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SPORTS Replacing Rollins

With Iowa all-Big Ten line-backer Vernon Rollins, right, out for the season with a torn ACL, it's time for sophomore Raj Clark to step up Saturday against Illinois in Kinnick Stadium. See stories, Page 1B.



ARTS Ellen

Last year's most controversial sitcom emerges as a successful show after years of hit-and-miss comedy. The show airs tonight at 8:30 on KCRG Channel 9. See story, Page 8B.

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Sutherland on moral absolutes

Columnist Brian Sutherland finds the faults in the arguments put forth in a recent lecture by Dr. Peter J. Kreeft. See Viewpoints, Page 10A.

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NEWS UPDATE

Search continues for missing I.C. woman

Police records show Iowa City Police Officers responded to an alarm at the home of a missing Iowa City resident, four days prior to her disappearance.

Francis Bloomfield, 57, of 38 Wakfield Court, was reported missing Monday morning, ICPD officials say. Sgt. Jim Steffen said the ICPD is still trying to find her.

Police responded to the alarm Sept. 18, remaining on the scene for approximately a half an hour. The cause of the alarm has been ruled unknown, said ICPD Sgt. Mike Lord, who is not working on the disappearance case.

"The house was secure when they got there. Officers did check the residence with a neighbor who had a key," he said.

Since Francis Bloomfield was seen after the alarm call, Lord said he would assume it wouldn't have any bearing on the case.

Lord also said criminal activity has increased in Bloomfield's area in the past few months.

"A few months ago a sexual assault took place on Sterling court (two blocks from Bloomfield's home)," Lord said. "We don't think there's a connection though."

Bloomfield's husband, UI research scientist John Bloomfield, alerted police his wife was missing Monday morning after he returned home from a trip. The couple's vehicle was also reported missing. Francis was last seen at her home late Saturday afternoon, police said.

Foul play has not been ruled out as a cause of the disappearance, Steffen said.

—Steve Cook

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READ, THEN RECYCLE

Two killed at Michigan

■ A man was shot dead while fatally stabbing his girlfriend, a student at Univ. of Mich.

By Kelly L. Anderson
Associated Press

ANN ARBOR, Mich. — A man was shot and killed by a campus police officer at the University of Michigan early Tuesday as he stabbed his student girlfriend to death outside their apartment.

The officer, responding to numerous 911 calls, drove into a campus parking lot shortly after midnight and found Tamara Williams, a 20-year-old senior, lying on the ground, being repeatedly stabbed by boyfriend Kevin Nelson, 26.

Campus public safety Director Leo Heatley said the officer fired after Nelson ignored orders to stop.

Investigators followed a trail of blood back to the apartment, where the attack began, and found Ms. Williams' 2½-year-old daughter, Kiera, asleep in

“We both would talk about our relationships, because that's what friends do. She never acted like she feared for her life.”

Tamika Pennamon, a 21-year-old student and friend of Tamara Williams

her room. Kiera was put in protective custody. Nelson, who was not a student at the school, is not the girl's father.

Two years ago, Nelson was convicted of domestic assault against Ms. Williams and sentenced to 18 months probation.

Ms. Williams' grandmother, Jeanette

Hart, said in an interview at her Detroit home that she had met Nelson only twice.

"He said 'yes sir' and 'no sir,' and 'yes ma'am' and 'no ma'am,'" she said. "There's not many people who do that today."

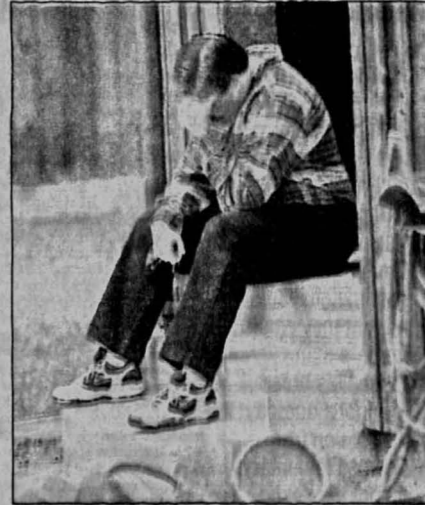
A friend said Ms. Williams told her that despite frequent arguments with Nelson, she wasn't scared and never felt it was a serious problem.

"We both would talk about our relationships, because that's what friends do," said Tamika Pennamon, a 21-year-old student. "She never acted like she feared for her life."

Ms. Pennamon said Kiera's father also was stabbed to death in a domestic assault at the hands of a woman.

Nelson began attacking Ms.

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Warren Zinn/The Michigan Daily News

An unidentified neighbor of University of Michigan senior Tamara Williams and Kevin Nelson holds his head, Tuesday, outside a university housing complex. "This was not the first time they fought," the neighbor said. "I have seen Tamara bruised a couple of times."



Pete Thompson/The Daily Iowan



Building landscapes

Fifth grader Emily Segar, left, puts the finishing touches on a portion of a mural students painted on the construction wall in front of the Biology Building Tuesday. Colorful paint covered her hands, above, after an afternoon of painting.

The project was directed by Lincoln Elementary School art teacher Becky Kobos and was designed and produced by students in grades four through six. The students prepared for the project by watching a film about how artist Keith Haring created his murals. "They had to apply what they learned in class to this project," said Kobos, "We asked them to design a building and incorporate it into a fantasy city that would be created on the entire wall."

Perusing and pondering places to study

■ With plenty of pamphlets, brochures and booths, international advisers handed out information to inquiring students Tuesday in the Union.

By Kelli Otting
The Daily Iowan

Several hundred UI students attended Tuesday's Study Abroad Fair in the Union to learn about life outside Iowa City.

Thirty-nine booths filled the Main Lounge of the Union with information about international programs offered by the UI's Study Abroad Center. Students also had the opportunity to speak with other students and advisers who have studied abroad.

"The fair brings our program closer to the students," Perkins said. "They can come in and explore the different possibilities without feeling like they are obligated to make any commitments."

UI junior Erin Palmer said the

booths offered useful information about the many opportunities for going abroad.

"I think the fair is good for students like myself who don't know that much about the program and the variety of neat places it has to offer," Palmer said. "The booths provide a lot of different information including personal experiences, pamphlets, and movies about the different locations the students have visited."

After visiting the fair Tuesday, Palmer said she is considering studying overseas.

"After talking with some of the representatives, I've decided I'm interested in visiting Spain for a semester," she said.

Vice President of the UI College of Business Administration Darby Cole

said studying abroad can provide experience that can't be obtained in the classroom.

"There is no substitute for studying abroad," Cole said. "There are a lot of things in this world that you can't learn in a classroom."

UI senior Latoria Akins, one of the student advisers at the fair, studied abroad in Venezuela last year and said she would recommend the program to any student.

"I've become much more open-minded and culturally aware of my surroundings," Akins said. "This program gave me the chance to see other cultures' perceptions on life."

The Study Abroad Fair gives UI students the opportunity to become aware

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UISG gets the word out on what they're all about

■ UISG officials say they are doing all they can to inform students about what actually goes on in Room 148 of the Union.

By Cori Zarek
The Daily Iowan

Last night, the University of Iowa Student Government kicked off a year of projects for students, by showing a sneak preview of "Fame L.A." in Buchanan Auditorium.

However, beyond free movies and safety whistles, UISG is far from famous on the UI campus.

"I'm aware that it exists, but I don't really know what they do," said UI sophomore Nathan Soldat.

One problem is that students don't take the initiative to find out what UISG does, UI sophomore Megan Cunningham said.

"I've heard the name," she said. "I've just never made the effort to find out." Everyone knows the events student

what UISG DOES

- Allocates funding for UI student groups
- Meets with other student governments to discuss strategies for running a student body
- Works with Iowa State Board of Regents on issues that affect UI students
- Registers voters for upcoming elections
- Enhances public safety around UI campus
- Free movie night for UI students offering sneak preview films
- Will print new course evaluation questions in spring
- "Home for the Holidays," finding UI students cheap rides home for the holiday season

government presents, they just don't know it's the UISG that's behind them, UISG Vice-President Meghan Henry said.

UISG President Allison Miller said

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Coleman's cyber-convocation

■ UI President Mary Sue Coleman said the UI will expand its technological horizons in a speech Tuesday night.

By Kelley Chorley
The Daily Iowan

UI President Mary Sue Coleman acknowledged that technology is constantly changing, and the UI will have to keep up.

Coleman said in a speech at the University Convocation Tuesday night that in order to combat the lack of technologically advanced classrooms, the UI is planning to expand its technological horizons.

"The UI plans to quadruple the number of multimedia-equipped classrooms over the next four years," Coleman said.

Coleman spoke to about 150 people regarding the impact of rapidly changing technologies. She used a multimedia visual program to prove that she has studied up on her technological skills.

"A year ago, my assistant and I were afraid to turn on the computer," Coleman said. "And now we have come so



Kelley Etzel/The Daily Iowan

far." Coleman's speech, titled "Technology, Creativity, and New Modes of Learning," followed the presentation of 53 awards, which were given to various professors for their excellence in teaching and implementing education.

Many faculty members have increased their talents by taking a step into the world of cyberspace, Coleman said.

Professor Kathy Braun has been teaching marketing for non-majors for four years using no multimedia presen-

UI President Mary Sue Coleman demonstrated new technology at the UI with a video/graphics display at the University Convocation on Tuesday.

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Dental school receives grant

■ The UI College of Dentistry was awarded a \$900,000 grant to fund a center to integrate pediatric dentistry and public dental health.

By Jennifer Goodman
The Daily Iowan

A \$900,000 grant awarded to the UI College of Dentistry will help bring pediatric dentistry to disadvantaged populations.

The College's Department of Pediatric Dentistry will use the grant, awarded by the Bureau of Maternal and Child Health this August, to fund a new center to integrate pediatric dentistry and public dental health.

Dr. Steve Levy, director of the graduate program in Dental Public Health, said the UI is one of only two schools to receive this grant. The other school was the University of North Carolina.

Iowa's Maternal and Child Health Center for Leadership and Pediatric Dentistry will expand an already-existing program that trains residents

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facts on

DENTISTRY

Who: UI Department of Pediatric Dentistry

What: Received a grant from the Bureau of Maternal and Child Health for a new center called "Iowa's Maternal and Child Health Center for Leadership and Pediatric Dentistry. The UI is one of only two schools to receive this grant.

When: August 1997

Where: The center will be located in the Department of Pediatric Dentistry.

Why: The UI has a unique program linking Pediatric Dentistry with Public Dental Health. They wish to expand this program and the grant will allow them to do this.

Coming: ♦ TODAY: Day in the Life, ♦ Thursday: Spectrum, ♦ Friday: Fun Feature, ♦ Monday: Wild Card

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A case of
mistaken
identity

MANASSAS, Va. (AP) — The white tablets were good stuff, maybe the best in some circles — Certs Concentrated Mints. But because 9-year-old Joey Hoeffler's classmate may have thought they would do more than freshen his breath, Joey got a one-day suspension from Weems Elementary School.

The parents of the other pupil, who was not identified, said Joey claimed the mints would make his son jump higher.

"I don't want any kids offering my kids any drugs. It's as simple as that," said the boy's mother.

School officials and a police officer called Joey in for some questions. Joey said the officer confiscated the candy for analysis.

Joey stands by his story: "I only told him they were mints."

A job for the
birds

GENTERVILLE, Ohio (AP) — This city employee goes to the golf course every day and even gets to sleep on the job. But when Gander finally gets down to business, the feathers really fly.

Gander is a year-old Labrador retriever the city bought to chase geese away from the Yankee Trace Golf Course.

"For her, it's more play," Course Superintendent John Miller said. "I don't know if she realizes what she's doing, but she's doing a great job for us." Canadian geese leave the course, with its three ponds. Before Gander arrived, golfers often had to skirt goose droppings on cart paths, scrape messes off greens before putting and put up with gaggles parading across fairways.

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Day in the Life
Iowa women's crew



Pete Thompson/The Daily Iowan

In the end it's all worth it

A day-in-the-life of 2nd-year crew athlete Barbie Schumaker.

By Jen Malek
The Daily Iowan

With the rain pelting the ground outside her window, UI sophomore Barbie Schumaker finally awakes to the sound of her third alarm.

"I am usually a morning person, but 5 a.m. is still too early," she said. "The first five minutes are the worst, but once I am at practice, it is fine."

Schumaker, a UI sophomore studying biology, has to set three alarms to make sure she's out of bed by 5:15 a.m., six days a week. Schumaker admits that getting up at 5 a.m. is hard, but she said a challenging part of being on the crew team is a consistent regimen and a strict schedule.

It is still dark outside as she quickly brushes her teeth and gets dressed in two pairs of shorts and two T-shirts. Then she leaves Currier Residence Hall and heads down the hill to the Iowa River.

She arrives at the "boat house" by the Iowa Advanced Technologies Laboratories at 5:45 and places a heating pack on her back that helps prevent back problems and injuries.

At 6 a.m., practice starts with stretches inside the boathouse. Schumaker, along with 21 other varsity team members, do stretch-

es for their legs, back, and arms. At 6:15, it's time to head down to the river. In teams of eight, they carry two boats down to the river. They lower the boats into the water and Schumaker places her gold-and-black oar in its proper place at the stern of the boat.

After removing her shoes, Schumaker places her right foot in the boat, and pushes off the landing with her left foot.

At 6:25, the two boats of eight head up the river past Hancher Auditorium and City Park. Coach Mandi Cowal follows behind in a motorized boat. The crew practices techniques, learning to stay together.

"You try to stay with your pair, and then each pair tries to stay with another pair. If anyone's movement is off, it makes it hard to row," Schumaker said.

Schumaker said rowing teaches good mental and physical strength. She said technique is important in rowing, and good technique involves making sure the angle of your body is correct along with the placement of your hands on the oars.

"It is about every part of your body down to the way your neck is," she said. "This is a team sport. If one person does not try hard, everyone else has to work harder."

Cowal said the sport, like any other, has its rewards. "It is learning how to work with a group of people," Cowal said. After rowing five to 10 miles, the

crew returns to the landing around 7:55, and carries the boats on their shoulders back into the boat house. Schumaker then leaves the boathouse and returns to her room.

Her first class of the day, chemistry, begins at 8:30, so she runs to her room, changes clothes and rushes to class. After attending chemistry, physics, and Interpretation of Literature, Schumaker fits in a quick nap and lunch. Then she heads off to biology.

At 3:30, Schumaker goes to Carver Hawkeye for weight-lifting, which she does three times a week for an hour each time.

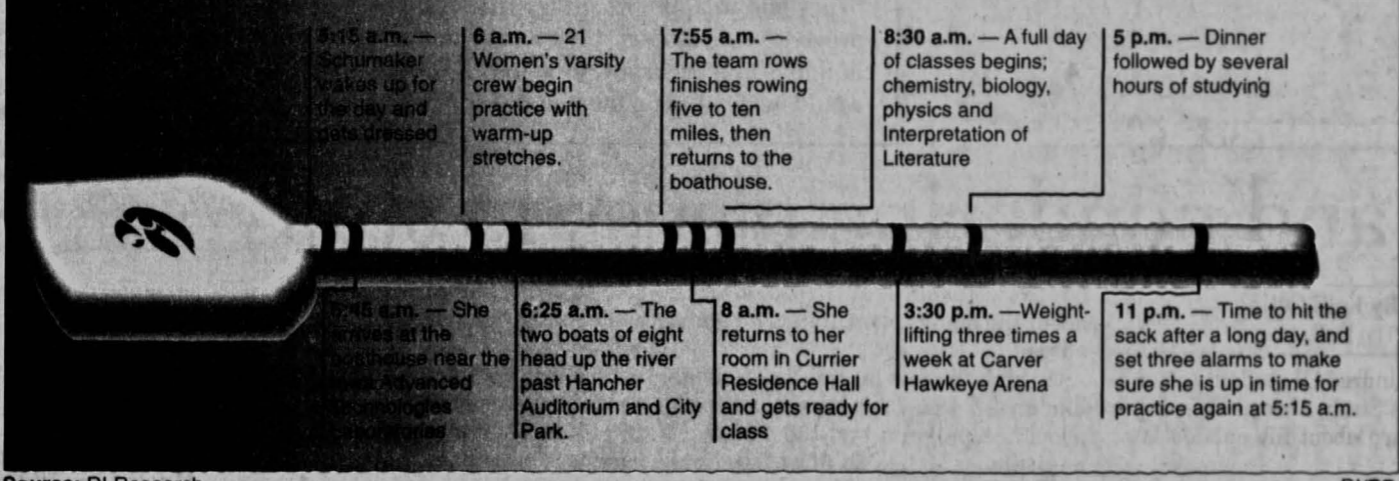
After returning from Carver, Schumaker eats dinner, followed by studying until around 10 p.m. Her goal is to be in bed by 11 p.m. every night.



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Schumaker sets up her oar at 6 a.m. Monday every practice. The women's crew team practices every morning at this time except for Sunday.

Women's Crew: A Day in the Life



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'Candle'

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By Mike Weiler
The Daily Iowan

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Secular, s...

A new UI forum focuses on the integration of religion and the workplace.

By Sarah Kersevich
The Daily Iowan

To comfort patients facing an uncertain future, UI professor of Internal Medicine James Martins said he always offers prayer.

And he's never been turned down.

As a part of a new forum titled "Finding God at Iowa," sponsored by the Christian Reformed Campus Ministry Committee (CRCMC), lecturers such as Martins can share their experiences with integrating Christianity into their academic life.

This year, the CRCMC has invited eight faculty and staff members to speak at luncheons about how they unite their spiritual and academic lives, said Jason Chen, a campus minister who helped organize the forum.

Forum speakers include Leslie Sims, dean of the graduate college; Eleanor McClelland, former associate dean of nursing and James Broffitt, chair of the statistics and actuarial science department.

"Our lives are not whole, so we're torn in different directions," Chen said. "There's great competition here. One faculty person describes his daily life at the office as going to a den of lions. We want to challenge the University to know that Christian faith and scholarship go hand in hand."

Chen said Martins' Sept. 5 forum attracted an audience of 65 administrators and students.

"We were overwhelmed and over-

it's all in the

STARS

Sept. 24, 1997

Celebrities born on this day: Joseph Kennedy III, Joe Greene, Linda McCartney, Phil Hartman

Happy Birthday: You can reach whatever goals you set for yourself this year as long as you don't let your personal life and emotional matters interfere. If you are focused and relentless in your pursuits, you will find yourself moving in leaps and bounds for the very thing you've been working so hard to achieve. Your numbers are 4, 13, 18, 27, 36, 45.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Your emotional anger will be impossible to contain if you get into discussion with family members. Direct your energy into physical work rather than discord.

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TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Outings with relatives or good friends will provide you with stimulating conversation. Your knowledge and good sense will help more than you think. Relationships will become stronger.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You're apt to make a move or experience changes at home. You can make money through solid investment plans. Your hard work will pay off; advancement looks positive.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You will be overly emotional when dealing with your personal partner. Try not to resort to mood swings that may result in loneliness. Your lover is not likely to put up with your behavior.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Finish those changes you've been talking about making to your residence. Family members will be getting anxious if you make promises that you don't deliver.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Travel for business or pleasure will prove to be advantageous. Much can be accomplished if you organize your time. You will enjoy your involvement in organizations that make a contribution.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Petty ego confrontations will lead to estrangement if you aren't careful. Financial speculation with family members or close friends should be put on the back burner for now.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Pursue outdoor activities or physical competition. Your ability to be a self-starter will aid you in getting things done and in motivating others. Self-improvement will bring amazing results.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Eliminate situations that are no longer to your advantage. Your courage and willpower will enable you to get rid of destructive habits as well.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Your relationship appears to be stressed-out and empty. If you are uncertain about your feelings, spend time by yourself where you can reevaluate your motives as well as your needs.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You need to throw yourself into your profession. Things will smooth over if you just concentrate on getting ahead financially and let your personal life settle down for a while.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Romantic and social activity can be a productive proposition. You will enjoy entertaining, and can host a multitude of events if you put your mind to it. You will attract new love interests.

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'Candle' a big hit

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Local radio stations KRNA (94.1 FM) and the FOX (100.7 FM) have

been playing the song once or twice a day, and have seen a small to moderate amount of requests for the song, said Micki, a FOX disc jockey.

"We usually get a few requests for it each day," Micki said.

"Candle In The Wind 1997," which John sang at Princess Diana's funeral and recorded immediately after the service, has already boasted record sales in Europe.

The single sold 650,000 copies in just one day in Great Britain, propelling it to the top of the U.K.'s singles chart. In France, more than 500,000 copies were sold in two days.

Billboard reports advance orders and said the single has gone quadruple platinum before its release in Australia. Advance orders in the U.S. are at more than 3.4 million copies. However, CNN Interactive reported sluggish sales in the U.S. through Tuesday.

Originally a tribute to Marilyn Monroe, the song was revised by John and Bernice Taupin, co-writers of the original "Candle In The Wind," after Princess Diana was killed in an auto accident Aug. 31. The producer of the single, Sir



Brian Ray/The Daily Iowan

Elton John's tribute to Lady Diana was released Tuesday and is available in stores all over Iowa City. Sales have been strong and stores are expecting to sell out in the next few days.

George Martin, said John never plans to sing the reworked song in public again.

The songs "Something About the Way You Look Tonight" and "I Know Why I Love You," from John's new album, are also on the single. "Candle In The Wind 1997" is not on

John's new album, however.

Proceeds from the sales are going to charities supported by Princess Diana.

Copies of the single, which are available on cassette or CD singles, sell for \$3 and up.

Council ponders art

Iowa City City Councilors voted to support a tax-funded public art policy Tuesday night.

By Laura Heinauer
The Daily Iowan

Dean Thornberry is "scared" by the prospect of Iowa City residents paying more tax money for public art.

In a heated debate resulting in a 4-to-3 vote in favor of the Public Art Program at Tuesday night's Iowa City City Council meeting, Thornberry said he disagreed with a policy that will allocate a minimum of \$100,000 per year for the placement of public art in public works projects.

Along with Councilors Ernie Lehman and Dee Vanderhoef, a passionate Thornberry said the policy is not specific enough in terms of the total amount that can be spent on public art.

Thornberry said he "needed Valium" after losing the vote. "This scares me. There should be a maximum, not a minimum, limit,"

Thornberry said. "I don't disagree with art for art's sake, but this project is too open-ended, and I can't feel comfortable supporting it."

The money will be allocated to the Capital Improvements Program budget to be spent on commissioning or acquiring art for public places and establish a committee to govern and manage the program.

The resolution would require the council to pass an amendment if they decided to spend less than \$100,000 on art for a public service project.

Lehman agreed with Thornberry, saying, "I can't justify borrowing money for art," Lehman said. "Taking money out of the taxpayers' pockets for something that is not necessary."

Councilor Dee Norton, disagreed with Lehman, saying the allocations would be a worthwhile investment in the community. "This is not a radical step," Norton said. "It's not as though we are inventing the wheel here."

Councilor Karen Kubby said she was devoted to the plan that recognized the importance of artwork in Iowa City's infrastructure.

Secular, spiritual meet at new UI forum

A new UI forum focuses on the integration of religion and the workplace.

By Sarah Kersevice
The Daily Iowan

To comfort patients facing an uncertain future, UI professor of Internal Medicine James Martins said he always offers prayer.

And he's never been turned down.

As a part of a new forum titled "Finding God at Iowa," sponsored by the Christian Reformed Campus Ministry Committee (CRCMC), lecturers such as Martins can share their experiences with integrating Christianity into their academic life.

This year, the CRCMC has invited eight faculty and staff members to speak at luncheons about how they unite their spiritual and academic lives, said Jason Chen, a campus minister who helped organize the forum.

Forum speakers include Leslie Sims, dean of the graduate college; Eleanor McClelland, former associate dean of nursing and James Broffitt, chair of the statistics and actuarial science department.

"Our lives are not whole, so we're torn in different directions," Chen said. "There's great competition here. One faculty person describes his daily life at the office as going to a den of lions. We want to challenge the University to know that Christian faith and scholarship go hand in hand."

Chen said Martins' Sept. 5 forum attracted an audience of 65 administrators and students.

"We were overwhelmed and over-

joyed with the turnout," Chen said. "It showed there is a definite interest in the topic."

Encouraging people to integrate spirituality and academics naturally raises ethical questions, Chen said.

"I think there's still a lot of misunderstanding about the separation of church and state," he said.

Ann Rhodes, vice president of University Relations, said the forum does not violate the separation of church and state.

"The University is a place where people can meet and discuss different views," Rhodes said. "Certainly religion is one of the areas for scholarly work and discussion just like any other discipline."

Chen said the separation of church and state does not mean that UI faculty and staff can't talk about their spirituality. He also said the forum is not designed to encourage people to preach spirituality.

Preaching spirituality is not something Martins said he does in the classroom. His religion does not hinder his ability to teach with scientific discipline, he said.

"I don't necessarily speak about faith when I give a lecture," he said. "It is, for me, a joy to describe what I understand and learn to others, because it's almost a way of worshipping God's design."

When dealing with the deaths of patients, Martins said incorporating Christianity with his work can be very useful.

"You can do all the right things, and they still don't get well," Martins said. "I may have to tell them, 'Yes, we gave you the best treatment available and it still doesn't work.' What do you do?"

Larry Molnar, professor of physics and astronomy and

CRCMC member, said the speakers provide examples of ways to incorporate an abstract belief into scholarly practice.

"I think there are certainly many that believe other people's faith is at odds with being in an academic institution," Molnar said.

Don Coffman, also a member of the CRCMC, said if a person draws

a line between his faith and his profession, it is difficult to function in both arenas.

"There are people who believe religious faith is not logical," Coffman said. "If on one hand you consider it to be not rational, how can you stride both worlds?"

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Iowa briefs

Diesel spill contained after tow sinks in Mississippi River

CLINTON, Iowa (AP) — A tow boat carrying 8,000 gallons of diesel fuel sank Tuesday in a cove on the Mississippi River. About half of the fuel leaked out but officials said it did not enter the main river channel.

Booms were placed around the boat and across the mouth of the cove that leads to the main channel of the river, the Iowa Department of Natural Resources said. Divers sealed vents on the sunken boat to keep the remaining diesel fuel from leaking out.

The U.S. Coast Guard and a river cleanup crew were on the scene shortly after the boat sank at about 1 a.m. Tuesday, DNR said.

Vacuums were used to recover the fuel floating to the surface of the water.

"The diesel contaminant is being contained and vacuumed so that it will not pose a threat to downstream water users," DNR said in a statement Tuesday. "No fish have been reported killed, as of this time."

DNR said the boat was operated by American River Transportation Co. It was on the Iowa side of the river, between Clinton and Camanche, when it sank.

Also Tuesday, DNR reported that 22,500 gallons of liquid nitrogen fertilizer solution flowed into a drainage tile leading to a creek in west-central Iowa.

The incident occurred over the weekend when someone opened a valve on a tank at the Farmer's Co-op in Boxholm, DNR said. About 230 minnows and 210 carp were found dead in a 500-foot stretch of Middle Beaver Creek. A dam was constructed across the creek Monday, and about 12,000 to 13,000 gallons of liquid was pumped out.

Jury selection to enter second day in Runyan trial

NEVADA, Iowa (AP) — Jury selection will continue Wednesday in the trial of a Fort Dodge man accused in a killing at last spring's Veishea celebration.

Attorneys spent Tuesday sorting through how much potential jurors knew about the case.

Michael Runyan, 20, is charged in Story County with first-degree murder.

He is accused of stabbing Harold "Uri" Sellers, 19, to death during the Iowa State University festival on April 20.

Defense attorney Julia Keifer indicated that Runyan will maintain that he acted in self-defense.

Another Fort Dodge man, Luke Abrams, was originally charged with aiding and abetting first-degree murder for going along with Runyan.

He has since pleaded guilty to reduced charges of going armed with intent and being an accessory after the fact. As part of a plea bargain, Abrams may testify against Runyan.

Students' plan to skate through Iowa hits a bump

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — A high school group attempting to skate from Washington, D.C., to Seattle has found the road a bit bumpy.

Five teens on in-line skates and seven adults in their support team set out on the cross-country trip from in front of the White House last week to raise money for their school and raise awareness of young people's abilities.

Teacher shortages cause problems

DES MOINES (AP) — Shortages of teachers across Iowa have again forced the state to issue conditional licenses to hundreds of teachers who have yet to meet all of the state's professional requirements.

Almost 1,600 such licenses were granted to teachers in Iowa last year. A similar number is expected this year, said Anne Kruse, executive director of the Iowa Board of Educational Examiners.

The conditional licenses are issued to teachers who already have teaching licenses but do not meet all criteria for certain subject areas.

"The public can be assured that there is a fully licensed teacher in the classroom," Kruse said.

School districts are having trouble finding qualified counselors, teachers of English as a second language, reading teachers and industrial arts teachers.

The shortage is especially acute

in special education, where more than a third of the conditional licenses were issued.

In Des Moines, only 12.5 of the 41.5 teacher positions in special education this year were filled by fully certified teachers.

"Our priority is always to hire fully licensed teachers," said Thomas Jeschke, director of student services for Des Moines schools.

"Over the last three to five years it's increased, particularly at the secondary level and in the area of behavioral disorder," he said. "People aren't going into that area."

School districts must apply to the state to have a teacher conditionally licensed.

Often the teachers have taken, some or most of the courses needed for the additional endorsement. To be granted the conditional licenses, teachers must have a plan to obtain the remaining course work.

Most of the shortages in Iowa are also being felt across the nation. The nationwide shortage of industrial arts teachers is expected to reach 5,000 by 2001.

POLICE

Mark McDaniel, 18, 112 Clapp St., was charged with fifth degree theft at WAL-MART, 1001 Hwy. 1 West, on Sept. 22 at 2:30 p.m.

David L. Baker, 42, Waterloo, was charged with public intoxication at 100 S. Linn St., on Sept. 22 at 6:23 p.m.

Leann M. Osterdock, 26, Rock Falls, Ill., was charged with domestic abuse, assault and public intoxication at Linn and Washington streets on Sept. 22 at 4:18 p.m.

John W. Osterdock, 27, Rock Falls, Ill., was charged with serious domestic abuse, assault and public intoxication at Linn and Washington streets, on Sept. 22 at 4:18 p.m.

Craig A. Meling, 22, 315 Emerald Court Apt. 5, was charged with public intoxication and indecent conduct at the Field House, 111 E. College St., on Sept. 23 at 12:01 a.m.

Jamie L. Shetler, 23, 950 Boston Way Apt. 1, was charged with criminal mischief in the third degree at Maxie's, 1920 Keokuk St., on Sept. 23 at 1:08 a.m.

—compiled by Kevin Doyle

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District

Possession of a schedule I controlled substance — James R. Sinn, Wayland, Iowa, no preliminary hearing has been

set; Terry T. Cooper, Solon, no preliminary hearing has been set; George A. Thomas, 620 Riverside Drive, preliminary hearing has been set for Sept. 30 at 2 p.m.

Operating vehicle without owner's consent — George A. Thomas, 620 Riverside Drive, no preliminary hearing has been set.

Operating while intoxicated — Sean P. Case, Coralville, no preliminary hearing has been set.

Criminal mischief, third degree — Jamie L. Shetler, Coralville, no preliminary hearing has been set.

Burglary, third degree — Dewayne M. Smith, North Liberty, no preliminary hearing has been set.

Domestic abuse, assault — John W. Osterdock, Rock Falls, Ill., no preliminary hearing has been set.

Domestic assault with injury — Dennis R. Brown, 115 Apache Trail, no preliminary hearing has been set.

Magistrate
Public intoxication — David L. Baker, Waterloo, was fined \$90.

—compiled by Steven Cook

TODAY'S EVENTS

The Second International Jobs Fair will

be held in the second floor Ballroom of the Union from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Department of Human Services will have an informational meeting in Meeting Room A of the Iowa City Public Library at 1 p.m.

The International Jobs Fair's keynote address by Bob Chinsano will be given in the Illinois Room of the Union from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

The Iowa City Public Library will have "Afternoon Story Time with Georgia" in the Hazel Westgate Story Room at 1:30 p.m.

University Counseling Service will have a talk on cognitive-behavioral strategies for dealing with anxiety at 330 Westlawn from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

The UI Department of Physics and Astronomy will sponsor a space physics seminar by Dr. Shen-Wu Chang in Room 301 of Van Allen Hall at 3:30 p.m.

The UI Department of Psychology will have a talk by Tory Higgins, professor of psychology at Columbia University, titled "What Motivates Us: Answers that Shape Our Lives" in the Illinois Room of the Union at 7 p.m.

University Democrats will have an organizational and informational meeting in River Room 1 of the Union at 7 p.m.

The Iowa International Socialist Organization will have a talk titled "The

End of the American Dream" in the Minnesota Room of the Union at 7 p.m.

The Heartland Sufi Center will have an introductory meeting in Meeting Room C of the Iowa City Public Library at 7:30 p.m.

The Wesley Foundation United Methodist Campus Ministry will have midweek worship and communion at 120 N. Dubuque St. at 9 p.m.

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Associated Press

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knowing what ails the IRS." "Over the course of the next three days we are going to see a picture of a troubled agency, one that is losing the confidence of the American people, and one that all too frequently acts as if it were above the law," he said.

In another specific area, Roth suggested the agency too often allows revenue officers to use false identification.

"I'm concerned that it makes them unaccountable," he said.

Tax collectors can use registered pseudonyms if they can show they face threats. "Assaults on IRS employees, sad to say, are a reality," said IRS spokesperson Frank Keith. Some 350 of the agency's 102,000 employees use the registered pseudonyms.

The head of the National Treasury Employees Union, which represents IRS workers, predicted that hearings severely critical of the agency would lead to a backlash against employees.

"There is a direct correlation ... between bashing the IRS and having IRS employees being subjected to threats and assaults," said the union's president, Robert Tobias. In the past five years, there were 3,200 reported threats and assaults on IRS workers, according to the Treasury Department.

In one measure of the political tension surrounding the hearings, the National Republican Senatorial Committee accused Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle of obstructing the hearings after the committee was forced to adjourn prematurely.

Daschle, of South Dakota, had all Senate committee meetings shut down late Tuesday morning to protest the GOP's handling of several issues unrelated to IRS issues, Senate aides said.

Factors behind the push for the hearings include persistent management problems at the IRS, especially in regard to a \$3.3 billion computer upgrade, slow responses and incorrect answers on the agency's telephone help line and other customer service problems such as erroneous computer form letters.

Several senators acknowledged that Congress played a role in the problem by continually revising and making the tax laws more complex.

Tobias, the union president, urged observers to place IRS collection horror stories in context.

"The culture is created in response to Congress (and its pressure) to collect more dollars," Tobias said during a break. "I think Congress has been very successful at shifting responsibility from itself to the IRS."

Coast to Coast



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Child gun deaths down for first time in more than a decade

WASHINGTON (AP) — The number of children and teen-agers killed by guns dropped in 1995 for the first time in more than a decade, according to government statistics released Tuesday.

The decrease resulted in part from a declining homicide rate, although accidental deaths and suicides were also down.

The information was released by the fund and confirmed by the National Center for Health Statistics. The statistics were available in July but had not been broken down to focus on Americans age 19 and under.

Overall, 5,285 people age 19 and under were killed by guns in 1995.

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Study says HMOs may make dying more merciful

new york



Osamu Honda/Associated Press

Japanese Defense Minister Fumid Kyuma, left, and Japanese Foreign Minister Keizo Obuchi, second from left, join hands with U.S. Defense Secretary William Cohen and Secretary of State Madeleine Albright during a meeting Tuesday which expanded military cooperation between the two countries.

CHICAGO (AP) — HMOs may be making death more merciful for elderly patients, researchers say.

A new study found that Medicare patients in HMOs were less likely to get prolonged, costly — and ultimately futile — care than those with traditional Medicare coverage.

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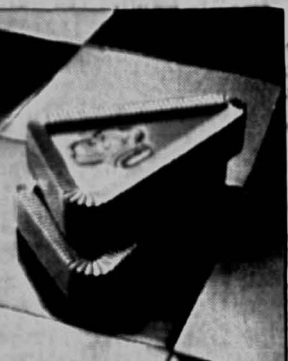
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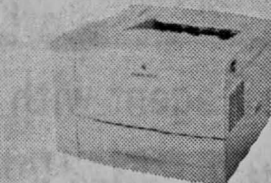
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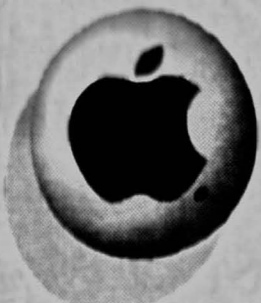
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Groups ask FCC to freeze cable rates

■ Consumer group seeks regulation in cable TV rates, hoping to save Americans over \$1 billion.

By Jeannine Aversa
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Government regulations are not protecting cable TV customers, whose rates are going up faster than ever, consumer groups said Tuesday. They urged federal regulators to freeze rates and come up with stronger price controls.

The Consumers Union and the Consumer Federation of America asked the Federal Communications Commission to freeze cable TV rates for one year, estimating the move would save customers \$1 billion. The agency has frozen rates before.

About 80 percent of all cable customers' rates are regulated, with consumers paying about \$16 billion a year to the cable industry, the groups said.

The FCC's rate regulations are "simply put, a sham — worthless, meaningless," said Gene Kimmelman, co-director of the Consumers Union's Washington office.

Cable rates are rising faster now than when they were not regulated, the groups said in a petition to the FCC. And regulated rates are going up 50 percent faster than the FCC predicted they would, the groups contend.

Decker Anstrom, president of the National Cable Television Association, countered that "price increases that cable companies have instituted in the past year or two reflect the increased costs that come from adding more channels, improving service and introducing new technologies." He said those were "all things we know our customers want."

It's doubtful the existing FCC, which wrote the cable rate regulations, will rewrite them now. Pending Senate confirmation, all but one of the FCC's five members, includ-

ing Chair Reed Hundt, could be replaced as early as October.

Lawmakers haven't ruled out a legislative remedy to address rising cable rates, but say they first want to see if a 1996 telecommunications law can work. That law provides for deregulation of the communications industries, including phased deregulation of cable TV rates.

The goal is to increase competition and restrain prices by letting cable, local and long-distance companies into each other's businesses. The consumer groups and other critics say the law is fueling consolidation, not competition.

But the industry's Anstrom said more than 10 million people now get cable TV-like services from such rivals as direct-to-home satellite TV providers, telephone-owned cable systems and wireless cable systems. The cable industry has roughly 67 million customers.

"We would oppose any measures that would further insert the government into the workings of the

marketplace," Anstrom said.

The FCC agreed that new technologies are giving TV viewers more options. "Competition is clearly the best way to promote consumer choice and reasonable prices in the delivery of video programming," said Meredith Jones, chief of the FCC's Cable Services Bureau.

Rep. Billy Tauzin, R-La., chairperson of the House Commerce Committee's telecommunications subcommittee, which helped write the 1996 law, said the FCC should freeze cable TV rates in communities "where people are getting gouged."

But he has no plans to get rid of the cable deregulation provisions in the law. "The key to lowering cable rates is increased competition, not increased regulation," he said.

The House Judiciary Committee planned a hearing Wednesday to focus on the state of cable competition, but also was expected to touch upon rising rates.

Campaign reform may extend Congress session

■ Clinton threatens to force Congress to consider campaign finance reform.

By Carolyn Skorneck
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Clinton threatened Tuesday to call the Senate into a special session to consider a proposed overhaul of campaign finance rules if Republican leaders try to go home for the year without making time for debate and a vote.

"This measure is of the utmost importance, and it deserves full consideration on the Senate floor," Clinton wrote to Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott of Mississippi.

The president, whose own fundraising activities are under investigation, warned, "If any attempt is made to bring this bill up in a manner that would preclude sufficient time for debate, I will call on Congress to stay in session until all of the critical elements are fully considered."

With the Clinton threat in hand, Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle of South Dakota agreed to support the same Lott resolution he angrily rejected Friday. It calls for

the Senate to debate a bill co-sponsored by Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., and Russ Feingold, D-Wis., before the Senate adjourns for the year and blocks any attempt to bring up campaign finance overhaul legislation before that bill is considered.

"The concern we had Friday was that the bill would be offered at the very last day or in the last week, leaving us virtually no opportunity to debate campaign finance reform in a meaningful way," Daschle told reporters. "With the assurance that we now have in this letter, that the president is willing to invoke his authority under Article 2, Section 3 of the Constitution, that fear is no longer a real one."

If the bill is brought up the day the Senate wants to recess, Clinton can simply extend the session, he said.

Lott said on the Senate floor that he never intended to wait until the

end of the session to bring up the bill. And after listing a number of presidential initiatives pending before Congress, he issued a warning of his own.

"The president has a lot of issues that he would like for us to work with him on," Lott said. "We intend to do that. We do not intend to be threatened or intimidated on this or any other issue."

Just getting the Senate to stay in town is not the answer, McCain said.

"We all know the president can call Congress into session all he wants to. He can't make them act," he told the Senate. Praising Lott's prior commitment to bring up the legislation, McCain said, "We don't need letters from the president of the United States."

"The president is, in my view, playing this for political advantage," McCain said in an interview. "It could be harmful to the bipartisanship that has to be found on this issue."

The bill would, among other things, ban unlimited "soft money" donations to political parties. Such gifts, some worth hundreds of thousands of dollars, have generated screaming headlines this year and have led to a Justice Department investigation of fund raising by

Clinton and Vice President Al Gore.

The House has similar legislation pending, but White House officials said their focus is on the Senate, in the belief nothing will happen in the House until the Senate approves the measure.

The McCain-Feingold bill is "balanced and effective," Clinton wrote. Although it doesn't contain everything he would like to, he said it addresses "many of the most pressing needs for reform."

Clinton also referred obliquely to the likelihood Republicans — outraged by the \$35 million the AFL-CIO spent last year on behalf of Democratic causes — will try to amend the bill to bar unions from using members' dues for political activities without the members' express approval. Daschle has said such an amendment would force Democrats to vote against the bill.

"Any attempts to attach amendments that would make it unpalatable to one party or another are nothing less than attempts to defeat campaign finance reform," Clinton wrote. "And a vote to filibuster this measure is nothing short of a vote to maintain the system that favors special interests over the public good."



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By Kevin Galvin
Associated Press

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Teamster President Ron Carey, right, turns away after talking with Michael Sacco, president of the Seafarers International Union, following the morning session Tuesday at the AFL-CIO Convention in Pittsburgh.

November Group, profited from mailings paid for by the tainted funds. But Nash averred in court that he acted only to benefit Carey's election chances. Carey won by less than 4 percent.

Carey said he hired people whom he trusted to run the campaign, yet he maintained that he hardly knew Nash or Davis. He claimed he met

Davis just five times in his life, and said he had spoken only about 20 times with Nash, who ran Carey's campaign for nearly a year.

"They designed a scheme certainly to rip off this union — rip me off in terms of my credibility," Carey said. "You can't control people. People step over the line, they abuse their authority."

Meth harms more than its users

Meth labs become the hazardous waste sites of the drug trade, killing many in its wake.

By Patrick Graham
Associated Press

PHOENIX — Police suspect toxic fumes from a methamphetamine lab in his mother's Phoenix apartment killed little Joseph Carnesi last week as he slept on the couch.

To agent Duncan Lingle of the federal Drug Enforcement Administration, the 3-year-old's death was tragic but not surprising.

Meth labs, proliferating across the Southwest in recent years, have become the hazardous waste sites of the drug trade.

"We are yanking kids out of these labs daily. And that makes you sick," said Lingle, who oversees a meth lab task force of federal agents and local police. Methamphetamine makers "are taking their lives in their own hands. They don't have any concept of what the chemicals will do to them."

During a raid on a Colorado methamphetamine lab years ago, Lingle grabbed a jar of hydriotic acid, an outlawed chemical that dissolves flesh in seconds and has fumes so toxic small amounts can collapse the lungs.

"Even with my mask on, I could smell it right through the mask," the Phoenix agent said. "That's how powerful this stuff is."

Lingle suffered a collapsed lung.

"Other agents who were doing these raids are coming down with all kinds of bizarre cancers and liver and kidney ailments," he said. Clandestine, makeshift laboratories are cranking out meth, or

"crank" — a powerful stimulant brewed in bathtubs or buckets with a nasty, stinky concoction of toxic chemicals purchased on the black market or at hardware stores.

Besides hydriotic acid, other chemicals include phosphene gas, which is so deadly that one sniff kills. There's red phosphorus, which if mishandled, converts to yellow phosphorus and can ignite spontaneously. Meth makers also use solvents like ether, chloroform and Freon.

Apartments, barns, motel rooms and suburban homes have been turned into hazardous sites. Some labs are highly explosive. Some give off cancer-causing fumes. Others contaminate the soil, erode plumbing and leach into the water supply.

A meth lab in the Phoenix area was discovered a few years ago after backyard dumping spread to a neighbor's property, contaminated a child's sandbox and dissolved part of the neighboring house's foundation.

A room in a Comfort Inn in Phoenix was shut down for more than a week this past spring while cleanup crews purged the inside.

Other motel rooms across Arizona used as labs have burned to the ground during accidents.

"Ninety-five percent of these goof balls don't have a clue to what they're doing," said Sgt. James Schroeder of the Yuma County Sheriff's office. "They picked up some old notes from the Internet or jail or who knows where, and they don't understand the hazards of mixing certain chemicals together."

Lab mistakes can be catastrophic. Two men died in a California lab after they dropped a cask of cooking meth, releasing phosphene gas. One victim had stuffed dirt in his mouth in a futile effort to ease the burning.

Law enforcement agents now attack meth labs as if battling an environmental menace. Raiding a meth lab is so dangerous that the Occupational Safety and Health Administration now requires training, biohazard suits and breathing equipment. Agents raiding a suspected meth lab are accompanied by chemists, bomb disposal experts and hazardous materials specialists.

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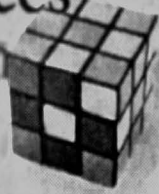
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World

Arms race stopped

■ U.S. and Russia sign a long-sought deal to convert nuclear plants.

By Lynn Berry
Associated Press

MOSCOW — Vice President Al Gore signed a long-sought deal with Russia on Tuesday to convert three nuclear weapons plants to civilian use, a move seen as a significant step away from the nuclear legacy of the Cold War.

Besides putting an end to plutonium-producing reactors in Russia, the agreement places a cap on U.S. and Russian stockpiles of nuclear weapons-grade plutonium.

The Clinton administration has been pushing for the accord for years, part of U.S. efforts to ensure that Moscow safeguards and reduces its vast nuclear stockpile.

"It's so historic. It's so important for world peace," said U.S. Energy Secretary Federico Pena, who took part in the discussions with Gore.

The agreement would convert Russia's three remaining plutonium-producing plants in Siberia to production of uranium for civilian power plants. It also would prohibit Russia from using recently produced plutonium in nuclear weapons.

The plant conversions, to begin

in 2000, will take place with technical assistance and money from Washington. All other former plutonium-producing reactors in both countries must remain closed.

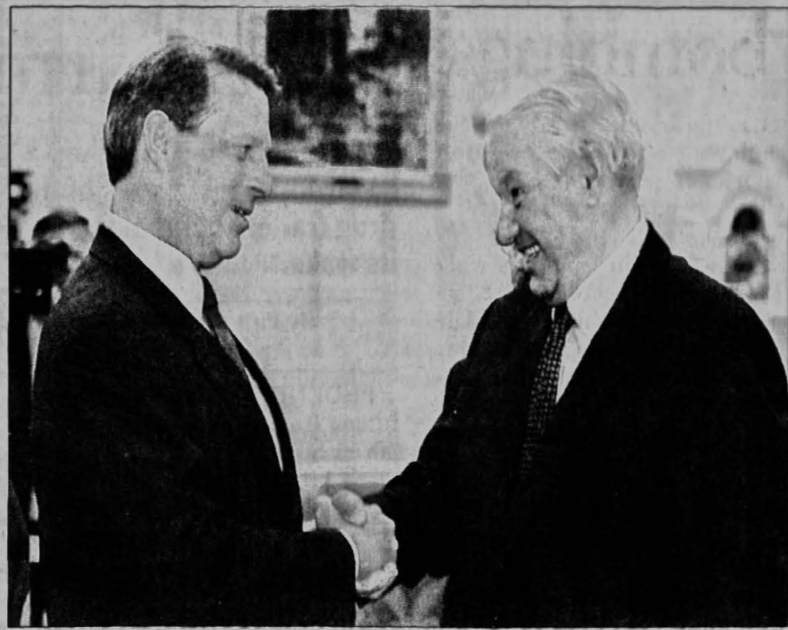
Gore, who signed the agreement with Russian Prime Minister Viktor Chernomyrdin, said it makes a major contribution to world nuclear nonproliferation.

"I'm very pleased to announce that after much hard work we took an important, perhaps even historic, step this week when we reached agreement to halt production of weapons-grade plutonium in both the United States and Russia," Gore said.

Preventing the spread of nuclear weapons technology topped a long list of issues that Gore worked on for two days with Chernomyrdin, during the latest session of the Gore-Chernomyrdin commission.

The commission has been meeting twice a year since 1993. The two chairs announced on Tuesday the signing of 10 agreements on space, technology and trade, among other issues.

Gore also met Tuesday with President Boris Yeltsin to try to smooth tensions over Iran. Russia is helping Iran build a nuclear power plant and the United States fears the technology could be used to develop a nuclear bomb.



David Brauchli/Associated Press

U.S. Vice President Al Gore greets President Boris Yeltsin in the Kremlin Tuesday. Gore is on an official three-day visit to Russia

Officials on both sides were reluctant to share details of the talks, citing intelligence concerns. But Chernomyrdin said: "We have commitments to Iran and aren't deviating from them."

Moscow insists it is not providing any technology or parts that would help Iran or other nations acquire long-range missiles or nuclear weapons.

Clinching the conversion deal has been a Washington priority since June 1994, when the two sides signed an agreement to shut down the Siberian reactors — two

in Seversk and one in Zheleznogorsk. The Russians never allowed that accord to take effect because they said there was no other way to provide heat and electricity to those regions.

After feasibility studies and more talks, the two sides finally approved a joint plan estimated to cost \$150 million. Of that total, the United States is providing up to \$10 million this year and as much as \$70 million later. Russia will provide the rest. U.S. and Russian contractors will share the conversion work.

Korea



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North Korean children take a nap in a nursery in Popdong County, Kangwon Province. The United Nations' World Food Program says 17 percent of North Korean children are malnourished.

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algeria

Latest attack in Algeria leaves at least 200 people dead

ALGIERS, Algeria (AP) — Armed men raided an Algerian village Tuesday, taking time to loot homes as they shot or stabbed to death at least 200 people and wounded 100 others, survivors and hospital sources said. It was one of the worst massacres since Algeria's Islamic insurgency began five years ago.

The predawn raid in a suburb of Algiers sent hundreds of panicked villagers fleeing toward the capital.

The official government news agency APS said 85 people were killed and 67 people wounded. The government, long pledged to stamp out the violence.

northern ireland

Arch-enemies meet at talks on Northern Ireland's future

BELFAST, Northern Ireland (AP) — Northern Ireland's main pro-British party faced the IRA's political allies for the first time in negotiations Tuesday — but only long enough to demand that the Sinn Fein party be kicked out of the process.

Apparently harboring little hope of success, Ulster Unionist leader David Trimble was already talking about how his party would deal with Sinn Fein in the weeks ahead.

Nonetheless, the session marked a

Mir debate unsettled

■ The debate about sending American astronauts to Mir remains unsettled.

By Marcia Dunn
Associated Press

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — NASA came under mounting political and public pressure Tuesday not to put another American aboard the broken-down Mir, a debate that's become one of the most agonizing in the history of the space program.

The final decision rests with NASA Administrator Daniel Goldin, who has been warned by key members of Congress that he proceeds at his own risk if he sends astronaut David Wolf to the Russian space station for a four-month stay.

Goldin is expected to make up his mind Wednesday, one day before space shuttle Atlantis is scheduled to lift off with Wolf.

"The time has come to say we've learned a lot from it, but we're not going to risk any more Americans aboard," Rep. F. James Sensenbrenner Jr., chairperson of the House Science Committee, said on NBC's "Today" show. The congressman said it is not worth putting another American on Mir merely "to spend months being an assistant Mr. Fix-It."

"The whole country was behind us in Apollo," said Christopher Kraft, retired director of the Johnson Space Center and a key figure in the development of the Apollo and shuttle programs. "Today we live in this world of 'what have you done for me lately' business. That makes it very tough, particularly for NASA."

NASA insiders were divided right before the 1986 Challenger accident on whether to launch that morning, but that debate didn't become public until after the ugly

fact. One of the biggest disputes before that came before the triumphant Apollo 8 flight to the moon during Christmas 1968, when some argued that the Saturn 5 rocket needed more testing.

There have been other debates along the way: whether to replace John Glenn on NASA's first orbital flight in 1962 because of the perceived psychological toll of his numerous launch delays, whether to send astronauts to the damaged Skylab station in 1973, and whether in 1981 to risk astronauts on a space shuttle protected from the fiery reentry only by fragile outer tiles.

In every case except for Challenger, NASA was confident of its technical know-how and won.

This time, though, NASA is forced to rely on another country's expertise. And that country's space station is breaking down one and more.

NASA's Inspector General, Robert Gross, noted in a recent letter to the House Science Committee that Mir's problems "are occurring at a time when the Russian government may not be in a position to provide adequate financial and technical support to enable the aging space station to operate safely."

Leaders of the science committee oppose sending any more Americans to live on Mir but have left the final decision up to Goldin. The White House also is leaving it up to Goldin.

Goldin wants to review two more safety reports by independent experts and meet with those experts before giving the go-ahead. If Goldin decides it is too risky to put Wolf aboard, NASA will probably still send Atlantis to Mir as scheduled to bring American Michael Foale home after a 4 1/2-month stay and to deliver urgently needed supplies for the space station, including a replacement computer and repair gear.

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Hamas inv

■ Israel says it knows the identities of five suicide bombers.

By Samar Assad
Associated Press

ASSIRA, West Bank — At least three of five suicide bombers who carried out recent attacks in Jerusalem were on a list of Islamic militants Israel had pressed Yasser Arafat's government to arrest, Israel announced Tuesday.

The three bombers were among 88 Hamas and Islamic Jihad activists that Israeli authorities demanded the Palestinian Authority arrest to try to prevent more suicide bombings. All three lived in the West Bank village of Assira, a Hamas stronghold.

A Palestinian security official said the three, along with a fourth Hamas activist from Assira, were held mates in a Palestinian jail in the West Bank town of Nablus for six months in 1996. They were allowed daily furloughs and disappeared after failing to return from one in September 1996.

The disclosure was likely to embarrass Arafat, who has insisted that the suicide bombers responsible for the July 30 and Sept. 4 attacks in Jerusalem came from abroad.

Nevertheless, Palestinian officials said Tuesday that Arafat's government could not be blamed for failing to prevent the bombings because Israel was in charge of security in Assira and all other West Bank villages. The Palestinian Authority controls security only in the seven West Bank towns.

"They (the bombers) acted and worked under the nose of Benjamin Netanyahu," Arafat adviser Ahmed Tibi said of the suspects' activities in Assira. Security there "was his



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A rebel loyal to former Congo President Denis Sassou-Nguesso walks along his station near the front line in Brazzaville, Republic of Congo Monday.

Congo torn by Cobras

■ Congo's civil war is being fought with guns and little training.

By Tim Sullivan
Associated Press

BRAZZAVILLE, Republic of Congo — Standing in the wreckage of a bombed-out house, the 21-year-old former student gestures at the hand grenade and the pistol strapped to his belt and insists he is a warrior.

"With these, we will be able to defeat President Lissouba," says the fighter, who was studying science at the university before he joined the opposition Cobra militia last year. Now he is in the thick of this West African country's civil war, patrolling the abandoned streets of the capital with weapons he doesn't know how to use.

"I shoot and shoot, but I have not killed anyone," confides the soldier, who would not give his name.

For the Cobras — the private militia of the country's former military dictator, Gen. Denis Sassou-Nguesso — this is a war with few trained soldiers, little discipline and scarcely any vehicles. Electricity and telephones are nearly nonexistent, and gasoline is a rare commodity.

Still, the militia has taken control of more than three-quarters of the country during the four-month war and stood its ground on the Brazzaville front lines against the better-armed forces of President Pascal Lissouba.

The Republic of Congo's civil war broke out in early June, when the president's forces surrounded the home of Sassou-Nguesso to try to disarm the thousands of Cobras ahead of presidential elections. Lissouba said the move was made to ensure a peaceful campaign, but Sassou-Nguesso, a candidate, said Lissouba provoked the fighting to have an excuse to cancel the vote.

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World

Hamas involved in Israel bombings

Israel says it knows the identities of five suicide bombers.

By Samar Assad
Associated Press

ASSIRA, West Bank — At least three of five suicide bombers who carried out recent attacks in Jerusalem were on a list of Islamic militants Israel had pressed Yasser Arafat's government to arrest, Israel announced Tuesday.

The three bombers were among 88 Hamas and Islamic Jihad activists that Israeli authorities demanded the Palestinian Authority arrest to try to prevent more suicide bombings. All three lived in the West Bank village of Assira, a Hamas stronghold.

A Palestinian security official said the three, along with a fourth Hamas activist from Assira, were all mates in a Palestinian jail in the West Bank town of Nablus for six months in 1996. They were allowed daily furloughs and disappeared after failing to return from one in September 1996.

The disclosure was likely to embarrass Arafat, who has insisted that the suicide bombers responsible for the July 30 and Sept. 4 attacks in Jerusalem came from abroad.

Nevertheless, Palestinian officials said Tuesday that Arafat's government could not be blamed for failing to prevent the bombings because Israel was in charge of security in Assira and all other West Bank villages. The Palestinian Authority controls security only in the seven West Bank towns.

"They (the bombers) acted and worked under the nose of Benjamin Netanyahu," Arafat adviser Ahmed Tibi said of the suspects' activities in Assira. Security there "was his responsibility."

However, Israel's military intelligence chief said the suicide bombers received their instructions from Hamas ringleaders operating from areas under full Palestinian control and out of reach for Israeli security forces.

Israel identified the suicide bombers from Assira as Moawiya Jarara, 22; Bashar Salawah, 23; and Tawfiq Yassin, 25. A possible fourth suspect was still under investigation. Relatives said the four boyhood friends had surrendered to Palestinian police in Nablus in March 1996, when Arafat was rounding up hundreds of Hamas activists in response to four earlier Hamas suicide bombings in Israel.

The four knew they were wanted by Israel and believed they would be safer in Palestinian custody. They ended up in a cell together in a Nablus jail, where, according to a Palestinian security official, security was lax and inmates were allowed frequent visits outside prison. In September 1996, the four did not return from one such outing and had been on the run from Palestinian and Israeli security forces since then.

The official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said the wardens at the Nablus jail were later reprimanded by their superiors for letting the four get away.

The Israeli statement said the four Hamas activists from Assira had been on Israel's wanted list for a December 1995 shooting near Nablus in which an army doctor and a soldier were injured.

After the four walked out of the Nablus jail, Israel demanded that the Palestinian Authority rearrest them amid concerns they would carry out more attacks. The four were also on the list of 88 names of

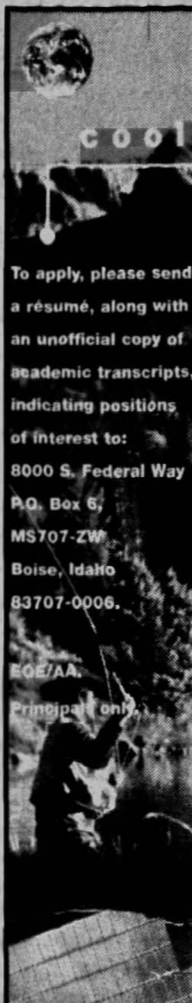
Hamas and Islamic Jihad activists Israel wanted the Palestinian Authority to arrest after the two Jerusalem bombings, the statement said.

Relatives of the bombers were supporters of a secular PLO faction, the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, while they were growing up. However, villagers said in recent years they were drawn to Hamas by Mahmoud Abu Hanude, a 34-year-old Hamas activist.



An Israeli vehicle stops in front of a burning roadblock during clashes with Palestinian youths at a West Bank village north of Nablus Tuesday.

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A rebel loyal to former Congo President Denis Sassou-Nguesso walks along his station near the front line in Brazzaville, Republic of Congo Monday.

Congo torn by Cobras

Congo's civil war is being fought with guns and little training.

By Tim Sullivan
Associated Press

BRAZZAVILLE, Republic of Congo — Standing in the wreckage of a bombed-out house, the 21-year-old former student gestures at the hand grenade and the pistol strapped to his belt and insists he is a warrior.

"With these, we will be able to defeat President Lissouba," says the fighter, who was studying science at the university before he joined the opposition Cobra militia last year. Now he is in the thick of this West African country's civil war, patrolling the abandoned streets of the capital with weapons he doesn't know how to use.

"I shoot and shoot, but I have not killed anyone," confides the soldier, who would not give his name.

For the Cobras — the private militia of the country's former military dictator, Gen. Denis Sassou-Nguesso — this is a war with few trained soldiers, little discipline and scarcely any vehicles. Electricity and telephones are nearly nonexistent, and gasoline is a rare commodity.

Still, the militia has taken control of more than three-quarters of the country during the four-month war and stood its ground on the Brazzaville front lines against the better-armed forces of President Pascal Lissouba.

The Republic of Congo's civil war broke out in early June, when the president's forces surrounded the home of Sassou-Nguesso to try to disarm the thousands of Cobras ahead of presidential elections. Lissouba said the move was made to ensure a peaceful campaign, but Sassou-Nguesso, a candidate, said Lissouba provoked the fighting to have an excuse to cancel the vote.

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CONVOCAATION/President Coleman on technology

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stations in her classes. Braun has started using e-mail, web pages and chat lines or the listserve to communicate outside of the classroom.

"It's hard to have communication with students when class is only one night a week," Braun said. "For some students who don't like to talk in class, this makes it easier to get participation points."

Braun is one of several professors on campus who are making Internet and e-mail a class requirement.

Professor Lisa Troyer of Sociology implemented brief quizzes on the day's reading on her class' website in the past two years to make the most of her class time, Coleman said during her speech.

Walter Seaman, associate professor in the UI mathematical department, has made an Internet bulletin board or chat room as a supplement for office hours.

However, the rush for new technology in the classroom is putting a strain on the UI Information Technology Service (ITS), because not all the facilities on campus are equipped with the necessary wiring and equipment, Coleman said.

"All of this activity on the campus has put enormous pressure on facilities, equipment and networks," Coleman said. "Faculty are clamoring for more and better classroom facilities in which to use their newly acquired multimedia skills."

The amount of facilities on campus

is not a problem, said UI senior Shannan Sacks. It's the lack of knowledge.

"I think there are enough places on campus to use technology," Sacks said. "I don't think there is enough education to use technology to the extent teachers would like."

Beginning in fall of 1998, all of the UI's incoming freshmen will be initiated into the electronic age through Online at Iowa, a homepage for incoming students.

"Students will get a hands-on tour of the electronic features of the libraries and the ITS facilities," Coleman said. "This way, teachers won't have to explain the basics."

GRANT/\$900,000 to aid underprivileged

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in pediatric dentistry with a public health focus.

The program consists of a master's degree in Public Dental Health and a special certificate in pediatric dental care.

The link between the pediatric dentistry and public dental health programs would allow graduate students to learn to better serve the whole community, particularly special populations like children and the developmentally disabled.

"They can learn to be community leaders," said Levy. "This program will help them to plan programs like workshops to help developmentally disabled populations."

Levy said the program will also help them provide communities with information on oral care, disease trends and prevention.

"There are actually eight specialty areas of dentistry," said Levy.

"Two of these are Dental Public Health and Pediatric Dentistry, and we have a unique program that links these two areas."

Dr. Mike Kanellis, co-director of the project, said the program will teach students to reach out to populations that have low oral health care standards.

"As the oral health of the general population has improved, certain segments of the population have been left behind," said Kanellis. "Our goal is to learn to focus on special populations and gain leadership to reach out to these populations."

He said there are currently a few students at the UI participating in this program. The grant will allow more students to become involved.

Arthur, co-director of the project, said the center will concentrate on three areas.

One area would be to expand the

work the Departments of Pediatric Dentistry and Dental Public Health already do to prepare residents to work with the developmentally disabled, children, and other groups prone to special dental problems.

"The grant is an opportunity to expand our long-standing program in pediatric dentistry," said Nowack. "We can give the residents the tools to work with vulnerable populations."

Nowack said few dental programs currently train their residents to work with special groups.

Another area is to provide leadership to programs across the country and provide information on how they can learn to work with diverse groups of people.

The third area is to implement programs for continuing education for dentists who wish to learn some of the skills they will be focusing on at the center.

FAIR/UI students explore studying abroad

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of the fact that there are many places to study outside of Iowa City," Atkins said.

"It's wonderful experience, but you have to be mentally prepared before you experience studying

abroad," she said. "If you don't know yourself, you will not be open to the total experience."

By attending the fair, students can pick up pamphlets and brochures about the programs, but that is only the beginning, said

Janine Perkins, director of the UI Study Abroad Program.

"Attending the fair is just the first step to a long and exciting adventure," Perkins said. "Studying abroad is a life-changing experience."

UISG/A look at the workings of student gov't

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there are few students who seek out such information.

"It's a two-way street," Miller said. "Hundreds of people walk past our door every day and very few come in and see what's going on."

With more than 75 senators and numerous committees and commissions, UISG advertises in newspapers, prints up flyers and hangs posters advertising their functions, Miller said. However, this is not enough.

"Besides calling everyone up on the phone, we're doing everything we can to get the word out," she said.

UISG receives money from student fees to put to use for student groups. Groups apply for funding through the UISG and are allotted a set amount for their budgeting period.

"We look for legitimate reasons to

give the groups their money," she said. "Once we've allocated money students can see where it goes."

Miller said she would like to see more students take the initiative to express their concerns to UISG.

"Students' priorities should be first," she said. "Without us, it isn't a university. I would love it if everyone came down here and knew where our office was and what it stood for."

UI student apathy is often the barrier between UISG and the students, Henry said.

"Usually the people who complain aren't the ones who stop in and see what we do," she said.

Apathy could also explain UI freshman Brian Arnold's outlook on UISG.

"They've got their name out," he said. "Everyone's heard of them, but I just couldn't tell you what they do."

Henry said UISG has several projects in the works for this year, including a teaching telegram program where students can send feedback to their professors and teaching assistants during the course.

"Students who think course evaluations won't affect them or that professors don't read the course evaluations can send these anonymously during the semester," she said.

UISG representatives are working toward scheduling teleconferences with other universities to discuss general strategies for running a student body. Also, they are working with Rock the Vote to register voters for the upcoming city council election.

"We'll be in the residence halls signing up people all week," Miller said.

UI reacts to Michigan killings

UI students speak out about the murder of a student at the University of Michigan.

By Kevin Doyle
The Daily Iowan

The murder of a University of Michigan student could have been prevented through education about domestic violence, some UI students say.

Tamara Williams, a 20-year-old senior at the University of Michigan, was stabbed to death by her 26-year-old boyfriend, Kevin Nel-

son, outside Williams' apartment early Tuesday morning.

After responding to numerous 911 calls, campus public safety arrived on the scene and shot Nelson after he ignored orders to stop.

UI freshman Stacey Hermesen said this type of incident could happen anywhere - even at the UI.

"I would never think of it happening here, but anything can happen," Hermesen said. "That's weird that something like that happened, (even though the victim) knew the person."

UI senior Pete Felhman said the incident could open people's eyes to domestic abuse on the UI campus.

"With all the rapes and everything else going on, anything is possible," Felhman said. "It makes you more aware of what's going on, but as a male I don't worry about it as much."

UI senior Matt Gibbons said attention shouldn't be focused on the fact that the incident happened at a large university.

"It could happen to anyone, not just at a Big Ten campus," Gibbons said. "It could happen at your next door neighbor's house. The school doesn't make the difference. That person could have been at a community college and still stab his girlfriend."

DEATHS/Man is shot while stabbing girlfriend

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Williams in the basement of the two-story wooden duplex where police found blood. The couple eventually ended up outside, about 200 feet from the back door of the apartment.

Desmond Flagg, who lives in the apartment overlooking the area, said he was getting ready to go to bed when he heard the argument and went outside.

"I moved closer and I told them to stop and that's when I saw the knife," Flagg said.

Five to six onlookers also were shouting for Nelson to stop but didn't move closer because he was armed, said Flagg, who went back into his apartment and dialed 911.

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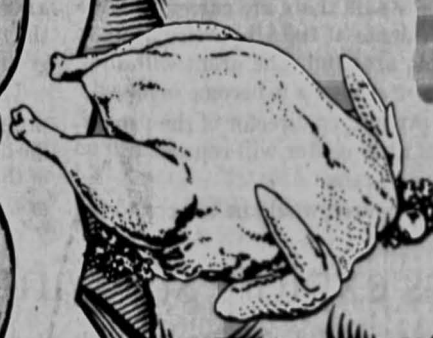
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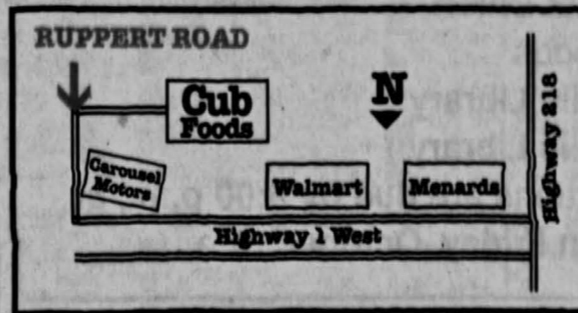
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HEADLINER Accuser discusses Albert's kinky exploits

ARLINGTON, Va. (AP) — Marv Albert's testified Tuesday that the sportscaster was a kinky, lover for years before he erupted in a biting, hair pulling and taunting: "You're doing this, you enjoy rough sex."

In a voice often crackling with emotion, woman said Albert liked to wear women's underwear and sought threesomes with men, but emphasized that violent sex was never part of 10-year relationship.

Albert's attorney, Roy Black, contended that the woman's and-tumble sex had become commonplace between them over the years and tried to shift the blame to Albert. Black introduced an audiotape in which the woman seemed to be asking a cab driver to divulge information in exchange for money.

The woman denied that she had ever cooed anyone, and said the talk of money and a cab was just a joke.

The 42-year-old woman began her testimony smiling warmly and describing how Albert had led her very gently in previous trysts. The year-old Albert smiled, too, but he did not look happy.

The woman then lowered her voice to her last meeting with Albert, a night in a hotel room on Feb. 12 that led to sodomy charges and battery charges against the NBC sportscaster.

She said she went to Albert's room in the morning hours knowing he wanted three-way sex with her and another man.

"Are you going to surprise me?" she said, asked in greeting her at the door of his room at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel. She said Albert at first seemed angry that she had arrived alone, and gave her an affectionate kiss and a back rub.

But his mood darkened, she said, after she put on a videotape showing two men having sex with one woman.

IOWA BASKETBALL Hawkeyes make adjustments to 1997-98 men's basketball schedule

The Iowa Athletic Department announced today the men's basketball team has added the Jan Shootout and changed the date for the tour game on its 1997-98 schedule.

The updated schedule is as follows:

- Nov. 5 FOREIGN EXHIBITION
- Nov. 9 ATHLETES IN ACTION
- Nov. 14 CHICAGO STATE, at Mark in Moline, NORTH TEXAS
- Nov. 16 LONG ISLAND
- Nov. 29 DRAKE
- Dec. 2 SUPER CHEVY SHOW at Northern Iowa
- Dec. 9 at Iowa State
- Dec. 13 San Juan Shootout
- Dec. 21, 23 BUCKNELL at Indiana
- Dec. 31 NORTHWESTERN
- Jan. 7 ILLINOIS at Ohio State
- Jan. 17 at Minnesota
- Jan. 21 MICHIGAN STATE at Missouri
- Jan. 24 at Penn State
- Jan. 28 MICHIGAN at Wisconsin
- Jan. 31 MINNESOTA
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Kentucky quarterback Tim Couch turned the head of offensive-minded Florida coach Steve Spurrier with a seven-TD performance.

GAINESVILLE, Fla. (AP) — Florida coach Steve Spurrier is so single-minded about cranking up the Fun 'N' Gun that he rarely pays attention to any offense but his own.

But when Tim Couch of Kentucky opened the season by throwing for 398 yards and four touchdowns against Louisville, then threw for seven touchdowns in a 49-0 win last week at Indiana, Spurrier couldn't help but take a peek.

"I did get a chance to watch what they did a little bit this week," Spurrier said. "I'm sort of curious to how they're doing it."

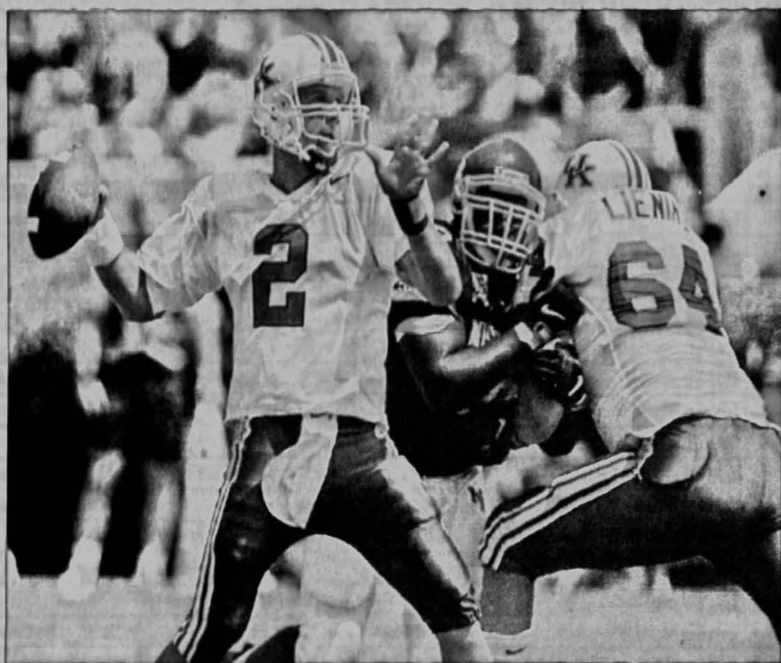
After all, No. 1 Florida has beaten the Wildcats by a combined score of 180-14 the past three games. In a 65-0 win last year in Gainesville, the Gators held Kentucky to 65 yards of offense.

But since coach Hal Mumme replaced Bill Curry in the spring, these Wildcats are of a different stripe, particularly in the one area that is sure to get Spurrier's attention.

"I think everyone realizes that Kentucky has got the No. 1 offense in the conference right now, and the No. 1 pass offense," Spurrier said. Indeed, they do.

The Wildcats (2-1, 0-1 SEC) are fifth in the nation with 480.7 yards a game, and their 381 yards passing is tops in the country.

The 15 touchdown passes, all by Couch, are already the most in a



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Kentucky quarterback Tim Couch (2) prepares to throw one of his 61 passes on Saturday, Sept. 6, in Starkville, Miss.

season since 1951 and the third-highest in school history. Kentucky even has a catchy nickname: "Air Raid '97."

"They're a little more heavy toward the pass than we are," Spurrier said.

Through three games, Florida has run 206 plays, divided evenly among the run and the pass. A year ago, Kentucky passed the ball 38 percent of the time. This year, the Wildcats are passing 64 percent of the time.

"It's a different Kentucky team than the ones we have been playing," Spurrier said.

Spurrier tried to recruit Couch, a 6-foot-5 sophomore, but gave up quickly when it was apparent Couch wanted to play in his home state. Still, the fact that Spurrier knows so much about Kentucky is revealing.

After all, when asked about Lee Roberts of Southern Miss, the Gators' first opponent this year, Spurrier confirmed that Roberts was indeed the quarterback, but all other questions would be directed toward defensive coordinator Bob Stoops.

Even when asked last week about Peyton Manning of Ten-

nessee, Spurrier acknowledged only that he was a good quarterback. He spent the rest of his time talking up his own quarterback, Doug Johnson.

And what about Couch?

"He's a big-time prospect," Spurrier said. "He throws a nice, catchable pass. Now he's got an offensive coach and a system there that's going to enable him to break all the records."

Kentucky already has broken or tied 13 school records for offense through three games.

About the only difference Spurrier sees when he compares Kentucky's offense to his own is that the Wildcats run shorter routes.

As for the Wildcats, they have yet to face a defense like the one they will see on Saturday.

Last week in a 33-20 win over Tennessee that vaulted the Gators to No. 1, the Gators were constantly in the backfield, forcing Manning into nearly two dozen hurried passes, knocking him down another dozen times and sacking him twice.

"We're looking forward to playing Kentucky, and seeing if we can slow down that offense," Spurrier said.

HEISMAN WATCH Manning is still leader of the pack

This time, a loss to Florida may not finish Peyton Manning's Heisman Trophy chances.

While the Gators were beating Tennessee 33-20 for the fifth year in a row, Manning did little to deter Heisman voters, completing 29 of 51 passes for 353 yards, three TDs and two interceptions.

One of the interceptions was returned for an 89-yard score by Tony George, but Manning did not get much help from his offensive line or running backs, who had all of 45 yards.

Manning, whose Heisman chances vanished against the Gators last season with four first-half interceptions in a 35-29 loss, is 83 of 138 for 1,004 yards and 10 TDs in three games.

In the past few weeks, some new faces have entered the race, replacing preseason candidates such as Curtis Enis of Penn State, Ron Dayne of Wisconsin and Donovan McNabb of Syracuse. Stepping up are Washington State quarterback Ryan Leaf, Iowa running back Tavian Banks and Kentucky quarterback Tim Couch (see story, left).

Leaf has the No. 15 Cougars at 3-0, completing 59 of 106 passes for 1,038 yards and 10 TDs.

Banks leads the nation in rushing with 644 yards on 67 carries. He has 11 touchdowns (10 rushing) for the No. 11 Hawkeyes.

Marshall's Randy Moss is still around. He has 25 catches for 544 yards — a 21.76-yard average — and nine TDs.

—The Associated Press

Clark/Sophomore has some big shoes to fill

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Clark, a 6-2, 245 pound sophomore. "Raj is a great player," Rollins said. "I know he'll pick up the slack."

At the Iowa football media day prior to the season, coach Hayden Fry said that Clark was, "every bit as good as Hughes and Rollins."

Now that opinion will get put to the test against Illinois Saturday, who feature one of the Big Ten's best running backs in Robert Holcombe, the school's all-time leading rusher.

Clark said Tuesday he isn't nervous and doesn't feel any pressure entering his starting debut.

"I have no question that I can step in," Clark said. "There will not be any drop-off. I hope they (Illinois) pick on me so I can let them know and let the Big Ten know that just because Vernon is down, there isn't going to be a drop-off anywhere. It's still the same Hawkeye defense."

While Rollins biggest asset was his ability to stuff the run, Clark sees himself as more of a balanced linebacker, who can shut down both the ground and air attack of an offense equally.

In the three games Iowa has played so far, Clark has tallied 10 tackles and an interception in a back-up role. He thinks the biggest change

for him as a starter will be the inability to get a feel for the game from the sidelines before entering action.

"Vernon and Matt used to fill me in on what was going on," Clark said. "Now I won't have that."

Fry sees the only big difference between Rollins and Clark as experience. While Rollins has started 27 consecutive games, Clark has played in only eight contests.

"Raj is a big, strong, excellent football player," Fry said. "He's a real tough guy who just loves to play the game. He's got a good motor."

That motor, or enthusiasm, as Clark calls it, is what he believes to be his biggest asset as a football player.

"I get tired, but I always stay pumped up," Clark said. "That's good because it usually rubs off on the team."

One possible question with Iowa's new starter could be his durability. He missed the final six regular season games in 1996 with a knee injury, and missed nearly all of his senior year in high school with a blood clot in his left leg. He still managed to earn Blue Chip all-American honors.

Should Clark or Hughes go down, senior Scott Yoder, sophomore Travis Senters, or red-shirt freshman Jeff McCracken are listed on the two-deep roster as possible replacements.

Hughes/Teammate copes

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Despite the roller-coaster of emotions Hughes has felt over the past week, he doesn't think anything will change for him on the football field, except for one small thing: His per-

formance will be dedicated to No. 56.

"He will definitely be on our mind," Hughes said. "Not only is football important to us, but it was important to him, as well. So we are going to go out and try and win the rest of them for him."

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Sports

RYDER CUP

U.S. looks good on paper

But if this year's Ryder Cup holds true, the United States should expect the unexpected.

SOTOGRADE, Spain (AP) - If the Ryder Cup were played on paper, you could stick this one in an envelope and mail it in right now. The United States wins in a walkover.

Fortunately for Europe the game is played on grass, and it will be no major surprise if the Ryder Cup stays on this side of the Atlantic when the final putt falls on Sunday.

Jot down the pros and cons for each team and it seems as if there is barely a reason to tee it up Friday at Valderrama Golf Club.

The U.S. team has hot players in Jim Furyk, Justin Leonard and Davis Love III. It has an intimidating player in Tiger Woods and it has unflappable veterans in Fred Couples, Mark O'Meara and Tom Lehman.

So how could Europe possibly keep the Ryder Cup?

For one thing, the expected never happens in this competition.

In no other golf event do so many great players hit so many bad shots. In no other golf event is the pressure as intense. And in no other golf event is as much dependent on team play as in the Ryder Cup.

It is truly an event where the sum of the parts can be greater than the individual components.

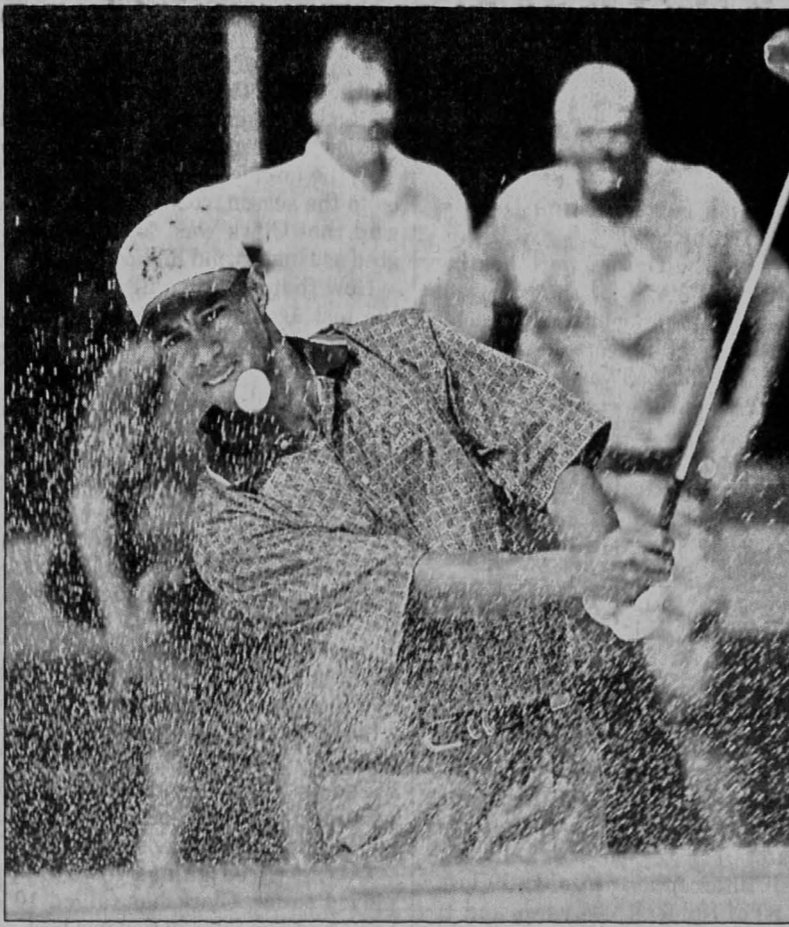
"I think on paper we are the underdogs and although we are the defending champions, they look stronger than us," Bernhard Langer said Tuesday. "But in match play anything can happen."

As yet, match play. And alternate-shot play. And better-balls. Throw in the quirkiness of the Valderrama course - which the Europeans know much better than the Americans - and the pro-European gallery and there is all the makings of an upset.

"In match play it doesn't really matter how strong a team it is or how weak a team it is," Ian Woosnam said Tuesday. "I believe that if Seve gets his pairings right, then any team can win this."

Woosnam, who is playing in his eighth Ryder Cup, is a perfect example of the beauty of team play and the unpredictable nature of match play in this competition.

Woosnam has never won a singles match in the Ryder Cup - losing five and halving two. Yet he has four wins and two halves in nine alternate-shot matches and has won nine better-ball matches and halved another, losing only once.



Laurent Rebours/Associated Press

Tiger Woods chips out of a bunker during a practice session at Valderrama golf course in southern Spain Tuesday.

"It's all about getting players to play together who can flow together and score well together," Woosnam said. "That's the secret, I think."

If Tuesday's practice pairings were any indication, Ballesteros will try to use his veteran players to ease his five rookies through the pressures of Ryder Cup play.

Colin Montgomerie, playing in his fourth competition, played with newcomer Darren Clarke and Nick Faldo, competing for a record 11th time, played with rookie Ignacio Garrido. Woosnam and Langer both also went around with rookies, the Welshman playing with Lee Westwood and the German paired with Thomas Bjorn.

The two Swedes - Jesper Parnevik and Per-Ulrik Johansson - played together, despite the fact that Johansson's appearance in 1995 is their only Ryder Cup experience.

Jose Maria Olazabal and Costantino Rocca, two veterans, rounded out the European practice pairings.

"The experience of the seven players plus the new energy of the other five players makes it very positive," Ballesteros said. "I don't think I could have a better team."

There is that word again - team.

Before dismissing the European team too easily, consider this.

The European players have been in a total of 35 Ryder Cups compared with 14 for the U.S. players. And while having a losing 11-17-7 record in singles matches, the Europeans have been overwhelming in the team events, being a combined 33-17-5 in alternate shot and 27-24-6 in better ball.

The U.S. players are only 6-9 in alternate-shot play and 9-7-3 in better-ball. They are 5-7-2 in singles play. There is one other factor that could help the European team squeeze out the 14 points it would need to retain the Ryder Cup on a tie or the 14½ needed to win it outright - Ballesteros.

If any captain could be worth the extra point that could decide the Cup, it is Ballesteros.

"Seve is very emotional and very exciting," Woosnam said. "He'll be running around like a headless chicken, I think. That's good, and for the young guys to see someone so excited like that just might give them a buzz as well."

And if that happens, the Europeans just might give the United States a surprise.

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Q&A/Cellucci holds down the fort

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DI: How much does the defense in front of you affect your performance?

LC: They are the biggest help. When they play defense, they make my job a lot easier because they make the play or the shot predictable for me. When they are doing a good job, I can be like a garbage man where I just pick up their trash that they leave me. When they make it predictable for me, it's very easy to see the shot. These girls do a great job.

DI: How much pressure is there knowing that you are the last line of defense?

LC: There's some pressure. Your heart rate definitely picks up when there is a breakaway, but you have to remember that they have to go through 11 players on the field before they get to you. It's difficult because if you make a mistake, it goes up on the scoreboard. When I was younger, it was more difficult to handle.

DI: What goes through your mind when you see an opposing forward charging toward you on a breakaway?

LC: I try to look for certain things that you are taught to, like if she has good speed or if she's going to pull up, but I like to think of what I'm going to do. To have her react to me instead of me reacting to her. I think that makes it a little easier.

DI: What's this team capable of this season?

LC: A lot. Even though these girls are young, they know what it takes because they've seen our teams do it in the past. I think this team is capable of doing what we did last year, going through the Big Ten. I think the games will be a little tougher this year, but I think this team is capable of going to the Final Four again. We just need to keep meshing and keep our confidence level up.

DI: How much of a boost was winning the Hawkeye Invitational the way you did?

LC: It was a big boost, a big confidence builder, and we needed that going into the Big Ten season, especially after leaving Philly with the two shutouts. Even though the competition was a little weaker, it was a big boost because it was on our home field and we started things off right.

DI: What kind of a leader role

does your position as goalkeeper bring?

LC: It's kind of like the quarterback on the football team. You have to organize your defense, you're in a lot of pressure situations that are really crucial. It's just a lot of communication and you have to keep poised and confident back there.

DI: Do you ever wish you could get down on the other end of the field and put one in the net yourself?

LC: All the time, because I have

never in my life played any position but goalie. I've never gotten a chance to be up there on the forward line, but I've always thought it'd be pretty neat to try and score a goal.

DI: Have you talked to the coaches about it?

LC: Actually I might get a chance to be one of the penalty takers if we ever get into a stroke off. That would be pretty neat going against another goalie, but who knows. I'll have to keep working on it.

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Bobby Bonilla and Alou hit RBI singles in the fifth and Gary Sheffield had a sacrifice fly in the first for the Marlins.

"This is what I came here for," said Alou, who left Montreal as a free agent in the offseason. "Unfortunately, it didn't work out for us in Montreal. I feel a little bad to be celebrating in front of my old teammates, but I am happy."

Florida manager Jim Leyland, in his first year with the Marlins, refused to take credit for the team's success.

"All of this belongs to the Marlins organization, not Jim Leyland," said Leyland, who guided Pittsburgh to three NL East titles in the early 1990s. "This is a win for the organization."

"I'm a Johnny-come-lately," said Leyland. "A lot of the goes to (former managers) Rene Lachemann and John Boles. The Marlins

acquired a good team. I think either one of those guys could have managed it into the playoffs."

Expos manager Felipe Alou, who is also Moises' father, was pleased for his son.

"I'm not about to root for anyone," Alou said, "but I hope to see him in the World Series. I think that would be a good place to watch a son play."

Brown struck out eight in six solid innings to increase his career-high total to 205. Brown, who hasn't lost since July 27, is 7-0 in 11 starts since Aug. 1.

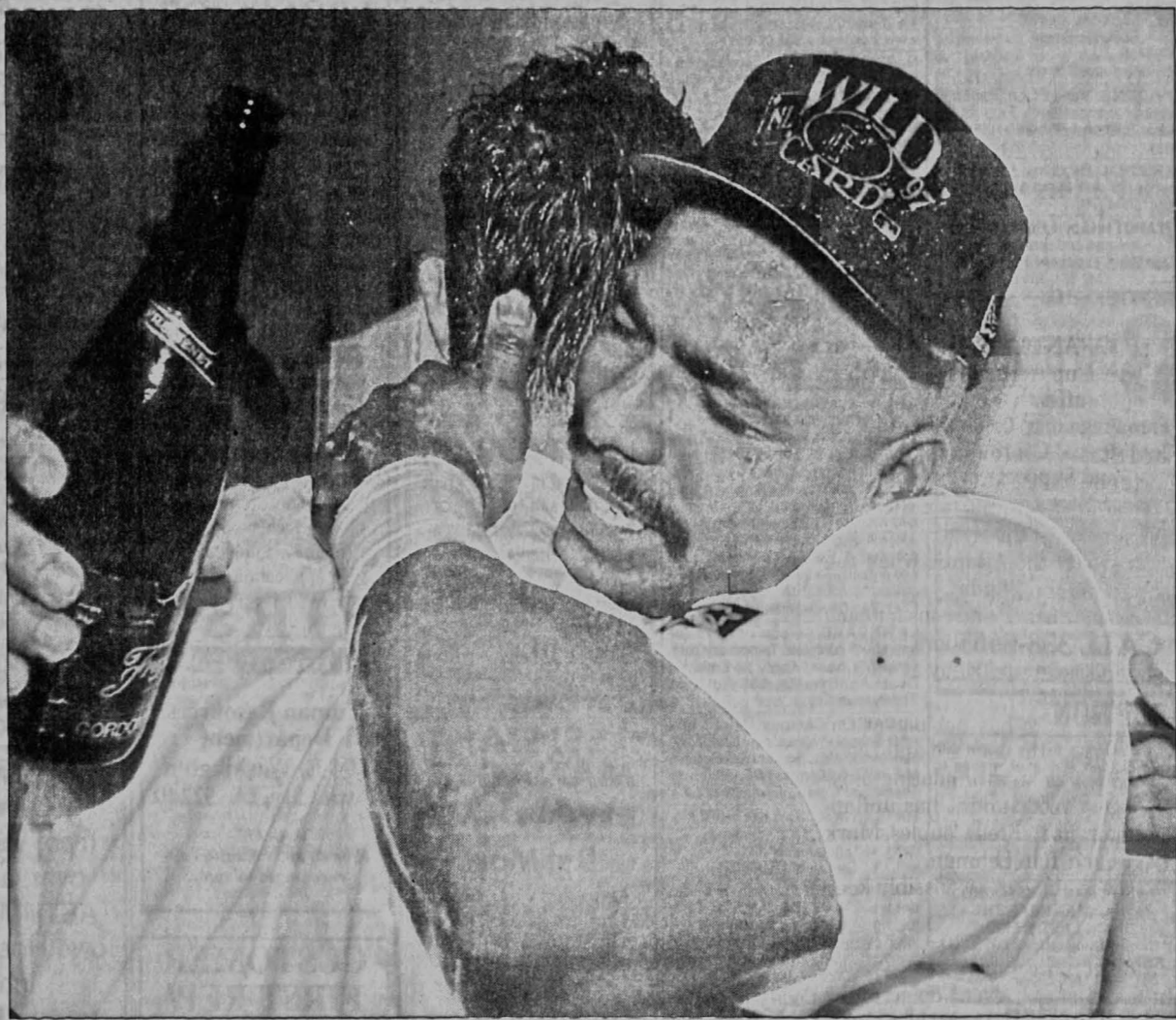
The right-hander allowed three runs and eight hits to beat Montreal for the first time in five career outings against the Expos.

Robb Nen got three outs for his 35th save in 42 opportunities.

How far can the Marlins go in the playoffs?

"I think once you're in, you can go as far as you want as long as you have good pitching," Leyland said. "We've got good pitching."

Conine added his 17th homer, a two-run shot off Anthony Telford in the ninth, to give Florida a 6-3 lead. "I've been around the longest," said Conine, selected in the 1993 expansion draft. "It's nice that it could work out this way."



Florida's Bobby Bonilla hugs pitcher Kevin Brown after clinching the NL wildcard Tuesday.

BASEBALL ROUNDUP

Minnesota win officially eliminates White Sox

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Brewers 7, Royals 4

MILWAUKEE — Jeff King hit a two-run homer and Mike Sweeney drove in three runs as Kansas City got a split. Darrin Jackson's seventh-inning squeeze bunt scored the go-ahead run in the opener, but Milwaukee was eliminated when Cleveland rallied to beat New York.

Jim Pittsley (5-8) pitched five innings for the win in the second game and Joel Adamson (5-3) was the loser.

Reliever Al Reyes (1-1) won the opener and Doug Jones struck out the side on nine pitches in the ninth for his 35th save. Hector Carrasco (1-6) was the loser.

Tigers 6, Red Sox 0

DETROIT — Bobby Higginson drove in two runs and Detroit (79-78) moved over .500 for the first time since April 16, 1996. The Tigers are 16-6 in September.

Detroit scored five runs in the fifth to take a 6-0 lead and chase Jeff Suppan (7-3). Greg Keagle (3-4) allowed six hits in 5 1-3 shutout innings.

Rangers 14, Athletics 6

OAKLAND, Calif. — Lee Stevens hit two home runs and Juan Gonzalez and Alex Diaz added three-run shots as Texas ended a four-game losing streak.

Oakland's Jason Giambi hit a three-run home run off John Burkett (8-12) in the fifth inning to cut Texas' lead to 6-4.

John Burkett (8-12) got his 100th career victory, allowing four runs and nine hits in eight innings for his first victory since July 12 at Seattle.

Oakland starter Dave Telgheder (4-6) allowed five runs and seven hits in three innings.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Reds 8, Cardinals 6

ST. LOUIS — Mark McGwire is hitting again, just no long balls. McGwire remained stuck on 54 home runs for the fourth game, getting a pair of singles. McGwire, who has five games left, went 2-for-5 and remained seven homers behind Roger Maris' record one behind Ken Griffey Jr., the major league leader.

McGwire struck out in the first, singled on a check swing in the fourth, singled to right-center in the fifth, flied out to medium left in the seventh and hit a game-ending fly to center. He did send one ball to the upper deck in left in the fifth, but it was well foul.

Chris Stynes' two-run single off Curtis King (4-2) in the eighth capped a four-run rally as the Reds stopped a three-game losing streak.

Scott Sullivan (4-3) allowed one hit in two innings for the victory.

Braves 6, Phillies 0

PHILADELPHIA — Rookie Kevin Millwood allowed two hits in eight shutout innings and Andrew Jones and Michael Tucker hit consecutive homers.

Millwood (5-3) took a no-hitter into the seventh before Mike Lieberthal doubled to right-center with one out. The 22-year-old right-hander, making his eighth start this season, struck out a career-high eight and walked four in his longest outing.

The Braves rested most of their starters a day after winning their sixth straight division title.

Pirates 5, Mets 4

NEW YORK — Shawn Dunston hit a tiebreaking single in the seventh and Pittsburgh held its ground in the NL Central race.

The Pirates remained 3 1/2 games behind Houston with its

fourth straight win. Pittsburgh plays Wednesday night at Shea Stadium before ending the season with three games at the Astrodome.

The Mets, who extended their surprising season with three straight victories at Florida, were finally knocked out of their wild-card pursuit of the Marlins.

Francisco Cordova and three relievers teamed on a four-hitter as the Pirates won for the first time in five games at New York this year.

Jose Silva (2-1) was the winner and Rich Loiselle got his 28th save. Cory Lidle (7-2) took the loss.

Astros 5, Cubs 3

HOUSTON — Craig Biggio and Jeff Bagwell homered as Houston moved closer to its first division title since 1986.

Biggio tied the score 3-3 with a sixth-inning homer, and Tony Eusebio singled in the go-ahead run in the sixth off Steve Trachsel (8-12). Bagwell hit his 43rd homer in the fourth.

Houston, which remained 3 1/2 games ahead of second-place Pittsburgh in the NL Central, overcame one-run deficits three times and cut its magic number to two.

Darryl Kile (19-7), trying to become Houston's first 20-game winner since Mike Scott in 1989, allowed six hits in 8 1-3 innings. Billy Wagner finished for his 22nd save.

Trachsel gave up five runs and nine hits in 5 1-3 innings.

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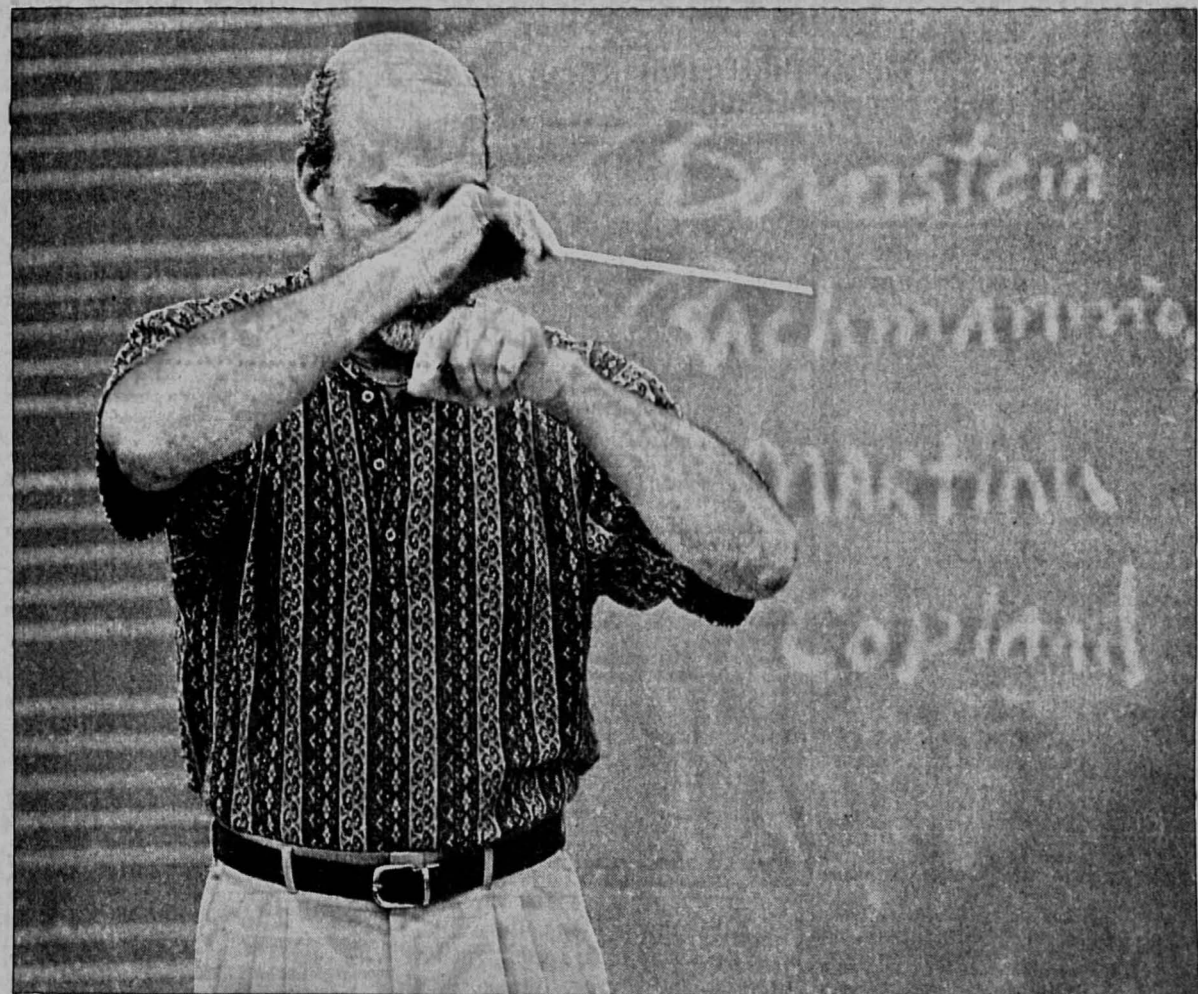
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Arts Entertainment



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William LaRue Jones prepares for his first performance as UI Orchestra Conductor.

Jones to make his UI premiere

William LaRue Jones is scheduled to give his first performance as UI orchestra conductor tonight.

By Jennifer Anderson
The Daily Iowan

Although he is the first new conductor of the UI orchestra in over 25 years, William LaRue Jones said he is not nervous about making his performance debut.

"No, I wouldn't say nervous. But excited, certainly," Jones said. "From a personal standpoint, it's the inaugural performance."

Jones is scheduled to give his first show as UI Orchestra Conductor in Hancher Auditorium at 8 p.m. The concert is free and open to the public.

Jones said he hopes his energy spreads to the musicians, as well as to the audience.

This concert allows an opportunity to share his love of particular works with his students and an audience, Jones said.

"I get the chance to help bring that music to life each time it's performed," Jones said.



The orchestra will perform four works that differ in tone this evening which Jones says "are each unique in their own way."

Jones said the compositions range from classical to jazzy and from light to deep.

The performance will be comprised of four works from Leonard Bernstein's "Candide," Rachmaninoff, Aaron Copland and Czech composer Bohuslav Martinu, which was written in memory of a village which was destroyed by Nazis during World War II.

Jones' affection for these works translated into a jovial atmosphere when collaborating with the ensemble, which includes Maurita Murphy Mead, the featured clarinet soloist.

"Everyone will find something that they'll really enjoy," Jones said. "Hopefully, they'll really like them all."

Jones is an alumnus of the UI School of Music and founded the Center Twin Cities Youth Symphonies of Minneapolis and St. Paul, Minn. Jones replaced James Dixon as UI orchestra director and conducted a concert with the All-State Music Camp at the UI this past summer.

live music

UI Orchestra

When: tonight at 8
Where: Hancher Auditorium

'Ellen' is out-and-out funny in opener

In the season opener of "Ellen," Ellen DeGeneres looks happy in the role she's been grappling with.

By Frazier Moore
Associated Press

NEW YORK — "Ellen" is neither a cure for cancer nor, as its fiercest critics have charged, a cancer good people need protection from.

Instead, with its fifth-season opener, "Ellen" has earned the right to be judged as neither more nor less than a TV series. Not a righteous crusade, not a video Gomorrah, "Ellen" emerges as a sitcom that, after years of trial-and-error, may finally have found its way — a way that happens to distinguish it as the first TV series in history with a gay lead.

"You sure look happy," a past boyfriend tells Ellen Morgan after learning she's come out as a lesbian.

"Yes," she quips in her goofy-deadpan fashion, "and the best part about it is, it's taken five strokes off my golf game."

But she really does look happy in the season premiere, titled "Guys or Dolls." Moreover, star Ellen



Ellen DeGeneres and William Ragsdale appear in the season premier of "Ellen." Ragsdale plays Ellen's former pizza-delivering boyfriend.

Associated Press

DeGeneres finally looks happy in the role she's been grappling with, unsuccessfully until now, ever since "Ellen" premiered in March 1994.

In this episode, Ellen has run into her old boyfriend Dan, who, learning that she's gay, naturally frets that he is somehow accountable for her sexual orientation.

Finding they still enjoy each other's company, Dan and Ellen pal around. Then a friendly good-night kiss turns into something more than friendly.

Ellen, alarmed that her hard-won self-realization is coming undone, confides to her gay friend Peter her unexpected pull in Dan's direction.

"You have to follow your heart,

and it will lead you to the truth of the matter," Peter counsels, before tripping into his own disclosure: He once had a liaison with a woman.

The episode concludes in an amusing encounter with Dan, as Ellen satisfies herself that she feels affection, but no sexual spark, for this man — or any other.

"I'm gay, I'm a gay woman," she tells him, "and kissing boys kind of violates the whole spirit of the thing."

Be true to yourself and be honest with others. There, we have the episode's message. Daring? Groundbreaking? Shocking? Scandalous? On the contrary.

This "Ellen" vouches for some pretty old-fashioned values. It's funny how that works.

television

"Ellen"

When: tonight at 8:30
Where: KCRG Channel 9

Arts

BRIEFS

celebrity

Spacey blasts Esquire for gay rumor

Kevin Spacey has publicly criticized an Esquire article that insinuated that he is gay, Mr. Showbiz reported.

Spacey said the piece, titled "Kevin Spacey has a Secret," was "dishonest and malicious," adding, "Esquire has made it abundantly clear that they have joined the ranks of distasteful journalism, and this mean-spirited, homophobic, offensive

article proves the legacy of Joseph McCarthy is alive and well."

Esquire editor David Granger told the Washington Post that "We didn't do anything under-handed" and his magazine is not "peddling" the gay rumor.

music

Spice Girls set dates of new album, movie

The Spice Girls have set unofficial release dates for their new single, album and silver screen debuts, Mr. Showbiz reported.

The single "Spice Up Your Life" will be delivered for radio airplay on Oct. 6 and

will be sold on Oct. 21.

On Nov. 4, the group will release their new album, *Spiceworld*, followed by their film documentary "Spiceworld" on Jan. 23.

television

Elton John cancels 'Today Show' appearance

Elton John, whose new album and version of "Candle in the Wind" hit the stores Tuesday, has canceled his appearance on the "Today Show," Mr. Showbiz reported.

In a press release, John said he will no longer comment on the death of Princess Diana in the media.

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SPORTS

A new beginning

Last year the Iowa women's tennis team finished 10th in the Big Ten and lost to Jenny Mainz. But this weekend, the team is looking to start over at the Furman Fall Classic. See story, Page 1B.



80 HOURS

ABT dances into Hancher

Grace and strength come together at Hancher Auditorium this weekend when the legendary American Ballet Theatre (above) takes the stage. Also tonight's live episode of ER and highlights of the weekend's top events. See stories, Page 1B.

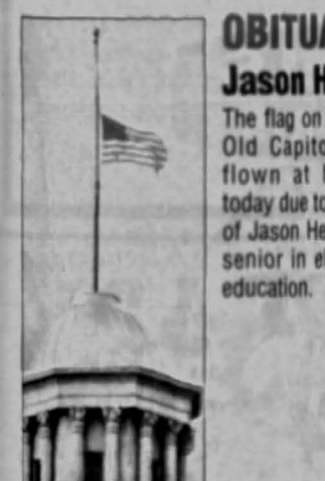
VIEWPOINTS

Wolfe on the meaning of liberal arts education
Columnist Brendan Wolfe examines the role of a liberal arts degree and means in the outside world.

Editorial: Safety in the Mall

With the potential to lose many businesses, Coralville, editorial writer Todd H. looks into the need for an officer department in the Ped Mall safe 24-hours-a-day. Viewpoints, Page 8A.

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HISTORY LESSON

World
In 1493, Christopher Columbus set sail from Cadiz, Spain, with a flotilla of 17 ships on his second voyage to the Western Hemisphere.

United States

In 1897, American author William Dean Howells was born in New Albany, Miss. In 1890, Mormon president Woodruff issued a Manifesto renouncing the practice of polygamy.

THOUGHT FOR TODAY

"The poet's voice need not merely reproduce the world; it can be one of the pillars to help it endure and prevail."
—Rep. F. James Sensenbrenner

SOUND BITE

Americans staying off the ground
"The time has come to say we've learned our lesson. We're not going to risk more Americans aboard."
—Rep. F. James Sensenbrenner, chairman of the House Science Committee

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