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Committee presents vision to Council

By Renee Bovy
The Daily Iowan

Monday night, members of the Downtown Strategy Committee presented their vision for downtown to a receptive City Council, making suggestions they feel would create a cleaner, safer and more user-friendly area.

The committee, consisting of 16 members, convened in October to create goals to revitalize the downtown area. The Iowa City City Council now will review and begin to carry out some of the committee's goals.

"I've always been very concerned with downtown revitalization," the Councilor Dee Norton said. "I think

it's vital that we keep it working, and cleanliness and safety are a big part of that."

Some of the suggestions outlined in the statement to revitalize downtown include establishing a grocery store and a day care for children and the elderly. The committee also suggested hiring a security officer to specifically patrol the downtown area and create incentives for downtown business owners to keep the area clean.

Norton had some of his own suggestions to make downtown more inviting, including planting trees or installing attractive lighting in the

"You get a fair shot of secondary smoke just walking through the mall."

City Councilor Dee Norton on the Pedestrian Mall

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Top o' the mornin'



Pete Thompson/The Daily Iowan

UI alumnus and Mickey's bartender Doug Edwards serves up a pitcher of green beer Monday afternoon at Mickey's, 11 S. Dubuque St. Patrons began celebrating St. Patrick's Day as early as 7 a.m., when the restaurant opened.

BY GARRY TRUDEAU



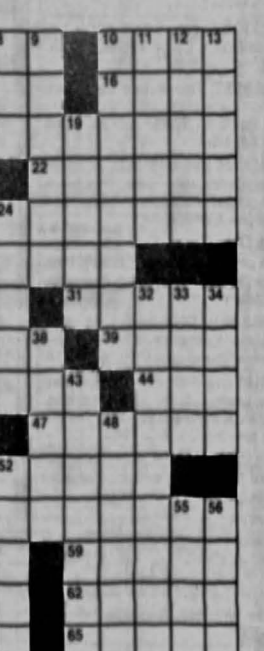
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Mikhail Baryshnikov, who has been called "one of the great male dancers of the century," will bring his White Oak Dance Project to Hancher Auditorium tonight and Wednesday night at 8. The performances will feature the world premieres of new works. Baryshnikov started the company with choreographer Mark Morris in 1990.

Baryshnikov brings dance troupe to I.C.

By Melanie Mesaros
The Daily Iowan

The most renowned dancer of his generation, Mikhail Baryshnikov, will bring his White Oak Dance Project and its modern dance repertoire, complete with live musicians, to Hancher Auditorium tonight and Wednesday at 8 p.m.

Baryshnikov, who shot to stardom as a classical ballet soloist, has not pulled out his ballet shoes since he left the American Ballet Theatre in 1989 for modern and contemporary dance.

"It is not that I reject classical ballet," Baryshnikov said in a telephone interview with *The Daily Iowan*. "It is well-known that in the last 20 years there haven't been that many interesting classical choreographers."

Baryshnikov said innovative, modern dance choreographers inspired and drew him to this particular facet of dance.

"I had a fascination with the intriguing, interesting movement offered to me by choreographers such as Paul Taylor, Mark Morris and Twyla Tharp," he said. "I feel modern dance is more plain and honest work. It reflects everyday

Baryshnikov

Here is some brief information relating to Mikhail Baryshnikov:
■ Baryshnikov defected to the United States in 1974, and left the Kirov Ballet. He went on to become the principal male dancer for the New York City Ballet, and was the artistic director of the American Ballet Theatre.
■ Baryshnikov does a phenomenal 11 pirouettes consecutively in his "White Nights," in which he stars with tap-dance legend Gregory Hines.
■ Twyla Tharp performed with Baryshnikov in two sold-out performances four years ago at Hancher Auditorium.
■ The White Oak Dance Project derives its name from the White Oak Plantation on the Florida-Georgia border, where the company retreats to rehearse.
■ The White Oak Dance Project's current tour was profiled on CBS "Sunday Morning" Sunday.

Source: *DI* research *DI/GR*
life, who we are now and what is really happening now."
Baryshnikov, 49, said he definitely is not ready to take a final bow.

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Comet ignites buzz in Iowa City

By Emily Shack
The Daily Iowan

Comet Hale-Bopp is putting on a celestial light show above Iowa City each night, and area stargazers say they understand why it has been dubbed "The Great Comet of 1997."

"This comet is spectacular," UI astronomy Professor Steven Spangler said. "It may be the best one in the past 20 years."

The comet can be observed in the northeastern sky during the morning and the northwestern sky during evening hours when the weather is clear. Approximately April 1 will be perihelion, the day the comet moves closest to the sun, Spangler said. This may be the best day for viewing. Hale-Bopp can be viewed with the naked eye or with binoculars for the best detail.

"If people want to see the comet,"

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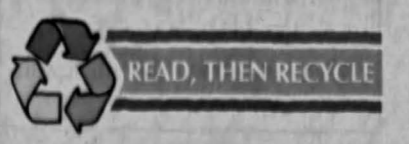
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DI Contest!!!
■ Think you know more about the Oscars than your neighbor? Test your Academy Award skills with the *DI*'s Oscar contest, Page 2A.



The flag will be flown at half-staff today due to the death of Edward Gendusa, a senior in the UI College of Pharmacy



Matt Snyder named *DI* editor for '97-'98

By Laura Heinauer
The Daily Iowan

UI senior Matt Snyder was named editor of *The Daily Iowan* for the 1997-98 school year after a meeting of the Student Publications Inc. (SPI) Board of Directors Monday night.

Snyder, a journalism and English double major from Carlisle, Iowa, will take the reins this summer. He has worked at the *DI* since October 1995, first on the copy desk, then as a metro editor and this semester as design editor.

Snyder also works extensively with the *DI*'s efforts pertaining to the World Wide Web and on-line publication.

He said, at this time, he doesn't know what the day-to-day grind of being editor will bring, although his diverse experience in the newsroom

thus far is a strong indication. "It's a great opportunity and a job I really thought I could do well," he said. "I'm really dedicated to the *DI*, so that's why I did it."

Also competing for the position were Managing Editor Evelyn Lauer and Photo Editor Julie Bill, both juniors.

Mark Wrighton, chairperson of the Snyder SPI board, said making the decision was not an easy task because all of the candidates were highly qualified.

"The board is always very happy with the quality of the candidates, and it is this intense competition that



Snyder

"My goal is to produce an intelligent, creative and insightful newspaper..."

Matt Snyder, editor-to-be of the *DI*

makes our choice so difficult," he said. Each candidate submitted a lengthy application detailing their qualifications and their vision for *The Daily Iowan*. The candidates were then interviewed by the SPI board, whose members include: Wrighton, a UI graduate student in political science; five other students; three faculty members; two staff members; and three alumni. William Casey, *DI* publisher, also said the choice was difficult, especially after talking with the candi-

dates in the interviews. "We had a real hard choice," he said. "Each of the candidates brought unique things to the interviews, and we decided on Matt because he had a wide range of experience and would make a great editor."

Snyder said he is excited about the coming year.

"My goal is to produce an intelligent, creative and insightful newspaper that will bring the day's news in the best way possible to the *DI*'s readers," he said.

While he said the stress of being *DI* editor may be extremely intense at times, he said he welcomes the challenge.

"Producing the paper has its up and downs," Snyder said. "But we learn a lot and have fun doing it."

"That, and I think the quality of next year's *DI* is going to be very strong."

People in the News

People

Nelson Mandela, Princess Diana overjoyed to meet one another

CAPE TOWN, South Africa (AP) — Talk about a mutual admiration society. Princess Diana said she was "absolutely thrilled" to meet President Nelson Mandela on Monday, and he responded that he was "still trembling."

Mandela praised Diana for her early work counseling people with AIDS and credited her with reducing prejudice against those with the deadly virus.

"We saw her sitting on the beds of AIDS patients and shaking hands with them, and that changed perceptions dramatically with regards to AIDS," Mandela said.

Mandela also complimented Diana for visiting children in Angola who had been crippled by land mines, saying her gesture helped South Africa decide to destroy its land mines.

Diana arrived Saturday for a private visit.

Schwarzkopf has no plans to take politics by storm

NEW YORK (AP) — If it wasn't already apparent, retired Gen. H. Norman Schwarzkopf said he has no interest in a political career.

"Politics in Washington, D.C., has become a really mean business. Really mean and nasty," he said in the latest issue of *George* magazine. "It's very intrusive upon your life, and more important, it's intrusive on your family's life. It's very hard to accomplish anything in such a hostile environment."



Schwarzkopf

But the field commander of the 1991 Persian Gulf War thinks his former colleague, Gen. Colin Powell, is, as they say in the Army, good to go.

"I think he will run. He's as good as any other candidate we've got out there," Schwarzkopf told *George* editor and publisher John F. Kennedy Jr.

Schwarzkopf, after hanging up his Desert Storm fatigues, turned his energies to various causes — among them the Nature Conservancy, the recovery of the grizzly bear and a partnership with Paul Newman in a camp for sick children.

But he's resisted pressure to get into politics.

"George Bush and Bob Dole each asked me to support them, and Ross Perot asked me to be his vice presidential candidate. I've had inquiries from the Democratic party," Schwarzkopf said. "But my reply to all of these requests has been that I can do more for my country by remaining apolitical than by getting involved in the political process."

No 'brain-sucking' TV for '3rd Rock' actress

NEW YORK (AP) — Kristen Johnson's parents wouldn't let her watch television, and now, does she feel like a space alien? No, she just plays one on TV.

Johnson, the statuesque alien on "3rd Rock From the Sun," told *Details* magazine she never watched sitcoms "until maybe two years ago, when I started auditioning for them." When she has kids, she'll forbid TV just like her parents did, she said.

"I know that I'm biting the hand that feeds me, but TV can really suck the brains right out of your body," she said.

Marchers remember Famine

By John Shanahan
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Pipes and drums fell silent for one somber minute Monday as St. Patrick's Day marchers honored the memory of 1.5 million Irish who died in the Great Potato Famine some 150 years ago.

Echoes of protest also hung over the nation's largest St. Patrick's Day parade for the seventh year in a row as three dozen demonstrators from the Irish Lesbian and Gay Organization got themselves arrested. They were protesting their exclusion from the march.

The 236th annual celebration for Ireland's patron saint was otherwise a spectacle of bands, kilted bagpipers, military marching units and joyous spectators.

"The soldiers are my favorite," said 8-year-old Joseph Bassafume of Montville, N.J. He watched the parade from the shoulders of his father, Mario, who said the boy has "a drop" of Irish heritage.

"I love the whole thing," said Terence Sheehan, 20, costumed as a leprechaun and posing with tourists. "But the bagpipes and the drums, that's really awesome."

The moment of silence came at noon, as the New York Shield-Pipe Drum Corps drew abreast of the reviewing stand.

"It took us back 150 years to that awful time in Ireland when one and



AP

With shamrocks held high, Melissa Rowe, 17, and the other members of the Purple B's march down Broadway Street in Butte, Mont., believed to be the most Irish city in the nation, as part of the St. Patrick's Day Parade Monday.

a half million people died of starvation unnecessarily," parade chairperson John Dunleavy said.

It was the famine, from 1845-50, that touched off the great wave of Irish immigration to the United States.

Earlier, at a Mass in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Cardinal John O'Connor said to ignore "Black '47," the middle and most severe year of the famine, "is to be condemned to relive it in one way or another."

O'Connor also praised former parade chairperson Frank Bieme, who died late last year.

Bieme led the successful court fight by the parade's organizer, the Ancient Order of Hibernians, to bar the gay group on the grounds that the parade is a private religious observance and homosexuality conflicts with teachings of the Roman Catholic Church.

Judge refuses to delay McVeigh trial

By Steven Paulson
Associated Press

DENVER — A federal judge Monday refused to delay the Oklahoma City bombing trial of Timothy McVeigh despite recent published reports about his purported confession to the nation's deadliest domestic terror attack.

U.S. District Judge Richard Matsch ordered jury selection to begin March 31 as scheduled.

"I have full confidence that a fair-minded jury can and will be empaneled and that those selected will return a just verdict based on the law and evidence presented to them," Matsch wrote.

McVeigh's attorneys asked Matsch to dismiss the charges, delay the trial or move it out of Colorado because of several news reports they described as "incendiary."

But Matsch wrote: "Past experience with jurors and a general awareness of public attitudes about pretrial publicity in similar cases strongly suggests that these stories have had neither the wide exposure nor general acceptance that the defendant's lawyers presume."

McVeigh's lawyer, Stephen Jones, said he will not appeal Matsch's ruling.

"I think it's fair to say that all of us associated with the defense are concerned about these matters and what we can do about it in court," Jones said. "Judge Matsch has addressed these issues, and we hope he's right."

Newsweek magazine reported this week that McVeigh admitted during a lie detector test given by his lawyers that he was involved in the April 1995 bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building. The explosion killed 168 people and injured more than 500.

McVeigh failed a question, however, about whether all of his co-conspirators were known to investigators, the magazine said, citing anonymous sources close to the investigation.

"McVeigh confirmed his role in blowing up the Murrah building," the magazine said. "There is even fresh confusion about whether the FBI has tracked down all the members of the conspiracy."

Some federal investigators have said they think the lie detector story may be just a ploy by Jones to sow confusion before the trial begins, according to *Newsweek*.

The defense did not respond to the report of a lie detector test but said the *Newsweek* report offers insight into the prosecution's case.

"This detailed outline of the prosecution's theory proffered to the press far surpasses anything we have received from the prosecution through the legal process," the defense said in a statement. "We welcome any and all such assistance, both now and in the future."

Newsweek reported on investigators' probe into the blast, from how agents located McVeigh, collected evidence like the axle from the Ryder truck used in the bombing, and got witnesses to talk to them.

FBI spokesperson Paul Bresson in Washington declined to comment on the report Sunday.

Defense lawyers also have been upset over two other purported McVeigh confessions reported by *The Dallas Morning News* and *Playboy* magazine in the past two weeks.

Matsch noted that nearly two years have passed since the destruction of the federal building and the story has been extensively reported. He said more stories can be expected "with an increasing slant toward the sensational" as the trial date nears.

McVeigh and co-defendant Terry Nichols are charged with murder, conspiracy and weapons-related counts. If convicted, they face the death penalty.

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"Because You Loved Me" ("Up Close and Personal")

Best Visual Effects (1 pt.)
"Dragonheart"
"Independence Day"
"Twister"

Best Supporting Actress (2 pt.)
Joan Allen, "The Crucible"
Lauren Bacall, "The Mirror Has Two Faces"
Juliette Binoche, "The English Patient"
Barbara Hershey, "The Portrait of a Lady"
Marianne Jean-Baptiste, "Secrets & Lies"

Best Supporting Actor (2 pt.)
Cuba Gooding Jr., "Jerry Maguire"
William H. Macy, "Fargo"
Armin Mueller-Stahl, "Shine"
Edward Norton, "Primal Fear"
James Woods, "Ghosts of Mississippi"

Best Original Screenplay (2 pt.)
"Fargo"

"Jerry Maguire"
"Lone Star"
"Secrets & Lies"
"Shine"

Best Adapted Screenplay (2 pt.)
"The Crucible"
"The English Patient"
"Hammie"
"Sling Blade"
"Trainspotting"

Best Actress (1 pt.)
Brenda Blethyn, "Secrets & Lies"
Diane Kraton, "Marvin's Room"
Frances McDormand, "Fargo"
Kristin Scott Thomas, "The English Patient"
Emily Watson, "Breaking the Waves"

Best Actor (1 pt.)
Tom Cruise, "Jerry Maguire"
Ralph Fiennes, "The English Patient"
Woody Harrison, "The People vs. Larry Flynt"
Geoffrey Rush, "Shine"
Billy Bob Thornton, "Sling Blade"

Best Director (1 pt.)
Joel Coen, "Fargo"

Milos Forman, "The People vs. Larry Flynt"
Scott Hicks, "Shine"
Mike Leigh, "Secrets & Lies"
Anthony Minghella, "The English Patient"

Best Picture (5 pt.)
"The English Patient"
"Fargo"
"Jerry Maguire"
"Secrets & Lies"
"Shine"

The Breakers:
What time (CST) will the Best Picture Oscar winner be announced?

Entry form must be filled out completely and returned to The Daily Iowan, Room 111 of the Communications Center by Friday, March 22, at noon.

Only one entry per person.

All employees and relatives are not eligible.

Winners will be announced in EightyHours on April 2.

Winners will be based on final point total.

The judge's decision is final.

Web pa

By Joseph Leavitt
The Daily Iowan

While several UI require students to create own Web pages, increasingly are working thread of the technology for selves.

The history of the instructions on how to turtles and a virtual student artwork have their way on to the Web the initiative of area re and UI students. Although take more time and effort professor instruction, said the benefits of unde the process independent the headaches worthwhile.

About two months ago City resident Alexa Way ioned a Web site about trends since the 1940s. It is made up of a history of and drawings she design self, styles she believes their historical periods.

Wayne said her desire t a Web page came from t dom it gives to the indiv display creativity.

"It's an outlet for my i without having to mak

Teen-agers

WATERLOO (AP) — Au say they are seeing increa of a popular prescription d to improve concentration in tive children.

Waterloo police officer Jeff says the abuse of Ritalin — on thestreets as "Jif" or "SH is seeping into area middle

LEGAL MATTERS & POLICE

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Kevin A. Shatwell, 22, 720 St. Apt. 8, was charged with while intoxicated at the corn and Burlington streets on Ma 1:57 a.m.

Stephen A. Ackert, 19, De was charged with possession of ule I controlled substance at entrance of Rienow Residence March 14 at 2:39 a.m.

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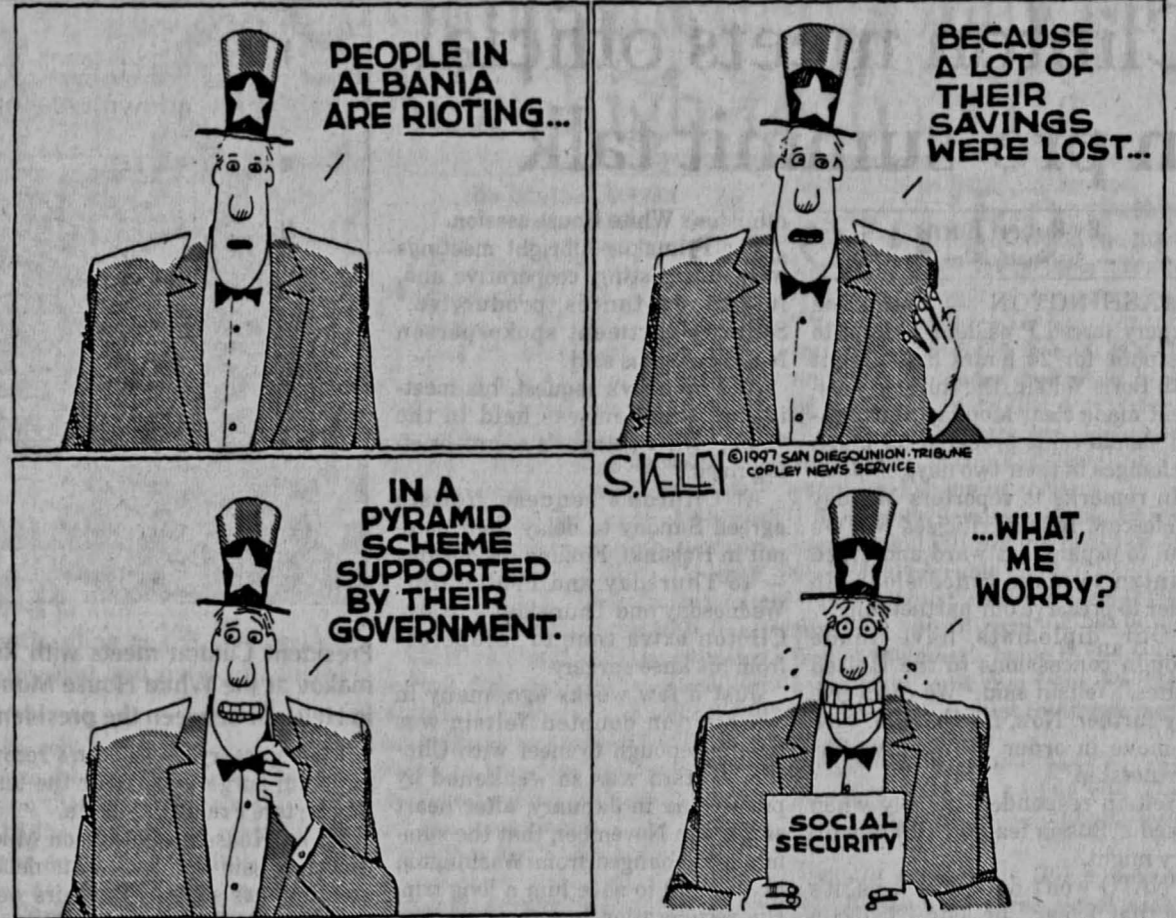
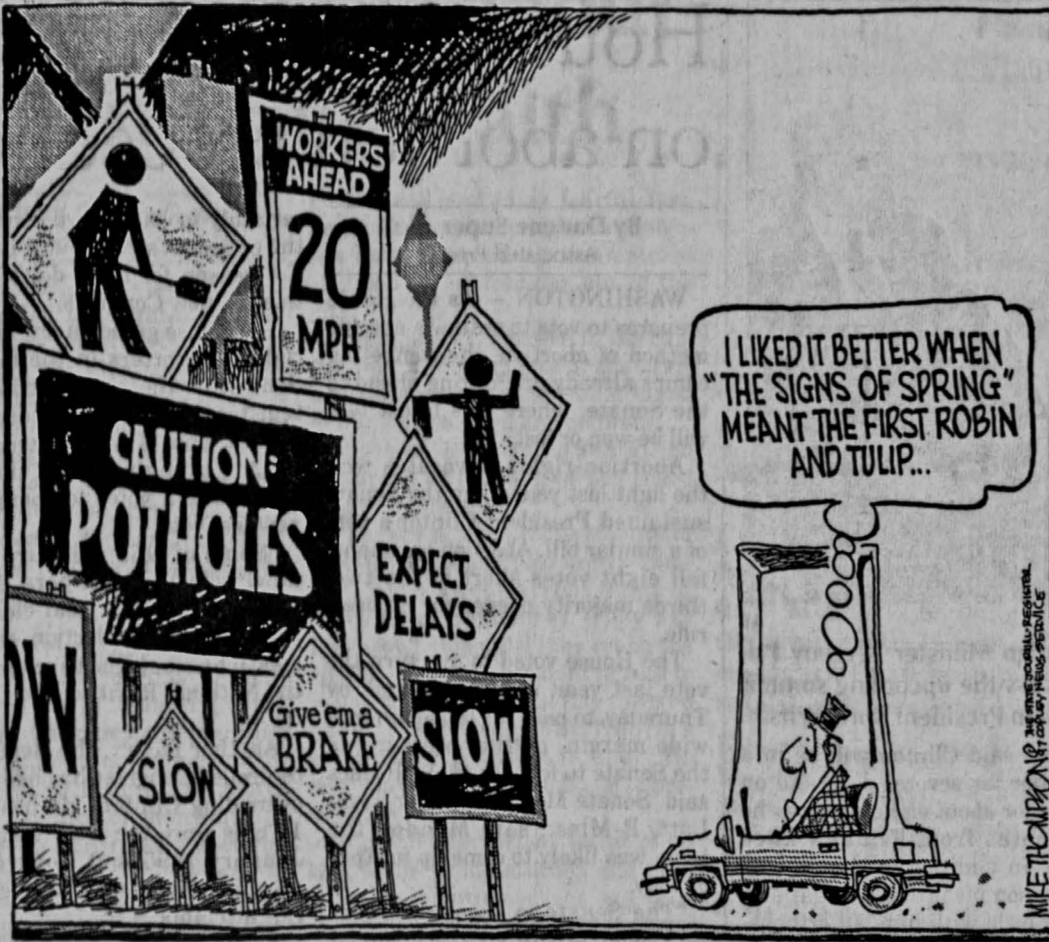
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Viewpoints



Dave Barry tops off middle age with a brand new convertible

I got a convertible. Now I know what you're going to say. You're going to say: "Dave, you pathetic fool, you're 49 and you're having a midlife crisis. Trade that thing in immediately and get a car more suitable for a person your age, such as a 1919 Hupmobile with air bags."

No, darn it! I LOVE my convertible! I've ALWAYS WANTED a convertible! For 33 years, I've been driving boring cars, starting with my mom's Plymouth Valiant, which was a Ferrari compared with my dad's car, a Nash Metropolitan powered by a motor the same size as the one found inside Tickle Me Elmo. I am a member of the small, select group of automotive losers who purchased both a Ford Maverick AND a Chevrolet Vega — cars manufactured when the motto of the U.S. auto industry was: "We're Working Hard To Make You Buy An Impert."

Dave Barry
heat-seeking missile package." But I was firm, and in the end we compromised on him selling me a sporty used convertible with a five-speed stick-shift transmission. Immediately after I bought the car, I put the top down and took my wife, Michelle, and my son, Rob, for a ride. They both wanted to know why anybody would want a stick shift, seeing as how you have to spend a lot of time shifting it.

"Well," I explained, in my Knowledgeable Guy voice, "it's actually very practical, because by depressing the clutch you can more precisely control how fast the rpms go through the carburetor, which produces your ignition."

I've ALWAYS WANTED a convertible! For 33 years, I've been driving boring cars, starting with my mom's Plymouth Valiant, which was a Ferrari compared with my dad's car, a Nash Metropolitan powered by a motor the same size as the one found inside Tickle Me Elmo.

For the past seven years, I've driven a practical, box-shaped car. The auto industry calls it a "sport utility vehicle," which suggests it's sporty; this concept is reinforced by TV commercials showing such vehicles raving up mountainsides, splashing across rivers, winning the Olympic pole vault, etc.

In fact, this vehicle is a station wagon. Admit it, sport-utility-vehicle owners! It's shaped a little differently but it's a station wagon! And you do not drive it across rivers! You drive it across the Wal-Mart parking lot!

When I went to trade in my sport utility vehicle, I was going to buy another practical car; I truly was. But I ran into a salesperson named Jerry. Jerry's former profession was — really — powerboat racer. Currently, in addition to selling cars, he is co-producing a kick-boxing movie. So, in terms of mature practicality, Jerry is not Mr. Both Feet On The Ground. I think, if he could have, he would have sold me an F-16. ("Dave, if you're willing to do business today, we're going to throw in the floor mats AND the

certain special events (such as nightfall) by firing guns into the air; when the bullets come down, they sometimes injure people. It's such a problem that *The Miami Herald* recently printed a letter to the editor, which I swear I am not making up, from a Miami man who suggested — and don't think he was joking — we would have a safer community if people would do what he does; namely, shoot at the ground. Here is an actual quote from this man's letter: "There are enough bullets in my yard to throw off a Boeing 747's compass, but they are all buried where they were fired, not to come down miles away."

Unfortunately, many Miami residents are not as thoughtful as this man. So, for me, the fun of driving a convertible is dampened by the nagging concern that maybe I should be wearing a steel hat.

Another concern I have is Rob — who has a driver's license despite being only 16, which from my perspective is the same as being a fetus — wants to drive my car. I figured learning the stick shift would slow him down; I know it took me awhile. My mother taught me, and I can remember the two of us yelling at each other a lot as the car, with me at the controls, would lurch forward 2 feet, then stall, 2 feet, stall, 2 feet, stall and so on, causing our heads to be flung violently back and forward, back and forward, like human windshield wipers. To travel just 1 mile that way would have required several weeks and thousands of aspirin.

But Rob picked it right up. The second try — vroom! — he was off. So, of course he wants to use the convertible. My feeling is, sure! He can use it whenever he wants! The only condition is that first he has to drive for 33 years. Until then, he gets the Hupmobile.

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Nation

Clinton meets official in pre-summit talk

By Robert Burns Associated Press

WASHINGTON — As knee surgery forced President Clinton to postpone for 24 hours his summit with Boris Yeltsin, the Russian president made clear Monday that Clinton should come prepared for tough exchanges in their two days of talks. In remarks to reporters Monday in Moscow, Yeltsin criticized NATO's plan to expand eastward and urged Clinton to make concessions "in order to preserve our partnership." "Our diplomats have made enough concessions to the United States," Yeltsin said. "We can't give any further. Now, it's the U.S. turn to move in order to preserve our partnership." Yeltsin responded sharply when asked if Russia feared NATO's military might. "NATO won't dare attack us, it's not that I fear," he said. "I fear a Western blockade of Russia, which we can't allow." He added, "We have a sufficient deterrent force, including nuclear (weapons)." Clinton met at the White House Monday with Russian Foreign Minister Yevgeny Primakov for a pre-summit discussion of these and other ticklish issues. Primakov went over those topics Saturday with Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, again Sunday with Albright and Defense Secretary William Cohen and then with Albright Monday before the foreign

minister's White House session. The Primakov-Albright meetings were "interesting, cooperative and, in some instances, productive," State Department spokesperson Nicholas Burns said. At Primakov's request, his meeting with Cohen was held in the "tank," the Pentagon's secret briefing room. At Clinton's request, Yeltsin agreed Sunday to delay their summit in Helsinki, Finland, by one day — to Thursday and Friday from Wednesday and Thursday — to give Clinton extra time to recuperate from his knee surgery. Just a few weeks ago, many in Washington doubted Yeltsin was healthy enough to meet with Clinton. Yeltsin was so weakened by pneumonia in January, after heart surgery in November, that the summit was changed from Washington to Helsinki to save him a long trip. His recuperation has since accelerated. Thus, it may have given Yeltsin pukish delight to tell Clinton in a get-well telegram that he was ready to meet him "as soon as your health allows." Clinton's state visit to Denmark, originally scheduled for Friday, has been postponed until July. Clinton told reporters he hopes to fit in that visit while in Europe to attend a NATO summit. In Moscow, the Kremlin press service announced the summit was pushed back a day "by mutual agreement" and said the delay was



President Clinton meets with Russian Foreign Minister Yevgeny Primakov at the White House Monday to discuss the upcoming summit in Helsinki between the president and Russian President Boris Yeltsin.

made necessary by Clinton's recovery from surgery to repair the tendon he tore Friday in Florida. White House spokesperson Mike McCurry said the decision to delay the summit's start by 24 hours was made Saturday night by Erskine Bowles, the president's chief of staff, and the National Security Council staff. "It gives the president an additional day to convalesce and an additional day to learn to be mobile," McCurry said. The trip begins Wednesday night. Asked whether the summit's schedule of meetings had been shortened, McCurry made a veiled reference to the earlier worries over Yeltsin's health. "Remember," he said, "the schedule had been designed to accommodate everyone's health needs." Doctors said Clinton will be in a wheelchair for several days and on crutches for about eight weeks as he recuperates from Friday's knee surgery. In addition to the regular three-person medical team that normally travels with him, an orthopedist and a physical therapist will accompany him to Helsinki. Even before going into surgery, Clinton pledged not to let his injury stop him from attending the Helsinki summit, where an unusual mix of tough and sensitive topics will be discussed, including NATO's plans to expand eastward. Clinton considers NATO expansion his top foreign policy priority — linked to other festering security issues such as overcoming the Russian parliament's reluctance to ratify the START II nuclear weapons treaty.

House readies for vote on abortion procedure

By Darlene Superville Associated Press

WASHINGTON — As the House prepares to vote to outlaw a specific method of abortion, the competing camps already are looking ahead to the Senate, where this latest test will be won or lost. Abortion-rights advocates won the fight last year when the Senate sustained President Clinton's veto of a similar bill. Abortion opponents fell eight votes short of the two-thirds majority needed for an override. The House voted to overturn the veto last year, and is expected, by Thursday, to pass the bill again by a wide margin, putting pressure on the Senate to follow suit, both sides said. Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., said Monday the issue was likely to come up in April or May. "The Senate is always harder," said Helen Alvare, spokesperson for the National Conference of Catholic Bishops, which opposes abortion. The bishops anticipate victory in the House, Alvare said, "but we don't know in the Senate." House Speaker Newt Gingrich criticized the abortion method Monday during a floor speech on the Republican agenda, calling it "very gruesome." "We believe it's important, when the child is that close to being born, that they be protected and that this particular procedure ... be ended," the Georgia Republican said. Abortion-rights advocates also are uncertain about the Senate. "It's a closer margin now (in the Senate), and if we lose any of our pro-choice friends it will be tough," said Kate Michelman, president of the National Abortion and Reproductive Rights Action League. "It

certainly looks like we can sustain the president's veto, but it is closer." A reason for some doubt is that this is a new Congress. The House gained a few abortion-rights supporters in the last election, while the anti-abortion camp registered a small increase in the Senate. This is not an issue in the House, though, where there are anti-abortion votes to spare in any new test vote. "Some of this will turn on the newly elected members, some of whom didn't take real clear positions" during the election, said Douglas Johnson, legislative director of the National Right to Life Committee. Another factor: The Republican-controlled Congress has had trouble overriding Clinton. He has vetoed 14 bills since the GOP takeover in January 1995, but Congress has prevailed just once in seven override attempts. Republicans had planned to push the bill again. But a new sense of urgency arose last month when abortion-rights advocate Ron Fitzsimmons said he had lied about the timing and the reasons women undergo the procedure, described as a "partial-birth" abortion by those who want to stop it. Fitzsimmons, who runs the National Coalition of Abortion Providers in Alexandria, Va., now says the procedure is done mostly in the fifth and sixth months of pregnancy and only occasionally to spare a woman's life or health. He had said earlier the procedure was rarely used — and then only to save the mother's life. The House bill by Rep. Charles Canady, R-Fla., would ban the procedure, and threaten doctors with fines and prison terms of up to two years for performing it.

Rumors of Mobutu's

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Clot-preventing drug reduces heart attack deaths

By Daniel Haney Associated Press

ANAHEIM, Calif. — A powerful new clot-preventing medicine appears to cut the risk of heart attack and death almost in half in people hospitalized with severe chest pain, a medical emergency that afflicts more than 1 million Americans annually. The drug is one of a new class of medicines that are likely to revolutionize the treatment of unstable angina, an ominous attack of chest pain that is the leading reason for admitting people to coronary care units. The medicine is a sort of super aspirin that works by stopping the formation of blood clots. These clots can trigger heart attacks by choking off the supply of blood to the heart muscle. Currently, aspirin and a blood thinner called heparin are the mainstays of treatment for unstable angina. The new medicine

proved to be powerfully effective when used in addition to these. Doctors say the new therapy may turn out to be even more important than clot-dissolving drugs, an entirely different group of medicines that have transformed the treatment of heart attacks over the past decade. "These are landmark studies that represent a scientific breakthrough," said Dr. Harvey White of Green Lane Hospital in Auckland, New Zealand. White said the drug will save the lives of 13 of every 1,000 unstable angina patients treated. By comparison, TPA, the leading clot-dissolver, saves 10 of every 1,000 heart attack patients treated. White directed one of two large studies on the drug, called Aggrastat, that were released Monday at a meeting of the American College of Cardiology. Dr. Rick Sax, who developed the drug at Merck & Co., estimated if all the 1.2 million unstable angina

patients hospitalized in the United States each year received Aggrastat, it would prevent between 5,000 and 10,000 deaths and 30,000 to 40,000 heart attacks. Aggrastat is still considered experimental. Merck said he plans to ask the Food and Drug Administration later this year for permission to put it on the market. The medicine is available only as an injection for use in the hospital, but at least 19 new versions are being developed in pill form for long-term use in people with bad hearts. A similar drug, Centocor's Reo-Pro, is already available but has been tested only for use during angioplasty, the technique used to reopen clogged blood vessels. Aggrastat's success is likely to trigger an avalanche of similar medicines to capture a huge potential market. The approach "really opens up the treatment of unstable angina," said Dr. Eugene Braunwald of

Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston, who was not involved in the studies. "It's a real advance. I'm encouraged." Typically, unstable angina occurs when a fatty buildup on an artery wall breaks open during some form of stress. Blood cells called platelets congregate in this wound and clump together. In the narrow confines of an artery, this clot can be disastrous, for it may block blood flow entirely. The platelets are hooked together by a protein called fibrinogen, which latches onto spots on the cells called glycoprotein IIb-IIIa receptors. Aggrastat — or tirofiban — is one of a class of medicines called glycoprotein IIb-IIIa blockers. As the name implies, the medicine keeps fibrinogen from linking up platelets to form clots. Actually, 90 different biochemical triggers can start the cascade of steps that lead to clots. Aspirin blocks one of these steps. Aggrastat blocks all of them.

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'Postage stamp' surgery revolutionizes procedures

By Paul Recer Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Just after an uncomplicated childbirth, a young mother suddenly started hemorrhaging and her medical team couldn't stop it. She could bleed to death without an emergency hysterectomy, a surgeon said. But the young woman's husband, who knew his wife wanted more children, called a nearby hospital and appealed to a doctor who had been controlling such bleeding without hysterectomy. Fifteen minutes after the new doctor went to work, the bleeding was stopped. There was no hysterectomy, so she could have more children. The woman benefited from the expanding use of "postage stamp surgery" — operations done by threading catheters carrying miniature tools into troubled parts of the body to do repairs. The doctor controls the procedure by watching on an X-ray scope. Often, only a small patch of skin, small enough to hide under a postage stamp, is cut. Called interventional radiology, or IR, the technique avoids the long incisions common to conventional surgery, often sends patients home within hours and reduces recovery time to a few days instead of weeks. It also reduces infection and can save up to 50 percent over surgical costs. Importantly, it also often provides a way to save organs that in conventional surgery often must be removed. Sending catheters up arteries to open clogged vessels has been around for more than a decade. Cardiologists routinely use the technique to open arteries near the heart. But only in recent years has the basic catheter technique started to become common for other operations. "There are hundreds of procedures that once required surgery that are now being performed with this endovascular technique," said Dr. Anne Roberts of the University

of California, San Diego. "This is a whole new area of medicine that is being rapidly developed." IR is used now to open arteries in the legs, restore blocked circulation to kidneys, drain abscesses and stop bleeding in internal organs. It also is being used to remove infections from the spine and to open clogged fallopian tubes. Its use has been so successful, Roberts said, that the demand far exceeds the supply of doctors trained. "We need about twice as many operators as there are now available," she said. Dr. Scott Goodwin of the UCLA Medical Center in Los Angeles uses IR to treat uterine fibroids — the benign but painful tumors that affect more than 175,000 American women annually. Typically, severe fibroids are treated by surgically removing the uterus. But Goodwin has used IR to treat 24 patients, and all but two were able to avoid hysterectomy. The Los Angeles doctor controls the fibroids by cutting off their blood supply. He does this by threading a catheter up a leg artery to the fibroids. Once the catheter is in place, he injects plastic particles about the size of grains of sand. The particles lodge in the capillaries feeding blood to the fibroids. When the blood supply is cut off, the fibroids shrink. "In three of the patients, the fibroids now are gone completely," he said. "In others, the fibroids are still there, but they don't bleed or cause pain." A similar technique, using a clotting gel instead of plastic particles, is used to halt hemorrhages after childbirth, he said. The fibroid procedure still is being refined, but eventually Goodwin believes it could halve the 175,000 hysterectomies now prompted by fibroids. Meanwhile, doctors at the Medical College of Virginia in Richmond and at the University of Tennessee, Memphis, are using IR to patch

damaged spleens. The spleen, a disease-fighting organ, can be cracked by a hard blow to the body, such as in a car accident or assault. The conventional treatment is removal of the spleen. But Dr. Uma Prasad of the Medical College of Virginia has used IR techniques to cut off the blood supply to damaged spleens. Through a catheter threaded into the spleen, her team injects tiny metal coils or gelatin sponge particles. These seal the bleeding vessels, allowing the spleen to heal. In Prasad's study, 26 of 50 patients were treated successfully and avoided spleen removal. And at the University of Tennessee, Dr. Pamela Flick said the spleen-saving technique was successful in 12 of 14 patients. In most cases, the procedure took an hour and the patients went home after six hours. Some even went to work the next day, Flick said.

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Conservative

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North Korea to be flown

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — A high-ranking North Korean defector whose case has sparked new tensions on the Korean peninsula was to be flown out of Beijing Monday and allowed to resettle in South Korea, a news report said. Hwang Jang Yop, 74, and his son Kim Duk Hong, 59, were to travel from the Chinese capital to a Southeast Asian country, South Korea, national news agency Yonhap reported. From there, the pair later would be allowed to travel to South Korea where Hwang has been seeking asylum since he fled his impoverished and famine-ridden country five years

Nation & World

Rumors circle about Mobutu's ill health

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There is great concern in the capital that if Mobutu dies or the army attempts a coup, riots would break out among soldiers and civilians.

Riots in 1991 and 1993 killed hundreds of people and destroyed many businesses.

The rebels, who accuse Mobutu of robbing his country to enrich himself, have swept across eastern Zaire since September. They say they won't stop until they reach the capital — or the president agrees to negotiate. But Mobutu has rejected rebel leader Laurent Kabila's demand for face-to-face talks. He now may be too ill to talk, or to present a military coup.

Top generals met in secret Monday, as they did Saturday and Sunday. Diplomatic sources say they are debating whether to take over the government.

Prime Minister Leon Kengo wa Dondo and his Cabinet held an emergency meeting and met with foreign diplomats Monday.

A source close to the presidency said the army would try to stop Kengo from leaving the country today. He was planning to attend a summit on Zaire, scheduled to convene Wednesday in Kenya. The source also spoke on condition of anonymity.

The source also said a presidential plane had been requested for



David Guttenfelder/Associated Press

A Zairian vendor sells maps and newspapers with headlines such as "President Mobutu is Finished" and "Kabila Welcomed as the Liberator of Kisangani" to motorists on the street in Kinshasa Monday. The city is tense with rumors of the president's ailing health, discussions among military leaders of a possible upheaval and news of Laurent Kabila's rebel advances.

today, perhaps to take Mobutu to his hometown of Gbadolite, 700 miles northeast of the capital.

But even if the president returns, most observers agree his dictatorship is nearing an end.

"It is threatened, the regime is very threatened," said Bemba Saolona, president of the Group of Allies of Marshal Mobutu and a member of the transitional parliament.

In its first official response to the fall last weekend of Kisangani, the northeast regional capital and Zaire's third-largest city, the government said Zairian troops had been attacked by Ugandan forces. Zaire has repeatedly accused Uganda and Rwanda of supporting the rebels, a charge those countries deny.

The rebels are now threatening to seize the country's second-largest city, on the Zambian border.

"All the towns of the republic are on our agenda ... but Lubumbashi is our next target," rebel spokesperson Raphael Ghenda said in the eastern town of Goma.

Rebel forces seized Kisangani with little resistance. Soldiers looted the city of 300,000 people and fled with panicked residents, aid workers said.

Foreign relief workers fled Kisangani ahead of the rebels, leaving 100,000 Rwandan Hutu refugees at Ubundu, 60 miles to the south.

Rwandan Hutus fled to Zaire after the 1994 massacre of 500,000 minority Tutsis, a slaughter orchestrated by Rwanda's former government.

Cable modems may be next high-tech craze

By Jeanne Aversa
Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — John Sviokla jokes that his Newton, Mass., neighbors have "cable envy." But it's not because of the shows he can get. Sviokla is using his cable TV line to surf the Internet, shop, download work files, exchange e-mail and help his five children with homework.

He is one of several thousand people who are using powerful devices called cable modems to link their personal computers to cable TV lines. Users can watch TV while they tour cyberspace over the same cable line.

Showcased at the cable convention in New Orleans, cable modems can move text, voice and pictures 50-100 times faster over cable TV lines than standard telephone modems used to send and receive information over personal computers.

They're also faster than the telephone company's high-speed data lines using "ISDN" technology.

"For \$50 bucks a month, I think it's a bargain for the speed I'm getting," Sviokla, a Continental Cablevision customer, said. "It flies."

Sviokla does have one complaint: To hook up another computer in his house to the service, he would be charged a second, full monthly rate on top of another installation fee. That policy is not unusual.

Other companies that began selling the high-speed cable hookups over the past six months include Time Warner Cable, Cox Cable Communications, Comcast Corp. and TeleCommunications Inc.

Akron, Ohio; Baltimore; Hartford, Conn.; Sarasota, Fla.; Orange County, Calif.; and San Diego are some of the markets where the service is now offered. Many more markets are slated.

Companies charge on average

about \$100 to install the service.

Monthly fees range from \$34.95 to \$60 a month, depending on the market and whether the buyer is already a cable customer of the company. That fee includes modem rental, unlimited Internet access, e-mail and, in some cases, unlimited local or regional content like a cyber tour through the Walters Art Gallery in Baltimore, listings of community events and shopping services.

To provide service, companies are spending billions of dollars to upgrade their cable plants.

The biggest challenge: making sure the "return path" — the cable from a customer's home to the main cable plant — is free from interference that can disrupt computer messages.

Another problem: getting the knack of installing the service, which usually requires two technicians.

"I can tell you the first couple of installations took three people about seven hours," recalls Steve Hill, senior vice president of broadband data service for Continental. The average installation is about two hours.

"I just hope I don't move. I'd hate to lose the service now that I have it," said John Moore, a Time Warner customer in Silver Lake, Ohio.

Once uniform technical standards are implemented, people will be able to buy cable modems — rather than rent them — from retailers. When that happens, a cable modem will work on any cable TV line. But that's not the case now. The cable industry's research and development facility, called Cable Labs, announced at the show in New Orleans Sunday a final set of technical specifications, moving consumers a crucial step closer to the day when they purchase the devices in stores.

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Major, 54, who succeeded Thatcher in 1990, immediately hit the campaign trail.

In Luton, north of London, where

two Conservative legislators look likely to be among the party's casualties, he stood on a soap box in the middle of a melee in the town center. The soap box was a prominent prop in Major's 1992 campaign, when the two parties were neck-and-neck in the polls.

His voice nearly drowned by hundreds of demonstrators yelling "Tories out" and supporters chanting, "Five more years," Major shouted, "This country is not going to change allegiance!"

But no party has ever come from so behind at the start of an election campaign to win.

Churchill, the Conservative who led Britain through World War II, was 13 points behind at the start of the campaign when Labor won in 1945 and introduced Britain's welfare state.

The six-week campaign, long by British standards, is likely to include the first broadcast debates between leaders of the major parties.

Projecting from recent opinion polls, Labor could have an overall majority of more than 100 seats in the 659-member Commons — meaning the Conservatives would lose about one-third of the 323 seats they now hold.

Some believe it could be worse — conjuring memories of 1994 when Canada's Conservative Party imploded from a government with 155 seats to a fringe party with just two.

"We need a change," Fatima Jama, 42, waiting outside the Crampton Primary School that Blair visited. "The Conservatives have had their chance. Let Labor take its turn and we'll see the difference between them."

She reflected an attitude that, along with Labor's refurbished policies, looks like being Major's toughest obstacle.

Like the Conservatives, Blair advocates tight control on spending and inflation, and tough policies against crime. He says he'll keep the Tories' curbs on union power, and has pledged not to raise income tax.

But Labor also promises significant changes, including abolishing the vote of hereditary aristocrats in the House of Lords, and creating regional parliaments for Scotland and Wales.



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British Prime Minister John Major shakes hands with supporters during an election campaign walkabout in central Luton Monday.

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some of this will turn on the newly elected members, some of them didn't take real clear positions during the election, said Douglas Johnson, legislative director of National Right to Life Committee.
another factor: The Republican-controlled Congress has had trouble riding Clinton. He has vetoed bills since the GOP takeover in early 1995, but Congress has vetoed just once in seven over-
attempts.
Republicans had planned to push bill again. But a new sense of urgency arose last month when Clinton-rights advocate Ron Simmons said he had lied about timing and the reasons women ergo the procedure, described as "partial-birth" abortion by those who want to stop it.
Simmons, who runs the National Coalition of Abortion Providers in Alexandria, Va., now says the procedure is done mostly in the fifth and sixth months of pregnancy and only occasionally to save a woman's life or health. He said earlier the procedure was rarely used — and then only to save another's life.
The House bill by Rep. Charles Stenyhura, R-Fla., would ban the procedure, and threaten doctors with fines and prison terms of up to two years for performing it.

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Lake withdraws nomination

By Ron Fournier
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — In a stunning turnaround, Anthony Lake asked President Clinton on Monday to withdraw his nomination for CIA director, saying the confirmation process has "gone haywire."

Anthony Lake, who asked President Clinton to withdraw his nomination for CIA director Monday

Lake and Clinton reached the decision together in a private meeting Monday afternoon in the White House living quarters, a senior White House official said.

1994 policy that allowed Iranian arms to flow to Bosnia and his failure to sell \$280,000 worth of energy stock after being told to do so to avoid possible conflicts of interest.

"I have believed all my life in public service. I still do," Lake, the former White House national security adviser, said in a letter to Clinton. "But Washington has gone haywire. I hope that sooner, rather than later, people of all political views beyond our city limits will demand that Washington give priority to policy over partisanship, to governing over 'gotcha.'"

Lake said he was never told by subordinates about FBI suspicions that China was looking to influence U.S. congressional elections. Questions also were raised about the NSA's role in White House policy that allowed several big-money Democratic donors access to the White House during the 1996 elections.

He called the nomination process "a political circus," a sentiment echoed by angry White House aides who waged an eleventh-hour campaign to persuade Lake to fight what they called a bruising, partisan confirmation process.

While the senior official insisted the file contained interviews that were uniformly favorable toward Lake, the nominee said he was concerned about setting a precedent that would open sensitive files to wide review.

In his letter of withdrawal, Lake said: "I had doubts about the precedent we have already set in allowing (Shelby) and the committee's vice chairperson, (Sen. Bob Kerrey, D-Neb.), such access."

Clinton tried to talk Lake out of the withdrawal, White House spokesperson Mike McCurry said. He also quoted the president as saying Lake's treatment at the hands of the Senate Intelligence Committee was "inexcusable" and said Clinton was "angry and close to being despondent."

Lake and Clinton discussed a possible successor choice to head the \$30 billion U.S. intelligence bureaucracy, but senior officials would not discuss the list of potential candidates. One aide said officials "are too sick over this" to consider replacement right away.

The withdrawal was a surprise because Lake had weathered several GOP attacks to emerge relatively unscathed from last week's confirmation hearings. The questioning was less harsh than expected, and Republicans on the intelligence committee said privately he probably would be confirmed.

One name likely to be under consideration is action CIA director George Tenet, a CIA veteran and an official who appears to have cordial relations with lawmakers of both parties on Capitol Hill.

Lake's nomination triggered a steady stream of questions. They included his support for a secret

Aides also said Lake's doctors were worried about his high blood pressure. Another factor was massive legal expenses incurred to answer questions about the stock transaction.

COMET

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they should have an unobstructed view of the northwestern sky on a clear night, around 7, UI assistant professor of physics and astronomy Lawrence Molnar said.

The comet looks like a bright, fuzzy star with two tails and is white or yellow-white. As it gets closer to the sun, radiation causes jets of gas to come from the coma (the core) of the comet. This may cause multiple, complex tail structures to appear, Molnar said.

The comet was discovered on the same July 1996 night by astronomer Alan Hale and Thomas Bopp, a stargazer. Both men were looking at a famous star cluster when they noticed a spot in the sky not normally there, UI professor of physics and astronomy Robert Mutel said.

Comets in general are thought to have formed at about the same time as the Earth, Molnar said. Hale-Bopp probably has an orbital of about 3,400 years.

It is unusual for a comet to be found so early — most are discovered just two or three weeks before their approach to Earth, Spangler

"I think I'll try to check the comet out. Something like this doesn't happen very often," UI senior Karen Dieltz said. "I took Modern Astronomy with Molnar, so this interests me."

COUNCIL

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Iowa Avenue median and designating parts of the Pedestrian Mall as no-smoking areas.

"You'll never have the same shopping experience in a mall as you do in the downtown area," Norton said. "We need to play on the strengths of Coralville and bring that traffic to our region."

The committee also suggested the city look into replacing the existing fountain and play equipment in the Pedestrian Mall with safer versions.

The Council also reviewed plans for a butterfly garden to be opened in the Pedestrian Mall this summer. The garden would highlight a variety of butterflies and plant foliage and would be set to open in the spring if plans are approved by the Council.

Councilor Karen Kubby said the play equipment and fountains would be replaced with different structures if they were removed — not simply eliminated.

"I think the garden is a great idea. It's what makes downtown interesting," Kubby said.

"For years the community has been concerned about the narrow

DANCER

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"I will always be a part of some theater project," Baryshnikov said. "It is my forte, you could say. The current material we are dancing, I am dancing full out, 100 percent."

"The work ('Journey of the Poet') explores the poetry in movement and the dynamics of movement in relationship to the music," Baryshnikov said.

"I don't see the end of the road yet. It depends on what kind of work you are doing. If you are dancing 100 percent and having fun, why not?"

"Sept" is a revival of Merce Cunningham's 1953 choreographic work, accompanied by the piano music of Erik Satie, an uncommon choice in music for a Cunningham work.

UI dance Professor Francoise Martinet said fans of Baryshnikov should not expect to see the magnitude of tricks, turns and leaps for which he is known at the upcoming performances.

"This work was created before Cunningham's exploration with chance in his choreograph" Baryshnikov said. He typically uses sound pieces created separately from the choreography, then performed for the first time together in the performance.

"It would be totally unrealistic to expect to see the bravura technique and those things he was known for," Martinet said. "You can't expect a male to be doing it at 49. In some ways, a male dancer's career is shorter than a woman's."

"Remote" is an example of a modern work that has social relevance and impact, Baryshnikov said.

However, Martinet said the audience should expect to see the true artist in Baryshnikov.

"Her (Stuart's) choreography is about today's people and the connection of the individual's relationship to time, as well as the people around them," he said. "The piece carries a social message and social observation."

The White Oak Dance Project, made up of 10 dancers, is a collabora-

TUESDAY PRIME TIME

Table listing TV programs for Tuesday Prime Time from 6:00 to 11:30 PM, categorized by Home Antenna and Cable Channels.

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BY GARRY TRUDEAU

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Crossword

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1 Pickle container
4 Motionless
9 Fashion
14 Matriarch of all matriarchs
15 Actor Romero
16 Boiling
17 Weighed in
20 Light lunches
21 To any extent
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23 Moo juice container
25 Grp. overseeing toxic cleanups
28 Perfect rating
29 Most prudent
31 Become raveled
32 Painful spots
33 Carroll adventures
34 Caused disharmony
38 Napping spots
39 Magazine exhortation
40 Break in relations
41 Out of business
43 Compaq products
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47 Engulf in amusement
48 Cream ingredient
49 Tear to shreds
51 Part of MOMA
53 Blabbed
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58 Take to the stump
60 Anxiety
61 Wanderer
62 Japanese honorific

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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The Sports

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TV Today

College Basketball

NIT Second Round, 6:30 and 8 p.m., ESPN.

NBA

Seattle Sonics at Chicago Bulls, TNT.

Boxing

Chris Byrd vs. Bert Cooper, 8 p.m., USA.

TELEVISION

CBS scores with NCAA

NEW YORK (AP) — CBS' share of the first two rounds of NCAA tournament drew an average Nielsen rating of 5.6 in 36 markets, representing a three-

BASEBALL

Mesa returns to Cleveland hearing

DUNEDIN, Fla. (AP) — Joe Mesa has returned to Cleveland so attend Tuesday's preliminary hearing regarding rape and other charges.

No deal likely; Irabu set return to Japan

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Hideki Irabu was ready to say "sayonara" to big-league baseball for this season.

Scoreboard

Table showing scores for Boston, Milwaukee, Utah, Charlotte, Atlanta, Orlando, Cleveland, Detroit, Washington, San Antonio, L.A. Lakers, Denver.

NBA

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NHL

Table showing scores for Buffalo, Boston, Ottawa, N.Y. Rangers, Florida, New Jersey, Phoenix, St. Louis.

10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
Late Show	Letterman	Cheers	Late Night
Tonight Show	Late Night	M*A*S*H	Fun Video
Roseanne	Cosby	Coach	Nightline
Friends	Appear.	Appear.	Appear.

The Daily Iowan Sports

Sports Quiz

Name the quarterback and the receiver who combined for the first Super Bowl touchdown. Answer, Page 2B.



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 Jackson (right with ball) and Florida defeat USC, **Page 3B**
 Firm to investigate Michigan basketball program, **Page 4B**

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TV Today

Time	Program	Channel
7:00	Sanford	Rap City
7:30	Stooges	3 Stooges Carson
8:00	Legacy	Dukes of Hazard
9:00	TV 92	(John Ritter)
9:30	Walk Fame	Laura (4)
10:00	Colman	Alternative
10:30	Wings	Silk Stalkings
11:00	Miami Vice	Miami Vice (Part 1 of 2)
11:30	Newhart	Bob Jeanie
12:00	Mandy Patinkin	(Mandy Patinkin)
12:30	March	SportsCenter
1:00	Henry Ford	Biography: Henry Ford
1:30	Big Ten Clumps	College Wrestling: Big Ten Clumps
2:00	Unsolved Mysteries	Mysteries
2:30	La Tocada	Noticiero
3:00	Movie	Real Sports Gumbel
3:30	Shirley Jones	(Gordon MacRae, Shirley Jones)
4:00	Robert De Niro	(Robert De Niro)

Huskies hammer Hawks

No. 1 seed too tough for Iowa women

By Wayne Drehs
The Daily Iowan



Iowa's Tangela Smith comes down with a rebound in front of UConn's Kara Wolters in the first half Monday night.

NCAA women's scores

Midwest Regional
Tennessee 76
Oregon 59
Connecticut 72
Iowa 53
East Regional
C. Washington 81
Tulane 67
Notre Dame 86
Texas 83
West Regional
Vanderbilt 51
Kansas 44
Stanford (31-3) vs. Texas Tech (20-8), (late)
Midwest Regional
Florida 92
USC 78
LSU 71
Marquette 58



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Women's tournament box scores, page 2B.
 Men's NIT glance, page 2B.
 Complete women's tournament roundup, page 3B.
 Men's tournament previews, page 3B.

College Basketball

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Boxing
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Sports Briefs

TELEVISION

CBS scores with NCAA ratings

NEW YORK (AP) — CBS Sports' coverage of the first two rounds of the NCAA tournament drew an average Nielsen rating of 5.6 in 36 metered markets, representing a three-year high.

The preliminary rating compares with a 5.3 last year and 5.1 the year before through the first two rounds.

According to CBS, all four of Saturday's second-round games were the highest rated in three years, and Sunday's third regionalized game of the day drew a 9.2, the highest rated final second-round game since 1993.

Each ratings point represents 972,000 homes.

BASEBALL

Mesa returns to Cleveland for hearing

DUNEDIN, Fla. (AP) — Jose Mesa has returned to Cleveland so he can attend Tuesday's preliminary hearing regarding rape and other charges.

Manager Mike Hargrove said Mesa left the team Sunday night and will return Tuesday after the hearing. The Indians don't know whether Mesa will be available for the start of the season April 2 at Oakland.

Mesa, who has one save and a 1.04 ERA this spring, is scheduled for trial March 31. Mesa's lawyers have asked a judge to throw out the pitcher's arrest, alleging that police used a ruse to take Mesa into custody and did not advise him of his rights.

Mesa, 30, has pleaded innocent to one count of rape, two counts of gross sexual imposition, one count of felonious assault and one count of carrying a concealed weapon. He is free on \$10,000 bond.

No legal likely; Irbu set to return to Japan

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Hideki Irbu is ready to say "sayonara" to big-league baseball for this season.

The San Diego Padres aren't likely to deal Irbu's rights to the New York Yankees — or anyone else — before the Tuesday deadline imposed by his agent, and the ballyhooed right-hander is prepared to return to Japan and sit out the season.

"We're leaving Wednesday," agent Don Nomura said Monday from his Los Angeles office. Nomura said he and Irbu, whose fastball has been clocked at close to 100 mph, are booked on a noon All Nippon Airways flight to Tokyo. A press conference is planned once they arrive.

"The Men behind the mic" Part 1 of 3

The Iowa women's gymnastics team was cut dominated the play in the paint, doubling the all-American Wolters, she dumped it off to open teammates for easy baskets. Connecticut had at No. 1 UConn, but to their avail. The Huskies had little trouble breaking Iowa's press, and when Iowa

WHO's Zabel always a Hawkeye

By Andy Hamilton
The Daily Iowan

Jim Zabel has had chances to move on to bigger cities and other opportunities, but one thing has kept him where he is — loyalty.

In his 49 years of doing Iowa play-by-play broadcasts for WHO Radio in Des Moines, Zabel has been not only a radio voice, but an ambassador and fan of the state and the UI.

"He's probably one of the most valuable assets the state of Iowa has ever had," Iowa football coach Hayden Fry said. "He's brought us positive recognition and publicity through the athletic teams. He has always been a great friend to all of the athletes and coaches."

But next fall, Zabel's role will change. The UI decided to stop allowing several radio stations, including Zabel's Palmer Radio Network, to broadcast Iowa games and sold the exclusive rights to Iowa football and men's basketball games to Learfield Communications. The UI also named Gary Dolphin as the UI's sole play-by-play broadcaster beginning next fall.

"I think there was a distinct lack of loyalty involved in this thing," Zabel said. "I think something could have



they could've had a situation doing the whole broadcast using us three," Zabel said. "I think there probably could've been a happy medium struck, employing and using all three of us."

Zabel's association with the UI goes back to the 1930s when he was the editor of *The Daily Iowan*. Like many other Hawkeye fans, Zabel has seen many triumphs and tragedies.

"The most memorable (moment as a broadcaster) was when we were going to use us, but I think

WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS Iowa content with loss to Cyclones

By Chuck Blount
The Daily Iowan

The Iowa women's gymnastics team wanted nothing more than to close out the regular season with some momentum and bring that into the Big Ten Championships. Against Iowa State Monday night, the Hawkeyes did just that.

No. 14 Iowa State defeated the Hawkeyes, 194.350-192.525, but Iowa managed to notch its third-highest team total of the year.

"This is a pretty solid performance," sophomore Lori Whitmer said. "I've seen us do better, but I think we're right where we want to be."

Led with a 49.100 team vault score, Iowa State defeated Iowa in every meet event. Cyclones vaulters took all of the top five-placings, but Iowa's 48.100 vault total was one of its highest scores of the season.

Iowa freshman Robyn Gamble was the only event winner for the Hawkeyes, winning the individual uneven bars championship with her

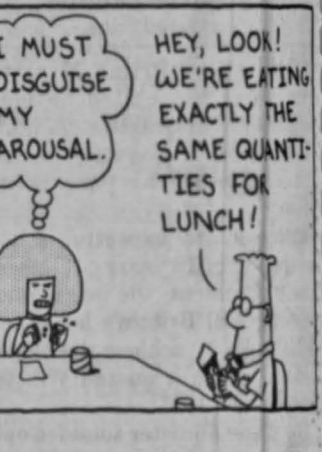
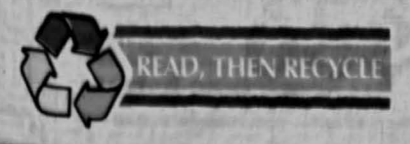
Scoreboard

NBA

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Milwaukee	117	Detroit	82
Utah	114	Washington	109
Charlotte	93	San Antonio	85
Atlanta	112	L.A. Lakers	113
Orlando	107	Denver	94

NHL

Buffalo	5	Florida	4
Boston	1	New Jersey	1
Ottawa	4	Phoenix	3
N.Y. Rangers	3	St. Louis	2



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Green Bay's Bart Starr and Max McGee.

NBA STANDINGS

Table with columns: Eastern Conference, Atlantic Division, Eastern Conference, Midwest Division, Western Conference, Pacific Division, Central Division, South Division. Columns include W, L, Pct, GB.

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Bulletts 109, Spurs 85 WASHINGTON (108) Houston 51-37, Dallas 52-30...

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NHL STANDINGS

Table with columns: Eastern Conference, Western Conference, Eastern Conference, Western Conference. Columns include W, L, Pts, GF, GA.

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COLLEGE BOXES

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TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL American League DETROIT TIGERS—Optioned Of Kenera Barba...

BASEBALL National League NEW YORK METS—Assigned RHP Jason Isringhausen...

BASEBALL FOOTBALL NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE ARIZONA CARDINALS—Released QB Brock Elvis...

BASEBALL FOOTBALL NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE ATLANTA FALCONS—Signed DE Todd Kelly...

BASEBALL FOOTBALL NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE KANSAS CITY CHIEFS—Signed QB Elvis Grbac...

BASEBALL FOOTBALL NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE PHILADELPHIA EAGLES—Named Joe Wessal special...

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No joke: Friars, Mocs on their way By Paul Newberry Associated Press

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Perhaps the most unlikely subregionals in history of the tournament...

Second-seeded Duke, with a Final Four history, was sent home on Sunday by No. 10 Providence...

The Mocs (24-10) then became only the second No. 14 seed in the tournament...

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outscoring Iowa 42-24 under the basket, while out-rebounding the Hawkeyes 36-29.

WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS

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9.850. Gamble has been solid on the bars lately, registering scores over 9.8 in each of her last three meets.

After starting the season out strong on the balance beam, the event has recently lost its luster for Iowa with uncharacteristic falls and low scores of late.

ZABEL In a tragic way, was the death of Nile Kinnick, Zabel said. "He was the hero of all time for Iowa football."

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The majority of Wolters passes went to freshman center Paige Sauer, who dedicated the game to her roommate and Big East freshman of the year Shea Ralph.

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lowa's Courtney Burke competes on the balance beam Monday night at the UI Fieldhouse.

NCAA Basketball

No joke: Friars, Mocs on their way

By Paul Newberry
Associated Press

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Providence? Must be a mistake. Chattanooga? C'mon, get serious. Those are the two teams that advanced from the Charlotte bracket of the NCAA Southeast Regional?

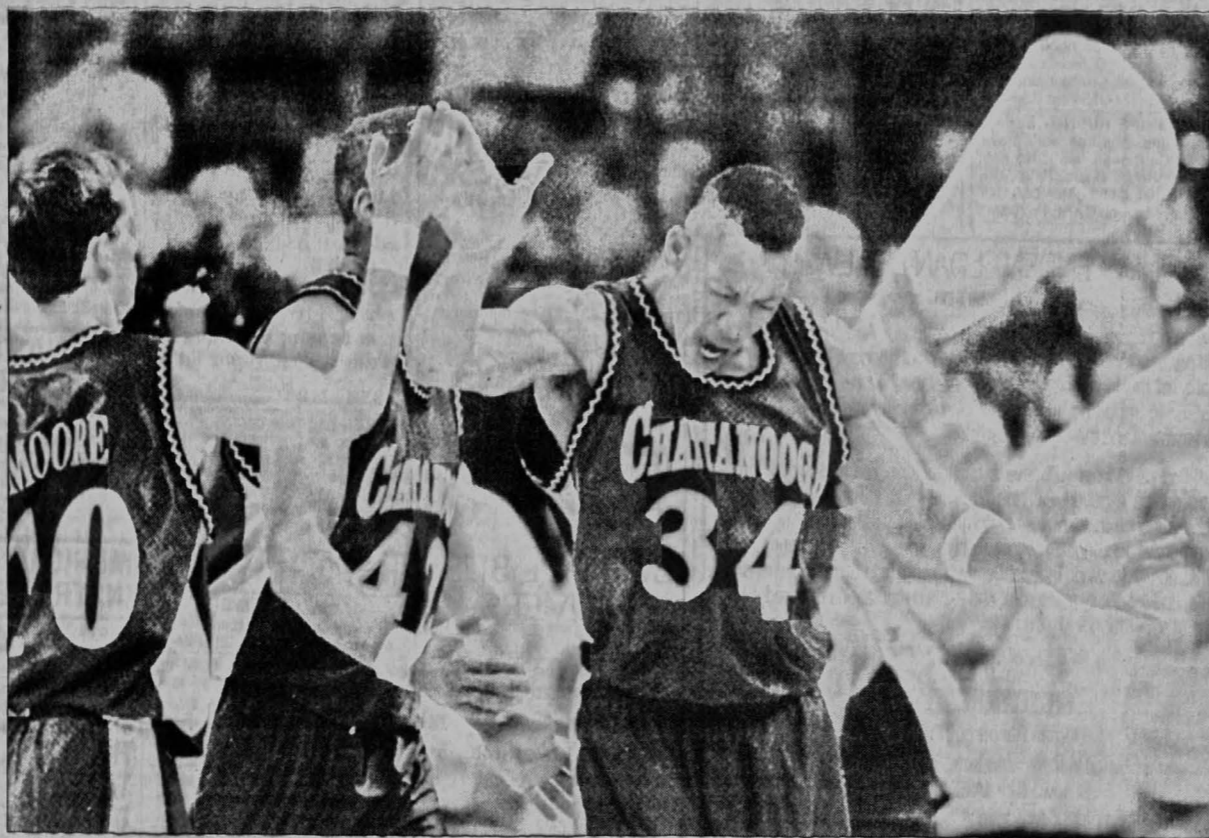
Indeed they are, after one of the most unlikely subregionals in the history of the tournament. On Sunday, either Providence or Chattanooga will be playing for a spot in the Final Four.

"Because we didn't play a lot of high-profile teams, nobody knew how good we really were," Chattanooga coach Mack McCarthy said. "We've beaten two really solid basketball teams. We are better than people anticipated when they see the 14 seed beside your name."

Second-seeded Duke, with all its Final Four history, was sent home on Sunday by No. 10 Providence, which rolled to a 98-87 victory as Derrick Brown scored a career-high 33 points.

Third-seeded Georgia didn't even last that long in Charlotte, going out in the first round at the hands of Chattanooga.

The Mocs (24-10) then became only the second No. 14 seed in tournament history to reach the round of 16 with a 75-63 victory Sunday over sixth-seeded Illinois. It



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Tennessee Chattanooga players Chris Mims (34) and Wes Moore (10) celebrate their victory over Illinois Sunday in Charlotte, N.C. Chattanooga defeated Illinois 75-63 in the NCAA Southeast Regional tournament.

marked the first time that both the 10th- and 14th-seeded teams advanced to a regional semifinal.

Now, it's on to Birmingham, Ala., where the two longshot teams will meet Friday night for the chance to play Sunday against the winner of the other semifinal game between top-seeded Kansas and No. 4 Arizona.

"We're going to bring a ton of fans," said McCarthy, knowing his team will be the closest thing to a hometown favorite in Alabama.

Providence (23-11) has been a hot-and-cold team. When they're bad, they can be very bad, as shown in an early-season loss to Middle Tennessee.

But when the Friars are good, they can compete with just about

anyone. Austin Croshere is a big forward who can shoot from the outside, Brown is a grinder under the backboards, point guard God Shammgod opens gaping holes in the defense with his penetration, and Jamel Thomas is a shooting guard who's best attribute might be his passing.

In a first-round rout of Marquette, Providence shot 76 percent in the opening half against a team that had the best shooting defense in the country. Against Duke, the Friars shot 56 percent and dominated the boards against the short-er Blue Devils, 43-24.

"We caught a team that was at its best," Duke guard Steve Wojciechowski said. "They were hitting

the big shots. It had nothing to do with our defense."

Providence coach Pete Gillen told his players this was going to be their moment in the spotlight, not Duke's. He convinced them to believe they could beat a program which has won two national championships and been to seven Final Fours since 1986.

"I remember when I was in high school and living in California, I had never heard of Providence College basketball," said Croshere, who is averaging 30 points per game in the tournament. "I was always watching Duke in the Final Four. Now, in my senior year, to beat a team like Duke in the NCAA tournament is just a huge accomplishment."

Team effort leads Gophers into round three

By Doug Tucker
Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Clem Haskins must have brought a groan from every English professor his school employs.

"There is no 'I' in Minnesota," the coach said.

Huh? Forget spelling. Haskins, whose Gophers made short work of Southwestern Texas and Temple in the first two rounds of the Midwest Regional, was talking attitude.

The top-seeded Gophers are in the round of 16, coming off a 76-57 victory Sunday over ninth-seeded Temple. That was Haskins' 300th win, and the coach can't thank the Minnesota fans enough.

"The Minnesota fans are unbelievable," he said. "They have played a big part in my winning 20-plus games this year. They support us here and on the road. The parents also support us. They understand that I play nine guys, and

"There is no 'I' in Minnesota."

Gopher coach Clem Haskins

they support that. ... We play as a team, and our fans like that."

They certainly loved the way the Gophers shredded Temple's heralded matchup zone, which had held most opponents below their scoring average all season.

Sam Jacobson hit four of the Gophers' 10 zone-busting 3-pointers while Minnesota center John Thomas held Temple center Marc Jackson to six points, 10 below his average.

"I tried to play the best defense I could and tried to help my team-

mates out, and my teammates gave me a lot of support," Thomas said. "It wasn't just me. It was a team effort."

In the Midwest semifinals in San Antonio on Thursday, the Gophers will meet Clemson (23-9), a team they beat 75-65 in a tournament in Puerto Rico on Dec. 1.

"It was a tough game, a physical game," Minnesota guard Bobby Jackson said. "We know they have matured as a team, but so have we."

Clemson reached the round of 16 earlier Sunday by beating Tulsa 65-59 with one of the best defensive efforts so far in the NCAA tournament. Shea Seals, who averaged more than 20 points this year and on Friday became Tulsa's career scoring champion, managed just five points.

"They put a lot of pressure on me when I had the ball," Seals said. "They played hard defensively and did a great job."

Seals also was hampered by early foul problems, but he declined to criticize the officials.

"A foul is a foul," he said. "It did take me out of the game. I'm the captain and the senior and I should have stayed in the game but I let it affect me."

If Seals had been able to make just a couple more shots, the Gophers would be getting ready to play Tulsa. Clemson shot just 32 percent and hit only 1-of-11 3-pointers. But the Golden Hurricane were only 4-for-22 from the line.

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Arts & Entertainment

Bijou finds success with film screenings

By Chris Gardner
The Daily Iowan

With the help of a nerdy seventh-grader, some sweet-talking Las Vegas swingers and a reunited mother and daughter, the Bijou is enjoying a steady increase in revenue and attendance this semester by showing fewer films and more screenings.

So far this semester, the Bijou has sold 5,000 tickets on 23 films — 600 more than this time last year on six less films.

Michael Rivera-Dirks, co-director of the Bijou, said the Bijou board's decision this semester to show less films with more screenings per film has paid off.

"I would say it's doing really well," he said. "I think more people are coming and a lot of people are enjoying it and that's what is important."

The Bijou's top five films this semester have received critical

Top Bijou Films	
Top films of the semester	Number of tickets sold
"Secrets & Lies"	767
"Troublesome Creek"	667
"Swingers"	589
"Welcome to the Dollhouse"	547
"Bound"	520

Bijou Ticket Sales		
SPRING	1996	1997
Tickets Sold	4,400	5,000
Number of films shown	29	23
Average number of screening per film	3.5	4.75
Average number of tickets sold per film	152	236
Total films this semester	67	45

acclaim, Rivera-Dirks said, which is also a reason for the increase, but one that wasn't anticipated.

The films showing this semester were chosen in the middle of last semester, and Rivera-Dirks said the Bijou board — which consists of 12 UI students — didn't expect some of them to be so huge.

"These are all films that are accessible to a lot of people," he said. "We

are trying to pick films that are appealing to a general public, but we are also picking films we think are important regardless of whether they will make money or not."

UI sophomore Keri McGuire said she has seen three movies at the Bijou this semester, and she has noticed the rise in the popularity of independent films. McGuire saw "Swingers," "Hype" and "Bound" earlier this year.

"There's been a definite rise in the mainstream popularity of independent films," she said. "There are a limited amount of theaters in this area that show good movies, which is why everyone is flocking to the Bijou."

Kim Davis, manager of Campus Theatres, Old Capitol Mall, said he has worked in places where you can't see the types of films the Bijou shows.

"That's one of the great things about Iowa City," Davis said. "The Bijou is fortunate enough to get those films and that there is an audience there to see them."

The competition between the two theaters is not too steep, Davis said, which is due to differing audience appeal, he said.

"We are in some competition," he said. "But they appear to be after a more specific audience, with more art movies and more off-the-wall stuff."

News Brief

Time: Street gang probed in Shakur, B.I.G. killings

NEW YORK (AP) — A violent street gang with roots in Los Angeles is under investigation in the deaths of rappers Tupac Shakur and The Notorious B.I.G., *Time* magazine reported.

Police in Las Vegas believe a member of the Crips was responsible for the Sept. 7 drive-by shooting of Shakur, 25, near the Las Vegas Strip, *Time* said in its March 24 edition, due out this week.

Crips hired as bodyguards are being investigated in the March 9 drive-by killing in Los Angeles of The Notorious B.I.G., *Time* said, citing unidentified sources.

CD Releases

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 - Muse — *Arcana*
 - Jill Sobule — *Happy Town*
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Will new media age make current television obsolete?

By Frazier Moore
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Watch out. They want to take your TV away.

Oh, it won't happen tomorrow, or even the day after that.

But there is growing talk, and evidence to back it up, that TV as we know it is going the way of the gramophone. (Maybe that's what the millennium is really all about.)

Between the onset of high-definition TV, which they say will give you a crystal-clear version of all the programs you thought you were happy seeing fuzzy, and the growing intrusion of the computer, a high-tech headache you used to be able to escape by watching TV, the concept of television is changing before your very eyes.

Although not, perhaps, in your very living room.

Take HDTV. You can't buy one of those souped-up sets yet, and, if you could, you couldn't, because you wouldn't be able to afford it. But HDTV is coming in the next few years, with its higher resolution and eventually lowered price tag.

Just can't wait? Neither could NBC's "Meet the Press," which began airing in HDTV last month. No reason is good enough to explain why such wonderful technology is squandered on televising Washington pols. But for now it's just for practice anyway, since no viewers can receive the new, improved product (no more than you could see color on a black-and-white set).

But even while you wait for that whole new viewing experience HDTV promises, you can watch the tendrils of TV's and computers ever more surely intertwine. And with a gadget like WebTV you can witness it all without leaving the couch.

Thanks to WebTV, you not only can watch TV, you can go on-line with your TV set.

From broadcasting, you can watch "Xena: Warrior Princess," where the adventures of a strapping female hero in an unforgiving world unfold.

From on-line, starting this summer, you can see "WhirlGirl," where unfold the adventures of a strapping female hero in an unforgiving world.

Both series want to be TV, yet seem to claim a more direct lineage



This is a close-up of Kia Cross, a.k.a. "WhirlGirl," the 21st century, twentysomething super heroine of a new TV-style cartoon show for the Internet. Visionary Media, a tiny, Manhattan-based "new media" company, will gain instant, international visibility for "WhirlGirl" when it officially premieres in July.

from comic books. Or Greek mythology. In short, very cutting-edge.

MSNBC pronounced itself cutting-edge when it signed on last summer with corresponding cable-TV and on-line identities (<http://www.msnbc.com>).

Now, more and more news outlets are getting in the act.

Fox News Channel is simulcasting its TV programming at its World Wide Web site (<http://www.foxnews.com>), and CNN just announced plans to provide full video coverage of programs from its business-news cable channel (<http://www.cnnfn.com>).

But cyber-content goes much further than news and information.

NBC has spun off its cop drama "Homicide" into an on-line counterpart called "Second Shift" (<http://www.nbc.com>).

Computer impresarios, too, are looking to come up with TV-like fare.

Last week, America Online announced it had signed Brandon Tartikoff to develop talk shows, dramas and comedies. The goal, he says, is an Internet-based entertainment network.

Tartikoff was the programming whiz at NBC in the age of "Hill Street Blues," "The Cosby Show" and "Miami Vice." More recently an

"WhirlGirl" is the saga of Kia Cross, described as "a 21st-century 20-something" who becomes a superhero to help a rebel movement liberate the virtual universe from a tyrannical media-tech empire.

Weekly installments will consist of a dozen linked Web pages (<http://www.whirlgirl.com/>).

But "WhirlGirl" won't be a prisoner of her Web site. At least, Visionary Media hopes not. The idea is to introduce her there, then turn her loose to conquer other media with bigger audiences and bigger paydays.

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Plan focusing on U service duties unar

By Laura Heinauer
The Daily Iowan

The issue of faculty work surfaced again Tuesday after members of the UI Faculty unanimously approved Post-tenure Effort Allocation (PEAP).

The policy focuses on the amount of time UI professors should concentrate their efforts on teaching and research.

What would you grab

Entrants compete for a 60-second bookstore shopping spree

By Jeff Clayton
The Daily Iowan

Entrants in the University Store's 60-second shopping spree Tuesday afternoon planned and scheming to make sure they got the prizes of their dream. Their names will be drawn at 2:30 p.m. today, the name will be chosen from a list of student, faculty and staff entries. But the journey will not end — the minute-long race to get much merchandise as the work can carry is the most stressful part, expectant customers said.

"I'm going to make a plan of what I'm going to do a first run before the actual event," UI sophomore O'Neal said.

O'Neal said he plans to shop for clothing if he wins.

"It's the stuff I can't afford to buy," O'Neal said.

Rex Spicer, a substance-abuse researcher for the UI, had his eye on apparel and a fountain pen.

"I'm a little frustrated that only a minute. I'll have to run fast," he said.

The bookstore is sponsoring a contest, called "Leap into S

Lack of p

By Will Valet
The Daily Iowan

Disappearing driving lanes on Iowa City streets are causing confusion among drivers, but officials say they will wait for weather to stabilize before re-opening the situation.

Iowa City City Manager Atkins said weather-worn streets which are repainted once or twice a year, have been a common complaint among drivers. The peeling lane paint can be a safety hazard, said the Iowa Department of Transportation, which is currently working on changing Environmental Protection Agency regulations concerning the contents of road paint.

"The EPA, in their wisdom, has changed regulations, and that of paint we use now isn't as good as it used to be," he said. "It doesn't have the same kind of staying power, especially after the salt from winter driving has been put on it."

UI students who drive in Iowa City have been perplexed by the change lanes and experience misses as a result of worn paint. UI sophomore Stephen Reynolds was riding in a car last night that nearly collided with another confused driver near the corner of Gilbert and Prentiss streets because there are no road lines.

"Some guy driving next to me thought there was a turning lane," he said. "We didn't wreck, but I had to swerve into another lane. There had been another car in the lane, we would have been in a wreck."

UI junior Wes Fowler said