts involving marijuana, which began on Oct. 17, 1995.

"Justice was done here today," said Marty Hathaway, corrections officer and vice president of AFSCME/Iowa Council 61. "He got the maximum sentences and they run consecutively, so we're happy."

Cheatham, along with inmate George Borges, assaulted Grahman and took control of the living unit for about an hour until a CERT team was able to come in and regain control.

Grahman was knocked unconscious, but managed to regain consciousness long enough to lock himself in a cell to prevent further

injury. He suffered permanent damage to his left eye. All other physical injuries have healed, and he is now back on the job at Oakdale.

Hathaway said he hopes Cheatham's sentence will factor into Borges' sentencing, which will take place on Oct. 4 at 9 a.m.

"This sentence sent a message," he said. "Prisoners can't beat on us and get away with it. We're just doing our jobs."

The union had sent a letter to the judge requesting the maximum sentence. Unlike street officers, correction officers are not armed.

—Mike Waller

LEGAL MATTERS

POLICE

L. G. Smith, 32, 331 N. Gilbert St., was charged with open container at 1930 Lower Muscatine Road on Sept. 18 at 4:15 p.m.

Marc C. Plattenberg, 27, address unknown, was charged with obstructing an officer, interference with official acts, public intoxication and indecent conduct at 1930 Lower Muscatine Road on Sept. 18 at 4:17 p.m.

Jonna S. Osborn, 28, Columbus Junction, Iowa, was charged with fifth-degree theft at 1101 S. Riverside Drive on Sept. 18 at 2:45 p.m.

Russell W. Richardson, 31, 41 Regal Lane, was charged with driving under suspension at the corner of Jefferson and Gilbert streets on Sept. 19 at 3:18 a.m.

Candace J. Jonas-Brown, 48, 1000 W. Benton St., Apt. 101E, was charged with operating while intoxicated at the corner of Melrose Avenue and Melrose Court on Sept. 19 at 5 a.m.

Compiled by Mike Waller

COURTS

Magistrate

OWI — James G. Fox, Coralville, preliminary hearing set for Oct. 9 at 2 p.m.

Domestic assault causing injury — Jeffrey L. Nelsen, 711 Streb St., preliminary hearing set for Sept. 27 at 2 p.m.

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Richardson, 41 Regal Lane, preliminary hearing set for Oct. 9 at 2 p.m.

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CALENDAR

TODAY'S EVENTS

Iowa City Community Theatre will present "Bye Bye Birdie" at the Johnson County Fairgrounds at 8 p.m.

Students Undertaking Mathematical Sciences (SUMS) will sponsor "Physical Knots" in Room 221 of MacLean Hall at 3:30 p.m.

UI Folk Dance Club will meet for recreational folk dancing at the Wesley Foundation, 120 N. Dubuque St., from 7:15-10 p.m.

SATURDAY'S EVENTS

Iowa City Community Theatre will present "Bye Bye Birdie" at the Johnson County Fairgrounds at 8 p.m.

Iowa City Public Library will offer basic World Wide Web instruction in Meeting Room C of the library, 123 S. Linn St., at 9 a.m.

Iowa City Swedish Club will meet in Meeting Room A of the Iowa City Public

Library, 123 S. Linn St., at 4 p.m.

The Great Midwestern Ice Cream Co., 126 E. Washington St., will sponsor singers Ruvane and Daniel from 8-10 p.m.

SUNDAY'S EVENTS

Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender Union will meet in the Ohio State Room in the Union at 5 p.m.

Lutheran Campus Ministry ELCA will hold worship with jazz at Old Brick Church, corner of Clinton and Market streets, at 10:30 a.m.

New Pioneer Co-op and Prairie Lights Books will sponsor the "Table to Table Benefit Dinner" at the Holiday Inn, 210 S. Dubuque St., at 5:30 p.m.

The Newman Catholic Student Center, corner of Clinton and Jefferson streets, will offer inquiry for anyone interested in information about the Roman Catholic faith from 7-8 p.m.

St. Paul Lutheran Chapel and University Center, 404 E. Jefferson St., will sponsor a folk service at 10:30 a.m.

United Campus Ministry will sponsor Sunday supper at the Wesley Foundation, 120 N. Dubuque St., at 5:30 p.m.

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Election '96

Clinton revs up Pacific Northwest bus tour

Robert Burns
Associated Press

TACOMA, Wash. — President Clinton kicked off a 170-mile campaign bus cruise from Puget Sound to Portland, Ore., with a raucous rally in the rain Thursday. "We have to keep this economy growing," he declared.

Hoping to shore up voter support in two states his strategists are counting on capturing in November, the president was traveling down Interstate 5 with his wife, Hillary, Vice President Al Gore and his wife, Tipper.

The four posed for pictures outside their hotel in downtown Seattle before boarding the bus emblazoned with the presidential seal.

Before a crowd he said numbered 28,000 outside the blue-topped Tacoma Dome, Clinton said although Washington voters helped Republicans take over Congress in 1994, he hoped they would see the change had been a mistake for America.

"You know they were wrong in '94 and we were right," he boomed.

He claimed credit for improving the economy, cutting the crime rate and cleaning up the environment over the past four years. "This happened because we replaced the old Washington politics of 'who do you blame' and hot air," he said.

In Seattle Thursday morning, people lined the streets as the 14-bus caravan weaved through downtown streets on the way to Tacoma.

The president was using this trip to stress broad economic and education themes calculated to appeal to voters in an area heavily dependent on global trade.

"I am very proud of the fact that we have concluded over 200 trade agreements since 1993," he said. "We are now exporting everything from high-tech equipment to airplanes to, yes, even Washington apples, around the world."

Throughout his four-day cross-country campaign swing, which began Monday in Michigan and Illinois, Clinton has touched on a dizzying array of topics, but put heaviest emphasis on expanding

educational opportunities and protecting the environment.

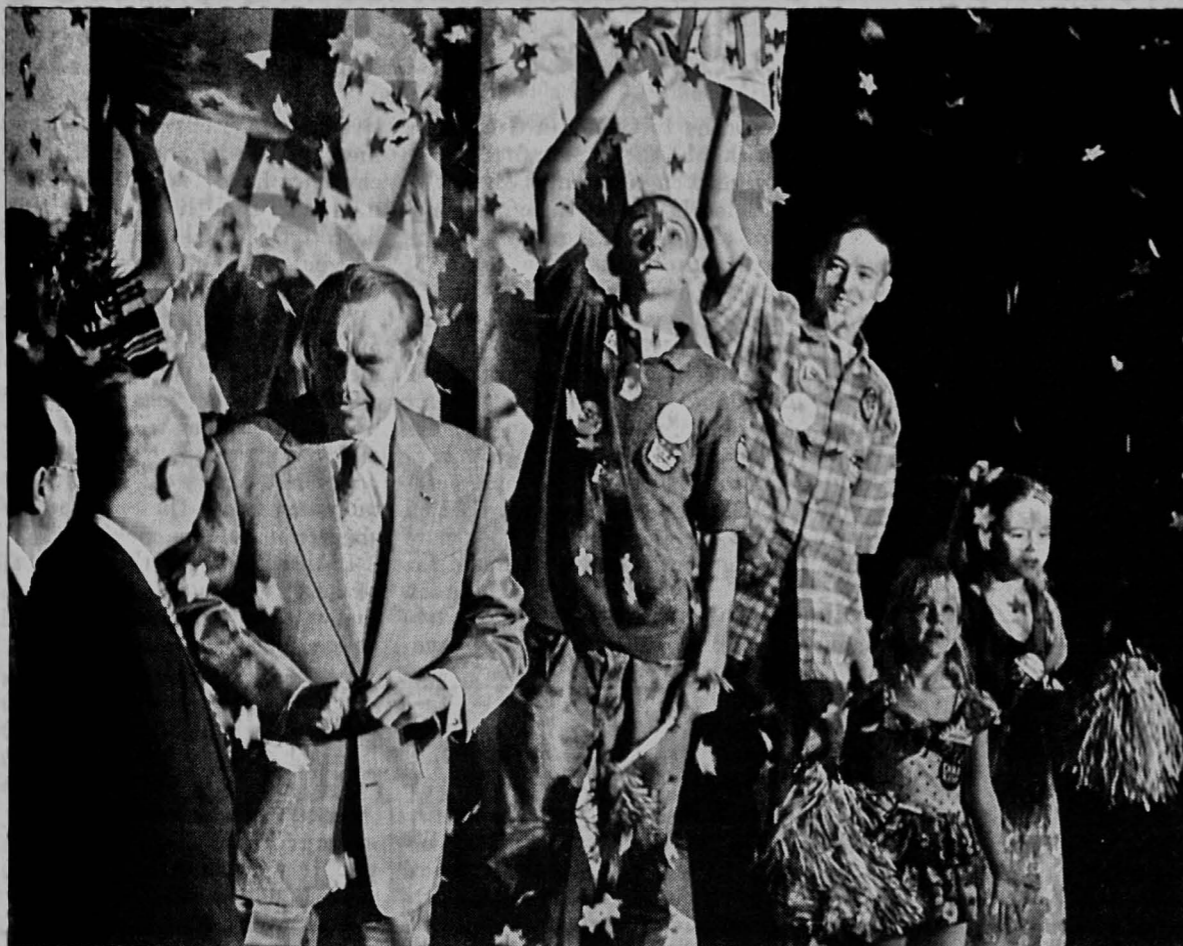
"I want us to make sure that every classroom in America not only has the computers they need ... but it's hooked up to the information superhighway so that we can say for the first time in the entire history of the United States every child in every classroom from the poorest inner cities to the most remote mountain villages has access to the same learning," Clinton said.

Clinton also touted the deal his administration struck Tuesday with 15 timber companies to protect several tracts of old-growth

Northwest forests in exchange for logging substitute groves of trees less critical to fish and wildlife.

In choosing to stage a bus tour in Washington and Oregon, the president had his eye on his own political environment: He is ahead in the polls by double digits in those two states, which he won in 1992. With a comfortable lead in the polls in California, the Clinton camp may claim a clean sweep of the West Coast.

Washington has 11 electoral votes and Oregon has seven of the 270 needed to win. California carries the most at 54.



Associated Press

Teen-agers cheer as Republican presidential candidate Bob Dole arrives at the MGM Grand Hotel in Las Vegas Thursday for a campaign rally.

Dole urges media to focus on drugs

Tom Raum
Associated Press

DENVER — Bob Dole trumpeted Nancy Reagan's support for his new anti-drug slogan Thursday and urged the media to help focus more public attention on drug abuse as "one of the important news stories of our times."

Dole returned to his anti-drug message in Las Vegas and later in Denver one day after taking a startling tumble from a campaign stage in California.

When asked what he thought public reaction to the fall would be, the 73-year-old Dole said, "They ought to think, 'Boy, that guy's agile. He's young. He goes after 'em. He's tough.'"

In remarks prepared for delivery to the AP Managing Editors Association, the Republican presiden-

tial candidate lamented statistics showing soaring drug use among teen-agers and renewed his criticism of President Clinton for failed leadership in the war on drugs.

"The actions of the president and the government he leads must convey the message that drugs and violent crime are morally repugnant in a great society," Dole said.

A day after criticizing the entertainment industry for glorifying drug use in music and movies, Dole tailored his message to an audience of editors, urging them to dedicate more newspaper space to the issue.

He also cited statistics from the Center for Media and Public Affairs showing TV network news programs included 91 stories about drugs last year, down from 518 in 1989 at the height of the "drug

war." The number bottomed out in 1992, at 45, and has increased marginally each year since.

Dole said heavy media coverage when crack cocaine first appeared in the 1980s was critical in raising public alarm about the powerful drug, and was necessary again given the rising drug use among 12- to 17-year-olds recently reported by the federal government.

"It is my view that soaring teen drug abuse and the resurgence of a drug culture is one of the important news stories of our times," Dole told the editors. "Without information there is no concern. Without concern there is no resolve. Without resolve there is no change. ... The drug war won't be won through ignorance. In some important ways, all of us are depending on you."

Nike perturbed over Dole's 'Just Don't Do It' slogan

Bob Baum
Associated Press

PORTLAND, Ore. — Nike to Bob Dole: Just be original.

The athletic shoe giant is not pleased with Dole's "Just Don't Do It" anti-drug slogan, which borrows from Nike's "Just Do It" ad campaign.

"That phrase is cemented in consumers' minds as a rallying cry to get off the couch and play sports," Nike spokesperson Jim Small said Thursday. "We're a sports and fitness company and we're uncomfortable about being brought into the political arena."

Dole used the phrase over and over during a campaign stop in Chico, Calif., on Wednesday, urging the young crowd to chant it with him.

Christina Martin, spokesper-

son for the Dole campaign, characterized the slogan as a slight modification of Nancy Reagan's "Just Say No," from the 1980s.

"Bob Dole has unveiled a very simple, very direct and very hard-hitting message aimed at America's teens," Martin said. "He's said it many times over in conversation, 'When it comes to drugs, just don't do it.'"

"This is an important anti-drug message I think Nike would support."

But Nike said this type of imitation is not flattering.

"While we support the senator's goal of keeping kids away from drugs," Small said, "our slogan is based in sports and we would have preferred him to use a slogan that is more relevant to this issue."

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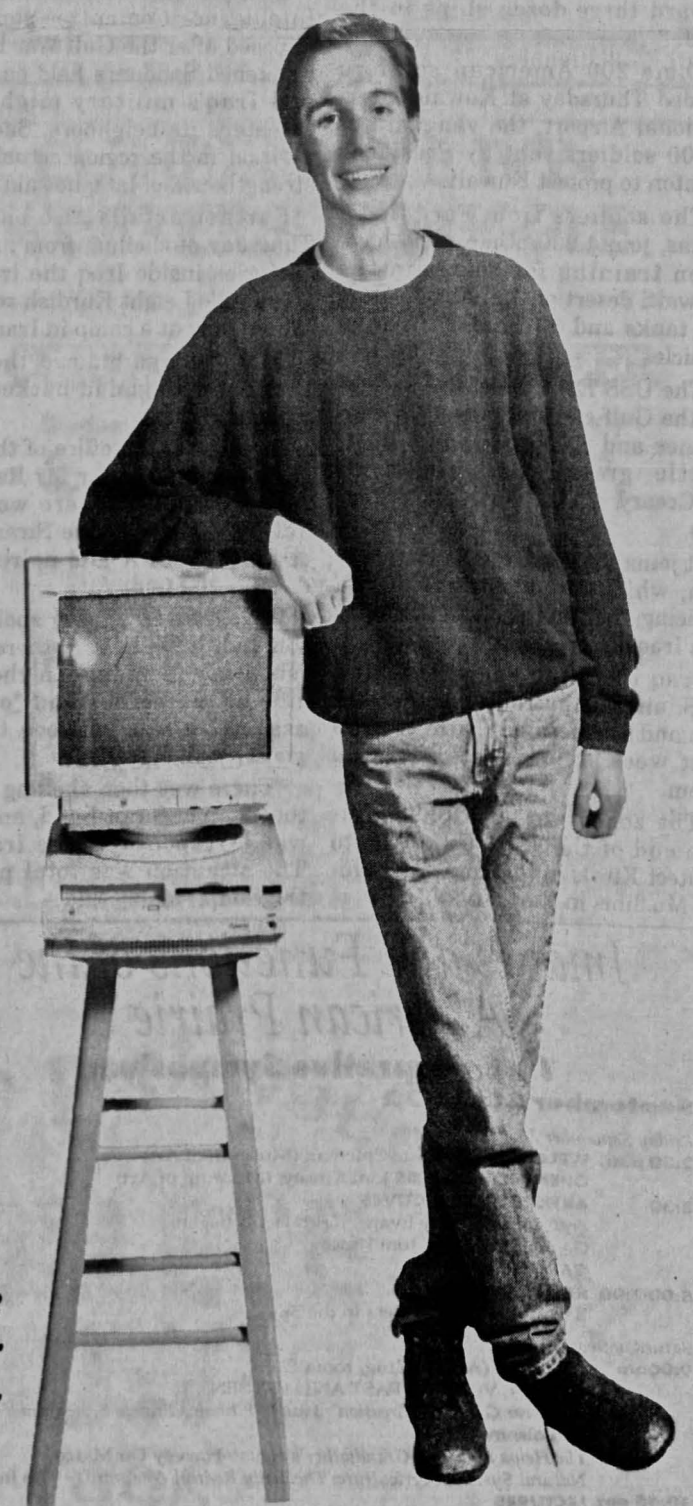
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Nation & World

IBM grants benefits to same-sex partners

Evan Ramstad
Associated Press

NEW YORK — IBM on Thursday became the nation's largest company to extend health benefits to the partners of its homosexual employees.

Gay activists welcomed the decision and said they hoped it would encourage other companies to do the same. Because it is so large and diverse, IBM is regarded as a bellwether of American business practices.

Its new policy covers dental, vision and general health benefits, starting on Jan. 1.

"This is a magnificent step forward in terms of corporate America recognizing the value of gay and

lesbian employees," said Elizabeth Birch, president of the Human Rights Campaign, the nation's largest gay political organization.

IBM did not extend benefits to unmarried heterosexual couples. The company, like others, reasoned such couples can obtain benefits by getting married, an option not open to gays.

IBM employs about 225,000 people worldwide and 110,000 in the United States.

It joins nearly 470 other large corporations, governments and universities in the United States to provide the same benefits to same-sex couples that it does to married couples.

That's up from 250 a year ago,

according to Common Ground, a Natick, Mass., research firm.

High-tech companies generally have led in the extension of benefits to same-sex couples. Lotus Development Corp., which IBM acquired last year, took the step in 1990 and was among the first to do so.

In recent months, several other household names, including Walt Disney Co. and American Express Co., have also extended health benefits to partners of gay employees.

"Having a company like IBM on board is going to shake a lot more of them out of the trees," said Liz Winfield, co-founder of Common Ground.

Political and religious conserva-

tives have criticized such companies. Leaders of Southern Baptist churches have asked the denomination's 16 million members to boycott Disney, in part because of its recent benefits extension to same-sex couples.

"What we really focused on in our discussion was our commitment to nondiscrimination," said Jill Kanin-Lovers, vice president of human resources for IBM's U.S. divisions. "We have a longstanding policy of treating employees equitably and fairly. That was how we shaped our decision-making."

IBM in 1974 was the first large company to include sexual orientation in its nondiscrimination hiring policy.



Associated Press

The first 200 troops from the U.S. Army 1st Cavalry Division based at Fort Hood, Texas, arrive at Kuwait airport Thursday.

U.S. boosts presence in Persian Gulf

Andrew Selsky
Associated Press

KUWAIT — Although rhetoric has softened and tension has eased, the American military increased its presence in the Persian Gulf Thursday with more ground troops and some 75 warplanes to patrol Iraqi skies.

Soon, more than 30,000 U.S. military personnel and 200 American planes will be in the region, most aboard three dozen ships in the Gulf.

Some 200 American soldiers landed Thursday at Kuwait International Airport, the vanguard of 3,500 soldiers sent by President Clinton to protect Kuwait.

The soldiers from Fort Hood, Texas, join 1,200 others who have been training for weeks in the Kuwaiti desert on 120 Abrams M1-A1 tanks and 60 Bradley fighting vehicles.

The USS Enterprise also arrived in the Gulf carrying about 75 warplanes and 8,000 personnel in its battle group, said Cmdr. T. McCreary, a U.S. Navy spokesperson.

It joins the carrier USS Carl Vinson, which has been involved in policing the "no-fly" zone in southern Iraq.

Iraq has been radar tracking U.S. aircraft patrolling the northern and southern no-fly zones since last week, but has not fired on them.

The zones were established at the end of the 1991 Gulf War to protect Kurds in the north and Shiite Muslims in the south.

In Washington, D.C., CIA Director John Deutch said the faction leader who forged a temporary alliance with Saddam Hussein to rout a rival Kurdish faction — sparking the latest troubles in Iraq — is now seeking U.S. protection.

Massoud Barzani had met Wednesday in Turkey with U.S. Assistant Secretary of State Robert Pelletreau, but no details of that meeting were made public.

Deutch also told the Senate Intelligence Committee sanctions imposed after the Gulf War haven't weakened Saddam's hold on power and Iraq's military might still threatens its neighbors. Saddam's position in the region actually has strengthened of late, he said.

Further details also emerged Thursday of shelling from artillery batteries inside Iraq the Iranians claim killed eight Kurdish refugees Wednesday at a camp in Iran.

The Iranians blamed the Iraqi army and Baghdad-backed Kurdish guerrillas.

In Geneva, the office of the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees said 11 refugees were wounded during shelling of the Siran Band camp in Iran. It had no report of deaths.

U.N. refugee agency spokesperson Judith Melby said there was a "shooting incident" on the Iraqi side of the border and "one can assume" it was between the two main Kurdish factions.

"There was then shelling toward the camp of Siran Band, and there was a response by the Iranians. The situation was total panic in the camp," Melby said.

STUDY

Subconscious may not be as powerful as Freud believed

Kevin Galvin
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Maybe Freud slipped. Yes, subliminal messages do influence the mind, researchers say, but only for a fraction of a second.

A new study also casts doubt on the effectiveness of subliminal messages in advertising.

"The mind, when it's operating unconsciously, is not nearly so smart as Freud and other psychoanalysts would have us believe," said University of Washington psychology Professor Anthony Greenwald.

The study by Greenwald and two assistants at the university's Seattle campus was published today in the journal *Science*. They offered a way to measure the effects of subliminal messages and showed subliminals only influence the mind for about one-tenth of a second.

"That's important, because theories of how the mind operates unconsciously are used in devising psychotherapies," Greenwald said. "As we change our concept of how much the mind can accomplish unconsciously, we change our mind about what should work inside the therapy."

Greenwald's team developed a "subliminal sandwich" technique, jamming a male or female name between two strings of 15 consonants and flashing it on a screen just before showing viewers a target word, which consisted of another name.

Some 300 student volunteers were asked to identify the target words as either male or female by hitting a computer key. Sometimes the target word and the subliminal priming word were both female; sometimes one was male and one female.

The students did worse at correctly identifying a target word when the interval between the subliminal and target word was shortened, and when they had less time to respond.

Those results indicated that, if the time interval between a subliminal and visible stimulus is longer than one-tenth of a second — or if a person has more time overall to respond — "the effect of the subliminal stimulus can drop to zero," Greenwald said.

Yet Purdue University psychology Professor Eliot Smith said Greenwald's findings, which Smith separately has reproduced, put the idea of "subliminal effects" on a firm footing for the first time.

"While many of us in this research field have believed that these effects exist ... they were still

surrounded by some controversy, people who doubted their existence," Smith said.

Sigmund Freud, the father of psychoanalysis, believed the unconscious performed powerful and complex feats, guiding social behavior and protecting the conscious mind from painful psychosexual truths.

"Our research reveals, instead, an unconscious mind that is limited to some very simple achievements," Greenwald wrote in materials accompanying the study.

Greenwald isn't suggesting the unconscious is useless. It still monitors everything that falls in the range of the eyes and ears, shifting the focus of conscious attention when something that might be important happens outside a person's present focus, he said.

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The Heipa Hills and Grandfather's House—Harvey Du Marce
Natural Systems Agriculture: The Truly Radical Alternative—Wes Jackson
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College Football

FLORIDA VS. TENNESSEE

Spurrier, Fulmer contrasting coaches

Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

GAINESVILLE, Fla. — Imagine you're a star quarterback trying to decide whether to go to Florida or Tennessee. Steve Spurrier or Phillip Fulmer can leave a vastly different impression.

"Since coach Fulmer first came into my house, he has preached that we want to win at Tennessee, we plan to win, and would like you to be a part of it," Vols QB Peyton Manning said.

"Just a simple statement like that makes you realize he's the kind of guy you want to play for."

Danny Wuerffel was also one of

the nation's prized recruits. He threw for 3,055 yards and 27 touchdowns as a senior and was looking for a school where he could throw the ball. Wanting to sign on with Spurrier and Florida was a natural.

"The first thing you realize is he's going to put the ball in the air," Wuerffel said. "Learning the way he puts together his system ... it's very technical-minded and precise, but he also draws it up in the dirt. It's quite a combination."

It has been a winning combination at both schools. Tennessee is 2-0 and ranked No. 2. Florida is 2-0 and ranked No. 4. They play Saturday in Knoxville in a game with Southeastern Conference and national title implications.

Both teams have prolific passers, game-breaking receivers and speedy running backs. But if teams indeed take on the personality of

their coach, Florida and Tennessee couldn't be any more different.

Fulmer is old school. He grew up in the same Tennessee county as former coach Johnny Majors and played guard for the Volunteers from 1969 to 1971.

After six years as an assistant at Wichita State and Vanderbilt, he returned to Tennessee as an assistant in 1980 and was named coach after paying his dues for 12 years.

Spurrier is considered a traitor in Tennessee. He grew up in Johnson City, Tenn., but fled the state for Florida in 1963, where he played quarterback and won the Heisman Trophy.

He played 10 years in the NFL and spent three years as a college assistant. Then he went to the USFL as coach of the Tampa Bay Bandits, was named coach at Duke when the league folded and returned to Florida in 1990. When NFL jobs come open, Spurrier's name often comes up.

In just six years, Spurrier has become the keynote of Gators history. Of course, Florida had never won so much as an SEC title before Spurrier arrived. This year, the Gators go for their fourth in a row.

"I'm pretty much a Florida dude now," he says.

Fulmer replaced Majors, who won 186 games and three SEC titles in 15 years. And the legend of Knoxville is Gen. Robert R. Neyland, who won 216 games and the school's only national championship in 1951.

Seminoles crush Wolfpack, 51-17

David Droschak
Associated Press

RALEIGH, N.C. — Thad Busby showed some of the improvement coach Bobby Bowden was hoping for Thursday night, throwing two 29-yard scoring passes as No. 3 Florida State routed North Carolina State 51-17.

Warrick Dunn rushed for 108 yards to complement Busby and the Florida State defense shut down its second straight opponent. The Seminoles (2-0, 2-0 Atlantic Coast Conference) blew out the Wolfpack for the fourth consecutive time, outscoring them 224-40 during that span.

N.C. State (0-2, 0-2) hasn't lost its first two games since 1987, when it finished 4-7.

Busby threw for only 75 yards in a season-opening 44-7 victory over Duke 12 days ago after suffering from a sore arm. The junior was sharp against the Wolfpack most of the night as he got plenty of time to throw. He completed 17-of-26 for 251 yards.

His 29-yard scoring pass to diving E.G. Green on the last play of the first quarter gave the Seminoles a 10-0 lead. Busby also found Andre Cooper wide open for an over-the-shoulder TD pass midway through the third quarter.

Shevin Smith's 51-yard interception return five minutes later increased the lead to 37-3.



Spurrier



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WINLESS AGAINST PANTHERS SINCE 1990

'Clones host UNI in critical game

Chuck Schoffner
Associated Press

AMES, Iowa — Iowa State's two recent losses to Northern Iowa hurt the Cyclones so bad that Derrick Clark feels the sting. And he wasn't even playing for Iowa State then.

"I just know they came in here and kicked our butts the last two games," said Clark, a starting line-backer for the Cyclones. "That's been kind of a black eye on this school. We'd like to change that."

Iowa State will get a chance when Northern Iowa visits Cyclone Stadium on Saturday. The Panthers, 3-0 and ranked third nationally in Division I-AA, beat Iowa State 27-10 in 1992 and 28-14 in 1994.

With his team sitting 0-2, Clark said it's a critical game — and not just from a pride standpoint. Iowa State starts Big 12 play next week.

"We really need to break into the win column and give ourselves some confidence," he said. "Playing hard and losing really leaves you with an empty feeling. If we can get a win, it would really set us off in the right direction."

Clark has stepped into a starting job after transferring from



Associated Press

Iowa State running back Troy Davis runs out of the grasp of Wyoming safety Brian Lee for a first quarter one-yard touchdown Sept. 7, 1996. Waldorf College in Forest City. and on the team with 18 tackles The 6-foot-4, 237-pound junior and has two of Iowa State's six from Livermore is tied for sec-

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CLEVELAND THIRD BASEMAN

Thome's stats rank him among game's elite

Ken Berger
Associated Press

CLEVELAND — Jim Thome is not just a free-swinging hacker anymore. In fact, his stats say he's one of the best AL third basemen to come along in half a century.

Thome, who just turned 26, is about to join Al Rosen and George Brett as the league's only third baseman in 50 years to hit .300

with 30 homers and 100 RBI. Thome also has joined Rosen as the only Indians player to have 100 RBI, 100 walks and 100 runs in a season.

"I've had a lot of people tell me about that," Thome said, still a little winded from infield practice before a game. "You know, I'm just trying to go out and keep it as simple as possible."

Don't misunderstand: Thome appreciates what he's done. He's just not a big-picture guy. Though he might not realize it, Thome's emergence as one of the league's best left-handed hitters is a big reason the Indians are back in the postseason.

Thome came into Thursday night's game against the Kansas City Royals with a .314 average, 36

homers, 110 RBI, 114 runs and 114 walks. He's even batting over .300 against left-handers since the All-Star break after going 0-for-11 against them in last year's playoffs.

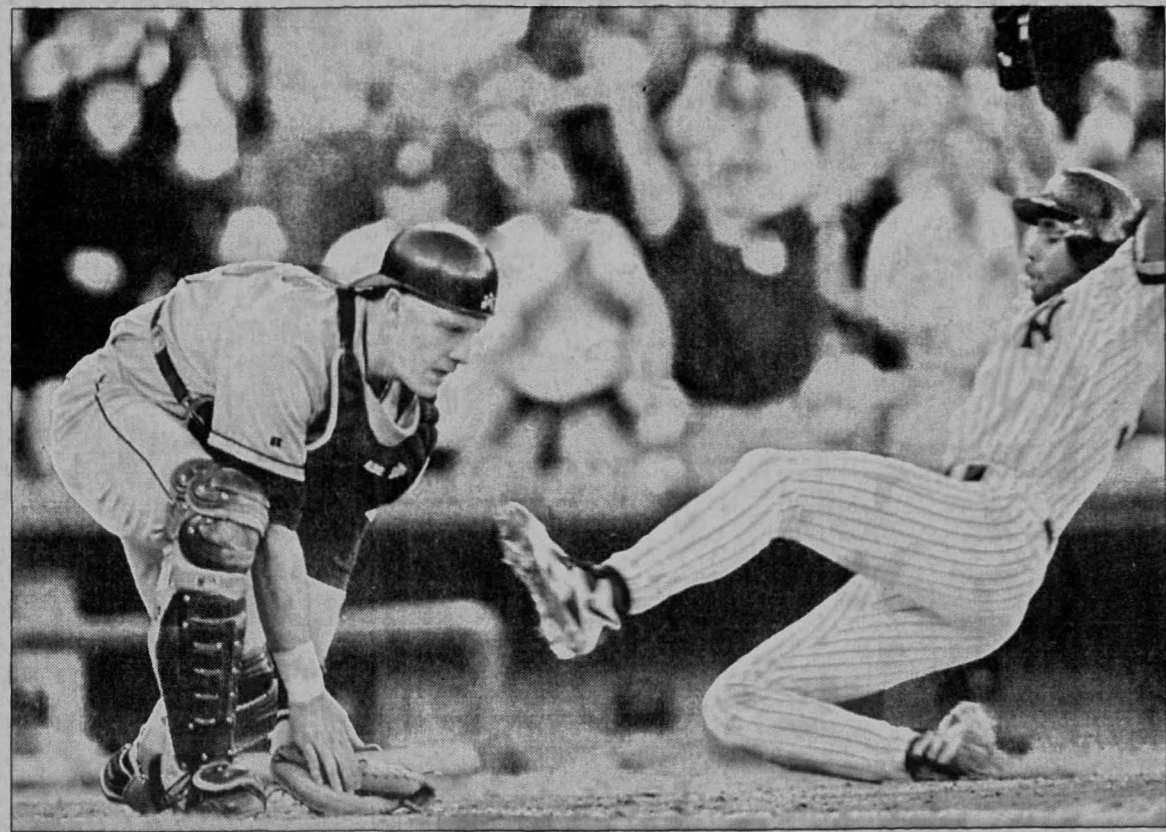
He has thrived in the No. 3 spot in the batting order, which looked like it would belong to Carlos Baerga for a decade or more. Now, they're saying that about Thome.



Associated Press

Cleveland's Jim Thome makes the tag against Oakland Wednesday.

AL ROUNDUP



Associated Press

Yankees runner Bernie Williams scores as Baltimore catcher Chris Hoiles takes the throw Thursday. Kenny Rogers pitched 5 2/3 shutout innings and Wade Boggs went 4-for-4 in Game 1 of a twinbill.

Yankees tighten grip on AL East

Associated Press

NEW YORK — In the big AL East showdown, the New York Yankees fell short of a sweep — just.

Baltimore overcame a five-run deficit Thursday night for a 10-9 win, salvaging the finale of the three-game series after getting blown out 9-3 in the doubleheader opener.

Todd Zeile went 3-for-4 and drove in four runs, including the tiebreaker in the eighth. After Bernie Williams' two-run homer in the ninth off Alan Mills — Williams' second homer of the game — Randy Myers struck out pinch-hitter Tino Martinez for his 30th save.

The Orioles remained four games behind the first-place Yankees and prevented their wild-card lead over Seattle from dropping to a half-game.

Baltimore, which had made up nine games in the standings since late July, came to New York for the hyped series three games back and had designs on catching the Yankees.

Mariners 7, Rangers 6
SEATTLE — The Seattle Mariners beat the Texas Rangers, completing a stunning four-game

sweep that put them right back in the AL West race.

Seattle, nine games behind on Sept. 11, pulled within two games of the reeling Rangers. Ken Griffey Jr. and Dan Wilson drove in three runs each, and suddenly a second straight division title seems possible for the Mariners.

Indians 9, Royals 1
CLEVELAND — In another impressive audition for postseason starts, Chad Ogea allowed three hits in eight innings as the Cleveland Indians beat the Kansas City Royals.

Ogea (9-5), a possible third or spot starter in the playoffs, lost his shutout bid in the eighth when Craig Paquette hit his 21st home run. Before the homer, Ogea had retired 10 straight and hadn't allowed a hit since Jon Nunnally's double in the second.

Ogea outdueled Kevin Appier (13-11), who had a three-hitter through seven innings but got into trouble in the eighth when the Indians added seven runs in a rally keyed by Omar Vizquel's three-run double off reliever Jason Jacome.

Red Sox 8, Tigers 3
DETROIT — A day after

catching Roger Clemens' 20-strikeout game, Bill Haselman homered as the Boston Red Sox beat the Detroit Tigers 8-3 and kept their slim wild-card hopes alive.

Jeff Frye had three RBIs for Boston, which began the day 4 1/2 games behind Baltimore, the AL wild-card leader. The Red Sox have won four straight and six of seven, while Detroit lost its 12th straight.

Tom Gordon (11-9), who had lost his previous three starts, gave up three runs and nine hits in seven innings with six strikeouts. Trever Miller (0-3) was the loser.

White Sox 8, Twins 3
CHICAGO — Frank Thomas has done his part the last week to keep the Chicago White Sox afloat. He's gone on a homer binge.

He hit his eighth in nine games Thursday night to pace a crucial victory over the Minnesota Twins as Chicago broke a four-game losing streak and boosted its dim playoff hopes.

"We needed a win. We played terrible baseball the last four days," said Thomas.

20 K'S ON WEDNESDAY

Clemens remains hot at 34

Harry Atkins
Associated Press

DETROIT — The secret of Roger Clemens' success is that there is no secret. Rocket Roger simply takes good care of himself. It's hard work, but the rewards are worth it.

When he was a strapping lad of 23, only a few years removed from the University of Texas, he set a major-league record by striking out 20 in a nine-inning game. Wednesday night, at 34, Clemens repeated his extraordinary feat.

"He's just remarkable," Boston manager Kevin Kennedy said after Clemens finished with a five-hitter over Detroit in a 4-0 win at Tiger Stadium. "He's shown for 10 years he's a dominant pitcher in this league."

There were many similarities in his record games. When he struck out 20 Seattle Mariners at Fenway Park on April 29, 1986, Clemens didn't walk any. His control was perfect again when he fanned 20 Tigers. Of the 151 pitches he threw at Detroit, 101 were for strikes.

"I was a control pitcher long before I became a power pitcher," Clemens said.

The pitch count of 151 sounds a bit high, yet it never appeared Clemens was running out of steam. His fastball was clocked at 96 mph in the ninth inning.



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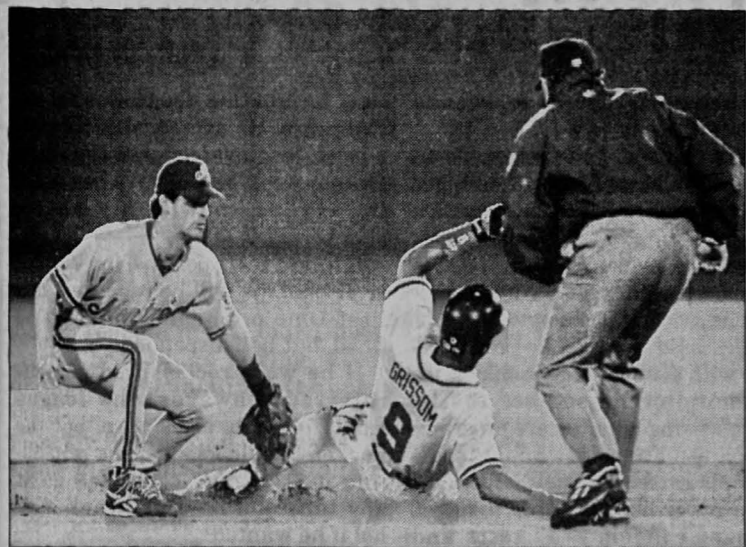
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Braves baserunner Marquis Grissom slides in safe at second against Montreal shortstop Mark Grudzielanek Thursday.

Cardinals edge past Cubs in 13 innings

Associated Press

ST. LOUIS — Tom Pagnozzi singled home the winning in the 13th inning, and the St. Louis Cardinals reduced their magic number for winning the NL Central to five by beating the Chicago Cubs 5-4.

St. Louis swept the Cubs for the first time since September 1988 and moved five games ahead of idle Houston with nine games to go. The Cardinals have won 11 of their last 12 home games.

John Mabry doubled off Mike Campbell (3-1) to start the 13th and Gary Gaetti's sacrifice moved pinch-runner Miguel Mejia to third. Chicago put center fielder Brian McRae just in front of second base to form a five-man infield, but Pagnozzi hit a line-drive single to left over the drawn-in infield.

Rookie Brooks Kieschnick's pinch-single tied the score in the ninth and Chicago had a chance to go ahead in the 10th, but Ron Gant threw out Mark Grace trying to score on Ryne Sandberg's pop to shallow left.

Expos 5, Braves 1

ATLANTA — The Montreal Expos are delaying Atlanta's celebration and trying to ensure one of their own.

David Segui hit a two-run single in the ninth and Moises Alou followed with a two-run homer as Montreal beat the Braves and moved ahead of San Diego in the NL wild-card race.

The Braves, whose four-game winning streak was snapped, still hold a five-game lead over the Expos in the NL East with four games remaining in the series and 10 in the season.

Pittsburgh 5, Cincinnati 3
PITTSBURGH — Pinch-hitter Nelson Liriano had a tie-breaking single in the sixth inning and the Pittsburgh Pirates beat the Cincinnati Reds, stretching their winning streak to eight games.

The three-game sweep of the Reds gave the Pirates their longest streak since an 11-game streak from July 30-Aug. 10, 1992.

With one out in the sixth, Jay Bell, Keith Osik and Liriano singled off Tim Pugh (1-1) to break a 4-4 tie. Jermaine Allensworth singled in another run for Pittsburgh. Chris Peters (2-4) pitched 1½ innings for the win. John Ericks pitched the ninth for his seventh save.

Mets 7, Phillies 2
PHILADELPHIA — Edgardo Alfonzo hit two home runs and Rey Ordonez hit his first major league homer as the New York Mets ended their four-game losing streak.

Mark Clark (14-11) gave up one run and five hits while striking out five and issuing no walks in seven innings.

Losing pitcher Rich Hunter (3-7) gave up six runs and seven hits in five-plus innings.

IN A COMFORT ZONE

After frightening drop-off, 'It's Braves' time'

Paul Newberry
Associated Press

ATLANTA — Three weeks ago, the Atlanta Braves were running away with the NL East. A few days ago, it looked like they were going to blow it.

By the time second-place Montreal arrived in Atlanta to begin a five-game series Thursday, the Braves had re-established their comfort zone. The Showdown in the East is now nothing more than a playoff tuneup for the Braves and a chance to stay alive in the wild-card race for the Expos.

"Montreal is fighting for their lives," Chipper Jones said before the opening game of the series. "They're liable to be a little anxious coming in here. We had trouble with them last year, but we're 4-1 this year. It's Braves' time."

Atlanta had a 12½-game lead over the Expos on Aug. 30, its biggest of the season. Then the Braves lost 11 of 13 and saw their margin dwindle to just 4½ games last Saturday.

By Thursday, however, Atlanta had won four in a row to push its margin back to six games with only 11 remaining — eight against the Expos. The two teams will close out the regular season with a three-game set in Montreal.

"It's not as exciting as it would be if we had a one- or two-game" lead, pitcher Greg Maddux said. "But I'm

glad we have a six-game lead. Sometimes this stuff gets a little nerve-

"Sometimes this stuff gets a little nerve-wracking. It's easier to watch the games when you have a nice lead."

Greg Maddux, Atlanta pitcher on the NL East race

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For the Expos, the realistic goal no longer is to catch the Braves, it's to keep pace with San Diego for the wild-card spot. The Padres, who also are battling for the NL West title, had a one-game lead on Montreal before Thursday's play.

"We've got to go there, have fun and win some ballgames," Montreal's Moises Alou said after the Expos beat New York 4-3 to go 17 games above .500 for the first time this year. "It's not a do-or-die situation. Maybe the press and the fans see it that way. We've got to play like we're playing anybody else."

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Favre appeals status in drug abuse program

Arnie Stapleton
Associated Press

GREEN BAY, Wis. — Brett Favre says he wants out of the NFL's drug abuse program not because he craves a beer, but because he misses his freedom.

Favre is appealing his status in the league's substance abuse program, which he entered in May after he told the NFL he was addicted to the painkiller Vicodin.

His appeal is being reviewed by NFL commissioner Paul Tagliabue, who could reach a decision as early as week's end, the Green Bay Press-Gazette reported Thursday.

Green Bay coach Mike Holmgren first heard about the appeal during

a national conference call with reporters Thursday afternoon. He seemed taken aback and later was unusually testy at practice.

In the locker room afterward, Favre said he was through talking about his addiction and aftercare, something that would please the organization tremendously.

"I ain't saying (expletive) now," Favre said. "So, don't even ask."

Pressed if that was his choice or a directive from Holmgren or general manager Ron Wolf, Favre said the decision was his own.

"Yeah, I'm tired of this. I'm tired of talking about it," he said. Holmgren also refused to talk about it after practice.

"I'm not talking anymore to any-

body today," he said as he left the field.

Favre, last year's MVP, spent 46 days last summer at the Menninger Clinic in Topeka, Kan. to treat his addiction. He now takes non-narcotic medicine to deal with his aches and pains — and that's not something he's trying to change.

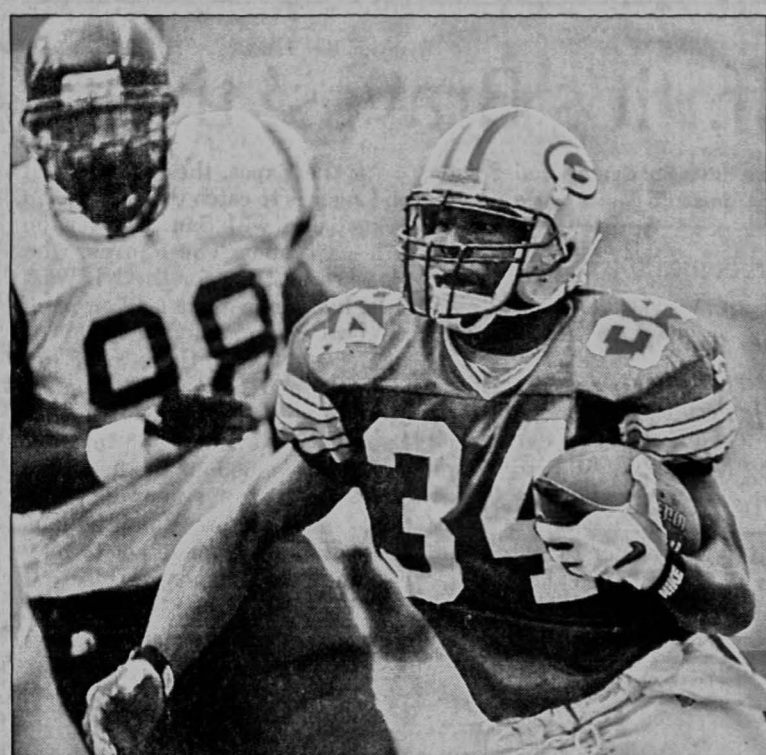
Favre said because he came forward with his addiction voluntarily, he shouldn't be subject to the league's stringent aftercare program.

Because Favre is "behavioral-referred" to the league's substance abuse program, the NFL requires frequent random drug tests and

that he abstain from alcohol for two years. He also must meet with a local, league-appointed counselor twice a week and always has to let the league know of his whereabouts.

If Favre tests positive for Vicodin or alcohol, he will be regarded as a first-time offender and could be fined, but not suspended.

If he were reclassified as self-referred, however, the league would offer its assistance, but the Packers would conduct his rehabilitation. He could come and go at any time and he could drink alcohol if he wanted.



Associated Press

Green Bay Packers running back Edgardo Bennett breaks away from the San Diego Chargers Shawn Lee for a first-quarter touchdown Sunday, Sept. 15, in Green Bay, Wis.

Packers' Bennett avoids fumble-itis

Arnie Stapleton
Associated Press

GREEN BAY, Wis. — Based on his track record, Green Bay half-back Edgardo Bennett might cough up the football again in the year 2000.

His lost fumble against San Diego last Sunday was his first in four years and 726 carries.

Nobody was more stunned than Bennett when the ball popped out after he was drilled by safety Kevin Ross following a 13-yard run in the fourth quarter of Green Bay's 42-10 rout.

"That's not supposed to happen to me," said Bennett, who hadn't lost a fumble since his rookie year in 1992, a span of 63 games.

"I'm never due. He just got me," Bennett said. "He put his helmet right on the ball. I give him credit. He made a great play. I just hate the fact that I let it go."

"You don't want to ever experience that. I felt like all the air had been let out of my chest, and it didn't come from the hit. It just came from the fact that I actually lost the ball," he added.

Bennett fumbled once in 316 carries last season, but he recovered it.

After fumbling in a victory over Detroit on Nov. 1, 1992, Bennett was benched for two

games. Then, he made his first start and rushed for 107 yards against the Bears. Although he also lost a fumble in that game, his benching left an impression on him and he didn't lose another until Sunday.

"It hurts when you do something like that," Bennett said. "Being a running back, you never want to do something like that."

Tight end Keith Jackson said that when Bennett got to the sideline Sunday after his fumble, "I said, 'Man, that's way out of character. Let it go, and let's go get another 700-some more.' He just doesn't do that."

Bennett's teammates marvel at his reliability. "There's situations where they hit the ball and I don't care how tight you have it tucked, how good you protect it, it's going to come out of there," Jackson said. "This guy is unbelievable."

Despite playing on a tender ankle all last season, Bennett became the Packers' first 1,000-yard rusher since Terrell Middleton in 1978. Still, his average carry of 3.4 yards wasn't much to get excited about.

In Green Bay's 3-0 start, a healthy Bennett has averaged 5.1 yards a carry and the Packers are second in the league in rushing, behind Denver.

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GREEN BAY TAKES NOTHING FOR GRANTED

Green Bay elite in class of unbeatens

Dave Goldberg
Associated Press

Here's a sign of the respect that the Green Bay Packers are getting. They're on the road against 3-0 Minnesota, they haven't won at the Metrodome in the four times they've been there during Mike Holmgren's coaching tenure, and...

They're favored by 6 1/2 points. This is an unusual week in the NFL. There are three games between 3-0 teams and another between Carolina and San Francisco, both 2-0. The league's six 0-3 teams also meet in three games with a perverse appeal if nothing else.

But despite eight unbeaten teams, the Packers are in a class of their own. They've outscored their first three opponents 115-26, and two of those victims — San Diego and Philadelphia — have won their other two games. Minnesota's three victories, by contrast, are by a total of 16 points, and their three victims have two wins among them.

Green Bay, however, takes nothing for granted. "We were feeling pretty good about ourselves," Brett Favre said. "But when we woke up, we realized we're going back to a place where we're 0-4." And in the worst ways — on strange bounces, miscalled plays, desperation passes by the Vikings. One difference. These Packers are good enough that they probably won't be in position to get hurt by a single play. PACKERS, 31-17

Yet another 3-0 game. Question: Do the Colts let down after an emotional win in Dallas? Answer: Not at home on Monday night, especially against Jimmy and Dan. COLTS, 24-20

San Francisco (minus 9 1/2) at Carolina You can see what the money guys think of Carolina's 2-0 record, even taking into account last year's 13-7 Carolina win in San Francisco. They're probably right. 49ERS, 20-10

Dallas (minus 3) at Buffalo On the surface a strange spread that shows that a lot of bettors think the Cowboys are "America's Team." Two hunches: The Bills will be motivated more by Monday night's debacle in Pittsburgh than any thoughts of Super Bowl revenge. Marv Levy's a better coach than Barry Switzer. BILLS, 23-20

New York Giants (plus 2) "at" New York Jets Help! JETS, 3-0 (overtime). Arizona (plus 7 1/2) at New Orleans The second 0-3 matchup. The Saints are better than 0-3, the Cardinals are worse. SAINTS, 20-2

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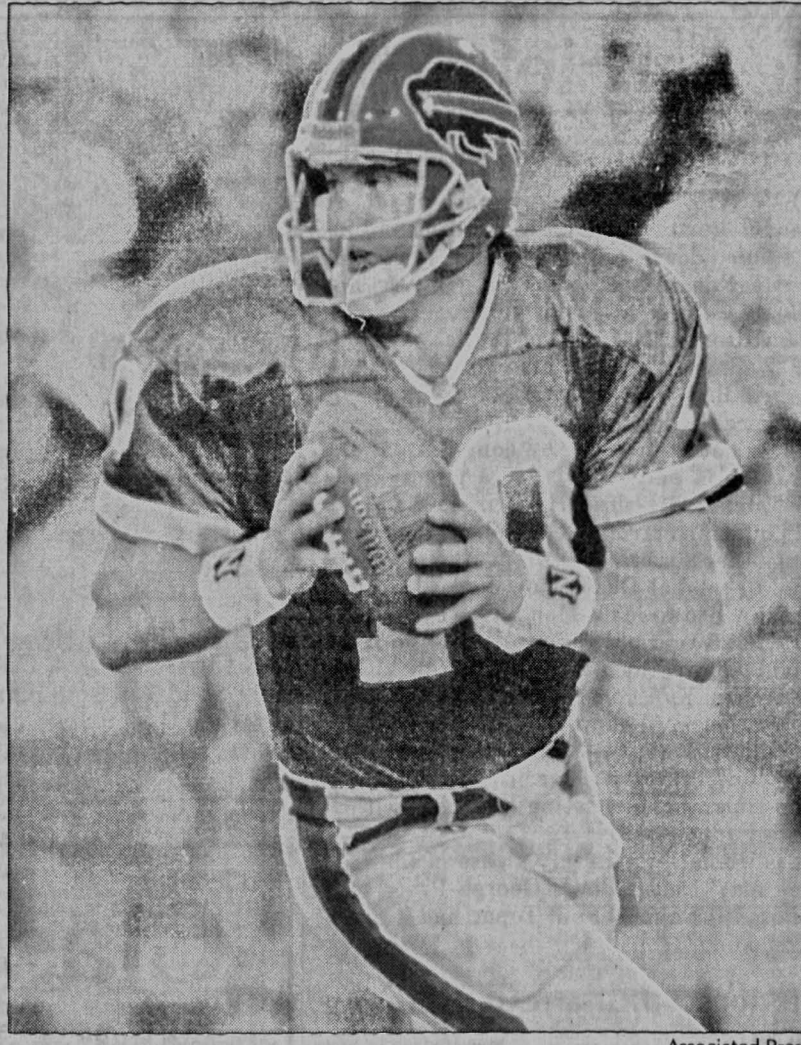
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With Buffalo's Jim Kelly out of the lineup, either Alex Van Pelt (above) or Todd Collins will start Sunday against Dallas. The two have rotated the backup position so far this season.

LOCAL ROUNDUP

Iowa volleyball looks to upset defending national champion Nebraska

When the Iowa volleyball team takes the floor tonight, its winning record won't matter much. Neither will its three-match winning streak.

What matters is that the Hawkeyes will be playing the defending national champion Nebraska Cornhuskers.

Iowa takes a 5-4 record into Lincoln, Neb., this weekend for the First Bank Invitational. The Hawkeyes play Nebraska tonight at 7:30 before meeting Kansas State on Saturday. If records are any indication, the Hawkeyes will have their hands full.

The Cornhuskers, who have a 12-0 all-time record against Iowa, enter this weekend with a 5-2 record. Nebraska's losses came at the hands of North Carolina and Hawaii.

Kansas State, currently on a five-match winning streak, brings a 10-1 record to Lincoln. Its only loss was to Ohio State. Iowa defeated the Wildcats as recently as 1993 and leads the all-time series, 2-0.

Iowa coach Linda Schoenstedt sees these challenges as great opportunities for her team.

"It's an excellent weekend to help us prepare for the Big Ten weekend that follows," Schoenstedt said. "We have to regard every difficult match as an opportunity to put Iowa on the map."

Although Iowa won the Hawkeye Classic last weekend with a 3-0 record, Schoenstedt said her team worked hard this week on several problem areas. Those included serving, blocking, and scoring offense in a couple rotations.

"Our goal is to play well enough to put ourselves in a position to win games and, hopefully, the matches," she said.

Field Hockey

The third-ranked Iowa field hockey team blasts into College Park, Md., this weekend to compete in the Maryland Invitational. Iowa, Georgetown, Maryland and American University make up the tournament field.

The Hawkeyes are scheduled to compete against American Saturday. First-round winners will meet Sunday for the championship.

American (2-1) should give the Hawkeyes an ample challenge in the first-round match-up. American is led by Stacy Siu-but, the

nation's leading goal-scorer. Siu-but has registered 11 goals in only 36 shots. The Eagles are coached by first-year head coach Laurie Carroll.

"We should be challenged defensively in facing American," Iowa head coach Beth Beglin said. "Siu-but is the nation's leading goal scorer and that will make an obstacle in itself."

On the other side of the ball will be one of the nation's top defenses. In six games the Hawkeye defense has held opponents to only three goals and 32 shots-on-goal, compared to Iowa's offensive output of 27 goals on 183 shots.

"Defensively, we liked what we saw last weekend (only two shots allowed in two games)," Beglin said. "We may make a few changes from game to game and limit our opponents' strengths as best as we can."

Maryland could present Iowa some problems, pending the outcome of their match Georgetown.

"Maryland is kind of a sleeping giant. They have tremendous individual talent, but just haven't seemed to have pieced it all together as of yet. They are a dangerous team," Beglin said.

Chuck Blount

Men's tennis The Iowa men's tennis team takes its act to South Bend this weekend to participate in the Tom Fallon Notre Dame Invitational.

The Hawkeyes and 15 other teams will trade blows Friday through Sunday in the annual event that kicks off the season for many Midwest teams. This is the first action of the season for Iowa and coach Steve Houghton said he is anxious to get things going.

"We've had a really good two weeks of practice and I know that many of these guys just want to beat on someone else besides their teammates," Houghton said.

Iowa is only taking nine players on the road, but for four of them it will be the first action of their col-

legiate careers. Houghton said it will be a good way for the new guys to be broken in.

"It's better to see good competition right away. Sometimes you wind up hurting yourself by playing weaker teams. So I like the fact that this tournament has solid competition," Houghton said.

Iowa participated in last year's tournament and enjoyed some success. Senior Tom Derouin made it to the second round before losing to Bowling Green's Milan Ptak. Sophomore Ulf Jentler made it to the semifinals of Flight D singles competition.

Derouin said he's anxious to see where the team matches up with other Big Ten foes and top Midwest teams.

"It's a good early test," Derouin said. "If we can come out and make some noise then we'll have that to go on once the Big Ten season starts."

Chris James

Women's golf Coach Diane Thomason's Iowa women's golf team looks to improve this weekend, when it travels to East Lansing, Michigan, to play in the Lady Northern Invitational.

The Hawkeyes enter the tournament hoping to return to the form that put them in fourth place after round one of last weekend's 36-hole Minnesota Invitational.

Unfortunately for the Hawkeyes, the second round was a different story, as they fell to an eighth place finish. Although they shot just three shots better during round one, the rest of the field took advantage of the low score conditions.

"We really ran into trouble on a tough golf course," Thomason said.

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