

Metro & Iowa

UI team hopes for College Bowl victory

By Will Valet
The Daily Iowan

Members of the UI College Bowl Trivia Team hope hosting the annual trivia bowl for the first time will be a "lucky karma streak" as they match wits tonight in the Union.

Trivia buffs from colleges around the upper Midwest will compete tonight in the College Bowl on the floor of the Union at 6:30 p.m. as well as in at 9 a.m. on Saturday.

Six students — five undergraduates and one graduate student — comprise the UI College Bowl team. Competing students answer questions, similarly to the TV show "Jeopardy!" on such topics as literature, science, current events, mythology and geography.

The UI team took second place last year, behind the University of Min-

nesota. UI graduate student Trevor Schultz said he hopes hosting the event this year will provide the UI team with a little home-court advantage.

"The last two years, the team that finished second the year before and hosts the next College Bowl wins that year," he said. "It's a really interesting situation, and it's uncanny how history has repeated itself. We're hoping it will do that again this year."

The UI team will compete against teams from "Region 10," including the University of Minnesota, Iowa State University, Carleton College, St. Cloud University, University of South Dakota, Buena Vista College and a team from St. John's and St. Benedict's universities in Minnesota.

Team member and UI senior Kjer Cox said Minnesota will be the team

to beat. He said the UI College Bowl team goes against the geek stereotype of trivia fanatics.

"I think the term 'nerd' is relative in College Bowl circles," he said. "That bothers me to some extent, but what the College Bowl shows is that there is a place for trivia."

Schultz described the format of the College Bowl as "Jeopardy! times 20" because the question-answer speed is similar to the trivia game show. Participants are given buzzers to ring in if they know answers to questions, and there are toss-up questions and bonus rounds for extra points.

UI senior and team member Matt Larson said the team will win on the individual strengths of each team member.

"We've been practicing once a week, and sooner or later you find out who knows the most about a cer-

tain topic," he said.

UI sophomore Wade Pfau, an alternate for the team, said his strengths are economics, history, art and music.

"I think we've got a pretty good team put together," he said.

Although no money is awarded to the winning team, Schultz said there are other, less-material rewards.

"We haven't had a regional win since we formed the team, so winning will be its own big reward," he said. "Plus, you get a large, silver trophy cup, perfect for putting bottled champagne in."

Other members of the team are UI graduate student Robert Trent and UI sophomore Aaron Twait. The winner of the College Bowl will have a chance to participate in the national tournament to be held in Upper Montclair, N.J., in April.

GOP leaders announce spending-plan agreement

By Mike Glover
Associated Press

DES MOINES — Republican legislative leaders announced agreement Thursday on a spending plan slightly smaller than the one sought by Gov. Terry Branstad, but still boosting spending well beyond the rate of inflation.

The agreement would boost spending on the state's prison system by a whopping 12 percent, reflecting the budget reality of opening two new prisons this year.

Education and welfare spending would also grow, but at a much slower rate under the plan.

State spending would grow by 3.78 percent under the plan, but that doesn't count the \$45 million lawmakers plan to spend on property-tax relief and the money to be set aside for pay hikes for state workers.

When those two items are considered, state spending will grow between 5 percent and 6 percent.

Rep. David Millage, R-Bettendorf, head of the House Appropriations Committee, conceded spending was growing rapidly under the new plan, but argued that's a one-time surge.

Lawmakers in the past have approved new state prisons that now must be staffed, and put in place a \$150 million program to boost school technology.

"All of those cards were dealt to us by earlier legislatures," said

Millage. "We don't have any prisons on the drawing board this year."

Millage said lawmakers will be able to put the squeeze on spending next year, though he conceded election-year pressures will make that difficult.

"There will be those pressures," Millage said. "Our job will be to resist those pressures."

The spending targets, though an arcane legislative topic, essentially set the priorities for this year's Legislature. Key lawmakers have been dickering for weeks, though it's assumed the spending plan would be smaller than Branstad's for symbolic reasons.

The budget Branstad sent to the Legislature called for spending \$4.298 billion, and GOP leaders would spend \$4.297 billion. This year's budget is \$4.134 billion.

Under the agreement spelled out Thursday, leaders gave spending targets for each of the nine budget subcommittees which oversee various arms of state government.

Under the agreement, those various panels have the ability to shift spending around in the areas they oversee, but can't exceed the limit set by legislative leaders.

While prisons got the biggest percentage increase — and an extra \$42.2 million — schools were the biggest winners. The agreement announced Thursday calls for an extra \$84 million for elementary and secondary schools.

Consolidation simplifies payment of financial aid

By Jennifer Cassell
The Daily Iowan

With the hassle and difficulty of keeping track of financial-aid loans, many UI students can opt to consolidate their loans to simplify their payment plan.

By combining all loans a student attains into one installation payment, students can make their payment plans easier. For example, if a student wants to pay back five loans he or she took out, it is possible to apply for a consolidation loan totaling the amount of the five loans. The consolidation loan would pay back those loans, and in return, the student

would have to pay back the consolidation loan with interest.

Beth Oakes, assistant director of the UI Office of Student Financial Aid, said consolidating loans can be beneficial for students who have too many loans to keep track of.

"It moves everything into one place, so that you're making one payment instead of a multitude of payments," Oakes said.

UI students can apply for one of two different types of consolidation loans. Students can apply for a bank-level loan, which only can consolidate federal Stafford loans established before 1995 and any bank loans. The other option is through the Direct

Loan Servicing Center, which processes all federal student loans. Both consolidation options have several different payment plans based on the student's annual income.

Oakes said the complete process for applying and receiving a consolidation loan can take two to three months. First, the student should let the servicer (either the bank or the loan-servicing center) know he or she is interested in consolidating. Then the servicer sends the student an application.

Oakes said filling out the application can be the most challenging part of the process for some students because it requests information

about how many loans the student has and the exact balance of the loans.

After filling out the application, the student should send it back to the servicer so it can be processed. The servicer will send certification to the creditor about the amount of the loan as a cautionary step. Upon verification, the consolidation loan will go through and will be open to begin paying off the old loans.

One benefit of consolidating loans is the ability to pay off defaulted loans, Oakes said. On the other hand, one disadvantage is that the student may end up paying more in the end because of interest rates.

LEGAL MATTER & CALENDAR

POLICE
Andrew D. Kirkpatrick, 20, West Liberty, was charged with driving under suspension at the corner of Burlington and Dubuque streets on Feb. 6 and 13 at 1:30 a.m.
— Compiled by Jennifer Cassell

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hearing set for Mar. 6 at 2 p.m.; Kimberly A. Landuyt, North Liberty, preliminary hearing set for Mar. 4 at 2 p.m.
Driving while revoked — Jessica E. Bienert, Newton, Iowa, preliminary hearing set for Mar. 4 at 2 p.m.
Driving under suspension — Andrew D. Kirkpatrick, West Liberty, preliminary hearing set for Mar. 3 at 2 p.m.
Public intoxication — Larry G. Trudell (third or subsequent offense), address unknown, preliminary hearing set for Feb. 21 at 2 p.m.
— Compiled by Brendan Brown

Elmer DeGowin Memorial Blood Donor Center from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
UI Department of Geology will sponsor a seminar titled "Research on Ore Deposits at Nanjing University — Introduction of the State Key Laboratory for Research of Mineral Deposits" in Room 125 of Trowbridge Hall at 4 p.m.
Iowa Society of International Law and Affairs will hold a seminar titled "Women and International Law" at the Boyd Law Building from 12:40-1:40 p.m.
SATURDAY'S EVENTS
Youth Homes of Iowa City will hold a fund-raiser titled "Laissez Bon Temps Roulez (Let the Gods Times Roll)" at the Holiday Inn, 210 S. Dubuque St., from 6 p.m. to midnight.

SUNDAY'S EVENTS
United Campus Ministry will sponsor "Eat At Church" at the First Christian Church, 217 Iowa Ave., at 5 p.m.
United Methodist Campus Ministry will hold a Sunday supper at the Wesley Foundation, 120 N. Dubuque St., at 5:30 p.m.
Emergency Housing Project will hold an open house and fund-raiser titled "Home with a Heart" at the Emergency Housing Project, 331 N. Gilbert St., from 2-4 p.m.
CORRECTION
Thursday's Eighty-Hours calendar incorrectly reported the day of a concert. James Williams and the I.C.U. don't play until Feb. 20, in the Main Lounge of the Union.

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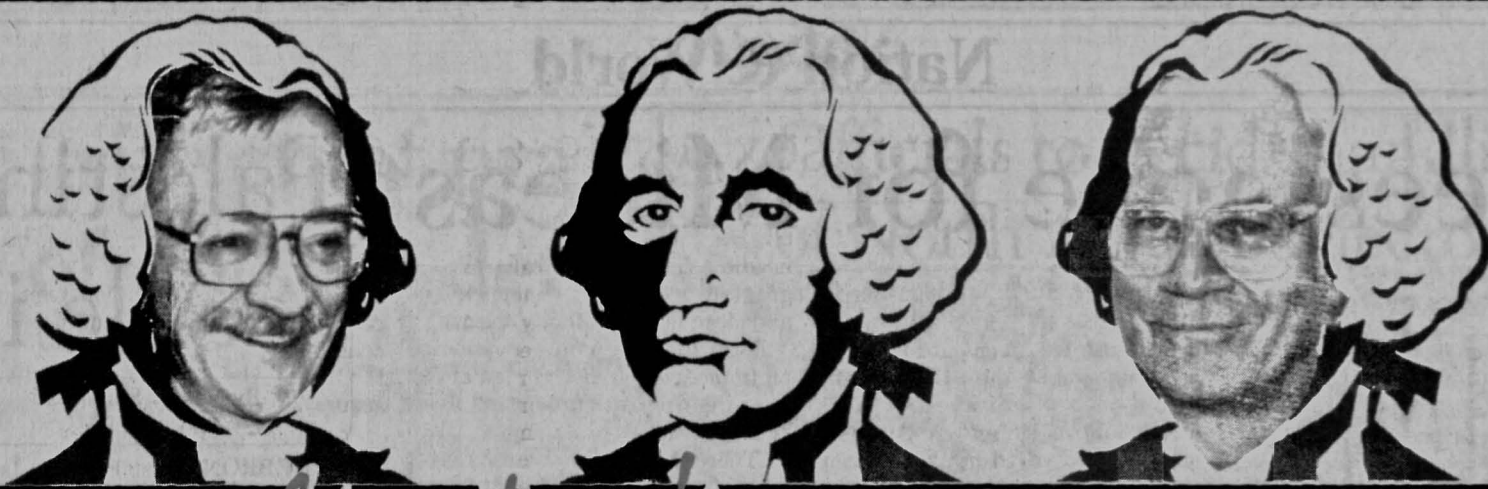
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Nation & World

Clinton sees hope for Mideast Palestinians, Jews scuffle in Hebron

By Terence Hunt
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Clinton said Thursday there is "a renewed sense of promise in the Middle East" after last month's Israeli-Palestinian agreement and urged a resumption of Israeli-Syrian negotiations to keep the momentum going.

After three hours of talks with Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, Clinton said he was encouraged "that there are things worth working on" regarding talks with Syria.

Netanyahu, appearing with Clinton at a wrap-up news conference, praised the president as "an exceptional friend of Israel" and said he came out of their meeting with "renewed confidence" about the possibility of progress on Middle East peace.

The prime minister suggested Syria could show its good faith by reining in Hezbollah terrorists in southern Lebanon. He said it was no secret that Syria "has more than a minor influence in Lebanon."

Israel will not withdraw its troops from southern Lebanon because "if we simply walked away ... Hezbollah and other terrorists would simply come to the (border) and attack our towns and villages," Netanyahu said.

It was Clinton's first meeting with Netanyahu since the Israeli leader and Palestinian chief Yasser Arafat ended a dangerous impasse last month by agreeing to, then implementing, Israel's long-delayed pullout from most of Hebron and parts of the West Bank.

As they opened their talks, Clinton said Netanyahu and Arafat made "a terrific effort ... and I'm looking forward to the next steps."

Netanyahu, who took office in June vowing to slow down the transfer of land to Palestinians, replied, "I think we've taken bold steps for peace."

"It's time that we see such steps from our partners as well," the prime minister said.

Clinton opened the news conference by saying Israel and the Palestinians have come a long way since Arafat and Netanyahu visited the White House in a crisis atmosphere last October after clashes in which 79 people died. "Now there is a renewed sense of promise in the Middle East," Clinton said, referring to the Hebron agreement.

Netanyahu was the first of four Middle East leaders scheduled to meet Clinton in coming weeks. The president also will see Arafat, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak and Jordan's King Hussein.

Clinton said he talked with Netanyahu about ways to resume peace talks with Syria. Those discussions were broken off a year ago after Islamic militants carried out suicide bombings in Israel.

Syria is insisting Israel surrender the Golan Heights, a strategic plateau along their border, as its price for peace. Israel captured the Golan in the 1967 Six-Day War.



Ron Edmonds/Associated Press

President Clinton laughs during his joint news conference with Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu in the East Room of the White House Thursday. The president said the recent Israeli-Palestinian agreement had created "a renewed sense of promise in the Middle East."

Clinton said he was convinced that Netanyahu "has thought through a way consistent with the security of the people of Israel that a comprehensive peace might be achieved." But he said a lot of things have to be resolved.

In the meantime, Clinton refused to pressure Israel to withdraw its forces from southern Lebanon, saying it was imperative that Israel maintain its border security. "Therefore, I have believed that the United States should be somewhat deferential under these circumstances."

Netanyahu was said to have brought to Washington a territorial compromise on the Golan, but there was no public discussion of its details. The United States believes

Syrian President Hafez Assad will not sign a peace agreement without getting back all of the plateau.

In the Hebron agreement, Netanyahu accepted the principle of pulling Israeli troops back from land claimed by the Arabs. Previous Israeli governments had supported the land-for-peace formula favored by the Arabs and the United States, and were said even to have promised Syria to leave the Golan, but Netanyahu had been a holdout until last month's agreement.

Clinton said the accord "was a brave and wise thing to do. Obviously the United States wants to make whatever contribution we can to the continuation of a peace process."

Netanyahu, in separate talks with Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, said Israel has fulfilled commitments it made in agreements with the Palestinians and the Arabs and he expects the Palestinians to reciprocate.

Specifically, Netanyahu demanded that the Palestinians close their quasi-government offices in East Jerusalem and combat terrorism, Gadi Baltiansky, the spokesperson at the Israeli Embassy, said.

Netanyahu, visiting the Pentagon later, expressed concern about the possible sale of F-16 fighters to Saudi Arabia. Clinton at his news conference said the United States has an "unshakeable commitment" to Israel's security needs and would maintain its qualitative edge.

By Nasser Shiyoukhi
Associated Press

HEBRON, West Bank — Israel ordered Jewish settlers Thursday to stop constructing apartments in downtown Hebron, angering settlers who accuse the government of betraying a pledge to let them expand.

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, who is in Washington for a summit with President Clinton, faces increasing hostility from supporters critical of the slow pace of settlement activity in the West Bank and east Jerusalem.

"We feel betrayed," Hebron settler spokesperson Noam Arnon said after Thursday's order barring construction at the city's Avraham Avinu settler enclave. "The Arabs are getting more and more rights, and they are taking rights away from us."

Palestinians and settlers scuffled earlier Thursday, throwing eggs, tomatoes and oranges at each other in a dispute over the reopening of an Arab vegetable market near the settler compound.

Israel allowed nine stalls to open Wednesday, with the remaining 24 to open gradually in coming weeks. The market was closed three years ago to reduce friction after a Jewish settler shot and killed 29 Muslim worshippers in a Hebron mosque. Reopening it was part of last month's Hebron agreement.

The market remained under Israeli control after troops withdrew from 80 percent of the city of 130,000 Palestinians and 500 settlers in mid-January.

Thursday's dispute began after Israeli troops closed four stalls that about a dozen Jewish settlers complained had been opened ahead of schedule.

The protesters and Palestinians scuffled, with the Palestinians throwing eggs and the settlers hurling back tomatoes and oranges. "This is our land, not yours!" some of the Palestinians yelled at the settlers.

Two dozen Israeli soldiers tried to keep the sides apart, and confiscated the identity cards of the four shopkeepers. However, when it became apparent their shops were among the nine with permission to operate, soldiers let the vendors open their businesses and guarded the shops.

Israel agreed to reopen the market as part of last month's agreement on withdrawing troops from Hebron, the first peace accord between Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat and a right-wing Israeli government.

Despite the pullout, the settlers hope to expand their community by building and renovating homes in downtown Hebron. Australian billionaire Joseph Gutnick has offered large sums for the effort and said recently he believed Netanyahu supported it.

Zairian rebels advance, call for Mobutu to resign

By Karin Davies
Associated Press

UVIRA, Zaire — Rebels advanced on three fronts Thursday toward Zaire's third-largest city, gaining ground in their battle to oust the country's ailing president.

But while rebel leader Laurent Desire Kabila said his forces could

take the city of Kisangani quickly, he said he would prefer to negotiate for the resignation of President Mobutu Sese Seko.

"He knows that the people of this country don't need him anymore. He has plunged the country into misery," he said.

Kabila, who earlier had given Prime Minister Leon Kengo wa Dondo's government until Feb. 21

to get rid of Mobutu, said the rebels would step up their attacks against Zairian forces if Mobutu did not step down.

He also threatened to attack the largest remaining refugee camp in eastern Zaire, saying it may be necessary to drive out govern-

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World

Russian security chief praises nation's use of nuclear defense

MOSCOW (AP) — Russia reserves the right to use nuclear weapons to defend itself, even if its attacker is using conventional arms, the national security chief said.

"In case of a direct challenge, we'll respond with a full program. And we are the ones who will choose the elements of the program, including nuclear weapons," Ivan Rybkin, head of Russia's Security Council, said in an interview with the government daily *Rossiiskaya Gazeta*.

Government spokespersons hurried to play down Rybkin's comments and several prominent members of Parliament were highly critical. One Communist leader said Rybkin had displayed a "shallow" understanding of security affairs in Tuesday's article. The nation's strategic policy is made only by the president, the premier, and the foreign minister, presidential spokesperson Sergei Yastrzhembsky stressed.

"All other opinions are private ones, regardless of what post the person holds," he told reporters. Rybkin's comments reflect a growing anxiety about Russia's place in the post-Cold War world, the crisis in its military and NATO's eastward expansion, something almost every Russian politician publicly opposes.

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Ivan Rybkin, head of Russia's Security Council, on the country's right to use nuclear weapons to defend itself

The speaker of the Duma, the lower house of parliament, said Tuesday that because of NATO's expansion "a new typhoon of Cold War is building over Western Europe."

NATO Secretary-General Javier Solana is presently touring several former Soviet republics, including those in the restive Caucasus region. The Kremlin condemned the tour, and warned Baltic states in particular that they will damage relations with Moscow if they pursue NATO membership.

Yeltsin's foreign policy adviser, Dmitry Ryurikov, called Solana's tour "a demonstration of the alliance's rigid position on enlargement" and said Solana was clearly courting former Soviet republics.

Rybkin's comments come hard on the heels of warnings by Russia's defense minister that budget cuts are endangering control of the nation's nuclear arsenal.

Yastrzhembsky said Defense

Minister Igor Rodionov's report "raises very serious problems."

He said Yeltsin has ordered the government to come up with proposals for making sure soldiers get paid on time and for exercising more oversight over the armed forces.

Rybkin, the security chief, said in his interview Tuesday that the poor state of Russia's conventional armed forces makes nuclear weapons all the more important.

"We are not, of course, talking about a preventive nuclear strike, but about the possibility that, if any aggressor involves us in a conflict using the usual combat means, we may use nuclear weapons as a decisive response," he said.

"At a time when our armed forces are in the process of being reformed, and don't have their past power, it is especially important to stress this so that fans of military adventures don't get tempted," Rybkin said.

Officials to decide handling of North Korean defector

By Renee Schoof
Associated Press

BEIJING — China, North Korea and South Korea maneuvered frantically Thursday trying to decide what to do about a high-ranking North Korean — a former tutor to the country's leader — who defected to South Korea.

South Korea pressed China to let them whisk Hwang Jang Yop immediately out of the country and find out everything he knows about North Korea's secretive government.

North Korea refused to believe the defection, insisted he must have been kidnapped and tried to get past Chinese police protecting the consulate where he asked for asylum.

Chinese officials pleaded for calm and wondered how they were going to get out of the explosive incident between the North, a long-time ally, and the South, an important new trading partner.

But there was no way to avoid the question — Beijing must decide whether to turn the 72-year-old party stalwart back to North Korea or agree to Seoul's request to let Hwang fulfill his wish to go to South Korea.

By late Thursday, however, no negotiations on the issue had begun, a South Korean official said.

Hwang, a Central Committee

member of the ruling Workers' Party and confidant of North Korean leader Kim Jong Il, walked into the South Korean consulate in Beijing and asked for asylum Wednesday.

"After a long period of agonizing deliberation" Hwang said he decided to defect to help reconcile the two Korea rivals and to discuss with Seoul how "to save our nation from misery," according to a statement released by the South Korean government.

In his three-page statement, Hwang said his "family and others will think me crazy," but added: "Is it the action of sane people to call each other enemies and talk of turning the other into a sea of fire?" The statement added: "Can we call people sane when they talk of having built a utopia for the workers and the farmers when the workers and farmers are starving?"

Two years of floods have devastated North Korea's food supply. This week, the U.N. World Food Program issued an appeal for 110,000 tons of emergency food aid for North Korea.

After being challenged by North Koreans on Thursday, Chinese police widened the security zone around the South Korean consulate, fearing the defector would be kidnapped.

After warily watching the building for hours, a dozen North Koreans walked up to police lines



Yun Jai-hyung/Associated Press

South Korean military soldiers patrol along the southside fence of the demilitarized zone between the two Koreas as tension runs high due to North Korea's high-ranking official Hwang Jang Yop alleged defection to a South Korean Embassy in China, Thursday.

Thursday night and were turned away when they tried to go past, witnesses said. They stood face to face with police before walking away and returning to their cars.

Chinese police then ordered reporters and the North Koreans to move a block away from the three-story building on a back street of a diplomatic district.

Up to 10 North Koreans had tried to enter the building Wednesday night and others tried to chase South Korean diplomats driving home.

Former hostages thank ambassador for protection

By Anita Snow
Associated Press

himself responsible because security at his home was light that evening.

LIMA, Peru — More than 100 captives freed during Peru's 2-month-long hostage crisis thanked the Japanese ambassador Thursday for protecting them from heavily armed rebels while they were held in his home.

Ambassador Morhisha Aoki is one of 72 remaining hostages, and it is unclear whether he has seen the letter of gratitude, published in the daily newspaper *Gestion*.

In it, the former hostages said they felt "morally obligated to give thanks for the gentlemanly, loyal and dedicated actions of the Ambassador of Japan ... for our physical and moral well-being."

The siege in a Lima suburb began Dec. 17 when Tupac Amaru rebels stormed the ambassador's home during a gala cocktail party and took about 500 of his guests hostage. Most have since been released.

Diplomats have been upbeat about a peaceful end to the crisis since a meeting Tuesday between government negotiators and Tupac Amaru rebels.

The government's negotiator, Domingo Palermo, briefed President Alberto Fujimori Thursday on the meeting, saying another session could be held within 48 hours.

He told Fujimori the meeting "was held in a good environment, which allowed ... the approval of procedures to be followed in future preliminary conversations," a government spokesman said.

The statement offered no details about what was discussed during the three-hour meeting with Fujimori, who returned to Lima on Wednesday from London, where he attended a forum on British investment in Latin America.

"His responsibility, sense of humor, frankness and personal valor have been invaluable ... (and) have made us indebted to him for life."

Excerpt from hostages' letter to Japanese Ambassador Morhisha Aoki published in a newspaper

The guerrillas are demanding the release of hundreds of jailed comrades, something the government has said it will not discuss.

The letter from the former captives Thursday comes on top of earlier praise for Aoki from released hostages, who have called him a hero.

"Ambassador Aoki, as host and owner of the house, worried himself with finding and giving us everything that existed in the mission, including his personal belongings," said the letter, signed by 137 former hostages.

"At the same time, his responsibility, sense of humor, frankness and personal valor have been invaluable ... (and) have made us indebted to him for life."

Aoki has apologized for the hostage crisis, saying he considered

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As deadline nears, Clinton considers intervening in airline strike

By Ron Fournier
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The stakes are sky high.

With the clock ticking toward a midnight deadline today, President Clinton faces a devil's choice in the American Airlines labor dispute: intervene and put his credibility on the line, or do nothing and watch a disruptive strike unfold.

For now, the president is riding out the turbulence, hoping the airline and its pilots settle.

"I'm not going to speculate at all about what happens if there is no agreement," press secretary Mike McCurry told reporters Thursday. "We want there to be an agreement by tomorrow night."

As he spoke, mediators struggled to close wide gaps in the parties' positions. And White House officials were getting their first look at a critical Transportation Department report.

It estimated the daily cost of a pilots strike at \$100 million to \$200 million. If Clinton decides to inter-

vene, the report would bolster his case, administration officials say.

Under the Railroad Labor Act, designed to protect the economy against labor strikes, Clinton could act on the recommendation of the National Mediation Board and avert a strike with a 60-day "cooling



Clinton

off" period.

While the pilots continued to fly, a Presidential Emergency Board appointed by Clinton would take 30 days to propose a settlement. The parties would get another 30 days to resolve the dispute. If that didn't work, Congress could impose a settlement.

To order a cooling off period, Clinton must find "a substantial economic threat" that deprives a region of a "central transportation service." White House officials said the pilots strike appears to meet the legal

requirement for presidential intervention.

A Democratic president would face a tougher choice if the union in the dispute represented machinists or other blue-collar workers, Clinton's political aides say. In the American case, the pilots average \$120,000 a year and are haggling over stock options.

Clinton has another choice: He could use the presidential office to urge a settlement, or signal the administration's sympathy with one of the warring parties.

He has told both to "make maximum" use of negotiating time and avoid a strike that carries "huge implications." But the president produced no results two years ago with similar pleas to baseball players and owners.

If the pilots strike, some aides want Clinton to avoid intervention and continue jawboning.

Indeed, the president is so cautious about getting involved that aides are convinced that he does not intervene until the last minute.

American Airlines strike more than likely

By Katie Fairbank
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — American Airlines officials took a skeptical view of a compromise offer from the pilots' union as tonight's holiday-weekend strike deadline approached. President Clinton urged both sides to "reach out to one another" and settle their differences.

Clinton, at a news conference Thursday afternoon, gave no indication whether he would exercise emergency powers to prevent pilots from striking at 12:01 a.m. Saturday. He was urged to do so by the airline's chief executive officer, Robert Crandall, and by mayors and some members of Congress from areas that would be particularly affected.

Although negotiations were scheduled to continue, both sides were preparing for a walkout.

The airline canceled most overseas flights so aircraft would not be stranded, and the board of the Allied Pilots Association planned a teleconference at the strike deadline.

At the White House, Clinton received a report from the Transportation Department estimating that the strike would cost up to \$200 million a day and could strand up to 40,000 passengers.

The department also said it was prepared to temporarily assign American's landing slots to other carriers if a strike develops.

"We hope that that analysis of economic damage won't need to be a useful document," White House spokesman Mike McCurry said.

The president, who has emergency powers to intervene temporarily, urged both sides to reach an agreement. Clinton said the airline and the pilots union should "think about how they can reach out to one another in the best interest of the nation."

Hopes for a settlement rose early Thursday, when the union offered to have its pilots accept lower pay scales for operating jets on regional routes as long as the company accepted its other demands.

But American's parent company, AMR Corp., says it doesn't want



Ron Hefflin/Associated Press

American Airlines pilots walk the informational picket line inside the airline's terminal at the Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport Thursday in Grapevine, Texas. American Airlines rejected a compromise offer from its pilots' union as tonight's holiday-weekend strike deadline approached.

American pilots to fly the new jets that have been proposed for regional routes. AMR wants its American Eagle subsidiary, with lower-paid pilots from another union, to fly the commuter jets.

The company did not directly reject the offer, but a spokesman suggested the pilots' plan would not work.

"In reality, those jets are going to be operated as American Eagle or they are not going to be operated," spokesperson Al Comeaux said. "There are costs involved beyond pilot costs. We have to be competitive."

The regional jet issue has been a sticking point in negotiations for some time. Both sides agree the smaller routes are necessary for American to remain competitive, but they don't agree on who should fly the twin-engine jets that have up to 70 seats.

American mechanics, flight attendants and other workers all have higher salary ranges than their counterparts at American Eagle, a conglomerate of four separate small airlines funneling \$1

billion in traffic to American Airlines.

The average American Airlines pilot makes \$120,000 a year. The average American Eagle pilot makes about \$35,000 a year.

The union wants 3 percent pay increases each August for the next three years and a 2 percent raise on Aug. 31, 2000.

The pilots also want stock options to buy 7.25 million shares at below-market cost and they want to phase out over four years a lower pay and pension scale for newly hired pilots that has been in place since 1983.

The company is offering a 6 percent sticking point over the life of the contract and options for three million shares of stock.

As the deadline neared, American canceled today's flights to Japan, Central and South America and most of Europe. The only exceptions were flights to San Juan, Puerto Rico, and London. Airline officials said they had large enough operations there to provide security for the planes if they were grounded by a strike.

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took action, he now says the outcome should not involve lawmakers. Larson has proposed standardization of the amount of time professors spend teaching, an idea he still thinks the regents should consider.

"The issue must be decided by the Board of Regents, the administration and the faculty," Larson said. "I don't believe it's appropriate for the Legislature to be creating policy. We're not the experts."

While the debate continues over how professors should spend their working hours, UI faculty discussed Wednesday a means to create more flexibility in their duties.

Each UI department mandates that professors spend a specified

amount of time in the classroom, as well as doing research, administration and outreach. However, many professors support a proposal that would allow them to have more say in the way they spend their time.

The Faculty Senate's Post-Tenure Effort Allocation Committee proposed a UI policy permitting tenured faculty members to have individualized portfolios that may differ from the existing departmental norms.

Sheldon Kurtz, president of the Allocation Policy Committee, said the adoption of this policy would have a positive impact on the quality of the education at the UI since the policy is designed for individual adjustments for limited periods of time. Professors who want to be in

the classroom, under the proposed policy, would be the ones teaching.

"The policy will affect who's teaching — not the amount of teaching that is going on," Kurtz said.

Larson said it is everyone's goal to increase the amount of time professors spend in the classroom. Creating individual portfolios gives professors the opportunity to take advantage of special opportunities as well as dealing with constraints.

"I am comfortable with the committee's request," Larson said. "We can't have an inflexible system. It needs to be flexible but it needs to be accountable."

Kurtz said the policy represents a good start, but it won't work unless the faculty can cooperate.

SEX

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"When there is substance abuse involved, people tend to lose their inhibitions and they are more likely to act on their urges," Black said.

Treatment for compulsive sexual behavior tends to vary because few studies of the effectiveness of the treatments have been conducted, Black said. Counseling, 12-step programs and even hospital in-

patient treatment programs are available. The treatments have been known to reduce sex drive, thus dampening the sexual behavior.

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pretending to be someone she wasn't. It's gone really well. I wish we were closer, but it's nice to at least hear her voice over the phone."

However, Feuss said he recognized his on-line relationship overcame many of the usual on-line romance obstacles.

"After we met, I spent about a week deciding whether the whole thing was good or bad," he said. "I wouldn't recommend looking for love on the Net on a regular basis. You hear a lot of bad things about people covering up their identity, communication problems and so forth."

The communication barrier is a common reason for difficulties in both on-line and real-life relationships, said UI sophomore Scott Lewis. Lewis met his girlfriend,

Kara Walker, a student at Hillsville College in Hillsville, Mich., in his hometown of West Branch before they started talking on-line over ISCA (Iowa Student Computer Association).

Lewis, a forum moderator for the ISCA chat room Flirting, through which many on-line romances begin, said he understands how easily messages can be misinterpreted over a computer. However, Internet conversations and chat rooms are still a good way to meet people, he said.

"Chatting over the Net is more like a starting-off point," Lewis said. "And if you don't like the person, you never have to speak with them again."

"But it's still not real. I think people make mistakes in deluding themselves that computer relationships are real. But I'd say it's a good method of contact for people who

already have a relationship in real life."

Lewis and Walker, who have been dating for two years, ran into some communication problems over ISCA, Walker said, creating difficulties in their relationship.

"There is a lot of confusion involved," she said. "You can't see what the person is saying or how they're saying it and that can lead to misinterpretations. It's been a constant source of strife because everything is so exaggerated yet so anonymous."

Both Walker and Lewis agreed that casual relationships developed over the Internet usually fare better than serious romances. And if an important conversation is to be had, face-to-face contact or even the phone will always reign over typed expressions of affection.

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domain is policy. ... I hope our constituents see that," she said.

Winkelhake said he welcomed the City Council's inquiry into ICPD policies.

"I think the City Council needs to set policy and guidelines to follow. That's what the city wants," he said. "That's certainly an oversight that needs to be there."

Woitto said the discussion sessions give city staff members an opportunity to exchange information with the councilors.

"I think the Council is getting a lot of info they want and need both about the past and where we go in the future."

On Feb. 19 at 7 p.m., the City Council will hold a public meeting to give citizens another opportunity to pose questions to councilors. Winkelhake, Woitto, Atkins and Helling also will be present. Anyone wishing to speak at the meeting must sign up in person in the city clerk's office and be present at the time their name is called. Councilors intend for this to be the last public discussion of the case until new information becomes available.

"At some point in time, I think we owe it to the public and our staff to

give some sort of closure, not that I'm saying this is over by any means. We could ask questions about this forever," Councilor Ernie Lehman said.

In other matters, Iowa City attorney Lori Klockau released a letter Wednesday to the Johnson County Grand Jury, saying they have the power to convene themselves and decide if anyone should be indicted in the Shaw case.

Klockau was a member of the grand jury that agreed with Johnson County Attorney J. Patrick White's October decision not to press charges against Gillaspie. Klockau said she and other members of last year's grand jury discussed the possibility of convening themselves after White declined to prosecute Gillaspie, but did not do so after receiving a letter from White.

Klockau said she talked to White about the case after he decided not to press charges, and she said she felt "intimidated and upset" after that conversation. She said she now regrets not seeking to convene the grand jury last fall.

Gillaspie was investigating an open door at Shaw's art shop when the shooting occurred. Gillaspie said he was startled when he saw

Shaw on the phone, flinched and fired his drawn weapon.

Police officials and the county attorney's office determined the shooting was not justified. Gillaspie resigned from the force when told he would be fired if he didn't.

White said he told the grand jury he didn't think they should convene, but didn't force their decision. He said he doesn't understand Klockau's objection.

"I don't get it," he said. "It was a surprise and a disappointment when she made this claim. I certainly shared my opinion that it would be a mistake for the grand jury to convene."

White said he never initiated any contact with any grand jury members, and the only contact he had with Klockau was a letter he wrote to her and a meeting the two of them had in his office. She was tearful and emotional in that meeting, White said.

"She's a lawyer for goodness sake. The letter I wrote her uses words like 'please call me,' 'please contact me with any questions' and 'I invite you to call me,'" he said. "That's not intimidating."

The Associated Press contributed to this article.

Metro & Nation

Cut flowers reduce rose bushes' popularity

Jerry Nachtigal
Associated Press

LITCHFIELD PARK, Ariz. — OK, so maybe a dozen red roses and baby's breath in a tissue-lined box are more romantic than, say, a thorny bundle with roots wrapped in plastic from the garden shop at Wal-Mart.

But if Henry Conklin and his fellow wholesale rose growers in the West had their way, husbands and boyfriends would be lugging home rose bushes for their valentines.

"Those cut flowers will be dead in a few days," said Conklin, who harvests more than 2 million rose bushes a year in his fields west of Phoenix. "Everybody likes cut flowers, but buy a rose bush and you can grow those beautiful flowers yourself."

You can't blame Conklin and the Garden Rose Council, a trade group representing 90 percent of the nation's commercial rose growers, for trying.

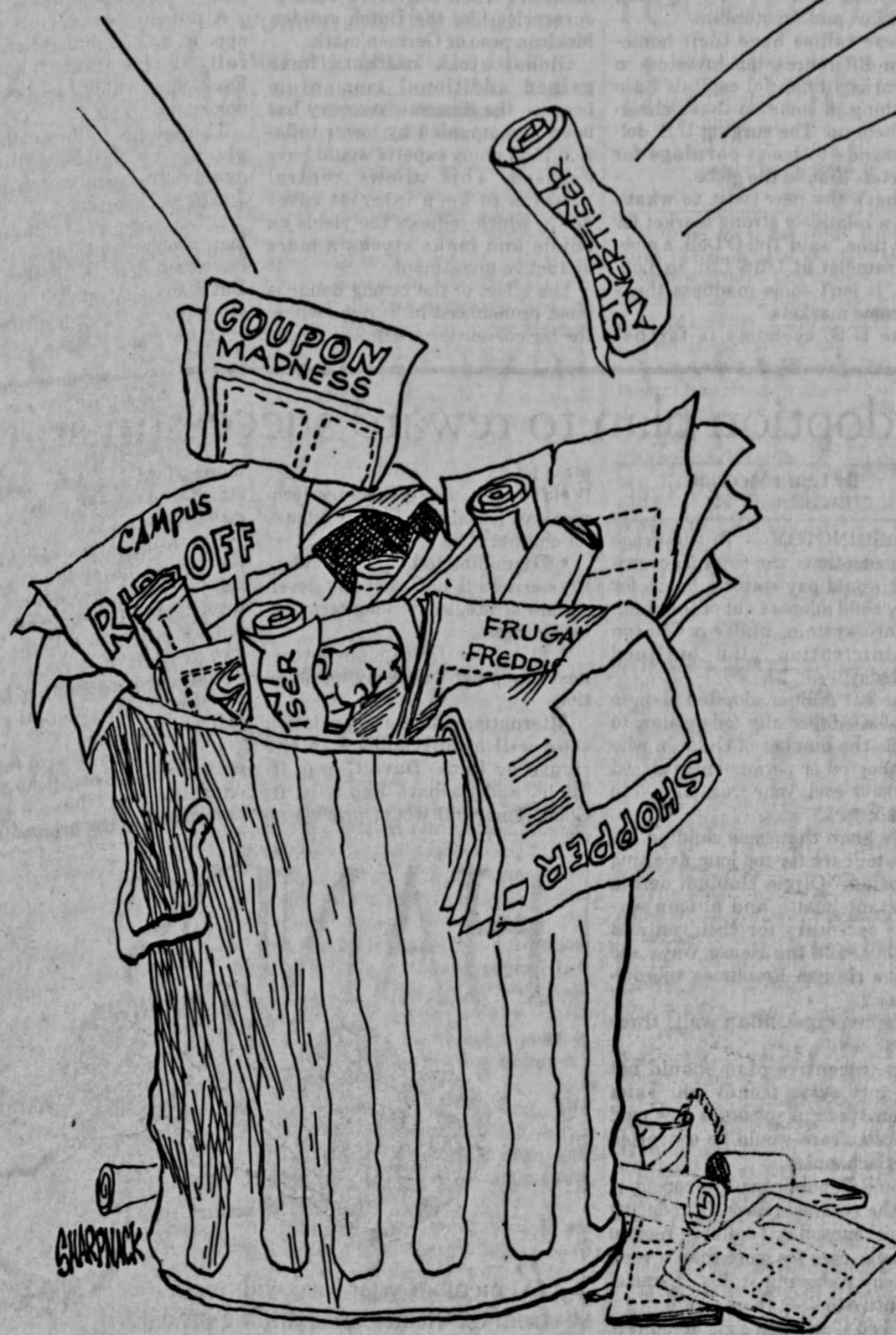
Though Americans are busier in their gardens than ever — lawn and garden sales have grown about 10 percent annually over the past 20 years — sales of rose bushes have been virtually unchanged in the past decade.



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UI President Mary Sue Coleman shows the 1860s crinoline ballgown that she will wear for the UI sesquicentennial birthday bash. The birthday party will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 25 in the Old Capitol from 4-7 p.m.

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In 1992, Congress passed the Higher Education Amendment, which increased the amount of monies students are allowed to receive. The \$4,000 cap that used to be on the PLUS loans is no longer being implemented, and the new loan restrictions also allow for more students to be eligible for federal unsubsidized loans.

"The key is that the more debt one incurs while (one is) in school will have a big impact on them going to graduate school, where they find a job or what job they do," Warner said.

Warner said some students who may not have the financial need to take out a loan do so anyway. This has an effect on students who truly do have high needs, he said.

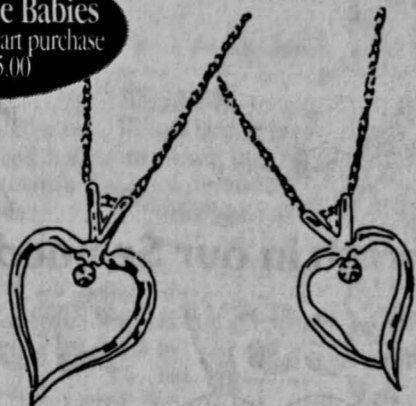
"It's a potential problem," he said. "The students who have high needs are having to borrow more than they have in the past and some students are borrowing when they may not have to."

Doug Freitag, office supervisor therapist for Family Service Agency, said his office provides counseling for students who are concerned with how they are going to pay back their loans or any other financial problem they may face. He said there are no strings attached to talking to one of their counselors, and all information will remain confidential.

UI sophomore Veronica Villa, who said she isn't sure of what she wants to do after graduation, said paying back her loans is a constant concern in the back of her mind.

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Nation & World

Milosevic threatens protesters

By Jovana Gec
Associated Press

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia — Serbia's president warned Thursday he would act swiftly against protesters, but opposition to his autocratic rule appeared to be spreading — even to his loyal mouthpiece, state television.

Slobodan Milosevic's admonishments came amid reports from inside Serbian Television that 110 employees have signed a petition demanding media freedom and the ouster of their director.

Several reporters of the TV's third channel — focusing on art, music and sports — recently were fired for participating in opposition protests.

In addition, Independent Index radio reported that many employees at Politika TV — also state-run and pro-Milosevic — were balking at working for the pro-Milosevic management.

Control over the media has been a pillar of Milosevic's decade-long rule. The opposition has said the next step in its struggle to topple Milosevic in elections later this year will be to free the media.

The United States' top human-rights official, John Shattuck, plans to visit Belgrade next week to encourage democratic reforms and an independent news media.

More than 10,000 students marched over a Sava River bridge Thursday to New Belgrade to protest state-run TV's pro-Milosevic reporting.

Later, at a separate rally, opposition leader Vuk Draskovic told



Darko Vojinovic/Associated Press

A student waves the old Serbian flag with the Communist star cut out during a protest march through the streets of Belgrade Thursday. Thousands hit the streets again Thursday to continue to press for more change.

10,000 protesters that each day under the present regime was "like a year lost for Serbia."

Milosevic alluded to the opposition during a meeting Thursday of new members of his government. He and his neo-Communist wife, Mirjana Markovic, have branded the opposition traitors, criminals and foreign spies.

"Energetic action of the state

institutions and the whole society is needed to counter crime, corruption and all other illegal actions," Milosevic told the 13 newly elected ministers, seven of whom belong to his wife's party.

"In order to carry out (economic) reform, we need stability," he said. "The government is fully responsible for the protection of the legal order."

Powerful dollar boosts global stock prices

By Dirk Beverage
Associated Press

LONDON — In just about every corner of the world, stock markets have been hitting record highs.

The New York Stock Exchange stole the show Thursday when the Dow Jones industrial average rose above 7,000 points for the first time, but new highs have been hit recently in smaller markets including London, Mexico City, Sydney, Frankfurt and Amsterdam.

These rallies have their home-grown differences, but investors in the various financial capitals have one thing in common that's cheering them up: The surging U.S. dollar stands to boost earnings for exporters around the globe.

"That's the new twist to what's been a relatively strong market for some time," said Tim O'Dell, a global strategist at UBS Ltd. in London. "It isn't some madness that's overcome markets."

The U.S. economy is farther

along recovering from the early 1990s recession than are many others, and the powerful dollar creates optimism that exports from other countries will help those countries to catch up.

When the dollar is on the rise, foreign goods sold to the United States have a better chance of competing for consumers' dollars. In addition, the dollars earned on those sales bring in more for manufacturers when converted back to currencies like the Dutch guilder, Mexican peso or German mark.

Global stock markets have gained additional momentum because the economic recovery has been accompanied by lower inflation than many experts would have guessed. This allows central bankers to keep interest rates down, which reduces the yields on bonds and makes stocks a more attractive investment.

The effect of the strong dollar is most pronounced in Europe, where the big currencies are linked closely

to the German mark.

The mark has fallen about 8.5 percent against the dollar so far this year — a trend noted last weekend by Group of Seven finance ministers who hinted they'd like to see the greenback stop rising.

But they have not intervened to push the dollar down, and any sustained fall could probably be accomplished only if other countries were to raise interest rates, harming their economic recoveries.

A notable exception to what appears to be a broad-based global rally is the giant Tokyo Stock Exchange, which has been in the doldrums.

The slump in Japan is taking place even as the dollar soars against the yen, which will help Japanese exporters.

Other worries, including huge loan problems at Japanese banks, have held down the Tokyo market. But many analysts think the Tokyo stock market is underpriced at present and could bounce back.

Adoption plan to reward successful states

By Laura Meckler
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — To encourage more adoptions, the federal government would pay states a bonus for every child adopted out of the child-welfare system, under a Clinton administration plan outlined Thursday.

The \$21 million adoption plan, to be released formally today, aims to double the number of children who are adopted or permanently placed in homes each year from 27,000 to 54,000.

"We know that some children are in foster care far too long awaiting adoption," Olivia Golden, acting assistant health and human services secretary for children and families, told the House Ways and Means Human Resources subcommittee.

The average child's wait: three years. The incentive plan should not cost any extra money, she said, because federal subsidies now paid for foster care would be converted into the bonuses.

Some Republicans are considering the reverse approach: reducing federal subsidies if children remain in foster care for more than a year, thereby removing states' financial incentive to keep them there.

Asked if she had considered this approach, Golden said the department worries that might end up hurting children. Seventy percent of America's 450,000 foster care children are difficult to place because they are non-white, disabled, older or have siblings that need to be adopted, too.

Other barriers to adoption, Golden said, include an overwhelmed system, procedural delays in agencies and courts and a shortage of potential adoptive families.

Clinton's adoption plan would

provide:

- \$10 million to give states technical assistance in finding homes for children.

- \$10 million to help states identify barriers to adoption and develop new strategies for long-term foster children.

- \$1 million for a public-awareness campaign encouraging adoption.

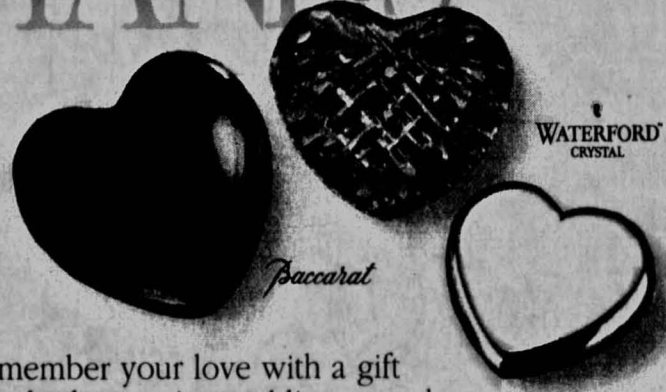
Alternative adoption legislation soon will be introduced in the House by Reps. Dave Camp, R-Mich., and Barbara Kennelly, D-Conn. Their bill would provide no

money but would try to pressure states into placing more children, a spokesperson said.

According to a draft summary, the bill would require states to initiate adoption procedures for children under 10 who have spent at least a year and a half of the last two years in foster care. It would assist states in finding fathers to tell them their parental rights are being terminated.

It would also assure foster parents and relatives, "who know the child the best," have a chance to participate in the proceedings.

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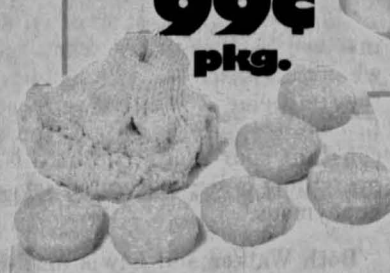
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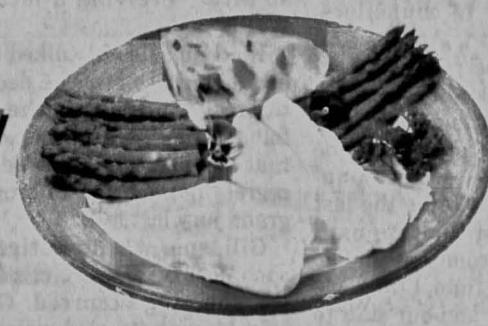
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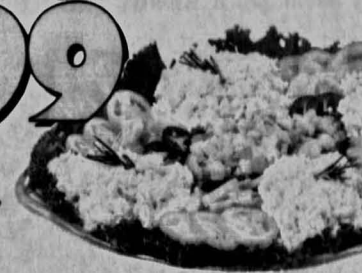
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Houston at Seattle, 9 p.m.
Boston at Vancouver, 9 p.m.
Saturday's Games
Washington at New Jersey, 6:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Miami, 6:30 p.m.
Atlanta at San Antonio, 7:30 p.m.
Denver at Milwaukee, 8 p.m.
Dallas at Utah, 8 p.m.
Houston at Portland, 9 p.m.
Sunday's Games
Indiana at New York, 11:30 p.m.
Detroit vs. Toronto at Maple Leaf Gardens, 11:30 a.m.

NBA BOXES

Trail Blazers-Jazz, Box
Portland (86)
Trent 4-11-2-3-10, Robinson 3-11-0-0-7, Dudley 1-4-0-0-2, Rider 3-11-1-7, K. Anderson 6-12-3-5-15, Wallace 3-11-6-8-12, Butler 0-3-0-0-0, O'Neal 4-6-1-2, Brown 2-3-1-2-6, Totals 33-87 18-26 86.

Lakers-Nuggets, Box
L.A. LAKERS (132)
Horry 2-1-2-5, Knight 3-5-7-13, Campbell 8-13-3-8-19, Jones 6-11-8-8-22, Van Exel 10-17-2-2-30, Bryant 4-10-0-0-9, Kersey 3-1-2-7, Rooks 1-4-2-2-4, Fisher 5-14-4-14, Scott 2-2-3-7, Kleime 1-3-0-0-2, Blount 0-2-0-0-0, Totals 45-94 30-38 132.

(Kersey, Rooks 6), Denver 58 (Hammonds 12), Assist—L.A. Lakers 27 (Van Exel 9), Denver 22 (Jackson 6). Total fouls—L.A. Lakers 20, Denver 22. A-16,713 (17,171).

Warriors-Mavericks, Box
Golden State (107)
Mullin 5-8-2-14, Smith 10-19-0-0-20, Spencer 1-5-1-2-3, Armstrong 2-7-0-4, Sprewell 9-18-9-13-28, DeClercq 2-4-0-0-4, Royal 2-2-2-6, Coles 5-9-2-13, Fuller 1-1-0-2, Price 5-9-0-0-13, Totals 42-82 16-21 107.

Pacers-Heat, Box
Indiana (106)
Askins 4-9-5-15, Brown 4-7-0-8, Mourning 9-10-11-16-29, Lenard 8-16-0-20, Hardaway 6-13-4-5-18, Danilovic 0-2-2-2, Austin 2-4-2-6, Crotty 2-4-0-4, Pinckney 0-0-0-0, Strickland 0-4-0-0-0, Muursepp 1-3-1-2-4, Anderson 0-0-0-0-0, Totals 36-72 25-34 106.

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NHL GLANCE
Mashburn 4-10-1-3, 10, Green 5-8-3-5-13, Catling 7-14-5-8-19, Cassell 7-16-2-2-18, Jackson 1-7-0-2, McCloud 4-13-1-2-10, Finley 6-12-0-15, Montross 0-1-0-0, Harper 5-8-0-12, Totals 39-89 12-20 99.

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Pittsburgh at Philadelphia, 2 p.m.
N.Y. Rangers at Chicago, 2 p.m.
Colorado at St. Louis, 2 p.m.
Boston at Phoenix, 3 p.m.
Florida at N.Y. Islanders, 6 p.m.
Washington at Tampa Bay, 3:30 p.m.
New Jersey at Montreal, 6:30 p.m.
Toronto at Calgary, 6:30 p.m.
Anaheim at Vancouver, 9:30 p.m.
Edmonton at Los Angeles, 9:30 p.m.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

Buckeyes get revenge on Northwestern

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Carlos Davis came off the bench to score 16 points — more than he had in his last 11 games combined — as Ohio State made up for a 31-point loss three weeks ago to Northwestern by beating the Wildcats 55-40 Thursday night.

The Wildcats humiliated Ohio State 78-47 on Jan. 25 in Evanston — the most lopsided Big Ten victory for the school since beating the University of Chicago 77-20 in the 1943-44 season.

Shaun Stonerook added 10 points for Ohio State (10-11 overall, 5-7 in the Big Ten), which ended a two-game losing skid. The five conference wins matched Ohio State's total for the last two seasons.

Branch 2-0-0-6, Ammons 5-6-0-10, Eshmeier 7-9-3-4-17, Bonner 1-4-0-0-3, Johnson 0-4-0-0-0, Pomeday 1-7-0-0-2, Harmsen 1-2-0-0-2, Hanlon 0-1-0-0-0, Molnar 0-0-0-0-0, Totals 17-40 3-4-0.

NO. 5 UTAH 84, SMU 63
SALT LAKE CITY — Michael Doleac had 19 points and nine rebounds as No. 5 Utah defeated Southern Methodist 84-63 Thursday night.

Leading 41-29 at halftime, Utah (18-3, 10-1 Western Athletic Conference) opened the second half with an 11-2 run that featured two baskets by Doleac. Ben Caton's bank shot with 16:24 left gave the Utes a 52-31 advantage.

Doleac, who had a career-high 26 points in Utah's 74-57 victory at SMU on Jan. 16, was 7-of-10 from the field. Keith Van Horn added 18 points for Utah.

NO. 3 UTAH 84, SOUTHERN METHODIST 63
MATTHEWS 2-5-4-8, Dimson 2-6-4-4, Pomeroy 5-11-4-6-15, Rich 0-3-0-0-0, Woods 3-6-2-10, Anderson 0-1-0-1-0, Tijani 5-8-4-7-14, Krist 2-3-1-1-5, Harner 0-0-0-0-0, Craleneed 0-0-0-0-0, Hearn 1-2-0-0-3, Totals 20-45 19-25-63.

UTAH (18-3)
Hansen 3-4-0-7, Van Horn 8-12-1-2-18, Doleac 7-10-4-19, Caton 1-1-2-4, Miller 4-9-1-2-9, Jackson 2-5-0-0-6, McTavish 2-3-0-0-6, Mottola 4-8-1-3-9, Johnson 1-4-0-2, Johnson 1-2-0-0-2, Sluga 1-2-0-0-2, Totals 34-65 9-13-84.

NO. 4 CINCINNATI 69, SAINT LOUIS 56
CINCINNATI — Darnell Burton scored 21 points as No. 8 Cincinnati overcame a sluggish start and foul problems to beat Saint Louis 69-56 Thursday night for its fifth consecutive win.

Cincinnati (19-4, 7-1 Conference USA) broke open a close game with a late eight-point run and outscored Saint Louis 18-3 in the final five minutes.

Saint Louis (8-14, 2-7) stayed close until the final five minutes as it tried to beat a ranked team on the road for the second consecutive game. The Billikens were coming

NBA ROUNDUP

Van Exel, Lakers win without Shaquille

DENVER (AP) — With Shaquille O'Neal out again with yet another injury, the Los Angeles Lakers turned to the long-range shooting of Nick Van Exel to defeat the Denver Nuggets 132-117 Thursday night.

Van Exel equaled his club record by hitting eight 3-pointers, including five in the third quarter, and finished with 30 points.

The Lakers' point total equaled the NBA's season high for a regulation game, set by the Nuggets on Jan. 20 against New Jersey.

Earlier Thursday, the Lakers learned O'Neal, their All-Star center, will be out a minimum of 8-to-10 weeks after damaging his left knee in Wednesday's game at Minnesota.

Bryant Stith scored 26 points for Denver. JAZZ 110, Trail Blazers 86

SALT LAKE CITY — Karl Malone scored 24 points and Utah outscored Portland 25-1 in the first 7:10 of the second half to defeat the Trail Blazers.

John Stockton added 17 points and Jeff Hornacek had 16 — 10 coming in the third-quarter run — as Utah won for the ninth time in its last 10 games.

Kenny Anderson led Portland with 15 points and Rasheed Wallace added 12 before being ejected with two technical fouls with 10:09 remaining.

MEN'S BASKETBALL
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ing games. Those games include home contests against Michigan, Purdue and Penn State as well as games at Ohio State, Wisconsin and Northwestern.

But the Hawkeyes seem intent on just looking at the Gophers. "We're really not looking at that," Bowen said. "It's kind of nice to look ahead and think about that, but we want to concentrate and get one game at a time."

WRESTLING
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nents. One of those wrestlers is top-ranked 158-pounder Joe Williams, who will face John DeLeon (12-16).

"I'm not really gonna focus in," Williams said. "I'm gonna go out and wrestle my best, but it's really not a big match. I don't even know the guy's name."

Fans unable to attend the dual can still follow the Hawkeyes on KKIC radio (AM 800). In addition, Iowa Public Television will air a tape-delayed broadcast of the match Sunday at 5 p.m.

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Vogt carries weight of Iowa hopes

By Chris James
The Daily Iowan

Tyler Vogt didn't like the fact that he would have to wear a cast for six weeks from his ankle to his groin after knee surgery.

So he did the only rational thing you could do.

He cut it off after three days. The Iowa senior gymnast has come a long way since his doctor advised resting days. Returning from a cast after a threatening knee injury, Vogt has come back strong in hopes of leading the Hawkeyes to their first NCAA title in 28 years.

He chuckles now about the incident over last summer that would have caused his teammates and coach to cringe.

"It was the beginning of the summer and I didn't want to have to lug that thing around," Vogt said. "I wanted to be able to go down to the reservoir and have fun with my friends. At the time it could have been serious but I'm glad people can look back on it and laugh."

Things definitely could have turned out worse for the Vogt. Vogt partially tore his patella tendon in his left knee at last year's NCAA regionals while participating in the vault.

"I knew something was really wrong," Vogt said. "I didn't feel like it was the end of my career but I also realized that it would be a long way back with rehabilitation."

Iowa head coach Tom Dunn is impressed with Vogt's determination and work ethic to get back to where he was before the injury.

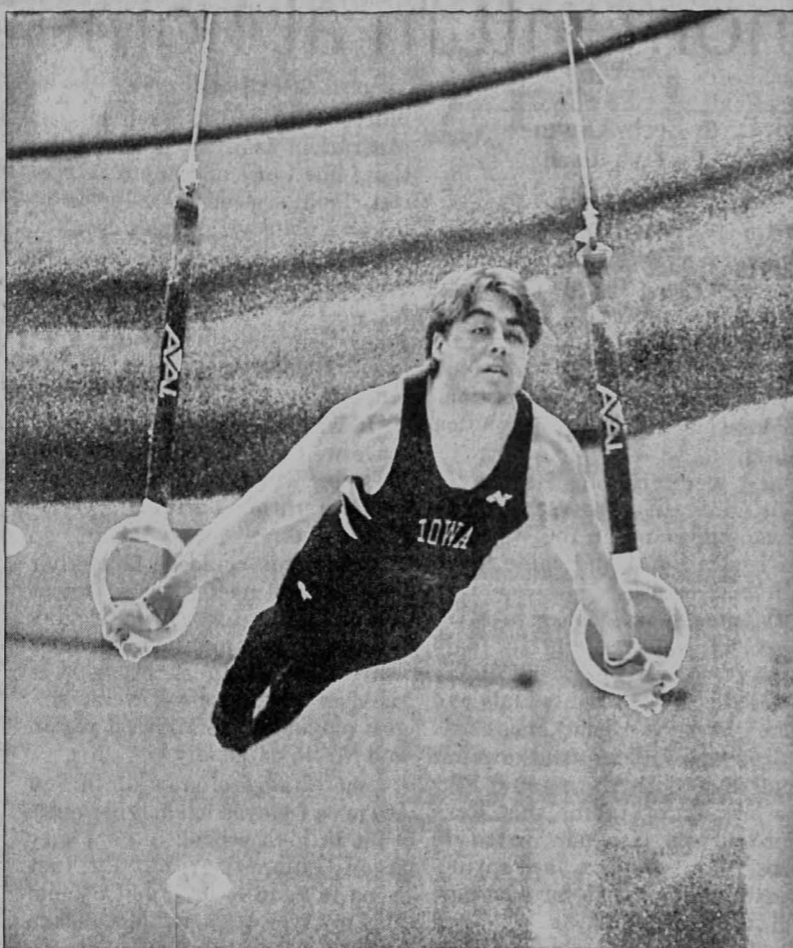
"It's a testament to him to come back from something like that," Dunn said. "There is still certain things he has to be careful of but he's stronger and the hard work's really paid off."

Vogt, who was recruited by Penn State, Oklahoma, Michigan, and Temple, said he became interested in gymnastics from a childhood experience.

"I just saw this kid tumbling and doing back flips at school one day. I thought it was neat so I told my parents I wanted to try gymnastics," Vogt said.

There was one particular reason that Vogt chose Iowa over rest of the schools.

"I'm originally from Tallahassee and I kind of like small towns, so I liked Iowa because you don't feel



Pete Thompson/The Daily Iowan

Iowa senior Tyler Vogt competes on the still rings against Minnesota Jan. 31 at the Iowa fieldhouse.

like a number here. Iowa City is great town," Vogt said.

The psychology major was a member of the 1995 and 96 Team 2000, won four silver medals for his team at the 1995 Olympic festival and is a four time state champion in Florida. He hasn't disappointed Iowa in '97. Vogt has the team high in the still rings and parallel bars and is ranked second in the country on the rings. He is the only Hawkeye ranked in the top five nationally in any event.

But the one accomplishment he is proud of the most is something you might not expect.

"I placed second on the pommel horse at the last Olympic Fest and that's my worst event. I beat out a lot of other older and experienced guys, so I'm proud of that. I also received a national team jacket with USA on it," Vogt said.

With national experience under his belt and a healthy knee, Vogt

"I just saw this kid tumbling and doing back flips at school one day. I thought it was neat so I told my parents I wanted to try gymnastics."

Tyler Vogt, Iowa gymnast

will be looked upon to help guide a Hawkeye team that only has six seniors on its roster of 20. It's a role that Dunn said Vogt should fill nicely.

"Tyler will have to play a big role for us if we want to make a run at the championship. He's a senior and we're counting on him to help lead us," Dunn said.

In the meantime Vogt just plans to enjoy the rest of his season, hopefully injury free.

"If I don't fry my nerves before each meet and just relax, everything should be fine," Vogt said.

Top gymnasts head north

This week: Iowa will send freshman Todd Strada and Anthony Petrocelli to Battle Creek, Mich. to compete at the Winter Cup Gymnastics meet Friday and Saturday. There will be two sessions on Friday at 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. The top 30 individuals move on to compete Saturday at 7 p.m. The top 14 finishers will make up the 1997 National Team.

Meet Notes: Petrocelli holds the top score for the Hawkeyes in the all-around with a 53.20 while Strada has the top mark for Iowa on the pommel horse with a 9.775 ... Petrocelli was a team 2000 Junior National Member ... Strada com-

peted for 1995 and '96 Team 2000 18-under ... The Hawkeyes are still ranked second as a team even after losing to top-ranked Ohio State last weekend. The rankings are based on the best team scores to date ... Iowa will have this week off before traveling to Illinois Feb. 22.

Coaches Comments: "A lot of guys really need this week off to heal some nagging injuries," head coach Tom Dunn said. "Hopefully Todd and Anthony can represent us well in Michigan. I think it says a lot for them to be able to be solid in all the events and to compete in a meet like this."

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Sports

Hawks host gritty Broncos

By Wayne Drehs
The Daily Iowan

The Iowa men's tennis team will be facing a new role Saturday when it hosts Western Michigan - the Hawkeyes will be favorites, although barely.

Iowa hosts the Broncos at 11:30 a.m. Saturday at the Iowa Rec. center. The Hawkeyes (1-1) were underdogs in their two previous matches of the year, a 6-1 loss to Northern Illinois Feb. 2, and a 5-2 victory over DePaul Feb. 5. The victory over the Blue Demons catapulted Iowa into the No. 14 spot in their region in the latest Rolex Collegiate Rankings, while Western Michigan is unranked.

"They are right on the fringe of those rankings though," Iowa coach Steve Houghton said. "So I'm not sure how much of a favorite we are.

"They will be in the same reigns as the competition we've faced before."

The Broncos (5-3) enter the match coming off a weekend split in which they lost to Northern Illinois 7-0, but then beat Calvin University by the same score.

Head coach Dave Morin is in his first season at Western Michigan. Prior to coaching in Kalamazoo, Morin was the top man at Bowling Green for five seasons, where he was named 1994 Mid-American Conference coach of the year.

"We didn't have Jeff Wheeler in the lineup against Northern Illinois and I thought we competed well," Morin said. "There were no moral victories. If we had Jeff in the lineup I think we could have made a serious run at them because we played close matches."

Against DePaul, the key for the Hawkeyes was the doubles point,



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Iowa No. 2 doubles player Ben Bamsey returns a volley Feb. 5 against DePaul. Teammate Damir Seferovic is seen in the background.

earned with a win by No. 3 doubles players Ryan Johnstone and Dave McDevitt. The duo was down 7-4, but won five straight sets to give the Hawkeyes the doubles win.

"That win really carried over into the singles matches," Houghton said. "We emphasized before the DePaul match to work hard and good things will happen and the team learned that is true."

The strongest parts of Iowa's lineup so far in the season have been the No. 6 singles spot where Justin Pohn is 2-0, and at No. 2 doubles where Damir Seferovic and Ben Bamsey also have a 2-0 mark.

"Bamsey and Seferovic really hit it off as partners and have been good so far. Sometimes you really don't know how well partners will get along."

With only one player for Western Michigan with a sub .500 record in doubles action, that point should be a key in Saturday's match.

The meet will be Iowa's first in over a week, but Houghton doesn't see any problem with the extended lay-off.

"Coaching wise, the time off has give us a chance to brush up on some things instead of just jump into another match."

Iowa looks to use momentum at home

By Becky Gruhn
The Daily Iowan

Forget the candy and flowers. The only Valentine the Iowa women's tennis team is asking for is a victory over Illinois today and Purdue on Sunday.

Iowa will take on Illinois at 1:00 p.m. today and Purdue at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday. Both competitions will take place at the UI Recreation Center.

Last weekend the Hawkeyes went up against three nationally ranked opponents in the Washington Invitational and came home with three losses.

"Despite the lack of success on the courts in Washington, the team gained momentum from facing nationally ranked individuals and teams," Iowa coach Jenny Mainz said.

"This weekend we will have our hands full. Both Illinois and Purdue are strong teams that have improved from last year. We too are better than we were last spring. Everyone is going to have to play well this weekend to win."

According to senior Kristen McCracken, just because today is a "special" day doesn't mean the team will prepare any differently.

"We always have little match

motivators before each meet," McCracken said. "We'll keep doing those but won't add anything special. Today's meet just happens to fall on a holiday, it's no big deal."

Both Illinois and Purdue are among the top ten teams in the Midwest region in the most recent Rolex Collegiate Tennis rankings. Iowa is close to cracking the top ten, coming in at No. 12.

"It will be important for us to move well and to pick up our double's play. The key will be for everyone to improve on their serves," Mainz said.

McCracken could be facing her toughest opponent of the season at the No. 1 singles slot on Sunday when she goes against Purdue's Mary Beth Maggert. Maggert is rated as the fourth best overall singles player in the Midwest region and No. 45 nationally.

"She (Maggert) grew up in San Diego so I played against her quite a bit in high school. She's a very strong competitor, but I'm just going to go in focused and try and play my type of game," McCracken said.

McCracken and teammate Erin Wolverton have landed the No. 14 spot in the Midwest region doubles rankings.

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Hawkeye Sports Roundup

Iowa baseball gets underway in Texas

This week: The Iowa baseball team opens the 1997 season this weekend when it travels to Arlington, Texas, for a round-robin tournament. The Hawkeyes will face Arkansas Friday, host Texas-Arlington Saturday and Kansas State Sunday.



Banks

Notes: The season opener is the earliest in the 106-year history of the Iowa baseball team. The Hawkeyes are welcoming the early start, especially compared to last year, when snow and rain pushed Iowa's season opener all the way back to March 15. ... Iowa will have to come ready to play. Arkansas, a perennial Top 25 program, is already 2-0 this year and finished last season with a 39-20 mark.

Coach's comments: "It's so hard coming from indoors and stepping onto the field for the first time; there are so many things we have to work on. But right now, we just have to get out and start playing," Iowa coach Duane Banks said.

Player comments: "Starting with Arkansas is gonna be tough, but starting out early and playing tough teams, I think, is really gonna help us," junior outfielder Steve Boros said.

—Mike Triplett

competitors will make the trip; the rest of the team will spend the weekend gearing up for the Big Ten meet.

Coaches Quote: "We decided to make kind of a U-turn and we decided to send up a limited line-up consisting primarily of our field event guys," coach Larry Wiecezorek said. "The rest of the guys are going to hang out around here to get ready for next weekend."

Next Week: Possibly the biggest meet of the year for the Hawkeyes as they host the Big Ten Indoor Championships Feb. 22-23.

—Chuck Blount

Women's track faces four teams at Purdue

This Week: Coach Jim Grant's Hawkeye squad will travel to West Lafayette this weekend to participate in the Purdue Invitational. Iowa will compete in a four team field with Purdue, Eastern Illinois, and Western Illinois providing the competition. The meet will begin on Saturday at 1 p.m. in the Lambert Field House.

Meet Notes: Iowa has qualified two runners for the NCAA Indoor Championships, Ellen Grant in the 400-meter dash and Colleen Prendergast in the 60-meter hurdles. ... Prendergast's qualifying time of 8.61 seconds was a school record. ... Iowa will look to add to their list of qualifiers this weekend by having good times from the 4x400-meter relay team, Ann Paré, and others.

Coaches Comments: "We are looking to the Purdue Invitational as further preparation for the Big 10 Indoor Championship. It won't be a high pressure meet, sometimes people can perform better when they're relaxed."

Looking Ahead: Next weekend Iowa will participate in the Big 10 Indoor Championships in Champaign, Illinois.

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This Week: The Iowa men's track and field team travels to Cedar Falls Friday to compete in the UNI-Dome Open at Northern Iowa. Field events are scheduled to begin at 3 p.m. followed by running events at 4 p.m.

Meet Notes: This is Iowa's final meet before the Big Ten Meet and the Hawkeyes want to add to their NCAA qualifier list. ... The team has already qualified in six events: 200-meter dash (George Page), 400-meter dash (Ed Rozell), 55- and 60-meter high hurdles (Dion Trowers), long jump (Bashir Yamini) and the 4x400-meter relay team of Chris Davis, Yamini, Rozell and Monte Raymond. ... Only Iowa's field event

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Muffin Lips

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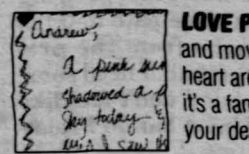
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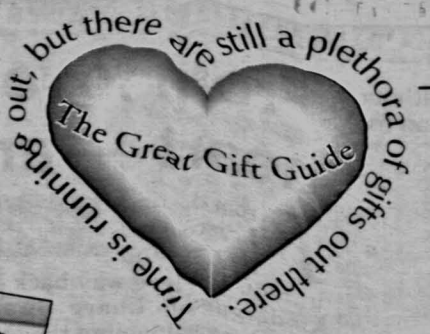


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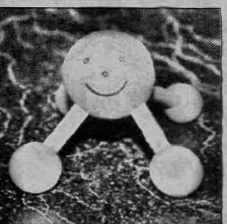
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The Nightingale: • The song of the nightingale symbolized the lovers union — frequently illicit — and almost always under cover of darkness. For centuries, 'listening to the nightingale' was a euphemism for sexual intercourse.

From 'Love,' by Diana Ajan

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Honey Bear, After 14 years we're still star gazing.

Real-life tales of romance

Romance may fill the hearts of Iowa City residents today more than any other, but here are a surprising number of romantic acts that occur all year-round.



Photo illustration by Brian Ray

By Kim Hilby The Daily Iowan

Morning of surprise

Iowa City resident Shingai Guvira snuck into her boyfriend's apartment two years ago to arrange his Valentine's Day surprise. Shingai wanted to give her boyfriend something he would enjoy and use, so she bought the "Prince fanatic" the "Purple Rain" CD and paired it with two tickets to the Boys Choir of Harlem.

Guvira also baked her boyfriend a double-layered white cake and decorated it with a pink border with roses designed in red and pink. She wrote a Valentine's Day message in darker pink frosting and bought him flowers to match the cake.

While he was sleeping, Guvira arranged the flowers on the kitchen table with the tickets inside. She put the cake behind the vase and laid the Prince CD next to it. He told her it was the "most perfect Valentine's I've ever had."

After the couple had finished eating, employees brought out the flowers and he pulled out a velvet box. The man knelt down on one knee, took her hand and proposed. "There wasn't a dry eye in the place," Hoffbauer said.

Strawberries on a dirt road

On the way back from her brother's birthday party three years ago, UI senior Dawn Carpenter pulled the car to the side of a dirt road and told her boyfriend

of two months that he was supposed to wait in the car and keep his eyes closed.

She set out a blanket and pulled two platters of food from the trunk. The stars were just beginning to appear that July night. Dawn put a tape into the cassette player and candles led the way to the blanket. Her boyfriend was surprised and pulled Dawn close, kissed her and told her anyone had ever done for him.

Proposal on bended knee

Marcia Hoffbauer, manager of Givanni's, 109 E. College St., recalled a time about a month ago when a man had a dozen red roses delivered to the restaurant before he and his girlfriend arrived for his birthday dinner. Hoffbauer said the man called four times to make sure everything was perfect.

Fed that flu with soup

When UI freshman Laurie Geers had the flu and stayed home from school last year, she got more TLC than she expected. She was lying on the couch in her parents' home in Maple Grove, Minn., when the door opened and her boyfriend was standing in front of her with a dozen

red roses, homemade chicken noodle soup and chocolate chip cookies, which were her favorite.

Laurie's parents gave her boyfriend a key to the house so he could surprise her, and although she admits she wasn't looking her best, he stayed to watch a movie and cheer her up.

Dancing in the living room

On New Year's Eve 1996, Iowa City resident Diane Lee was told that she and her boyfriend had reservations for dinner at a restaurant at 8 p.m. However, when she walked into her home after work she found a table set and candles lit. Her boyfriend was standing in front of her in a black suit and gold vest. He had a red rose between his teeth and a white towel over his arm, and had prepared steak, broccoli with cheese and royal chocolate pie.

He served dinner while Tachovsky's music filled the room. After eating, the couple put the

table away and danced in the middle of the living room to the song "Love Remembered."

Flowers are best

Flowers are always a romantic present to receive, according to UI journalism associate professor Judy Polumbaum. Last spring, her 9-year-old son had been playing in the mud with one of his friends. For no reason at all, he trudged into the house with a bouquet of purple blooming thistles that Polumbaum had to hold with gloves because they were covered with thorns. Polumbaum also remembered a time when the man she was dating gave her roses to cheer her up after she was turned down for a grant.

Polumbaum said giving flowers or other gifts only when they're expected doesn't have the impact of the surprises she received.

"It means a lot more when they do it simply because they feel it," she said.

THE KISS

- 1. A kiss is only ever a pucker away. 2. A kiss is never innocent. 3. A lisp is no impediment to kissing. 4. A kiss with a beard or moustache is generally a matter of personal preference. By and large, though, most men tend to prefer their girlfriends clean-shaven. 5. No need to keep a kiss in the fridge. It never goes stale or limp, never passes its kiss-by-date. Each one comes freshly minted, hot off the press. 6. You can't kiss and whistle at the same time. 7. You can run out of sugar, you can run out of milk, but there is no recorded instance of a person ever running out of kisses. 8. Frustrated kissers: If you're small but like 'em tall — get a pogo-stick. 9. If it ever comes to a choice of weapons, choose a kiss. 10. Kiss goodbye even when you're not going anywhere. — Rosemarie Jarshi

To my favorite paperboy, Happy Valentines Day. Thank you for everything! I love you, Sara

The Fiend, You are the "manager" of my heart. I love you! Nickel

TP - Happy Valentine's Day to the best husband and Daddy! M&K

Rich, Met at Union Bar 2/8. Be my Valentine. Please call. . .337-2337. - Julie

Dear Pooh, I Love You, I Love You, I Love You Love Always, Tigger

To: Little B, Small Boy and My Little Galette, Happy Valentine's Day! Butt -O

Taylor (Boo), You are my sunshine, my sweet little girl, always remember, I love you all the world! Mom

MJK, I LUV U! HKS CS

To C.C. My Dove of Love With Wings Above We Fly Hand and Glove Together.



Dear Jonathan, Be Our Valentine! Love, Molly & Ganges

Justice Besler: I would use the Commerce Clause to get to you. - Learned Hand

"We are all born for love; it is the principle of existence and its only end." — Benjamin Disraeli • "We discovered in each other and ourselves worlds, galaxies, a universe." — Anne Rivers Siddons • "Love stinks." — J. Gails Band

SIX WAYS TO LOVE

According to Sociologist John Lee, there are six types of love:
• Obsessive: Also known as "mania love" where one lover's needs are never completely satisfied, and any lack of attention or affection results in great anxiety and pain.
• Erotic: Erotic lovers take great pleasure in their lover's physical attributes. This love is sensual and passionate, though frequently short-lived.
• Playful: Lovers take the view that love is a game. They may be tentative and somewhat detached, not allowing themselves or their partners to become too dependent.
• Companionable: This type of love may begin as a friendship and then deepen into a loving, lasting relationship.
• Realistic: Lovers look for complete compatibility with their partners, hoping the perfect match will elicit feelings of passion.
• Selfless: Love is given freely without the expectation of reciprocity. The most difficult kind of love to come by.

Return to Smurf cards or change the whole damn holiday

Now, if HE SAYS... Chris Snider believe it — that's just a trick to make you think really feels the need for a holiday in the middle of February, might I suggest "Laundry Day," a day when everybody buys each other a box of Tide and does their laundry.
Instead, we get Valentine's Day. Admittedly, this is the first Valentine's Day since I became a licensed driver that I am actually in a relationship. Maybe that's what takes the fun out of it.
First of all, if I have the desire to do something special for my girlfriend, I will do it because I want to, not because society (and the good folks at Hallmark) dictate that I do.
But since it is already set in stone that all the happy couples have to buy something for one another, what it really comes down to is what you buy. A card any other day of the year says you care, but a card on Feb. 14 says you are cheap and can't afford a real present.
You've also got to decide whether or not you see yourself staying with this person very long because that will dictate how expensive of a gift to buy.
If you're just not sure, you'll find yourself wandering in and out of Victoria's Secret and jewelry stores, occasionally glancing at the Valentine aisle at Osco. The words "gift certificate" suddenly come to mind.
You'll be told it doesn't matter what you buy, as long as it comes from the heart. Don't

Greek gods of love

Aphrodite (Venus to Romans) — The supreme goddess of love and beauty, she was jealous and vengeful and as capable of causing harm as of creating ecstasy.
Eros (Cupid to Romans) — This god of love was a meddler whose golden-tipped arrows pierced the hearts of gods and men and filled them with desire.

Another true tale of amour

Giovannte Morrow, a student at Kirkwood Community College, plans on dining with his girlfriend, by candlelight, over a homemade pasta dinner with salad and wine tonight. The table will also be dressed with one red rose.
Scented candles will be lit around the bedroom with rose petals circling a dozen red roses and presents in the middle of the bed.
Giovannte plans to sing his girlfriend the song "Nobody Knows" by the Tony Rich Project before she opens her presents. Then he will play Boys II Men while giving her a sensual body massage and reading her a poem that he has written just for her.

FLOWERS

Traditional and meaningful, flowers can send a variety of messages to your loved one:

- Bluebells: constancy
Camellia: beauty
Carnation: distinction
Gardenia: joy
Honeysuckle: affection
Daisy: mutual feelings
Jasmine: grace
Lily of the valley: happiness
Violet: faithfulness
Roses: love
Orange blossoms: fertility
Lily: purity

"The simple lack of her is more to me than others' presence." — Edward Thomas • "The sound of a kiss is not so loud as that of a cannon, but its echo lasts a great deal longer." — Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes

Love letters

"You alone have the power to make me sad, to bring me happiness or comfort ... my love rose to such heights of madness that it robbed itself of what it most desired ... immediately at your bidding I changed my clothing along with my mind, in order to prove you the sole possessor of my body and my will alike." — Heloise to Abelard (12th century)
"I beseech you now with all my heart definely to let me know your whole mind as to the love between us ... if it pleases you to do the duty of a true, loyal mistress of a friend, and to give yourself body and heart to you as my sole mistress, casting off all others ... to serve you only ..." — Henry VIII to Anne Boleyn (1528)
If you knew how I long for you, how the memory of last night leaves me delirious in ecstasy to give myself up from your lips which fill me with delight! ... I need your love as a touchstone of my existence. It is the star which breathes life into me. — Juliette Drouet to Victor Hugo (1833)
You are a poem ... You are a sort of sweet, simple, gay, pathetic ballad, with Nature is singing, sometimes with tears, sometimes with smiles, and sometimes with intermingled smiles and tears. — Nathaniel Hawthorne to Sophia Hawthorne (1839)

From love addict to lonely heart — and happy about it

From the time I discovered men and unrequited love way back in, well, kindergarten, I have always envisioned myself joining the thousands of unhappy, single souls around the world on Valentine's Day.
No matter how many relationships I've had, they've never seemed to make it to V-Day, if they ever make it anywhere.
But today I think I'll join the few, the proud — the happily mateless. For the first time in my life, I can honestly say I do not mind being single on Valentine's Day.
Any other year I would have rolled my eyes at people who claimed they didn't care there was no schmoope in their lives. Those pitiful creatures, I would think. Who do they think they're kidding? Of course, at the time I was probably in the throes of rejection myself.
However, after the frenzy of dating I did just last semester, I feel like taking a back seat to the insanity and just chilling for a while.
It was all great fun and a good experience, but no matter how much fun it may have been, I never took the time to stop and consider myself during those months.
Not that I made partying the center of my life, but juggling my weekends with school and the couple hundred extracurricular activities I regularly carry out made me a burnt-out wreck.

LOVE TRADITIONS

Valentine's Day
• In the Middle Ages, girls would write their names on slips of paper, which boys would draw at random from a hat or basket. The pair would then spend the day together and declare themselves sweethearts for the year to come.
• In the 1700s, young men sent love knots, woven of grass or flowers, to their girlfriends on Valentine's Day morning.
Midsummer Eve (June 23)
• Saint John the Baptist might be called on by a young maiden to reveal her future husband. A spread of food was laid out and her door was left open so the man of her dreams could enter and eat with her.
Saint Luke's Day (Oct. 18)
• A woman might rub a salve of dried, marigolds, thyme, wormwood, marjoram, vinegar and honey over her stomach, breasts and lips while pleading, "Saint Luke, Saint Luke, be kind to me, in dreams let me my true love see."
From "Love," by Diana Ajian

Piglet, Tator, Forget V.D., all you need is my love. Come 4/21, corruption! Time to break some hearts down south! Love you guys—"Tot"

To My Booh, Surprise! Just thinking about you, as always. Happy Valentine's Day Love "D"

Tweety, The brightest start that shines at night does not compare to you—the love you give brings so much light, my heart needs only you. Be mine forever! JAKE

Chrissy, I can't explain what you mean to me. You have made me realize what love is. HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY & I LOVE YOU —Chad

Kristin & Todd Happy Valentine's Day! Since the day of the lip gloss I've loved you, and I always will. You complete me.

To: Farah, Irene and Nacole Thank you for being true friends to me. I am grateful to God for eternity for your love and support. Love Always, Monique

Wendy, One month and two days ago was the happiest day of my life...so far... I love you with all my heart, I always will! Love, P

MISSING YOU Dele, As I sit and watch the sky, the snow slowly melting I remember how your smile brightens the day. Distant buildings shrouded by mist, help me dream of the first night we kissed. Sight of the moon shining brightly makes me want to find you to have some fun together soon But until then, I know I am loved Because you are in my life Lolly '97

Sweet Sweetie! The two of us love the two of you! Love, Your Two Men

Will & Callie Baby, I love you (and not because of that).

To my husband Mark: Love is everything We share together. Because to me, Love is & always will be you. Love, Renee

Lucas, Together or apart, we'll always share the sky. I love you, Your Belle

To My Honey, Happy Anniversary and Valentine's Day! I love you! Love, Me

James & Willene God shows me His special love through our relationship How thankful I am He brought you into my life. HAPPY Valentine's Day! Your wife, Willene

Heidi & Harry How do I love thee? I love thee with the breath, smiles, tears, of all my life!

This one goes out to the ones I love Voor mijn twee liefste vrouwen een liefhebbende, trotse papa

Godess— Please be our Valentine. Love from, Theodore, Kliban, Roy, Billy... and Max & Jake, too.

Mac & Scout Happy Valentines Day, Scout! I love you now and forever. Mac

Pamela, Thank you for being the love of my life. I Love You, Christopher

Banker Boy, Fate brought us together but... too bad you're moving to Orlando cuz you'll miss me and I'm falling in [blank] w/u. I just better get my Pooh Bear before you leave. tu amorcita

Webster... Monkeys are brown Donkeys are grey. I love you a lot, Happy Valentine's Day! Thanks for everything, honey. You are the best! Love, Lynn Don't be embarrassed

Scott Lester, "You're my only hope" Princess Leia

Jamie, Thanks for being the best friend I could ever have. Never forget me. —Richie