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sports quiz
Name the player known as "The Preacher" on Iowa's 1982 Rose Bowl team.
Answer Page 9

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sports

Verba signs with Packers

Former UI football player Ross Verba, the Green Bay Packers' No. 1 draft pick, ended his 22-day holdout on Thursday and signed with the 1997 Super Bowl Champions. See story, Page 12.

arts



Spawn should stay in print

Stacy Harrison reviews "Spawn": An incredibly hammy Martin Sheen (above) stars in "Spawn" in which Michael Jai White must adjust to his new identity as Spawn, save his soul, and — oh yes — save the world. The failure of "Spawn" is further testament to the troubled marriage between the talents of special effects and filmmaking. See review, Page 4.

viewpoints

Jade Robertson on Martha Stewart madness

Robertson explores the curious competition that exists between many women to "out-Martha" each other.

Editorial on the impact of race on drug sentences

Editorial writer Kriston Beardsley looks at the recent decision by Janet Reno to raise and lower penalties on certain drugs, based on their conviction rates within races. See Viewpoints, Page 4.

sound bites

Mir spacewalk

"They're going to have to accelerate his spacewalk training over the next month to prepare him a little better for it." — NASA spokesman John Lawrence on the decision to have astronaut David Wolf replace Wendy Lawrence as the next American to live on Russia's Mir space station.

Parties come together

"It really represents the dawning of a new era. It's an era where we recognize the limits of government." — Rep. John Kasich, R-Ohio, House Budget Committee chairman, as the House on Wednesday ended years of partisan deadlock by overwhelmingly approving a bill aimed at balancing the budget by 2002.

summer interim

See ya in the fall
This is the last day of summer publication for the DI. We will resume publishing on Monday, Aug. 25. The business office will remain open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday.

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Federal budget bill passes

President Clinton is prepared to sign the balanced-budget bill that cleared a bipartisan Congress Thursday.

By Alan Fram
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Congress voted overwhelmingly Thursday to send President Clinton's bill designed to balance the budget for the first time since 1969 and bestow the deepest tax cuts in 16 years on millions of families, college students and investors.

Capping a whirlwind of bipartisanship, the Senate used a lopsided 92-8 roll call to give final congressional approval to the tax reduction, worth \$152 billion over the next five years. Barely two hours earlier, the House had approved the measure by 389-43.

Earlier, the Senate voted 85-15 for legislation aimed at balancing the budget by 2002. That bill plucks most of its \$130 billion in savings from Medicare and thoroughly reshapes the huge health-insurance program for the elderly. The House had approved the measure Wednesday, 346-85.

“Everybody can declare victory because the American people, the American family will benefit from this legislation.”

Trent Lott
Senate Majority Leader

Clinton, whose aides bargained with congressional leaders for months to mold the measures, is ready to sign both bills next week.

“Everybody can declare victory because the American people, the American family will benefit from this legislation,” said Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss.

Earlier, Clinton hailed passage of the balanced-budget bill as “the achievement of a generation and a triumph for every American.”

The day's momentous votes allowed lawmakers to leave the Capitol for their summer recess, not to return until after Labor Day.

Little mentioned were the \$56 billion in tax increases lawmakers included to help pay for the much-touted tax cuts. The main ingredients: an airline ticket tax and a gradual 15-cent increase in the 24-cent-per-pack cigarette tax.

Thursday's bipartisan votes belied decades of budget stalemate that have dominated Washington for the political lives of nearly every member of Congress and the administration.

The spending measure was supported 43-12 by Senate Republicans and 42-3 by Democrats. All 55 Senate Republicans and all but eight Democrats voted for the tax legislation: Sens. Dale Bumpers of Arkansas, Robert Byrd of West Virginia, Russell Feingold of Wisconsin, John Glenn of Ohio,

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Balanced Budget

Tax cuts

- \$91 billion, net of tax increases.
- A \$400-per-child credit beginning next year, rising to \$500 in 1999, for children 16 and under.
- For the first two years of college, the maximum credit would be \$1,500. For the second two years of college, the maximum credit would start at \$1,000 and phase up over time to \$2,000.

Medicare and Medicaid

- For Medicare most of the \$115 billion in savings would come from limiting payments to hospitals, doctors and other providers.
- For Medicaid about \$13 billion in savings, mostly from lower payments to hospitals.

The proposal also includes

- The current 24-cent-per-pack levy on cigarettes would increase by 10 cents in 2000 and an additional nickel in 2002.



AP

Nuclear fallout rates higher in southern Iowa

A politician is “deeply troubled” that nuclear fallout may be causing cancer in Iowa.

By Jenn Snyder
The Daily Iowan

Reports of nuclear fallout 10 times stronger than the 1986 disaster in Chernobyl that fell in Southern Iowa in the 1960s have an Iowa senator on the war path.

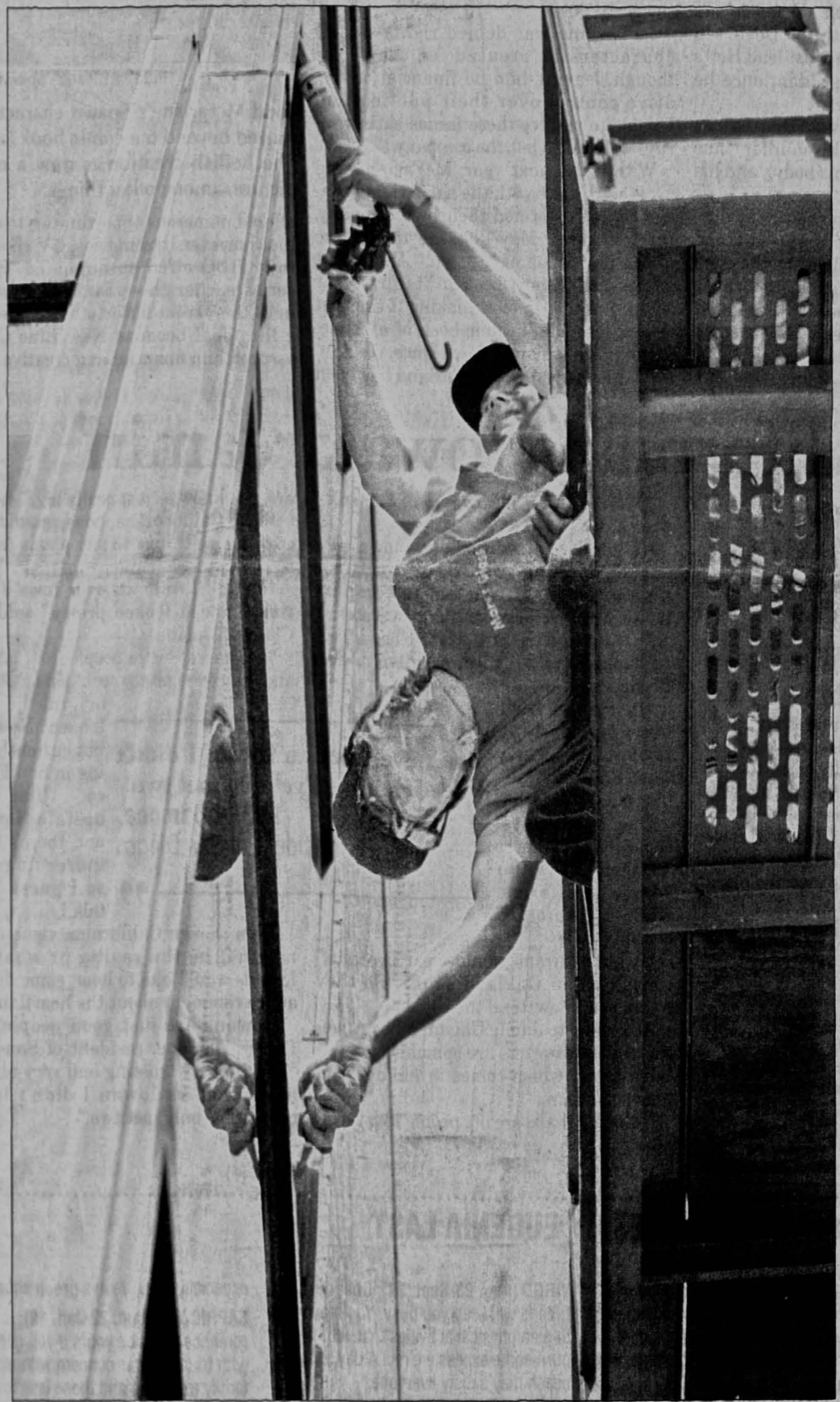
Sen. Tom Harkin said Thursday he was “deeply troubled” by new information about fallout and thyroid cancer rates in south-central Iowa set to be released by the National Cancer Institute.

“We’re talking about people’s health and people’s lives and that’s something you don’t play with,” Harkin said in a statement released Thursday. “We need to get to the bottom of this now.”

The Cancer Institute will release a summary of a study today that reveals atomic bomb tests in Nevada from 1951 to 1962 exposed millions of Americans — particularly children — to large amounts of radioactive iodine-131. Iodine-131 has been shown to cause thyroid cancer. It focused particularly on exposure

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Weather proof



Justin Turner/The Daily Iowan

Tom Decker and Vern Martin of Marv's Glass, 122 Lafayette St., work three stories up recaulking the windows of Iowa State Bank and Trust, 102 S. Clinton St. The bank had the aging caulking around the windows of its downtown office replaced because of a fear that water would leak into the building.

UIHC employees protest with petition

UIHC workers are protesting what they see as an injustice in their department.

By Will Valet
The Daily Iowan

Food and nutrition workers at the UI Hospitals and Clinics say they're doing more work than the staff can handle, and “restructuring” could strain them even more.

A petition signed by 82 people, many of them employees with the UI Employees Union, was presented to the UIHC Food and Nutrition Department Thursday afternoon.

The petition stated that positions in Patient Services are not being filled upon employees' retirement, termination or relocation, creating extra work for full-time and part-time employees in order to keep up with patient demand.

Loren Schutt, chairperson of the UI's chapter of the AFSCME Local 12 union, said the trend of not filling workers' positions has been going on for a year, despite promises from administrators of an increase of full-time, permanent employees.

“(Administrators) have not been filling vacancies, so employees have had to do more with less people.”

“Whenever people are rushed to get a job done, they will invariably make mistakes.”

UIHC administration was “surprised and puzzled” by the complaints because the workers and their representatives were kept updated on all

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UI Press fills niche

Turning out more than 30 books per year, the UI Press takes pride in the work of authors around the world.

By Kevin Ho
The Daily Iowan

It takes an average of nine months for the UI press to print a manuscript, so it's only fitting the books receive the proper pre-publication nurturing.

“It's sort of like a child to us,” director Paul Zimmer said. “It's nice and pleasant when a book comes in, because we're small enough to enjoy the completion of the book.”

From short stories and non-fiction to poetry and garden books, the UI Press, founded in 1969, publishes 30 to 35 scholarly books a year by authors from



Miranda Meyer/The Daily Iowan

all over the world, Zimmer said. The UI Press calls a restored farmhouse on West Park Road home, and the same dedicated work that went into restoring the location is what clients have become accustomed to.

“I think we've done a small — big job for many, many years,” Zimmer said. “We're taking up where the more big commercial publishers stop.”

He said the UI Press is considered a small to medium press among the 100-plus university presses across the country. The staff of eight share editing,

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HazMat keeps I.C. safe

When there's something strange floating in your neighborhood — call on the Johnson County HazMat team.

By Kevin Ho
The Daily Iowan



Drivers traveling Interstate 80 alongside trucks carrying hazardous chemicals can breathe easier knowing an Iowa City team of experts is trained to soak up most spills.

More than 30 volunteer members serve on the Johnson County HazMat team, which answers 6-8 calls per year in the area. The team is made up of more than 12-13 Iowa City firefighters, and various volunteers from the UIHC, the UI Hygienic Lab, Proctor & Gamble and various members of the community.

Battalion Chief Ron Stutzman said because Iowa City sits near one of the busiest interstate highways, the HazMat team, which first became active in 1989, is a valuable asset to the county with so many hazardous materials passing through the area.

Stutzman said semi-trucks rolling off the I-380 and I-80 interchange are the most common sources of spills. The most common chemical spills the team deals with usually are petroleum products in the form of diesel, oil and gasoline.

“Being a major national thoroughfare, you're never going to know what can come through, and as long as they are in Johnson County they're covered,” Stutzman said.

However, there is a threshold of seriousness which the HazMat team will not cross, Stutzman said. So when the situation gets out of hand, they must call on someone else.

“We won't put ourselves at risk when it's too dangerous — that's when we call

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years

and Hamdorf, both fifth-... ranked exactly the same... get passes, touchdowns and... completion percentage in spring drills, Barnett said.

“The next two weeks are probably going to create the starter, but it's a long season,” he said. “They've got to see this as a marathon, not a sprint. (Hamdorf) has got to prepare himself to be solid from the get-go. He can't just come out and sprint hard at the beginning and then not have anything left.”

Neither quarterback threw a pass last season. Hughes took a red-shirt season and Hamdorf simply didn't get into a game.

Hughes started the first eight games of the season in 1994 before losing the job to Schnur.

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baseball considering radical alignment

baseball acting commissioner Bud Selig said Wednesday news... ence that he will push... dea of realignment.

By Rick Gano
Associated Press

CHICAGO — Baseball put off until... week any action on what could be... ort's most radical realignment

for a four-hour meeting Wednes... a committee studying realig... for next season, acting comm... Bud Selig promised that the... will stay in the forefront.

will keep... ng this... gressive... id.

are are a... different... Every... is a differ... thought... but yet... feeling... realign... is very... re,” he... after the... ber... ment... itee met... plan has... if varia... another... ig of the... itee, per... y confer... all early... week, and... take any... the exec... ouncil.

realignment plan would have... roved by a vote of the full own... fore a schedule could be complet... presented to the players' union... are still on track to try to do... thing to implement for 1998... igh that window closes a little bit... day,” said committee chairman... Harrington, chief executive off... the Boston Red Sox.

le have to be done by October... utely,” Selig said.

ve discussed the benefits, the... s and minuses of various realig... plans and we've discussed a lot of... ll philosophy, some results of... e data on different plans and... tuling.”

ere's also the touchy question of

League Number One

- Central Division would include Rangers, Astros, Cubs, White Sox, Cardinals, Royals, Brewers, and Twins
- Western Division would include Dodgers, Angels, Athletics, Giants (new in '98) Diamondbacks, Rockies, Padres and Mariners

League Number Two

- East Division would include Orioles, Red Sox, Expos, Phillies, Blue Jays, Mets and Yankees
- Second division would include Marlins, (new in '98) Devil Rays, Braves, Reds, Indians, Pirates and Tigers

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in FRI: Weekend events / MON: Happy Interim!
etc. The Daily Iowan will resume publication on August 25

weekend
EVENTS

Friday:
MUSIC:
• Bambu, with Burnt McMelba Toast, are scheduled to play at Gabe's, 330 E. Washington St., at 9 p.m.
• Scott Thornton Trio is scheduled to play at the Sanctuary, 405 S. Gilbert St., at 9:30 p.m.
• A Natural Quintet is scheduled to play at Martin's, 127 E. College St., at 9 p.m.
• Andy Sternberg 5, with Garden of Rabbits and Grand Street Cryers are scheduled to play at the Que, 211 Iowa Ave., at 9 p.m.
• Long John Hunter, with the Kilowatt Band are scheduled to play at Gunnerz, 123 E. Washington St., at 9 p.m.
• The Friday Night Concert Series, featuring Orquesta de Jazz y Salsa Alto Maiz, is scheduled to play downtown in the Pedestrian Mall from 6-9 p.m.
• Brother's Keeper is scheduled to play at the Mill, 120 E. Burlington St., at 9 p.m.
• Steve Price is scheduled to play at Jimmy's Bistro, 325 E. Washington St., at 6 p.m.

Saturday:
MUSIC:
• Scrid, with Slipknot and Bongzilla are scheduled to play at Gabe's at 9 p.m.
• A Natural Quintet is scheduled to play at Martin's at 9 p.m.
• Reggae Melt-down, with Shang-bya and AZ-One, are scheduled to play at Gunnerz at 9 p.m.
• David Zollo is scheduled to play at the Sanctuary at 9:30 p.m.
• Steve Price is scheduled to play at Jimmy's Bistro at 6 p.m.
• The Reggae Fest, with Bambu, International Reggae All-Stars and Nutty Nation, are scheduled to play at The Que at 9 p.m.

Sunday:
MUSIC:
• Strictly Riddim & The Flava are scheduled to play at Gunnerz at 9 p.m.



Birth of a Hell-Spawn

By Liz Schuerman
The Daily Iowan

In the tradition of comics like "Men in Black," "Mask" and "Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles," Todd McFarlane's "Spawn" has gotten the Hollywood treatment, complete with eye-popping special effects, Tinseltown stars and a high profile movie soundtrack.

The original storyline of the comic version of "Spawn" follows the adventures of a murdered government assassin, Al Simmons, who makes a deal with the devil to return to life to avenge his death and see his wife again.

He is allowed to return, and on the flip side he is given a cool suit, which comes alive to protect him, and a batch of unexplained supernatural powers. The deal, unfortunately, has a catch. (What do you expect when you deal with the Devil?) In order to return, Simmons must lead Hell's Army during the Armageddon, once he uses up his limited powers.

However, Spawn discovers that he has returned five years after his murder (thus the decomposed state of his body), and his wife has remarried.

Spawn is supposed to be doing the devil's work, but his conscience wins out, and he becomes a vigilante fighting the good fight. "He dispenses harsh justice by killing people he thinks need killing," said Don Hughes, an employee of Daydreams comic shop.

Hughes said "Spawn" relays that our

justice system does not work anymore. The comic says that if citizens can not beat criminals or put them in jail, we might as well kill them using over extreme force.

"Spawn represents what everybody wants to do," Hughes continues. "If a guy cuts you off, you want to kill him. We don't, Spawn does."

Hughes' co-worker, Dave Haddy, describes Spawn as a combination of three other popular comic book heroes. He has the gothic aura of The Crow, the visual style of Batman and the body shape of Spider-Man.

McFarlane actually used to be the artist of Spider-Man for Marvel Comics. McFarlane's Spider-Man moved in impossible ways and his new, wet-looking webs gave the comic a new popularity boom in the early '90s.

McFarlane was denied rights to new characters he created for the comic though, leaving him no financial or creative control over their publication. Unable to resolve these issues satisfactorily, McFarlane left the company.

Within the next year, McFarlane and six other artists with the same rights control concerns formed their own company, Image Comics. May 1992 saw the release of the first issue of "Spawn." An instant success, the comic book in its first year sold 1.7 million copies, making it the best selling individual comic book of all time, and it has not slowed down since.

In the years since, McFarlane has been



Todd McFarlane's Spawn, issue 3

Todd McFarlane's Spawn character has moved beyond the comic book (above). The hellish creation is now a motion picture, among other things.

offered numerous opportunities to expand his character into movies, TV shows and toys. HBO aired an animated "Spawn" series earlier this year, and it was not until this recent movie offer did he accept a film deal because New Line Cinema assured him financial and creative rights.

California is Iowa dreamin'

Dressing in overalls and frolicking in fields of corn is the perception many Californians hold of Iowa.

By Nathan Hill
The Daily Iowan

Visualize California and thoughts of ocean waves, movie stars, surfer dudes and beach bunnies usually come to mind. But what do Californians think when they ponder Iowans?

"I think of corn when I think of Iowa," said Erik Adonis, a San Francisco resident. "Lots and lots of corn — all over the place."

The yellow vegetable was tops in the minds of many Californians when asked about the Hawkeye state. Everyone interviewed mentioned corn in one way or another.

"Is there anything in Iowa besides farms?" asked Steven Shimp of Oakland. It appeared that Leslie Johnston, a resident of Sacramento, had an answer to that question.

"There's lots of cows too...I think," she said.

Californians, traditionally known as a liberal population, were quick to take the high ground when asked to compare political values between the two states.

"I think Iowans are more close-minded," said Wendy Slouth, a native of San Francisco.

"It's in the Bible belt, so I think Iowans are pretty conservative," Adonis said.

The two states, separated by a mere 1,800 miles, are also vastly different when it comes to clothing style.

"I think Iowans would wear overalls," Chris Sale of Oakland said. "So they could, you know, tend the cattle."

According to Jamie Gagan, a Los Angeles resident, Iowans are somehow genetically gifted, which comes in handy for a life on the farm.

"I think Iowans are big people. Big farm-

ers, you know — just really big," she said.

Some Californians, however, did have a couple nice things to say about the state that makes you smile.

"I think I've flown over Iowa a couple times, and it looked pretty," said Robin Clark of Marin.

"I've met a couple people from Iowa City and they were pretty cool," said Susan Lee,

originally from Ithaca, New York, but currently residing in San Francisco. "I'm from upstate New York and there's tons of inbreeding there, so I guess I can't talk."

Even though Californian views of Iowa may not be the reality or what most Iowans would like to hear, some did have a nice comment about the heartland.

"Iowans are just good people," said Robert Damone, resident of San Diego. "They're very trusting and very nice. I've never met an Iowan I didn't like, of course I've only met two."

"I've never met an Iowan I didn't like, of course I've only met two. Robert Damone, resident of San Diego."

it's all in the

STARS

August 1, 1997

Celebrities born on this day: Dom DeLuise, Yves Saint Laurent, Rob Camilletti, Tempest Bledsoe

Happy Birthday: Don't let your impatience and temper stand in the way of your accomplishments this year. It is best to channel your energy into projects that you know will get you where you want to go and avoid interaction with those who will bring out the worst in you. Your numbers are 6, 8, 15, 18, 24, 41.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Erratic behavior will cause isolation at home. If others want to do their own thing, let them. You will find it difficult to relate to those who have different interests.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You will

have extra energy, so put it to good use. Organize social events or family gatherings. You will meet new romantic partners through the company you keep.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Sudden reversals of fortune will help you cover your debts. Don't be too eager to spend what's left over. It's time to take a more practical approach to your financial matters.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You will find it difficult to control your emotions. Your erratic behavior will confuse loved ones and your mood swings will result in loneliness. Think before you make someone you care about feel bad.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You can do your job effectively especially if you work on your own. Your superior will pat you on the back not only for a job well done but for your professionalism as well.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Children or friends will keep you busy. You may want to plan physical activities that will help burn some excess energy. A day at the beach may satisfy everyone.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Inharmonious situations at home may be extremely upsetting for you today. Try to spend some time on your own. Curl up with a good book or go for a drive in the country.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): This is a great day to spend with the family. Plan a fun-filled day. The great outdoors will allow you to teach some youngsters some of the things you learned when you were growing up.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Arguments will flare up if you get backed into an emotional corner. It is best to avoid such unsavory circumstances,

especially if you're in a group situation.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Instant romance could be yours if you get it out with friends. Your concern with older family members and those less fortunate than yourself will only add to your attractiveness.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Depression may put a damper on your day. You will find it difficult to communicate. You may prefer to spend the day catching up on work that is overdue.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Group functions will be tiring. You may have taken on too much, but you will enjoy every minute. Be sure to organize events that will keep children busy.

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Sunday, August 24, 8 am - 2 pm
Ballroom, DMU
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August 25-26, 7:30 am - 6 pm
Ballroom, DMU
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House re pose for

A hunky congressman pinup calendar, including Iowa's Tom Latham, was given to an outgoing representative.

Tobacco

Branstad defended record on tobacco a discounted his Africa

By Mike Glover
Associated Press
DES MOINES — Gov. Branstad on Thursday defended his anti-tobacco record, counting the impact of a maker paying for an over he took in 1995. The governor said a dozen, maybe closer to 100, nics give money to the Governors Association. "T

LEGAL MATTERS &

POLICE

Angela M. Lawrence, 34, 1615 E. Ave., was charged with 5th degree burglary at Hy-Vee, 500 Wood Blvd., on July 30 at 4:40 a.m.
Douglas C. Harris, 35, 11311 W. was charged with 5th degree public intoxication at Onco Dr. Muscatine Ave., on July 30 at 3:30 a.m.
Tyree D. Cooper, 18, Cedar was charged with two count degree burglary at Hawkeye July 31 at 4:20 a.m.
Tyron T. Rogers, 18, Cedar was charged with two count degree burglary at Hawkeye July 31 at 4:20 a.m.
Curtis D. Frazier, 19, Cedar was charged with two count degree burglary at Hawkeye July 31 at 4:20 a.m.
compiled by J

DISTRICT

Public intoxication — Ar Per, 2714 Wayne Ave. Apt. 3, 590 Douglas L. Harris, 11311 was fined \$90.
Fifth degree theft — Doug was fined \$90.

Metro & State

House reps 'conservatively' pose for pinup calendar

A hunky congressman pinup calendar, including Iowa's Tom Latham, was given to an outgoing representative.

By Donna Abu-Nasr
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Iowa Representative Tom Latham is one of 12 congressmen featured in a "Hunks of the House" pinup calendar presented as a gag gift to Rep. Susan Molinari, R-N.Y., who leaves her seat Friday for a job as a CBS-TV anchor.

Only two copies were made, but as word of the gift spread, so has demand. There's a bare chest here, a wet look there among the crisp suits and official campaign photos. But all work and no play, it seems, makes a congressman a dull centerfold.

Latham's office released a statement to the *Daily Iowan* Thursday saying there is always time for a

little humor in Congress.

"The congressman agreed to participate in this light hearted going away gift for his good friend," the statement said. "While the Congressman was certainly flattered by the request, his wife was overheard advising him not to give up his day job."

The idea came from Rep. Ileana Ros-Lehtinen, R-Fla. She and Molinari passed the time between late-night votes by evaluating the physical attributes of their male colleagues.

"Sue would look around the House and say, 'Oooh, that would make a good Mr. January or a good Mr. July,'" said Ros-Lehtinen. She asked some of the most-often mentioned men for "their nicest-looking photo, preferably an action shot."



Karin Cooper/Associated Press

Rep. Ileana Ros-Lehtinen, R-Fla., holds a calendar which she plans to give to outgoing Rep. Susan Molinari, R-N.Y., featuring male House members Wednesday on Capitol Hill.

School board race low on candidates

A shortage of school board candidates may lead to a victory for a write-in candidate or appointee.

By Steven Cook
The Daily Iowan

Even if you didn't volunteer, a school board seat could be yours this fall.

The five o'clock whistle blew Thursday, and only one person had filed papers to run for two school board seats.

After Thursday's 5 p.m. deadline for candidates to turn in petition papers to run in the Sept. 9 election, only incumbent Al Leff had turned in the necessary 100 signatures to get on the ballot.

Seats held by Leff and George Matheson are up for reelection, but Matheson opted not to run to instead spend more time with his business.

Jerry Palmer, executive director of administrative services for the school district, said because no one will be on the ballot to run for Matheson's open seat, the write-in candidate with the second highest number of votes would be offered the post.

In the event that no one is written-in, Palmer said the board would appoint someone to fill the vacancy.

Palmer said he can't remember an election where there had been more seats than candidates.

"We've had write-in candidates win an election before," Palmer said. "But not when there have

been no candidates."

This year has been odd, Palmer said, in that only three people had picked up nomination papers, down from a usual 10-12.

Superintendent Barbara Grohe said she thought there would have been more interest in the election, prior to the deadline, but said she thinks there will be more interest with a seat open.

"This is a community interested in its schools, and I think the fact that there is an open seat will generate more interest. We'll just have to wait and see," she said.

Leff said that just because he's the only candidate, it's kind of lonely.

"I was hoping somebody would run," Leff said. "I had certainly thought in a community like Iowa City somebody would run, but I guess that's not the case."

Leff said that just because he's the only name on the ballot, doesn't mean he's a shoo-in, but said he does have a pretty good shot.

"I will assume with my name on the ballot, I'll have a pretty good chance without doing much to campaign," he said.

Matheson said there have been no regrets about not running for a third term.

"It was not an easy decision not to run," Matheson said. "But I thought sure there would have been somebody else to step forward."

He said if he had run, it would have been almost the same situation, as when he entered the board in 1991. He said he and Leff were the only people on the ballots then.

Tobacco funds trip for anti-tobacco governor

Branstad defended his record on tobacco and discounted his Africa trip.

By Mike Glover
Associated Press

DES MOINES — Gov. Terry Branstad on Thursday defended his anti-tobacco record and discounted the impact of a cigarette maker paying for an overseas trip he took in 1995.

The governor said "several dozen, maybe closer to 100" companies give money to the National Governors Association. "There are

a myriad of different companies involved," the governor said.

The issue arose after the disclosure that Branstad, his wife and some other governors took a trip to South Africa that was paid for by a non-profit group financed almost exclusively by Philip Morris Co. The trip was arranged by the NGA.

"I'm not embarrassed because I didn't do anything wrong," the governor said.

Branstad said he was unaware until Wednesday that the trip was financed by a tobacco company and said it's impossible to keep tabs on all the companies giving to the governors association.

"The governors association

receives corporate support from many organizations," Branstad said. "I don't think it's inappropriate. Almost all of the major corporations in America have contributed to organizations like the National Governors Association."

At his weekly news conference, Branstad defended his record on tobacco that's seen him push to ban smoking in the Statehouse and at the governor's mansion at Terrace Hill.

"I'm a militant non-smoker and so is my wife," Branstad said. The governor said his anti-smoking restrictions have in the past been extended to cover his mother, who has since died.

"My wife and I banned smoking

at Terrace Hill and have strictly enforced that," the governor said. "Even when my mother was living, she had to go outside to smoke."

Branstad said he saw little controversy in the governors association taking money from an industry that's being sued by 40 states to recover billions of dollars spent treating sick smokers.

"There are many other organizations that from time to time the state may sue or have differences of opinion with," the governor said.

The governor did say "it's appropriate for the NGA, or any organization like that from time to time to review where it gets its contributions."

LEGAL MATTERS & CALENDAR

POLICE

Angela M. Lawrence, 34, 1631 Muscatine Ave., was charged with 5th degree theft and possession of a schedule I controlled substance at Hy-Vee, 501 Hollywood Blvd., on July 30 at 4:40 p.m.

Douglas C. Harris, 35, 1131 Third Ave., was charged with 5th degree theft and public intoxication at Osco Drug, 2425 Muscatine Ave., on July 30 at 3:46 p.m.

Tyree D. Cooper, 18, Cedar Rapids, was charged with two counts of 3rd degree burglary at Hawkeye Court on July 31 at 4:20 a.m.

Tywon T. Rogers, 18, Cedar Rapids, was charged with two counts of 3rd degree burglary at Hawkeye Court on July 31 at 4:20 a.m.

Curtis D. Frazier, 19, Cedar Rapids, was charged with two counts of 3rd degree burglary at Hawkeye Court on July 31 at 4:20 a.m.

compiled by Jenn Snyder

DISTRICT

Public Intoxication — Anthony W. Per, 2714 Wayne Ave. Apt. 3, was fined \$90; Douglas L. Harris, 1131 Third Ave., was fined \$90.

5th degree theft — Douglas L. Harris, was fined \$90.

Magistrate

Driving while suspended — Jeffrey L. Wick, 1535 Plum Street, no date set for preliminary hearing.

First degree harassment — LaTonya Poole, 921 N. Dodge St., no date set for preliminary hearing.

Interference with official acts — Matthew J. Buswell, Coralville, no date set for preliminary hearing.

Possession of controlled schedule I substance — Angela M. Lawrence, 1631 Muscatine Ave., no date set for preliminary hearing.

OWI — Carrie A. Mirfield, 720 E. Jefferson St., no date set for preliminary hearing.

compiled by Kevin Ho

TODAY'S EVENTS

Iowa City/Johnson County Senior Center will sponsor "My Life With My Camera" by Joan Liffing-Zug Bourret at the Senior Center, 28 S. Linn St. from 5-8 p.m.

SATURDAY'S EVENTS

Breakroom Bar and Grill and the Iowa Center for AIDS Resources and Education will sponsor a drag show titled "Divas to the Dance Floor!" to benefit ICARE at the Breakroom, 1578 1st Ave., at 9 p.m.

Also: The World Walk for Breastfeeding is scheduled for August 16 in Willow Creek Park at 10 a.m. Contact Jennifer Gibson, 338-4953 for more information.

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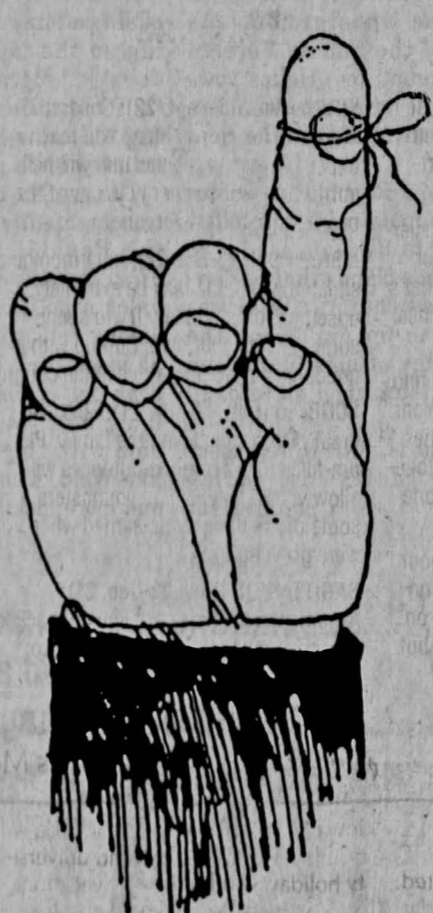
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Viewpoints

"Sue would look around the House and say, 'Oooh, that would make a good Mr. January or a good Mr. July.'"

Rep. Ileana Ros-Lehtinen, R-Fla., who organized the pinup calendar "Hunks of the House."

Why I hate Martha Martha Martha

It seems like everywhere I look, I see Martha Stewart. Martha's driving trucks for Kmart. Martha's smirking at me from the newsstand as well as the bookstore. Martha's putting bows made out of florist ribbon on everything that doesn't run away screaming. Martha's on the TV late at night when I count on all the good people of the world having gone to bed so myself and the other crumbs of society can enjoy our infomercials in peace. Ahd, of course, Martha's almost everywhere else, usually using the annoying expression "fit to eat."

Every time I mention in casual conversation how trifling and obnoxious I think this woman is, I am shot down by people who find her entertaining and educational. I've tried reading the magazines and watching the TV show, and I still find the entire deal not interesting in the least.

Martha became more than a random harassment when I began to notice women my age treating her with respect. Until then, I believed that my generation of women were smart enough not to be fawed by a fussy chick explaining in detail how to make a bed. At any age contemplating your bed in a non-kinky way for more than, say, 15 minutes at a time is peculiar. At college age, it is an unmistakable cry for help.

My goal right now is to kick enough ass in my professional life that I can exploit the masses and underpay one of them to make my bed. I always thought that other women my age shared the same dream, but apparently millions of them would rather stay at home and spend 40 minutes a day making their own beds. No wonder I have so few female friends.

This becomes even more troubling when I figured out that most women who are doing those Martha Stewart things are doing them to impress other women in a rather bizarre low stakes game of "Who's The Better Wife and Mother?" Men do not expect women to spend their days doing useless tasks to make things pretty, and are seldom impressed with the results when a lot of time is spent on one of these endeavors. Hopefully, Martha devotees realize that no man is ever going to say "Hey! I like the way you cut that radish to look like a rose! Let's go get it!"

To their credit, practical knowledge and a firm butt are going to carry more weight with most men than all the florist ribbon bows in the world, and very few men would marry into a lifetime not being able to put their feet on the couch and having to pony up \$4,000 a month for all that florist ribbon. Come to think of it, in all the shows, books, and magazines we never see a Mr. Martha. When there was one, he was probably bullied into a corner of the garage where he wouldn't track on the carpet or ruin any candle and fruit jar arrangements.

A friend of mine who shares my hatred summed it up by pointing out that Martha is the goody-goody that always got you in trouble with the fourth grade teacher. She's the girl whom you would corner and pour glue all over, not the one you would have a crush on or want to hang out with. Perhaps this actually happened at one point, and what we are witnessing now is a form of twisted revenge.

The sad thing is somewhere suburban women are going crazy trying to do all of these useless things that Martha employs an extensive full time staff to accomplish, and then feeling inadequate when they can't do it. Why are they bothering? Why is it so many women are spending their days tying fruit to candlesticks and thinking that they're actually doing something viable and creative? Are our expectations of ourselves really that low? Why do so many women my age look up to Martha and not to Fortune 500 executives, doctors and professors? If we must learn something from Martha, it should be her marketing and career development skills. By playing on women's insecurity and feelings of inadequacy, she has built a multi-million dollar business, something more women could do if they would put down the *Living* magazines and read a book that didn't involve florists ribbon.

It is becoming unfortunately clearer to me that the main obstacle that women face in our continuing drive to equality is ourselves. It is time to believe that we can do something important with our lives, and not look up to throwbacks of what women should be able to do.

Jade Robertson's column appears Friday on the Viewpoints Page.

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the real inspiration for the proposed skywalk design

Drugs don't discriminate; people do

If you use crack, you are in luck! Attorney General Reno and the top drug enforcer, Gen. McCaffrey, have endorsed a plan to lower penalties for crack cocaine.

But in focusing on racial drug-use statistics, Reno and McCaffrey have missed the real issue entirely. The plan arose out of a sentencing disparity between powder and crack cocaine. Crack is cocaine that has been 'cooked up' with another substance (usually baking soda) and then is smoked in a pipe. Powder cocaine is usually snorted through the nose using a straw.

Studies of sentencing patterns indicate that 90 percent of those arrested and convicted for crack cocaine are black.

On the flip side, 90 percent of those arrested for powder cocaine offenses are white. The problem lies in the fact that crack is treated much harsher in the courts than powder cocaine, up to a hundred times more severely.

The proposal would increase the amount of crack necessary to incur the federally mandated minimum sentence of five years from 5 grams to 25 grams. It would also bring the amount of powder cocaine

down from 500 grams to 125 grams in order to suffer the five-year minimum sentence.

Rep. Maxine Waters of California is quoted as saying: "If we eliminate the sentencing disparities, we eliminate the reality of selective prosecution and racial injustice." Waters hints that prosecutors are more likely to go after black crack users than they are to go after white cocaine users. Her quote seems to be a veiled reference to some sort of conspiracy against black Americans.

Oliver C. Mitchell, a former federal prosecutor, adds to the conspiracy theory by stating that "...the law imposes serious penalties — for fairly small amounts of crack cocaine — that are intended to impose undue punishment on black males in this country. It is designed to impact black men in a disparate fashion. It is racist."

Mitchell would have you believe that the CIA did introduce crack to the blacks of America in order to pollute them and, thus, control them. This is ridiculous. There were no late-night, closed-door meetings of white politicians plotting against black Americans.

This is not a black/white issue. It is not a bipartisan issue either, even though both sides have made it that way. The Republicans are concerned with the image this will present to youth. The Democrats believe the proposal does not go far enough to address the problem.

The argument between the Democrats and Republicans is superfluous. Drugs like crack and powder cocaine are illegal for a reason. They can and do inflict serious harm — both physically and psychologically — upon their users. Drugs cross race and class lines. Any proposal that even hints at acceptance of any kind of drug for any person of any color is off base and wrong.

If anything is done concerning the sentences of powder and crack cocaine, they should both be raised. Following that, more money should be allocated to anti-drug education, as that is the most effective weapon.

Only then will justice approach equality.

Kriston Beardsley is an editorial writer and UI graduate student.

Helms should listen to calls for hearing

What do you get when you mix one fire brand liberal Republican from New England with one staunchly conservative, sometimes-grumpy Republican senator from the South? A recipe for Republican infighting and Democratic glee.

From the day President Clinton pegged Mass. Gov. William Weld to be U.S. ambassador to Mexico, Sen. Jesse Helms (R-N.C.) has single-handedly stonewalled the nomination. On July 29, Weld resigned from the governorship to focus on winning the appointment. As chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Helms vows that Weld will never receive a confirmation hearing before the Senate.

Why would a Republican senator oppose the appointment of a fellow Republican to be ambassador to Mexico? Helms claims that as Governor of Massachusetts, Weld was soft on crime for endorsing the medicinal use of marijuana and providing clean needles to drug abusers.

Thus, Weld is unfit to represent the United States to a nation whose borders are a pipeline for illegal drugs.

If Helms is worried about Weld's qualifications, why not hold a hearing so the issue can be openly debated? Because Helms knows that most Democrats and many Republicans support Weld and believe him fit to be ambassador.

The conflict over Weld's nomination highlights a looming crisis in the Republican party's ranks. First, the soft-on-drugs excuse provides a political cover for Helms among conservatives but exposes an ideological fissure in the Republican party. Helms and other hard-line conservatives are uncomfortable with "big tent" Republicans like Weld, who envision a broader and more inclusive Republican party.

The attempt by conservatives in the House of Representatives to overthrow Speaker Newt Gingrich exemplifies this split within the Republican party. The insurgents were angry at Gingrich for striking a deal with the president on the balanced budget. The motto for the insurgents' and Helms' brand of conservatism is "no compromise."

Some say the nomination controversy places President Clinton in the awkward position of defending a Republican. But in the Helms-versus-Weld fight, the president has his bets covered. If Weld is confirmed, Clinton will foster his reputation among the electorate as a political moderate. If Weld loses a drawn-out battle with Helms, it can only spell trouble for the future of the Republican party.

Helms should save himself the embarrassment of being overruled in the nomination fight by Weld's Republican supporters. He should do what is best for the party and stop blocking the confirmation hearings for Weld. Let the issue be resolved by a democratic vote.

Kedron Bardwell is an editorial writer and UI graduate student.

readers

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Betty McKay
Iowa City resident



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Cynthia Langille
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Michael Bugemba
London resident



"Because I'm the smartest guy in town."

Dr. Byron Rovine
Davenport resident

Taking a walk on the once wild, untamed side of town

Two walks that Flavia the dog and I enjoy take us near or into Hickory Hill Park, the generous acreage of mostly unimproved land that blesses Iowa City residents. The twice-daily walks can be trying when it's 20 degrees below zero, or as it was last week, 99 above.

But most days are pleasant, especially in the early morning. Spring and early summer are particularly inviting as young, growing things poke their way through the soil for their annual reappearance. The strands of grasses were fascinating to observe when we chose the Seventh Avenue path and day by day saw them develop into a dozen or more types, 2 to 6 feet tall, and noted their distinctive tassels: feathery, fragile, silky, nubby, fuzzy. They rippled in the wind and bowed and curtsied to each other. Then came the day when they had all been cut down. The lovely grasses had been turned into dead stems.

On the west side of First Avenue's north end, the hillsides have always displayed grasses and flowers. In past summers, abundant Queen Anne's lace rested on the fields like an elaborately crocheted spread, and the dainty yellow flowers that clung to the sweet clover stalks perfumed the air with their subtle fragrance.

Here, too, between one day and the next, a machine wreaked destruction and destroyed most of those pretty things. Only ground-hugging butter-and-eggs and the last of the purple clovers remain.

Was this necessary? Why? To me, this vandalism some how symbolizes the negative way we are using our powerful technology everywhere at alarmingly rapid rates to eliminate our natural environment and displace its denizens.

Take rabbits, for instance. Flavia and I sometimes visited another spot, a wonderful tangle of bushes and weeds, where rabbits dwell in the brush. The whole tract has been cleared and flattened for building sites, and we saw four half-grown bunnies about in fright, homeless and vulnerable.

We'll have to build more, obviously, as more people come to live in our city: more homes, fast-food places, car lots and all the rest. And we can admire the technology that makes building faster and more efficient than it has ever been.

But isn't there a threat down the line if we bulldoze and build without the slightest regard for nature or beauty or the future? Shouldn't we set aside some land in every new project that will allow life's diversity to continue, for its own sake and for ours?

In the past, our species has combined nature appreciation and aesthetic sensibility. When the Museum of Natural History some years ago mounted its stunning Ice Age art exhibit, a neighbor, Houghton Cranford Smith, a distinguished and prolific American artist, marveled.

"There isn't an artist living who could equal that," he exclaimed.

For 15,000 years or so, these gifted folk-shaped tools were beautiful as well as useful. They crawled deep into caves where, thanks to keenly observant eyes and mastery craft, they painted bison and horses on the rock shapes, which brought them to surging life.

Millennia later, near Ajanta in India, 30 caves are situated on a steep bank of the Wagura River Ravine. Here artisans spent nine centuries, finishing in 700 A.D., to carve out stately halls and decorate them with vibrant statues and murals. They accomplished this breathtaking work with hammer and chisel and paint, depicting animals and humans and gods in their own unique style. What machines can match such craftsmanship?

Wordsworth wrote of "splendor in the grass." Loren Eiseley described the eons when plant life emerged onto land in time as "the grass cover that holds our world secure."

Happily, a few enlightened citizens did begin to preserve the patches of native prairie grass that remained and are painstakingly restoring it. You can savor an example at the Hoover Presidential Library and Museum in West Branch and also at the Lakeside Laboratory in Okoboji, Iowa, where Dr. Thomas Macbride set aside a few acres decades ago.

Shouldn't we stop building? We can't, and we needn't. But shouldn't we institute a policy that would require that with each new project, some land be set aside and preserved with its natural diversity? As we replace living beauty with sterile ugliness, with dreary shopping malls and graceless buildings constructed on dead asphalt from dead glass and steel, shouldn't we ask ourselves if we really want to lose our age-long connection to nature and love of beauty? Do we really want to cut ourselves off from the natural world that gave us being?

Dr. Paul Sears, a biologist, demanded, "How far must suffering and misery go before we see that even in the day of vast cities and powerful machines, the good earth is our mother and if we destroy her, we ultimately destroy ourselves."

Betty McCollister's column appears Fridays on the Viewpoints Page.

Israelis

Angry and grieving Israelis buried 11 bombing victims.

By Dafna Linzer
Associated Press

JERUSALEM — Mourners screamed at Cabinet members as they gathered for the freshly dug grave of a victim Thursday, crying tough action against Palestinian militants for the terror bombing of a crowded Jerusalem market. "You lied to us!" a griever shouted to Prime Minister Netanyahu's finance minister at one of 11 funerals that Israel's capital into a city of Netanyahu vowed to "do or is necessary to protect" and threatened to send into Palestinian territories any new terror attacks. A Palestinian negotiator said that amount to a "declaration of

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By John Howard
Associated Press

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Goo-goo

Scientists say babbling helps correct speech later in life.

By Lauran Neergaard
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — All talk adults use with their just silly cooing — scientists appear to be vital in babies' brains absorb key blocks of language. "And this high-pitched, speech is universal, when infants are speaking in Swedish or Russian. University of Washington scientist Patricia Kuhl

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Nation & State

Israelis speak out

Angry and grieving, Israelis buried 11 bombing victims.

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Associated Press

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"You lied to us!" a grieving man shouted to Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's finance minister at one of 11 funerals that turned Israel's capital into a city of grief. Netanyahu vowed to "do whatever is necessary to protect my people" and threatened to send troops into Palestinian territories to stop any new terror attacks. A Palestinian negotiator said that would amount to a "declaration of war."

Israel's government struck out at Palestinians — leaders, militants and ordinary citizens — over Wednesday's twin suicide-bombing, which killed 15 people and wounded more than 150 at Jerusalem's most popular vegetable market.

Israeli security forces arrested dozens of Palestinians, Israeli warplanes hovered over Yasser Arafat's headquarters and the Gaza Strip, and Israeli guards closed the nation's borders to all Palestinians.

"I will do what is necessary, wherever we think is necessary, at the time we think is necessary. I don't preclude any possibilities," Netanyahu told The Associated Press.

At the funeral of bombing victim David Nasco, a 43-year-old shoe store owner, Israeli mourners turned on members of Netanyahu's government in attendance.

"You lied to us!" one man cried to Finance Minister Yaacov Neeman over Nasco's grave. "We voted for you because you said you'd be strong, but



Eyal Warshavsky/Associated Press

Mourners at the Israeli-Arab village of Abu Gosh carry the casket of Otman Muhi Otman Thursday, a victim of the double-suicide bombing Wednesday at a Jerusalem outdoor market.

you're just like the Labor government — weak, in the hands of Arafat."

Hundreds of people — sobbing women in head scarves and men

singing psalms — attended Nasco's funeral, one of 11 for bombing victims Thursday.

"Death to the Arabs and Arafat!"

Bribes for fake IDs drive Calif. DMV mad

California investigators are fearing that thousands of bad licenses are on the streets.

By John Howard
Associated Press

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Thousands of fraudulent California driver's licenses were issued by clerks at the Department of Motor Vehicles for bribes of up to \$1,000 each, investigators say. Seventy-nine

employees have been fired.

In most cases, the licenses were issued without requiring the applicants to show required documents such as a prior license, a birth certificate or other form of ID. Some of the licenses bear bogus Social Security numbers or phony identities.

However, if the licenses are checked by a police officer during a traffic stop, they will come back as valid.

The California driver's license, held by 20.2 million motorists, is a basic identification document, a "gateway" card for other forms of ID. And these days, licenses are

needed for more than just getting into a bar. They're used as proof of identity for everything from applying for welfare to buying a gun and checking baggage before getting on an airplane.

The California card incorporates numerous safeguards — including holographic images, sophisticated coding and layering — that make it all but impossible to counterfeit or tamper with.

As a result, people who need licenses and can't get them legitimately — undocumented immigrants, people with revoked licenses,

some felons and others — try to buy them by bribing clerks.

"It's a problem we have been aware of for a long time," DMV director Sally Reed said. "Ironically, as our documents become more tamper-proof it's become more of a problem, and the department is always looking at the possibilities of fraud."

In late May, 200 investigators — virtually the entire DMV investigative force — were pulled from their regular duties and ordered to look into licensing practices at the department's branch offices.

Goo-goo, Gaa-gaa may mean something after all

Scientists say baby talk helps correct speaking later in life.

By Lauran Neergaard
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — All that baby talk adults use with infants isn't just silly cooing — scientists say it appears to be vital in helping babies' brains absorb key building blocks of language.

And this high-pitched, drawn-out speech is universal, whether parents are speaking in English, Swedish or Russian.

University of Washington neuroscientist Patricia Kuhl says par-

ents unconsciously exaggerate the vowel sounds that every infant — no matter what language he or she will ultimately speak — needs to master the phonetic elements of speech.

Take the word "bead." People can say it so quickly that you might mistake the word for "bed" or "bid." But hear mothers speak to their babies: "Look at mommy's pretty beedeeds." Kuhl's tape-recordings show mothers saying in a singsong that stresses and stretches the vowels.

In a study being published Friday in the journal *Science*, Kuhl reports that 5-month-olds begin to enunciate the three vowel sounds common to all human languages —

"ee," "ah" and "oo" — which are the same vowels that mothers who speak different languages universally stress to their babies.

This so-called parentese "is more than a melody. It's a real tutorial on language, and they didn't even know they were doing it," Kuhl concluded.

The study is "quite interesting," said Richard Aslin, a University of Rochester cognitive sciences professor who studies infant speech development.

"There has to be some period of

time early in life when you're figuring out what ... vowel sounds go together," he explained. If parents are "providing you with exaggerated versions of those vowel categories, that should make the task easier for the infant."

But the study doesn't explain how the infant processes that information, Aslin said. "They don't know whether, for example, if you had a mother who didn't exaggerate the vowels, would that have a negative effect on that mother's particular infant," he said.

Affirmative action woes

The UC San Diego medical school accepted no black applicants for the fall term.

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Nearly 200 blacks applied to the University of California-San Diego's medical school for the fall semester, and with the end of affirmative action, none of them got in.

"We didn't anticipate this and we're not particularly happy about it," Dr. Robert Resnik, dean of admissions, said in today's editions of *The San Diego Union-Tribune*.

Acceptance of Hispanic applicants for this fall's 122 first-year slots also were down to less than a third of last year's levels.

The medical school considers grades, test scores, interviews, references, socio-economic background, extracurricular activities and volunteer work, among other factors, to make admissions decisions.

Until this year, race also could be considered to maintain a diverse student body. Last year, the school accepted seven black

applicants, and three enrolled.

The university's Board of Regents voted in 1995 to ban race, ethnicity and gender in admissions. The policy first took effect with the graduate school classes entering in the fall of 1997. It will apply to undergraduates next year.

California voters later endorsed a similar initiative with passage of Proposition 209. The measure, which is tied up in court, banned racial preferences in public hiring, contracting and education.

Plummeting minority enrollment at three UC law schools has prompted a federal investigation into the school system's new race-blind admissions policy.

If the government finds a problem, it could withhold \$1.2 billion in federal funds for the university, which has a 1996-97 budget of \$8.5 billion.

The huge UC system has four other medical schools. According to preliminary figures, fewer minority students were accepted at the medical schools of UC San Francisco and UC Irvine, but some of the numbers at UCLA and the Davis campus are moderately higher.

Iowa may reap tax benefits from federal budget deal

Branstad sees a deal spurring more tax cuts.

By Mike Glover
Associated Press

DES MOINES — A tax cut deal struck in Congress could bring the state a windfall that could finance yet another round of state tax reductions, Gov. Terry Branstad said Thursday.

"If indeed the state of Iowa gets a windfall, then I believe we ought to pass that along to taxpayers in a way that reduces the tax burden in the state," the governor said.

The questions arose because of a unique characteristic in Iowa's tax laws.

The state allows a deduction for federal tax payments. That means when federal taxes go up, Iowans can deduct more from their state taxes and state revenues dip.

On the other hand, when federal taxes are reduced, Iowans have less to deduct and state revenues increase.

With a significant tax cut agreed to in Congress, the latter is almost

certain to be the case, the governor said. There are no estimates yet of how large that windfall might be, and Branstad said he has not prepared any suggestions on how the money could be given back.

"We're going to review and analyze what the impact might be," the governor said. "We don't know how much that will be or how that will be done."

The key, Branstad said, was a commitment to give back any windfall the state received, regardless of the size.

Speaking at his weekly news conference, Branstad also said he was disappointed that an extension of a special tax break given to ethanol-blended fuels wasn't included in the final budget agreement.

That tax break is scheduled to expire in 2000 and Midwestern officials are pushing to extend that to 2007.

"We didn't lose any ground, but we missed an opportunity," the governor said. "We're not going to go away. We're going to continue to fight to get that extension."

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BUDGET

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Ernest Hollings of South Carolina, Charles Robb of Virginia, Paul Sarbanes of Maryland and Paul Wellstone of Minnesota.

Making an unusual appearance in the Senate president's chair to commence the tax-bill vote was the Budget Committee chairman, Sen. Pete Domenici, R-N.M., who has been at the center of deficit-fighting efforts for two decades.

In the House, the tax bill was backed by 225 Republicans — only Rep. Tom Campbell of California voted no — and Democrats favored it by a 164-41 margin.

The one independent, Rep. Bernard Sanders of Vermont, voted no.

Underlining the middle ground achieved, Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., and Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C. — perhaps the best-known liberal and conservative, respectively, in Washington — both supported the tax bill. And with each party eager to quickly trumpet the measures, the House voted unanimously to

make photocopies of the bills the official versions, instead of the usual but more time-consuming practice of reprinting them on parchment.

In yet another gesture of cooperation, Clinton and House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., had breakfast together at the White House, where spokesman Mike McCurry said they discussed "ways in which bipartisan cooperation can continue." Later, Gingrich stood in the Senate chamber to savor the final vote on the tax bill.

ences over who should get the tax cuts and who should swallow the spending changes boiled over as Republicans and Democrats cast each other as the villains of this year's budget saga.

"The words 'tax-cutting' and 'Democrats' heretofore would be oxymorons," said Rep. David Dreier, R-Calif.

"Rich people make out again," fired back Rep. Maxine Waters, D-Calif. "They will be partying on Wall Street tonight."

Even so, long-standing differ-

PETITION

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changes made to the staff, said UIHC Information Director Dean Borg.

"The staff has been actively involved in all the decisions made with the staff," he said. "It's been a collaborative planning process during the last two months, involving many of the people involved with the changes, including the administrative and supervising staff."

Borg wouldn't comment on the petition's charge that the department had reneged on its promise to continue filling empty positions because he said he wasn't aware of the situation. The person who was presented with the petition, Direc-

tor of the Food and Nutrition Department Michele Fairchild, could not be reached for comment Thursday night.

Administrators have brought in food service employees from other UIHC departments and hired temporary workers in recent months to fill positions that were previously staffed with permanent, full-time workers, said Chris Clark, who has been a part-time food and dietary worker at the UIHC for two years.

Clark, who signed the petition, said neither of these hiring practices are helpful for food employees in the long run.

"It won't help things to bring people in for a short period of time, because with that turnover rate

we're always training new people," he said. "What we need is a more stable work force, because it's hard for us to provide service if we're always training people how to do it."

Borg said the reasoning behind bringing workers from other departments was to promote greater efficiency for food service.

"We're moving people to where work that needs to be done is located," he said. "One of our main goals was to preserve the work opportunities of the entire current staff."

Clark said UIHC management has used patient count figures to justify their actions, and he said the figures aren't entirely representative.

"As an example, they used the patient count over the July 4 week-

end. Patient counts always go down over the weekend, and especially during holidays," he said. "The July 4 patient count was 350. (On Thursday), we had a count of 487, which is really high."

Clark said the additional work has taken its toll on employees.

"My girlfriend, who also works in dietary services, has come home crying because she's been working so hard, sometimes having to keep working at the end of her shift," he said. "Some people are literally running from room to room to keep up with the demand."

The petition stated that the employees are also opposed to variable hours and split shifts of hospital employees.

RADIATION

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to iodine-131, which can accumulate in the thyroid gland, particularly in children. Fallout from the test blasts was scattered around the country by wind and rain and fell onto grass that was eaten by dairy cattle. Drinking of milk is a prime method of contamination.

Harkin's office said children in the hot spots may have been exposed to doses totaling as much as 50-160 rads (radiation absorbed dose). Today's federal regulations call for protective action at 15 rads.

UI assistant professor of internal

medicine Michael Thomas said I-131 is frequently used for the treatment of thyroid cancer. He said radioactive iodine slows down thyroid activity by damaging and destroying both normal and malignant cells.

Thomas said thyroid cancer is a very rare form of cancer, accounting for less than one percent of all cancer cases. He said it often occurs in clusters, just as do other types of cancer. The Cancer Institute study identified "hot spots" where the level of radiation was highest.

The study found that one hot spot was a three-county area in south-

central Iowa, south of Des Moines. Patrick Dorton, Sen. Harkin's press secretary, said the counties have not been identified as of yet, but officials are attempting to get that information.

Thomas said it is possible the "hot spot" in Iowa identified by the Cancer Institute's study could just be a random cluster.

"That's kind of drawing a target around the bull's eye," Thomas said. "We have to determine whether this is a random pocket or something more than that."

He said it takes years of detailed record-keeping to find a pattern in

cancer cases, which explains the delay in the Cancer Institute's study. Harkin said there was evidence the Cancer Institute had its hands on the study as long as three years ago, but didn't release the results.

"A toll-free information line should be established for concerned citizens," said Harkin. "Public health officials in the affected areas need to be armed with the tools they need to understand and respond to this."

The Associated Press contributed to this story.

PRESS

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marketing and design duties with freelancers, Zimmer said.

One of those authors, UI history professor and chair Sheldon Stromquist, has had two books published with the UI Press and one forthcoming.

"I have developed a great respect for the university press for the years I've been working with them," he said. "In my perspective, as an author, it's the best treatment I've gotten from any press I've worked with."

Stromquist's books include, *Solidarity and Survival: An Oral History of Iowa Labor in the Twentieth Centu-*

ry, which he authored, and *Unionizing the Jungles: Labor and Communism in the Twentieth-Century Meatpacking Industry*, which he co-edited.

"They've treated the manuscripts with great care and thoughtfulness," he said. "They produce beautiful books, which are beautifully designed and effectively marketed."

Zimmer, who has been director since 1984, said books from the UI Press have received various accolades and some are reviewed by *The New York Times* book review.

Zimmer said a normal printing run is about 2,000 to 5,000 copies per book.

"I think sometimes I'm surprised

at people who don't know about us — especially on the faculty," he said. "The book business is troubled right now, there are too many books being published."

He said the prevalence of large super bookstore chains are a threat to smaller ones like the UI Press, because in the book industry, stores and chains can return unsold books. Zimmer said most large chains don't market books from smaller presses.

"We are going to try to hold the line at the same level we are at," he said. "We are paying attention to electronic print and publications in the Internet."

UI Press Publicist Linzee McCay said the press' greatest strength lies in the diversity of the books.

"Everybody's interested in literature on this campus," McCay said. "Depending on the person, we're always publishing something of interest"

McCay said the UI Press fills a niche of producing non-commercial pop culture books.

"This is a place for those wanting to read books on a deeper level," she said. "They're books that don't necessarily have something for everybody, but some of them are the type of books that you feel changed at the end."

HAZMAT

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in the professionals," Stutzman said.

Stutzman said there hasn't yet been a situation they couldn't handle, though. Eight to 10 members of the HazMat team usually arrive on the scene for each call, and cleanup takes two to three hours at an average cost of \$1,500.

A 40-hour training course must be completed by the volunteer members, with an additional 40-80 hours recommended, Stutzman said. The team receives \$25,000 in funding a year for training and equipment upkeep.

"A lot of people don't know we're here until they call 911," Grier said. "We want to provide the best service

through training and preparation, basically the most for your dollar."

When the team arrives on site they use their equipment, which includes indicator tubes, computers and air probes to analyze what the team is dealing with, Stutzman said.

"The nearest HazMat team is in Cedar Rapids or Davenport, and by the time they suit up and get all

their people together it'll be an hour to an hour and a half," Stutzman said. "But when you have a situation that may be too long."

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Former Massachusetts Gov. William Weld, President Clinton's choice to become ambassador to Mexico, right, meets with Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., in Kennedy's Capitol Hill office Thursday.

Nominee predicts 'war' with Helms

Clinton's nominee for ambassador is meeting criticism from the North Carolina senator.

By John Diamond
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Sounding more like a general than a diplomat, former Massachusetts Gov. William Weld said Thursday "it could be a land war, it could be an air war" to win an ambassadorial post over Sen. Jesse Helms' opposition.

Even before Weld and a small entourage arrived on Capitol Hill for meetings with key lawmakers, Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott let loose a salvo, saying, "Diplomats are supposed to stop fights, not create fights."

Asked how Weld should proceed, Lott advised that he "accept consideration for another position or look for work."

After that blast, Weld was sud-

denly silent and his supporters said the Senate's August recess could not come soon enough.

Helms said his opposition to Weld and to convening a confirmation hearing remain unchanged. "No, I have no plans in that regard," Helms said when asked if he would convene a hearing.

Marc Thiessen, Foreign Relations Committee spokesman, said Weld's posture indicated he was more interested in a fight than an ambassadorship. "Weld doesn't want to become ambassador to Mexico."

Few had predicted President Clinton's choice of a moderate Republican governor for ambassador to Mexico would run into much trouble in the Republican-controlled Senate.

Helms, however, was irked by remarks Weld made during an unsuccessful run for the Senate last year when he danced around the question of whether, if elected, he would support Helms' continued chairmanship of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

Coast to Coast



massachusetts

MADD battling complacency on drunken driving

BOSTON (AP) — After years of huge success, changing attitudes and laws regarding drunken driving, MADD is losing chapters nationwide. Some claim MADD is a victim of its own success.

The organization's pioneering tactics in grass roots action have shown other groups how to compete for America's social conscience and spirit of volunteerism, drawing potential activists to other causes.

But a bigger problem appears to be the public's belief that the drunken-driving problem, after a long history of neglect, is solved.

Nationwide statistics have been kept since 1982 — two years after California mother Candy Lightner founded MADD — when 25,165 people died from drunken-driving accidents.

Last year, 17,126 people were killed in crashes where alcohol was involved, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. That's a drop of 31 percent in 14 years.

Louisiana

Man pleads guilty for burning churches

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) — A white man pleaded guilty Thursday in the burning of three black churches, and he agreed to cooperate with investigators.

Three, possibly four, others were involved, U.S. Attorney L.J. Hymel told reporters.

Frankie Marvin New, jobless and 24, pleaded guilty to one count of conspiracy for violating civil rights of blacks. The maximum penalty is 10 years in prison and a \$250,000 fine.

"Did you do this on account they were black folks?" asked U.S. District Judge John Parker.

new york

Shippers searching for options if UPS workers walk out

NEW YORK (AP) — Businesses across the country scrambled to ensure delivery of millions of packages containing everything from lobsters to laser printers to get around a possible strike at United Parcel Service.

Roughly 190,000 Teamsters were threatening to walk at midnight tonight over issues of pay, pensions and the subcontracting of work to outsiders.

UPS this morning said it had made a final contract offer to Teamsters and the company said it hopes for at least an extension of talks to delay a strike.

Glimpse at the Globe



RUSSIA

NASA regrets bumping astronaut

MOSCOW (AP) — A NASA official expressed regret Thursday over the "very, very difficult decision" to bump U.S. astronaut Wendy Lawrence from the next Mir mission, but said it was the best move to ensure success.

The 5-foot-3 Lawrence is too small for the bulky Russian spacesuit she would have to wear for a Mir repair job, and has never had spacewalk training.

NASA decided late Wednesday to replace Lawrence with astronaut David Wolf, who is 5-foot-10 and received training for spacewalks.

"Wendy totally understands where we stand now," the U.S. head of the shuttle-Mir program, Frank Culbertson, told reporters at Russian Mission Control. "She took it very calmly and professionally."

The likelihood of an American having to don the spacesuit for an emergency spacewalk arose when Mir was damaged in a collision with a cargo ship on June 25 — after Lawrence had been chosen.

south korea

Nuclear power plants to be built in North Korea

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — South Korea said Thursday it will provide \$45 million for an international consortium to start building two nuclear plants in North Korea.

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sierra leone

New regime will not hold on to power long

FREETOWN, Sierra Leone (AP) — Defying international pressure, the leader of the coup that ousted Sierra Leone's elected president said his regime would hold onto power for another four years.

Maj. Johnny Paul Koroma's announcement, during a 20-minute broadcast on national radio and television Wednesday night, swiftly triggered the collapse of negotiations between the junta and neighboring West African nations.

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55	9.8	13.1	33.7%
68	14.3	18.4	28.7%
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Stacey Harrison MOVIE REVIEW

"Spawn": ☆☆ out of ☆☆☆☆

Starring: John Leguizamo, Theresa Randle, Martin Sheen and Michael Jai White
Directed by: Mark A.Z. Dippé
Written by: Alan B. McElroy; Music by: Graeme Revell; Cinematography by: Guillermo Navarro; Visual effects supervisor: Steve "The Spaz" Williams

Now showing: Coral IV, Coralville
Showtimes: Nightly at 7 and 9:40; Saturday and Sunday matinees at 1 and 3:45 p.m.

The comic giveth, the movie taketh

He hath no fury like a special-effects wiz trying to direct. Even though he had the elements of death by betrayal and literal damnation followed by redemption to work with, director Mark A.Z. Dippé still has managed to turn the live-action version of Todd McFarlane's ultra-dark comic book "Spawn" into an empty, shoddy and almost entirely unrewarding pile of celluloid.

The failure of "Spawn" is further testament to the troubled marriage between the talents of special effects and filmmaking. Stan Winston, the technical genius behind "Jurassic Park" and "Terminator 2," has failed miserably in his two behind-the-camera efforts, and Dippé has fared no better here. The effects in "Spawn" are indescribably wonderful, the backgrounds are totally convincing, but they are fighting a losing battle in a film that is concerned with attaining the bottom line and staying there.

The shell of McFarlane's comic-book story survives the silver-screen adaptation; Al Simmons (Michael Jai White), government-assassin-with-a-heart-of-gold, is killed by his boss (an incredibly hammy Martin Sheen), and immediately after finds himself face-first in a backstreet gutter. He is disfigured and disoriented, and finds out from a demonic clown (John Leguizamo) that he has died, made a deal with Satan to lead the armies of Hell during Armageddon, and that five years have passed. His wife, Wanda (Theresa Randle), for whom he sold his soul, is remarried to his best friend, and they have two beautiful children.

As sad as all that is, those are the least of his problems. He has to worry about adjusting to his new identity as Spawn (short for Hellspawn), saving his soul, and - oh yes - saving the world.

Not exactly the stuff of PG-13, is it? The MPAA rating is just one example of how "Spawn" pulls its punches. Instead of appearing tortured, as one

would think a man who's visited Hell would be, White portrays Simmons as a pissed-off warmonger, who occasionally displays his sense of humor in scenes which can generously be described as embarrassing. The characterization does not build empathy for the hero, but simply a "Give 'em Hell" reaction to him. You want him to kick ass, and the script amply allows him to oblige, but there's no feeling behind the violence, as there was in the similarly themed "The Crow."

So the motto for enjoying "Spawn" would be to... read the comic book. But, if you do find yourself in the theatre, be prepared to feed your eyes to some very special effects. Just leave your soul at the door.



Michael Jai White is Spawn.

"Ulee's Gold": ☆☆☆1/2 out of ☆☆☆☆

Positive buzz on film is well-deserved

It may seem unlikely that the story of a beekeeper fighting, at times unwillingly, to keep his broken family together could remain emotionally credible and very affecting throughout. But "Ulee's Gold" is quite an unlikely film. It stars Peter Fonda, a nearly forgotten actor, as a little-known director, Victor Nunez ("Ruby in Paradise"), and its pace is like a Yugo amid an Indy 500 summer season. Even the most action-hungry moviegoer, however, will have trouble shooting away this emotional, quintessential "little movie."

Much of the accolades have been attributed to Fonda, whose quiet assurance gives Ulee Jackson that extra quality that lifts him above the level of "grumpy old man." While Fonda does deserve some praise, his quiet voice accompanied by an in-your-face attitude more than echoes Clint Eastwood's recent "serious actor" incarnation.

The film's biggest surprise is supplied by the unlikely of contributors, Patricia Richardson ("Home Improvement"), who gives it some much-needed color in her sporadic appearances as a nurse whose medical training comes in handy for the Jackson family more than once. Her performance is as actually better than Fonda's (but, hey, you didn't hear that from me, OK).

"Ulee's Gold" is now showing at Campus Theatres, Old Capitol Mall, daily at 1:15, 3:45, 7 and 9:30 p.m.

"Air Force One": ☆☆☆1/2 out of ☆☆☆☆

Executive hokeyness prevails in 'AFO'

The premise of "Air Force One" - gimmicky as it is - actually does hold some dramatic promise. That is until the action is hijacked by hokey one-liners and cookie-cutter characterizations.

Harrison Ford is - of course - perfect as President James Marshall, who must rescue his family, his Cabinet and his plane from a group of terrorists led by Gary Oldman (who, since "The Scarlet Letter," just hasn't recovered). Ford is unable to get you on his side, and manages to show the trademark cavalierness that has eluded him in some recent braiding choices. In essence, he's having fun, and it's almost infectious. Almost.

All the casting is exceptional, actually, but the film never feels original, and is hopelessly weighted down with a surprising amount of schlock considering the talent. Lines like "Get off my plane!" and "Americans will beg Mother Russia's forgiveness" just aren't recoverable. The action sequences and stunts are plentiful, but unfortunately, logic is not, as even the most fun-loving of moviegoers will scratch their heads as terrorists walk around the plane looking lost, as if to say "Now where did the president go?"

"AFO" is now playing at Englert Theatres, 221 E. Washington St. Showtimes are nightly at 6:45 and 9:30; Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday matinees at 1 and 3:45 p.m.

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"Picture Perfect": ☆☆☆1/2 out of ☆☆☆☆

It's all smiles in 'Picture Perfect'

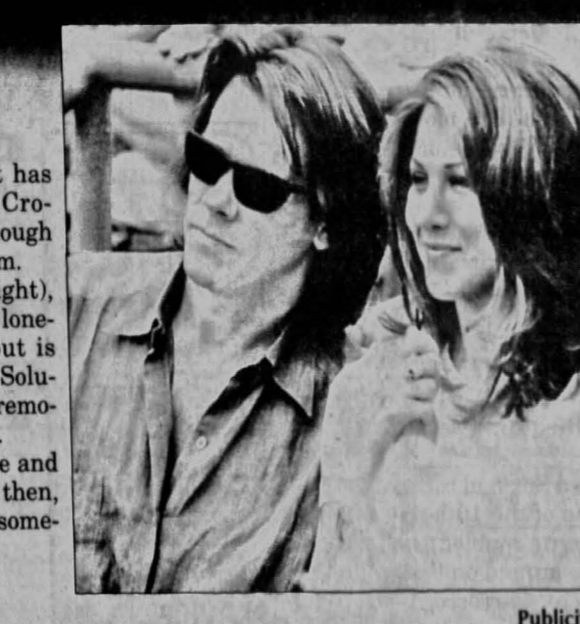
The comedy of falling in love is a vehicle that has been ridden since the first story left the first Cro-Magnon's mouth, and it is taken for a pleasant enough spin in Jennifer Aniston's alleged breakthrough film.

Aniston plays a put-upon lonely girl (yeah, right), who is always the third wheel at social events. Her loneliness is not just affecting her personal life, but is putting a damper on her professional one as well. Solution: Find a fake fiancé to meet everybody, then ceremoniously dump him and get everyone in your corner.

The leads are cute together, the story is passable and things don't get real sappy until the end. But, by then, you're willing to overlook some shortcomings in something so undeniably likable. Hey, just like dating!

"Picture Perfect?" Well, not bad.

"Picture Perfect" opens tonight at Coral IV, Coralville. Showtimes are nightly at 7:10 and 9:40; Saturday and Sunday matinees at 1:10 and 3:50 p.m.



Kevin Bacon and Jennifer Aniston star in the romantic comedy "Picture Perfect," opening tonight at Coral IV, Coralville.

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Central	61	44	.581	5 1/2	6-4	W-3	32-23	29-21	4-5	5 1/2
West	50	56	.470	16 1/2	4-4	L-6	25-30	25-25	4-5	16 1/2
NATIONAL LEAGUE										
Division	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr	Diff
East	69	40	.633	-	2-6	L-1	34-19	35-21	4-5	0
West	61	45	.575	6 1/2	5-5	W-3	33-20	28-25	6-3	6 1/2
South	60	46	.566	7 1/2	2-4	W-1	32-17	28-29	7-2	7 1/2
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NBA GLANCE

Conference	W	L	Pct	GB
East	14	4	.778	-
West	10	8	.556	4

BASEBALL BOXES

Game	Score	Notes
Phillies 2, Cardinals 1	10 Innings	Phillie Phanatic
Red Sox 2, Yankees 1	10 Innings	Big Papi
Braves 4, Cubs 1	9 Innings	Chipper Jones

BASEBALL LEADERS

Player	Team	Stat
Tim Lincecum	Seattle	ERA 1.00
Tim Lincecum	Seattle	WHIP 0.80
Tim Lincecum	Seattle	Strikeouts 100

TRADE DEADLINE

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The slotting system that provides the framework for signing draft choices.
The Packers reportedly were committed to offering Verba a contract with a salary cap number of \$720,000, which is the same received by the No. 30 pick last year.
But Verba reportedly wanted at least as much as Michels' \$751,000 cap figure last year, even though Michels was the 27th overall pick in 1996.
Wolf said neither side caved in. "Just calm, cooler heads," he said. "Both parties realized it wasn't helping anybody, so let's get it over with and get on about it."
Wolf and coach Mike Holmgren had grown increasingly frustrated with Verba's holdout as other picks around him signed and as the Packers' offensive line was thinned by injuries.
Green Bay resorted to using centers Jeff Delenback and Eugene Chung at left tackle this week to give Michels a break.
Michels, who received a four-year, \$3.679 million contract after a five-day holdout last summer, entered Thursday night's game with thumb and hip injuries.
The Giants are desperate for experienced pitching as their lead has shrunk in the NL West.
"This absolutely sends the message to our organization that we're committed to winning a championship this year," San Francisco general manager Brian Sabean said. "You only get so many opportunities like we have this season, and we're determined to make the most of it."
After spending \$55 million last winter to get Albert Belle out of Cleveland, the White Sox have been a major disappointment this season. They entered Thursday night's game one game under .500 and trailing the Cleveland Indians by three games in the AL Central.
"It's definitely not throwing in the towel for the season," Chicago GM Ron Schueler said. "Some of the kids we got in the trade we've got outstanding reports on... Our future is not that far away."
Hicks said the decision by the NCAA not to impose harsher penalties cleared the way for the university to move forward with its search for Robinson's successor.

GRAMBLING

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didn't realize that certain actions by a coach, like simply watching a pickup game or practice by players in the offseason, violated NCAA rules.
"Talking with him all through this process," Hicks said, "Eddie Jr. said, 'The last thing I would do is anything that would embarrass my father.' It bothered him a lot that he was the one who broke the rules."
The 78-year-old Robinson had agreed to retire after this season

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City High reaches state semifinals

MARSHALLTOWN, Iowa (AP) — Iowa City High got a run-scoring single from winning pitcher Mitch Price as the Little Hawks beat Mason City 2-1 Thursday in the quarterfinals of the Class 4A state baseball tournament.
The victory puts Iowa City (33-10) in Friday's semifinals against Sioux City East.
Kevin Hurley opened the Iowa City fourth with a single and moved to third on Mike Gavin's sacrifice bunt and an error, which left Gavin on second. Hurley scored on Price's single and pinch runner Josh Hobart scored when Mickey Shields grounded into a double play.
Mason City (26-16) took a 1-0 lead in the first when Mike Peterson singled, moved to second on Daren Mairs' single and scored on a single by Garret Johnson.

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BASEBALL ROUNDUP

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not double.
Jason Schmidt (6-6) allowed only one run for the second consecutive start to earn the victory, allowing six hits over eight innings.
Marlins 1, Braves 0
MIAMI — Braves-killer Tony Saunders pitched seven shutout innings and Darren Daulton drove in the only run with a fourth-inning single.
Saunders, a rookie left-hander, improved to 3-3. He's 3-0 against Atlanta with a 1.35 ERA.
Florida closed within 6 1/2 games of Atlanta in the NL East.
Tigers 4, Blue Jays 2
DETROIT — Injury-troubled Justin Thome pitched one of his strongest games of the season and Brian Hunter had an RBI triple as the Detroit Tigers beat Toronto.
Doug Brocail pitched the eighth and Doug Jones the ninth for his

LOWANS EYE MEDALS AT WORLD TRACK CHAMPIONSHIPS

Kevin Little, who's from Ankeny and now works in Denver, will run the 200 meters. Joey Woody of Iowa City qualified in the 400 hurdles. They're the first white athletes on a U.S. track team in their events since 1976.
"I think it's great for track and field and great for Iowans," Little said.
"They have somebody to support, somebody to root for at the local level. They can relate to that and maybe get interested in the championships. Hopefully, our success will help the popularity of track in Iowa."
Long a force on the international circuit, Little, 29, has for years fielded questions on succeeding in an event dominated by blacks. He won the 200 at the world indoor championships in Paris this year and long ago stopped looking at himself as a white sprinter and began considering himself just a sprinter.
"If I had looked at it that way, I'd be limiting my potential," he said. "When you look at that, you're putting barriers up for yourself. They're artificial barriers. They're tough barriers. It's tough to get over that."
"I went through that in high school and college. It took a long time for me to get to the point where that wasn't an issue."
There's still a barrier Little hopes to crack, however. Little first made his mark as an indoor sprinter by winning the bronze medal in the 1989 world championships. But he has never made a U.S. Olympic team and didn't win a medal the only other time he ran in an outdoor world meet, in 1995.
"One thing I've wanted to do is prove myself as an outdoor sprinter," he said. "I've had a lot of success indoors. I want to be able to show myself that I can do it in the outdoor worlds and compete with the best."
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Friday SPORTS

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Iowa fact
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Sting 68, Mercury 67

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Charlotte Sting coach Marynell Meadors is not satisfied with surpassing the 500-mark.
"We're going to keep playing hard," Meadors said after her team edged the Phoenix Mercury 68-67 on Wednesday night in the WNBA.
"I promise we will not be as sluggish on Friday night against Sacramento."
Rhonda Mapp scored 19 points, including four free throws in the final 16 seconds, to help the Sting improve to 8-7 on the season.
Vicky Bullett led Charlotte with 20 points. Andrea Congreaves added 13 points and a game-high 16 rebounds.

car racing

Irvan wins Brickyard pole

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Ernie Irvan kept his emotions bottled up and his focus on the racetrack Thursday as he won the pole for Saturday's Brickyard 400.
Irvan, whose mother suffered respiratory failure and is in a coma in a Concord, N.C., hospital, somehow kept his mind on business long enough to set a qualifying record of 177.736 mph in his Robert Yates Racing Ford Thunderbird.
Adding to the emotional stress on Irvan is the fact that he is job hunting for next season. Team owner Yates recently informed the driver that his contract will not be renewed.
Darrell Waltrip, who has struggled to be competitive all season and has been forced several times to use the former series champion's provisional to make race fields, set the early target with a lap of 176.866 mph.
Irvan's teammate, Dale Jarrett, the defending Brickyard champion, knocked Waltrip from the pole with a lap of 177.494. Irvan then bumped his teammate's Ford to the second spot.

baseball

Senate committee votes to revoke part of baseball's antitrust exemption

WASHINGTON (AP) — A Senate committee voted Thursday to revoke the part of baseball's 75-year antitrust exemption that deals with labor relations.
The Judiciary Committee legislation mirrors language already accepted this year by club owners and players. As part of the settlement ending the 1994-95 strike, both sides agreed to seek legislation giving up the labor-related part of the antitrust exemption.
"Fortunately, that now-infamous dispute, which has done so much to tarnish the game, is resolved," said Judiciary Committee Chairperson Orrin Hatch, R-Utah. "The time has come to pass this legislation."
The vote was 11-6. Sen. Herb Kohl, D-Wis., owner of the Milwaukee Bucks NBA team, excused himself from the vote. Hatch said he expects the full Senate to pass the bill and send it to the House.
The legislation would allow baseball players to go to court if they reach an impasse in negotiations with the owners. Currently, the only options available are to accept the owners' contract offer or strike.

college football

Report: Spurrier gets \$2 million deal

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (AP) — Steve Spurrier, annually one of the most sought coaches for the pros, could soon be getting paid like an NFL coach.
The Florida Times-Union reported Thursday that Spurrier, who led Florida to its first national championship last year, has agreed to an extension that would pay him about \$2 million a year.
"We are talking to Steve, but we have not agreed on anything," athletic director Jeremy Foley told the newspaper.
But Foley, who put together a deal for Spurrier in the fall that made him the highest-paid college football coach, acknowledged that a contract extension was in the works as a means of keeping Spurrier at Florida.
"We expected it will get done, hopefully before the season begins," he said.

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Verba signs, but still at back of Pack

Ross
Verba signed with Green Bay Thursday, but the former Hawkeye has missed so much practice time Packer GM Ron Wolf said he will have a hard time catching up with the rest of the team.

By Arnie Stapleton
Associated Press

GREEN BAY, Wis. — Versatile offensive lineman Ross Verba of Iowa, the Green Bay Packers' No. 1 draft pick, ended his 22-day holdout on Thursday.

Terms of his deal weren't disclosed, but Verba had insisted on signing a four-year contract and not a five-year deal that the Packers had originally offered. Green Bay eventually relented and began working on a four-year offer.

Because Verba, the 30th overall pick in the NFL draft, has missed so much time, he did not suit up for Thursday night's Packers-New England Patriots exhibition game.

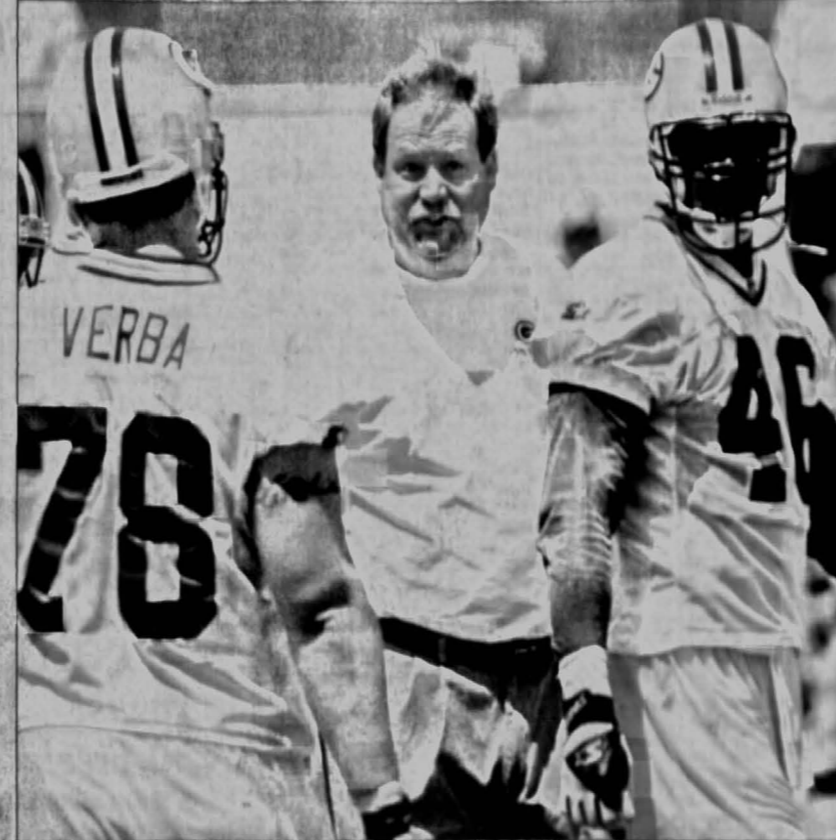
He will practice for the first time Saturday.

General manager Ron Wolf, who described these negotiations as some of the most frustrating he's been involved with, said Verba will have a hard time catching up.

"It sets him back dramatically," Wolf said. "He would have played certainly three quarters tonight and maybe four. And he would have played a lot in our first game."

"Fortunately, we have the extra ballgame and a longer week this week," Wolf added. "So, he should be able to get into it if he's in any kind of shape at all."

Verba, 6-foot-4 and 300 pounds, was expected to push left tackle John Michels and right guard Adam Timmerman for a starting job.



Green Bay Packers head coach Mike Holmgren, center, yells at rookie Ross Verba (76) in a drill June 3, in Green Bay, Wis., during a mini-camp.

But he missed valuable time in training camp when his agent, Ken Kremer, and Packers chief negotiator Mike Reinfeldt dug in on contract talks.

Despite Verba's ability to play all five positions along the offensive line, the Packers were determined not to break

Rookie Conway misses mark, but Packers win

GREEN BAY, Wis. (AP) — The Green Bay Packers might be regretting their divorce with Chris Jacke.

Rookie kicker Brett Conway missed three field goals in Thursday night's 17-3 victory over the New England Patriots, giving him four straight misses over six days.

The Packers, who declined to try a 40-yarder with 20 seconds left, bid adieu to Jacke, an unrestricted free agent, when they picked Conway out of Penn State, in the third round of the NFL draft.

In eight mostly productive seasons, Jacke scored 820 points for the Packers — three shy of the team record held by Don Hutson — including 114 points last season.

He never missed three field goals in any game, exhibition or otherwise.

Jacke, a fan favorite in Green Bay, signed with Pittsburgh earlier this month and kicked three field goals in his debut with the Steelers on Sunday.

Quarterback Brett Favre had a shaky start, going 7-of-13 for 85 yards for Green Bay. New England quarterback Drew Bledsoe was 5-of-10 for 36 yards.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Cards shuffle deck, acquire McGwire

Mark McGwire went from Oakland to St. Louis and the White Sox sent three key pitchers to San Francisco as the trading deadline came and went Thursday night.

(AP) — The rumors became reality Thursday night when the Oakland Athletics sent Mark McGwire to the St. Louis Cardinals for three pitchers.

Both sides took turns confirming and denying the deal in the days leading up to the trading deadline, with McGwire angrily saying he had been misquoted about a possible trade while the A's were in New York.

McGwire, 33, led the majors last season with 52 homers, and has homered with more frequency than any player in history other than Babe Ruth. The deal will reunite McGwire with Cardinals manager Tony La Russa, who was with the A's from 1986-95.

"It's not an easy decision to make, but I think you come to a crossroads in your life, where change is good," McGwire said.

McGwire has hit his 363 career homers in 4,448 at-bats or one in every 12.25 at-bats. Ruth averaged a home run every 11.76 at-bats.

In return for McGwire, the A's got right-handed pitchers T.J. Mathews, Eric Ludwick and Blake Stein.

Three other prominent deals were completed Thursday.

San Francisco got pitchers Wilson Alvarez, Roberto Hernandez and Danny Darwin from the Chicago White Sox for six minor leaguers.

The Cleveland Indians helped their ailing starting pitching by acquiring left-hander John Smiley from Cincinnati in a six-player deal that should help the Reds rebuild.

And the Seattle Mariners finally got some help for their struggling bullpen, trading promising outfielder Jose Cruz Jr. to the Toronto Blue Jays for closer Mike Timlin and set-up man Paul Spoljaric.

Timlin, 31, had 31 saves last year but has struggled at times this season, losing his job to Kelvin Escobar.

Seattle was reluctant to trade the 23-



Oakland Athletics' Mark McGwire (25) watches his two-run homer leave the field in the third inning April 30, in Cleveland. McGwire, baseball's premier power hitter, was traded by the Athletics to St. Louis on Thursday.

BASEBALL ROUNDUP

Cubs streak part II reaches 8

CHICAGO (AP) — Chan Ho Park allowed three hits over eight innings as the Dodgers pulled into a first-place NL West tie with their sixth straight victory, beating Chicago, 4-1.

The Dodgers improved to a season-best 10 games over .500 to tie San Francisco's. The Cubs have an eight-game losing streak.

Park (10-5) won his fifth consecutive start, retiring 19 straight batters before Sammy Sosa walked to lead off the ninth. He struck out seven and walked two. Todd Worrell gave up one hit and got three outs for his 27th save.

Expos 9, Padres 2
MONTREAL — Rondell White drove in four runs, hitting one of three Montreal home runs.

Henry Rodriguez and Chris Widger also homered for the Expos as Dustin Hermanson (5-5) pitched six solid innings in their fourth win in 11 games.

Phillies 2, Cardinals 1, 10 inn.
PHILADELPHIA — Midre Cummings' bases-loaded single with two outs in the bottom of the 10th scored Gregg Jefferies with the winning run as Philadelphia won its third straight.

Cummings, who entered the game in the ninth as a pinch-runner, hit a ball to deep right center off Tony Fossas (1-3), just out of the reach of Willie McGee.

Ricky Bottalico (2-3) pitched a hitless ninth for the win.

Pirates 4, Rockies 1
PITTSBURGH — Kevin Young greeted reliever Curtis Leskanic with a tie-breaking three-run homer in a four-run eighth inning for Pittsburgh.

Rockies starter Roger Bailey (9-8) was working on a two-hit shutout until pinch-hitter Turner Ward singled and scored on Jermaine Allensworth's game-tying, two-

Grambling placed on two years probation

Grambling president relieved that sanctions weren't worse after allegations of impropriety.

By Steve Wilstein
Associated Press

GRAMBLING, La. — The NCAA cleared Grambling football coach Eddie Robinson of any violations, but placed the university on two years' probation for minor infractions by his son and the play of two academically ineligible basketball players.

Thursday's announcement came as Robinson — the winningest coach in college football with 405 victories — prepared for his final season at the school.

After the long investigation into numerous allegations of impropriety, Grambling president Raymond Hicks clearly was relieved that the NCAA didn't impose stiffer sanctions, such as a postseason and television ban or a loss of scholarships.

"Today we probably look like a rose and smell like a rose, but I think that during the (NCAA investigation), we had some harsh experiences," he said.

"You go through a painful experience when people question your integrity and your intentions. I said from the beginning that we have made some technical mistakes," he said. "I don't think anybody was trying to put the university in a position where we were trying to cheat to get a competitive advantage."

Robinson arrived home from New York, where he was filming a commercial, just as the NCAA decision was announced. He said little about the probation except that he was satisfied if the university was, too.

The football violations included improper recruiting contacts with prospective transfer athletes, improper tryouts and out-of-season practices. The NCAA said all of those resulted

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On Aug. 25, 1944, during World War II, France was liberated by Allied forces after four years of Nazi occupation.

United States
In 1981, the U.S. spacecraft Voyager 2 orbited within 63,000 miles of Saturn's cloud-covered ringed planet.
Iowa City
In 1992, UI President Hunter Rawlings III dedicated the T. Anne Cleary Walkway in remembrance of the former UI vice president of domestic affairs who was killed in the No. 10 shootings. The walkway runs between Student Residence Hall and North Hall.

WHAT'S YOUR SIGN?
Today's birthdays
Virgos born today are flamboyant, sexual, energetic, as well as needy and insecure, according to "The Secret Language of the Days" by Gary Goldschneider and Joseph J. ...
Some examples: Former Alabama singer-actor Gene Simmons is 48. Rocker Elvis Costello is 43. Country singer Billy Cyrus is 36. Rock musician Vivian Campbell (Def Leppard) is 35. Actor Blair Underwood is 33. Rap DJ Terminator X (Public Enemy) is 32.

DEEP THOUGHT
"The chains which clamp us most are those which weigh on us least."
— Anne Sophie Swetchine, Russian-French author (1782-1857)

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