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Elliott: Loftin case got out of hand

■ The UI's decisions in bringing charges against the ex-football player raise questions.

By Zack Kucharski
The Daily Iowan

'It's college football'

The relationship Elliott has with Loftin has continued despite recent developments. Elliott had "personal" contact with Loftin in the days prior to the charges, he said.

The attention on the case has been brought by the UI itself, Elliott said.

"This whole thing was finished last week after he left the team," he said. "The program defended itself, and the players stood up for (football coach) Kirk Ferentz. It was over. Ryan wasn't going anywhere, and this whole thing would have faded off into the sunset if we had let it."

The filing of extortion charges against Loftin is believed to be the first of its kind, said Ann Rhodes, vice president for university relations.

Rhodes said Elliott's feedback is not the only negative feedback she has received about the decision to file charges. She would not comment on any other feedback.

"There is turnover with any coaching change, and that's happened," Elliott said. "Now it's different. I've never seen a player charged with extortion before. This isn't IBM, it's not Microsoft or the NFL, it's college football. There are no surprises in college football."

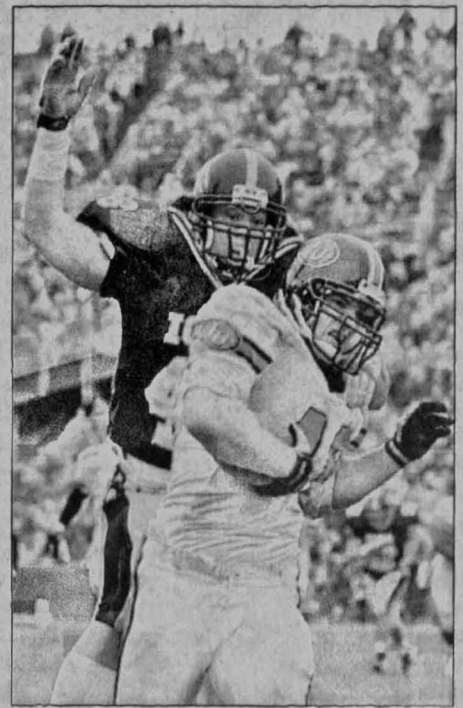
Looking for other solutions

Dan Gable, former head wrestling coach and current assistant to the men's athletics director, has had little to do with the Loftin matter, but it wasn't his decision.

"This has been a matter between Mr. Bowsby and Mrs. Rhodes," Gable said. "They have been keeping it out of the hands of the assistants. This is the football coach's initial season, and they are sensitive of that. This is being handled by the top brass at the highest level."

While Rhodes said she is disappointed, she would not comment on any other feedback.

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Brian Moore/
The Daily Iowan

Former UI
linebacker
Ryan Loftin,
shown in a file
photo of an
Oct. 27, 1997,
game against
Indiana, faces
charges of
extortion and
fifth-degree
theft.

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READ, THEN RECYCLE

Charges of extortion and theft against former UI football player Ryan Loftin have drawn criticism from former coaches in the Athletics Department.

Bob Elliott, now an assistant to the men's athletics director, was an assistant head coach and defensive coordinator for the team in 1998. He coached Loftin, who played in all 11 games last year.

"When he played for me, he was a hardworking, great guy," Elliott said. "I'm not involved in the day to day workings of the team, but I am surprised and very disappointed about the situation; it has just gotten way out of hand."

A CYMBALIC EVENT



Sand and the art of blessing come to I.C.

■ A group of Tibetan nuns visits Iowa City while on a nationwide trip to raise awareness about Tibet.

By Steve Schmadeke
The Daily Iowan

Sitting cross-legged on a pillow, her face inches away from her work, a Tibetan nun uses a bronze funnel, called a chabu, and a rasp to create an intricate pattern in colored sand at the UI Museum of Art Monday.

Beside her, another nun begins singing softly, her voice reverberating in the room and combining with the scraping noises to create a certain harmony in the avant-garde surroundings.

The two are part of a group of 10 nuns traveling across the country to raise awareness about Tibet and

I like to visualize light beams coming from my heart to bless all the beings — the insects and everything that we pass.

— Dan Dorsa,
the group's driver

The nuns, who were chosen from the nunnery for their musical, chanting or English-speaking skills, are becoming accustomed to some aspects of Western culture.

They like pizza, Coke and ice cream, Mohaupt said. But the Colonel holds the most sway over the group.

"They really like Kentucky Fried Chicken because you get the macaroni and cheese and the other side dishes — it's more diversity," Mohaupt said.

One thing the nuns do not like, however, is American music.

This forces Dan Dorsa, the group's driver and a classic rock enthusiast, to listen to bands such as Def Leppard when the nuns are elsewhere.

Dorsa has driven approximately 23,000 miles in the van, decorated

Jerry James
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The Daily Iowan

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about Tibet.

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UI athletes score in grad rates

■ An NCAA report shows that Hawkeyes are above the national average in graduation rates.

By Glen Leyden
The Daily Iowan

Graduation rates among UI student athletes are the highest they have been in the 10 years since the UI first began tracking the information.

Seventy-five percent of UI student-athletes who enrolled as freshmen in the fall of 1992 graduated within six years, according to a report by the NCAA — a 3.1 percent increase over the previous year.

While UI student-athletes experienced increased graduation rates, the NCAA as a whole saw lower graduation rates, especially among football and basketball students, whose rates were the lowest in seven years.

The study found that 41 percent of male basketball players and 50 percent of football players graduated in six years. The UI's rates were higher — 44.4 percent of male basketball players and 69.2 percent of football players from the 1992 class graduated within six years.

This is partly due to a philosophy that encourages both athletics and academics, said Fred Mims, men's associate athletics director.

"We try to promote a program that creates leaders where student-athletes strive to graduate and be involved in the community," he said.

The study tracked 64 UI student-athletes who entered as freshmen in 1992 and received athletic scholarships, Mims said. Those who transferred and graduated elsewhere were not included in the study.

Women's athletics at the UI saw a graduation rate of 84.6 percent; the rate was 58 percent of women at other Division I schools.

"It is clear when they come here

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FDA OKs new test for pneumonia

■ The procedure could help identify bacteria in 15 minutes.

By Lauran Neergaard
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Doctors struggling to decide whether a wheezing patient needs antibiotics to treat pneumonia are about to get a simple, 15-minute test to help their diagnosis.

The Food and Drug Administration approved Binax Inc.'s first-of-a-kind pneumonia test Monday. It uses a patient's urine to detect a bacterium called *Streptococcus pneumoniae*, which is estimated to cause 500,000 cases of pneumonia a year.

The test should help doctors decide more quickly if a patient's pneumonia is caused by that bacteria and thus, what treatment is needed.

That's a crucial decision for today's doctors because of a growing army of "supergerms," bacteria impervious to antibiotics. Just this month, the government announced that infections caused by antibiotic-resistant *Strep pneumoniae* are on the rise.

Antibiotics have no effect on viruses. They kill only bacteria. But symptoms alone don't let doctors tell if pneumonia is caused by a virus or bacteria. Conventional pneumonia tests analyze either phlegm or blood and can take two to three days to more than a week. Consequently, doctors often prescribe antibiotics to be safe — the best decision for a patient with bacterial pneumonia but an unnecessary exposure to antibiotics for patients whose pneumonia was caused by a virus.

Why is that a problem? Unnecessary use of antibiotics leads other bacteria in the body to evolve resistance to the drugs. That could mean that if the patient were to contract a bacterial infection later, antibiotics might not help.

Binax's new pneumonia test detects an antigen — or protein — present on bacterial cells that gets into patients' urine soon after symptoms appear. The antigen acts as a marker for strep-caused pneumonia.

Doctors simply stick a swab into a patient's urine sample and put it on a special reactive strip that within 15 minutes signals if it detects the strep antigen.

Grant will allow UI faculty to build ties with Ukrainian school

■ A \$300,000 award will set up an exchange program between a Ukrainian university and the UI.

By Chris Rasmussen
The Daily Iowan

The UI was awarded a \$300,000 grant last week to create a faculty exchange program with a Ukrainian university, and the UI hopes the grant will help to build a more internationally oriented curriculum.

"This grant provides government support for an international curriculum at the UI, which is one of the university's long-term goals," said Vicki Hesli, an associate professor of political science.

Hesli will be directing and facilitating the exchange program, which began a week ago and will continue for three years. After that time, the UI hopes to have made some lasting connections with the Taras Shevchenko National University fac-

ulty and students that will continue past the life span of the grant, said John Reitz, one of four UI law professors who will be visiting the Ukraine.

The grant, which was awarded by the United States Information Agency, will be used to form a partnership with Shevchenko University of Kiev, Hesli said.

The program will allow UI professors from the colleges of Law, Education and Liberal Arts to travel to the Ukraine and work with Ukrainian professors to help update the university's curriculum.

"UI faculty will spend time in Ukraine and teach classes with Ukrainian professors," Hesli said.

"Every May (for the duration of the grant), one or two professors from law, education and political science will travel to the Ukraine," Reitz said.

The professors, including Reitz, will spend a month teaching in the Ukraine.

"Essentially, I'll teach a mini-course," Reitz said. "It will probably be a general intro to the American legal system."

The courses will be designed to give the Ukrainian students and faculty a better understanding of what Americans conceive to be law.

Ukrainian professors coming to the UI will focus more on research rather than teaching, Hesli said.

"A good part of their time will be spent on research and providing guest lectures in existing classes," she said. "There is a possibility that one or two may teach their own class."

The program will familiarize the Ukrainians with current American

and international law, Hesli said.

"The focus is on reform in the Ukrainian legal system, politics and higher education," she said. "We want to bring their curriculum in line."

Hesli cited contract law as an example of an area of study the Ukrainians want to improve.

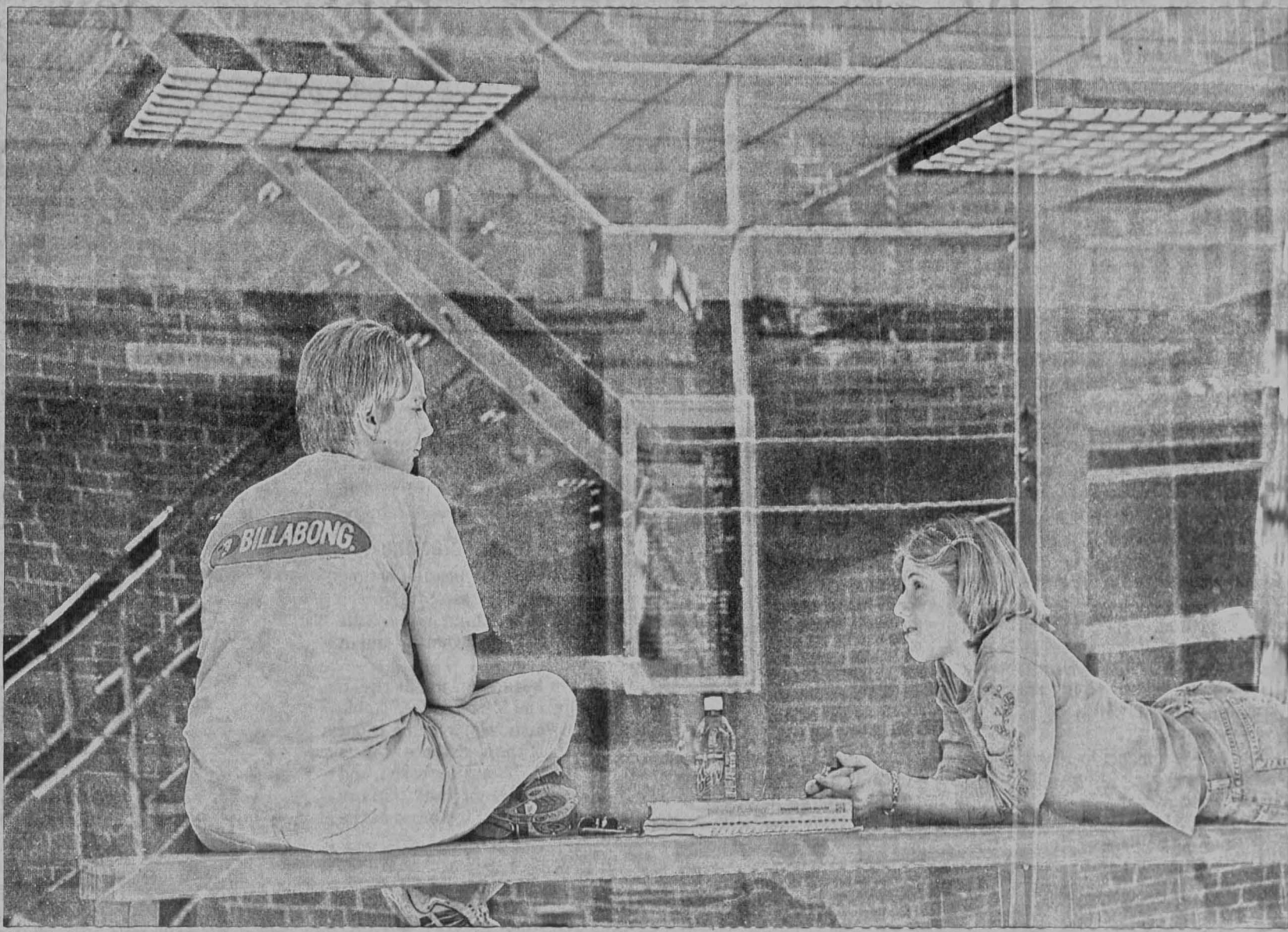
"Contract law is a very important part of international law," she said. "They (Ukrainians) are very interested in contract law."

The Ukraine has been going through a democratization process since the breakup of the Soviet Union and is looking to better adapt to a Western-dominated world.

The school trains Ukraine's best and brightest, which, Hesli said, will allow the visiting UI professors to

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the BIG picture



UI juniors Andrea Tuttle (left) and Regan Wagamen chat between classes on a bench in Van Allen Hall Monday afternoon.

THE LEDGE

ACTUAL CAR CRASH VICTIMS' CLAIMS

The following quotes were taken from a Toronto newspaper. They are samples of comments that individuals wrote down on their claim forms following their car accidents.

- I misjudged a lady crossing the street.
• Coming home, I drove into the wrong house and collided with a tree I don't have.
• I collided with a stationary streetcar coming the opposite direction.

• The other car collided with mine without giving warning of its intentions.

• I heard a horn blow and was struck in the back — a lady was evidently trying to pass me.

• I thought my window was down but found it was up when I put my hand through it.

• My car was stolen and sent up a human cry, but it has not been recovered.

• The truck backed through my windshield into my wife's face. Source: http://www.geocities.com/Hollywod/Boulevard

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Carey shoots a 'Dawg' day afternoon

CLEVELAND (AP) — It was an easy assignment: Fans of the Cleveland Browns just had to show up at the team's football arena...



Carey

Sharon Stone stumps for abused shelter

FORT MYERS, Fla. (AP) — Actress Sharon Stone took on the role of celebrity auctioneer and helped raise a record amount for an abused-women's shelter.

Stone was one of the auctioneers who helped sell dozens of pieces of donated art to raise money for Abuse Counseling and Treatment Inc. on Aug. 28.

The star of The Muse egged on the crowd of about 1,400 in Fort Myers to spend generously. Her appearance was a major reason for the large turnout, with many showing up in tuxedos and evening gowns.

Sir Elton pushes Di memorial

LEEDS, England (AP) — Sir Elton John has called for a permanent memorial to Princess Diana, saying it was "about time someone did something."



John

calendar

The Iowa City Foreign Relations Council will sponsor a lecture by Hualing Nieh Engle titled "Reminiscences of the International Writing Program" in the Congregational Church, 30 N. Clinton St., today at noon.

The Iowa International Socialist Organization will sponsor a discussion on the case for socialism in the IMU Minnesota Room today at 7 p.m.

UI brief

How community college affects students

"Community College Effects on Students: A Review of Recent Evidence" by Ernest Pascarella, the UI Mary Louise Petersen professor of higher education, will be the first paper in a planned series produced for the Iowa Academy of Education...

horoscopes

by Eugenia Last

Tuesday, August 31, 1999 ARIES (March 21-April 19): You'll make new friends and meet potential partners if you get out and do things you enjoy. TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Don't disagree with your boss or co-workers. You won't win a debate if you aren't well-prepared. Listen, and then go back to the drawing board. GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Opportunities to travel or attend seminars will bring you knowledge that will help further your goals. CANCER (June 21-July 22): You'll be in a position that will force you to consoli-

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By Carr

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Co-founder of IWP to speak

Hualing Nih Engle will give a lecture on the original vision of the program, which was set up in 1967.

By Quinn O'Keefe
The Daily Iowan

Following months of ups and downs with the UI International Writing Program, today, co-founder Hualing Nih Engle will discuss her original vision for the program.

Engle, a UI professor emerita, is scheduled to give a lecture titled "Reminiscences of the International Writing Program" at noon in the Fellowship Hall of the Congregational Church, 30 N. Clinton St.

The lecture will serve as the "kick-off" event for the Iowa City Foreign Relations Council's 1999-00 lecture series.

Engle, originally from China, founded the IWP with her husband, poet Paul Engle, in 1967, and the couple directed the program for 21 years. During that time, more than 700 international writers traveled to the UI to participate in the world-renowned program.

"The idea was to bring distinguished writers to Iowa from all over the world and make a community of international imagination," Engle said.

She made the program reality, and that reality is represented in every writer we host.

— Rowena Torrevillas,
IWP program associate

Engle said. Late last spring, the fate of the IWP was threatened when the UI announced that the program would go on a hiatus due to lack of funding and faculty. After a public outcry, the UI reinstated the program on July 9, with David Skorton, UI vice president for research, named as the new director.

"We are all aware of the publicity the IWP has recently undergone," said Tom Baldrige, executive director of the foreign relations council. "But that is not at all connected to why we requested her (Engle) to talk — she is a presence in the community and has interesting things to say."

Engle's public appearance will represent a link to the IWP's original ideals and reinstate a sense of the program's worth to the UI and the community, said Rowena Torrevillas, IWP program associate.

"It is very appropriate that she will speak now of all times," Torrevillas said. "Hopefully, she will re-

establish its importance and the fact that the program has existed longer than three decades."

Engle, the author of more than 20 books, lectures about the IWP all over the world. After her retirement in 1988, she devoted herself to writing; because of recent events concerning the IWP, she now serves on an advisory council for the program.

"I know the program very well," she said. "We discuss key activities of the IWP and the original call of the program."

The IWP is scheduled to host 10 writers from eight countries during this semester, and at least four writers will visit the UI in the spring semester. This semester's group will include the first writer from the republic of Georgia.

"She made the program a reality, and that reality is represented in every writer we host," Torrevillas said.

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UI students pine for new e-mail

In her first fireside chat, the UI president addresses technology issues.

By Jerry Abejo
The Daily Iowan

In her first fireside chat of the school year, UI President Mary Sue Coleman addressed student concerns about the convenience of the UI's current e-mail system.

PINE, created by the University of Washington, was a major topic of discussion. Coleman spoke of the UI's plan for a new Web-based program, Web ISIS, which is scheduled to debut in October.

"We know we need to get rid of PINE, and we're alerted to the fact we need to change," she said.

The chat, held in the IMU North Room, allowed students to meet informally with the UI president and express their personal concerns.

Although 500 invitations were sent out, only about 25 students showed up — none of whom were freshmen.

Provost Jon Whitmore, Vice President for Student Services Phillip Jones and UI Student Government President Lana Zak also attended the chat.

Technical improvements in any UI computer program are coming at a strained time, especially because the university is spending millions of dollars fighting the Y2K bug. It is also



Mary Sue Coleman talks with a student at her fireside chat Monday night in the IMU North Room.

taking up tremendous amounts of manpower, Coleman said.

"Programmers are going through lines of code to find glitches when they could be doing other stuff," she said.

In the meantime, the PINE system and its problems — which one student in attendance said there was difficulty printing and the inability to view attached graphics — are what students will have to work with.

"We know how bad PINE is, but we've got to give you something for now," Whitmore said.

In other news, Coleman expressed interest in looking into a program that allows stu-

dents in professional fields to graduate one year early in order to take part in post-undergraduate studies.

One student suggested that other colleges have such programs for students on dental or medical tracks to apply for early graduation if they express unwavering interest in their field.

While Coleman said the idea would only be appropriate for certain majors, she expressed interest in looking into it.

"Anything to encourage students to graduate in a timely fashion," she said.

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NPR's Wertheimer opens lecture series

Veteran political reporter and anchorwoman Linda Wertheimer will speak in the IMU tonight.

By Heather Reed
The Daily Iowan

National Public Radio anchorwoman Linda Wertheimer has traveled around the country, covering various political events; today, she will make a stop at the UI, kicking off the 1999-00 lecture series.

Wertheimer will present a free, public lecture at 7:30 tonight in the IMU second-floor ballroom. She is expected to discuss society's involvement in the political process and the impact of political reporting.

"She is very well-known throughout the country," said Chad Doobay, the chairman of the UI Lecture Committee.

The committee, which has been

responsible for bringing such other well-known speakers as Carl Sagan and Maya Angelou to the UI, felt Wertheimer would add prominence to the series, Doobay said.

"It seems like there's a surprisingly large number of college students who listen to NPR," said Matt McDermott, vice chairman of the lecture committee.

Wertheimer was chosen to be a part of the lecture series because her name kept surfacing during the course of brainstorming last year, he said.

"We think she'd be a wonderful representative of our university's goals," said Doobay, who listed freedom of speech among those goals.

A 25-year veteran of radio news, Wertheimer is best known as an anchorwoman for NPR's news program "All Things Considered." She also has won several awards for her political reporting.

As are the other speakers in the

lecture series, Wertheimer will be compensated for lecturing at the UI. Money paid for the lecture comes from the lecture committee's budget, which is allocated by UI Student Government.

"We try to spend our money the best we can to bring in speakers who represent the students' needs," Doobay said.

UI junior and journalism major Greg Read did not know whether he would be able to attend Wertheimer's lecture but said he is pleased with the lecture committee's ability to draw a variety of speakers.

"I think it does a pretty good job of bringing in speakers," Read said.

Wertheimer will address political science, communication studies and journalism students in a question-and-answer session, scheduled to take place at 3 p.m. today in the IMU Illinois Room.

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Bomb threat empties City High for 1 hour

Approximately 1,600 students and staff receive an unexpected recess.

By Carrie Johnston
The Daily Iowan

A bomb threat called in to Iowa City City High School, 1900 Morningside Drive, resulted in the evacuation of approximately 1,600 students and staff Monday morning.

A City High receptionist answered a phone call at 8:30 a.m. from an individual who said there was a bomb in the building.

Iowa City police were notified by the school at 8:34 a.m. that it had received a phone call saying there was a bomb set to go off at 11 a.m. Monday, said police Sgt. Bill Campbell.

The evacuation went smoothly, said City High Principal Trudy Day, but the disruption did not sit well with faculty and students.

"Teachers and students were upset about missing an hour of school," she said.

For some students, the bomb threat did not seem like an unusual occurrence.

"There are always a couple of bomb threats every year. It is almost like a fire drill, and we all just go sit outside," said Lacie Kalan, a City High senior. "The teachers tried to be serious about it, but the students weren't that anxious."

Senior Mary Huyk agreed that students weren't overly affected by the bomb threat.

"Right after Littleton, there was a fire drill, and everyone was really scared," she said.

Police bomb technicians were involved with the evacuation, and students were able to return to the building by 9:34 a.m. without incident, Campbell said.

The caller was identified as an adolescent, Campbell said, but the caller's gender has not been determined.

Day said the school has collected some information, but officials at the school are still investigat-

ing. City High administrators have yet to give any new information to the police.

Day has asked students with any information about the incident to speak out.

"Everyone is always willing to help out," she said. "Some stu-

dents have already come forward with information."

Telephones at the high school are being monitored in hopes that the same individual who made the bomb threat will call back.

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CITY & NATION

Ex-Hawkeye extortion case draws criticism

LOFTIN

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pointed in how the situation has unraveled, Gable said other options could have avoided the large amount of media attention. "I've had one conversation with Bob Bowsby about the Loftin matter," he said. "When I left his office, I let him know if he needed my assistance in dealing with the situation, he had it. "The route it has gone now is probably unfortunate. We would have used the low-key route if we had used me." The "low-key" route would have drawn from Gable's coaching experiences and time on the mat, not court charges, he said. The filing of charges against Loftin comes at a "very critical time," Gable said. "The whole situation is just very poor timing," he said. "Football is a very important program at the

university. This is also the least-opportune time this could have happened in this guy's career. The university is backing the entire program and the coaching staff."

The Investigation

The multi-page letter Ferentz received from Loftin on Aug. 21 included threats of exposing NCAA rules violations and sharing information about the football team to opponents if Loftin's scholarship were not restored. The letter also said other players would unite in a negative campaign against Ferentz and the football program. The letter contained, however, "nothing very explicit," Rhodes said. Fred Mims, associate men's athletics director, would not comment on the specifics of the Loftin case but said leaving the team is a valid reason for the UI to revoke a scholarship. Loftin's scholarship was lifted earlier this month.

While charges were filed by the Johnson County attorney's office Monday, the office has yet to receive the report from the Department of Public Safety, which was responsible for the investigation, said Johnson County Attorney Patrick White. "The department consulted with our office on Friday to talk about the merit of the charges," he said. "They needed to see if the evidence was sufficient enough to support charges." Loftin's attorney, Leon Spies, told the Associated Press Monday that Loftin would plead innocent to the charges. Because the report has not been received, White said, it is too early to tell if Ferentz would need to testify if the charges came to trial. A witness list will be compiled when the county attorney's office files pre-trial information, he said. The value of the stolen notebooks, which is under \$200 according to court documents, was

difficult to determine, White said. "A playbook has a value that is difficult to determine by its very nature," he said. "There isn't an inherent market, so it's hard to construct a street value. In this case, it's figured to be the cost to purchase the items — in this case, notebooks." The Registrar's Office confirmed Monday that Loftin is still enrolled at the UI. The preliminary hearing on extortion charges is set for Sept. 17. Elliott and Gable say they have not had such serious or visible cases during their coaching careers, and both hope that the case comes to a quick close. "The player needs to come out of it and strive for the highest goals," Gable said. "He doesn't need to carry this on his shoulder forever, and he doesn't need to hold a grudge forever." DI editor Zack Kucharski can be reached at: zkuchars@blue.weeg.uiowa.edu

NATION BRIEFS

N. Carolina relieved as Dennis goes to sea

NAGS HEAD, N.C. (AP) — People along the North Carolina coast breathed a sigh of relief Monday as Hurricane Dennis turned out to sea, sideswiping the shoreline with 112 mph gusts and a deluge that flooded streets and left tens of thousands without power. The storm's center started peeling away from the coast after getting no closer than 60 miles. Two traffic deaths early Monday were blamed on the storm. "We are hoping it continues that offshore track," said Jim Jones, spokesman for the state Division of Emergency Management. Storm damage was light. New Hanover's losses totaled \$217,000, while in Brunswick County, the collapse of a beachfront house at Ocean Isle Beach was the worst property damage reported, said Cecil Logan of the county emergency management office.

"I've seen a bunch of bad weather in this area, but we're real happy with how things turned out this time," said Bob Sheppard, an employee at Harbor Inn in Wrightsville Beach. "It was a dodged bullet," said Susan Rogers, who spent Sunday night on Wrightsville Beach. Still, forecasters warned the danger wasn't over. Jerry Jarrell of the National Hurricane Center in Miami said experts believe Dennis will stall at sea today for three or four days. What it does after that is anyone's guess. "Unfortunately, one of our better models is showing that it comes back into the coast, not far from where it is right now, close to Norfolk or in that general vicinity," he said. At 10 p.m. CDT Monday, Dennis was 145 miles east of Cape Hatteras, moving toward the east-northeast at 14 mph with maximum winds up to 90 mph. The hurricane warning was downgraded to a tropical storm warning for most of the North Carolina coastline, from Cape Lookout to the Virginia border.

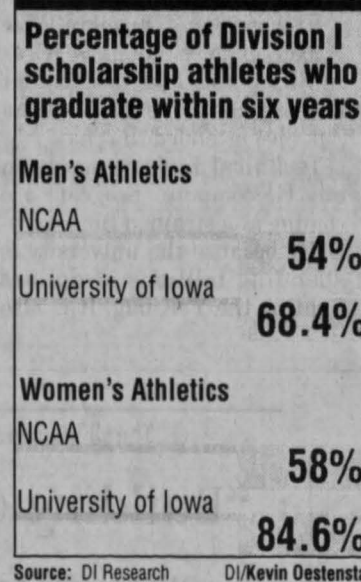
UI athletes above average in graduation rates

ATHLETES

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that the emphasis is on academics," said Carol Gruber, director of student services in the women's Athletics Department. The UI student services program ensures that student-athletes have all the tools necessary to achieve academically, said Christine Grant, UI women's athletics director. "We offer tutors to all student-athletes, not just those in academic risk, which is something a lot of schools don't do," she said. NCAA findings among black student-athletes found that graduation rates were especially low. Only 40 percent of black male student-ath-

letes graduated, the lowest figure since 1985, according to the report. But among black male student-athletes at the UI, 72.7 percent of those entering in 1992 graduated within six years. UI junior Dan Ralph, a member of the men's track team, said academics are continually emphasized by advisers and coaches. Ralph said mandatory classroom attendance, study tables and close interaction with advisers ensure that student-athletes are able to balance sports and academics. "It's a nice schedule where there is not a lot of time to waste on the couch watching TV," he said. DI reporter Glen Leyden can be reached at: gleyden@blue.weeg.uiowa.edu



Tibetan nuns bless Iowa City with sand mandala

NUNS

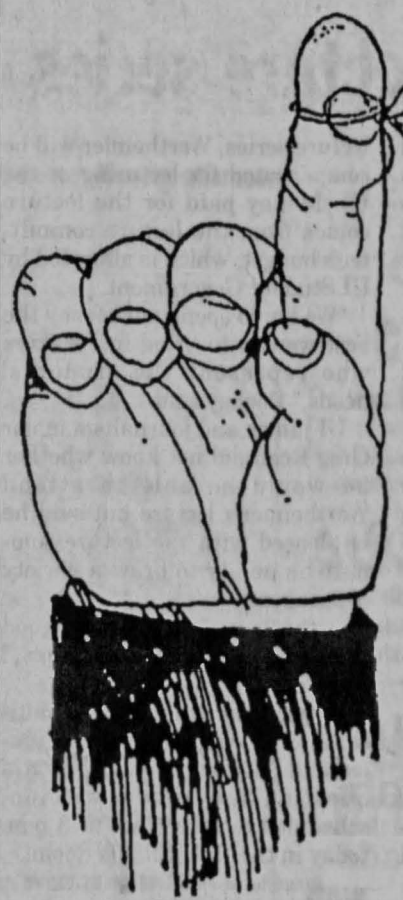
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with "Free Tibet" stickers, since he started ferrying the group around on April 1. He said he uses the chain of black mala beads around the steering column to count his mantras, or prayers. Dorsa's goal is 100,000 mantras; he is halfway there, he said. "It helps the drive go by quicker," he said. "I like to visualize light beams coming from my heart to bless all the beings — the insects and everything that we pass." The making of the sculpture was the last activity of a long day before the group ate dinner and made an appearance at the Iowa City Public Library. The day began at the UI Hospitals and Clinics, where the nuns chanted and played music. Most passers-by slowed down or stopped to look at the nuns, in their yellow robes, reciting special prayers of healing and compassion. Around 40 people, including Swisher resident Bill Fisher, watched the whole performance, which appeared to lull some of the older viewers to sleep. "It was new and different — but Dorothy slept," Fisher said, patting his wife on the shoulder. The two retirees had come to see a doctor and took in the performance while waiting. Dean Borg, the UIHC information director, said the event was under the sponsorship of Project Art, which

brings talent in the visual and performing arts to the hospital. Diana Velez, an associate professor of Spanish and Portuguese, helped to arrange the trip, which was sponsored by a grant from the Office of the Vice President for Research. "The performance had an impact even at an unconscious level," Velez said. "It makes an imprint on the mindstream." Velez, whose car is adorned with two "Free Tibet" stickers, also has a picture of the Dalai Lama on her dashboard. "When I'm driving, I take refuge in the Buddha," she said. "If I die in an accident, I'd like him to be the last thing I see." The nuns had lunch Monday at

Velez's home, sitting on mats on the hardwood floor while eating and listening to a recording of chants. Later, some of them began to dance by hopping from one foot to the other, deftly avoiding the Nordic Track that stood by the wall. Velez, who is a Buddhist, has pictures of the Dalai Lama and Buddhist deities dominating the walls of her home. In her living room, a string of Christmas lights surrounds the pictures, forming a shrine beneath which lie seven glass bowls representing different sacrifices. The room is normally used by local Buddhists for Sunday morning meditation, Velez said. DI reporter Steve Schmadeke can be reached at: steven-schmadeke@uiowa.edu

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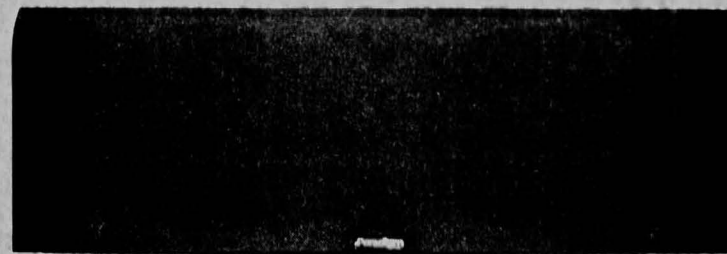
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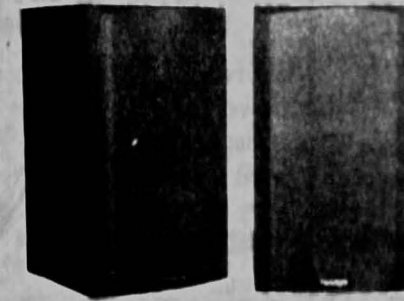
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Grant sets up Ukrainian ties

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have a great impact. "It is the leading institution of higher learning in the Ukraine," she said. "It's different from the United States, where there are a lot of prestigious universities. Most of the top lawyers and public servants in the Ukraine are trained there." Hesli and other UI faculty members began studying the democratization process in the Ukraine at Shevchenko University in 1990 and have been specifically working to secure this grant for about a year and a half. DI reporter Chris Rasmussen can be reached at: chris-rasmussen@uiowa.edu

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NATION

AIDS deaths drop-off slows markedly

■ Some researchers fear that the effectiveness of the AIDS drug cocktails has peaked.

By Russ Bynum
Associated Press

ATLANTA — The drop-off in AIDS deaths since the introduction of powerful drug cocktails has slowed dramatically, raising questions about whether the combination of medicines is reaching the limits of what it can do.

Last year, researchers were stunned to learn that AIDS deaths nationwide dropped 42 percent from 1996 to 1997 — a drop attributed to the potent drug cocktails that can subdue the virus.

On Monday, however, statistics released at the first national conference on AIDS prevention showed the decline in deaths slowed to 20

percent from 1997 to 1998, when AIDS killed 17,047 people.

"As we anticipated, we are now seeing the first signs of a slowing in this trend," Dr. Helene Gayle, director of HIV prevention at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, said during the National HIV Prevention Conference.

"In a period of only two years, new combination therapies cut the annual level of death in half. But for the time being it appears that much of the benefit of these new therapies has been realized."

The CDC blamed the slowdown on three factors:

- Some people still aren't getting tested and treated for the AIDS virus.
- Some are finding it difficult to stick to the complicated regimen of pills, which must be taken at certain times of the day, sometimes

with food, sometimes without.

- Drug-resistant strains of the virus are emerging as patients fail to keep on schedule with their medicine.

Officials at the CDC, which released the numbers, said it's still too early to tell if the current treatments have pushed AIDS deaths as low as they can go.

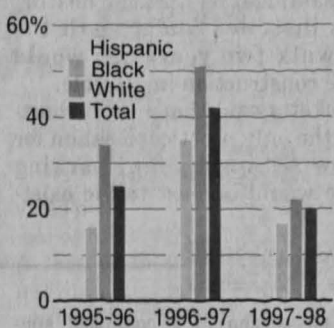
But one worrisome sign is that the decline in deaths last year occurred mostly in the first three months of 1998. After that, deaths leveled off for the rest of the year.

"We might continue to see that decline," Gayle said. "But it is at least a concern that most declines were in the first quarter of 1998 and not in the last quarter."

After AIDS killed 49,351 in 1995, deaths dropped 25 percent in 1996 to 36,792. They then plummeted to 21,222 deaths in 1997, a drop of 42 percent.

Slower decline in AIDS deaths

Health officials say the decline in AIDS deaths has slowed dramatically. So questions are being raised about whether the drugs introduced two years ago are losing their punch. Here's a look at the decline in deaths.



Source: Centers for Disease Control AP

NATION BRIEF

Supremacist arraigned in Los Angeles shooting

LOS ANGELES (AP) — With the family of a slain postman looking on, an innocent plea was entered today for Buford O. Furrow Jr., the white supremacist who allegedly confessed to killing the Filipino-American postman and shooting up a Jewish community center.

Stephen Hillman, the magistrate presiding over the federal arraignment, assigned the murder case to veteran federal Judge Richard Paez, with a tentative trial date of Oct. 12.

Furrow, clad in an orange prison jumpsuit and wearing eyeglasses, stood between his public defenders, Sean Kennedy and Marilyn Bednarski. He quietly answered "yes" when asked if he understood his rights and had read the indictment against him.

Furrow did not look at the audience,

which included the sisters and a nephew of postal worker Joseph Iletto. Iletto, 39, was fatally shot on Aug. 10. Although the arraignment was for that killing only, the government could add hate-crime allegations that would include the wounding of five people, including three children, earlier the same day at the Jewish Community Center in suburban Granada Hills.

Furrow faces state charges of attempted murder in the Jewish center shooting.

With no money to pay his own counsel, Furrow became a client of the federal public defender's office.

Furrow turned himself in to the FBI in Las Vegas the day after the attacks and allegedly told authorities the shooting was "a wake-up call to America to kill Jews."

The U.S. attorney's office has assigned a veteran of its major crimes unit, Michael Terrell, to the case, along with the head of the civil rights division, Michael Gennaco.

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CITY

Lack of Burge handicapped parking vexes some

■ UI officials say the campus is generally accessible, though it may not always be convenient.

By Chao Xiong
The Daily Iowan

Student Disability Services in Burge Residence Hall received four complaints in the last week about the lack of handicapped parking spaces in front of the building on Clinton Street. "It's a long-term problem that is currently being discussed very actively. It is a university-wide responsibility," said Susan Vess, the director of the disability services, who is beginning her first

year at the UI. Approximately 50 of the 700 students with learning and physical disabilities who use the facility's counseling and testing services have handicapped parking permits. A June 30 survey showed that 33 students had mobility problems, 14 used wheelchairs, and 12 used canes, braces or crutches. Vess said there have been incidents of students arriving late for tests and that many others with chronic health problems make use of the handicapped parking spaces that are available in the north campus parking ramp and in an alley behind Daum Residence Hall. "Those spaces in the alley and on the ramp are generally not full," said Dave Ricketts, the

director of parking and transportation. The Americans with Disabilities Act requires five feet of space between a parallel-parked car and the traffic lane, he said. Coupled with an ADA compliant ramp, putting in one parking space would force drastic cuts in the curb and could cost \$8,000. "It's not just an ordinary parking space. The ADA has very specific design requirements," Ricketts said, adding that the heating coils installed underneath the sidewalk two years ago would make construction impossible. Ricketts said that in the short-run, the only practical location for a new ADA-compliant parking space would be next to the exist-

ing space behind Daum at a cost of a few hundred dollars. All expenses for changes in parking are funded by parking revenues, he said. "We're exploring the possibilities," said Phillip Jones, vice president for student services. "There are many factors. It is not a given that more parking will be available." The disability services office and most buildings on the UI campus are accessible to handicapped students, he said. "It's inappropriate to say the campus is inaccessible. It may not be as convenient as we all like, but accessibility is available," Jones said.

DI reporter Chao Xiong can be reached at: chao-xiong@uiowa.edu

LEGAL MATTERS

POLICE

Terna Gbasha, 41, 1903 F St., was charged with violation of a harassment protection order at 1903 F St. on Aug. 29.
Barrett Kalbnowski, 18, Mayflower Residence Hall Room 417B, was charged with public intoxication and public urination at the corner of Johnson and Burlington streets on Aug. 29 at 12:57 a.m.
Judah Bolser, 15, 1916 Waterfront Drive, was charged with simple assault at 1916 Waterfront Drive on Aug. 29 at 7:30 p.m.
Maureen Kaulentis, 19, 804 Iowa Ave., was charged with operating while intoxicated at the intersection of Dodge and Bowers streets on Aug. 29 at 2:17 a.m.
Martin T. Wise, 20, 1032 N. Dubuque St., was charged with possession of alcohol under the legal age at the Rush Hour, 13 S. Linn St., on Aug. 28 at 9:45 p.m.
Patric A. Pollin, 18, Burge Residence Hall Room 1531, was charged with possession of alcohol under the legal age at the Rush Hour on Aug. 28 at 9:45 p.m.
Thomas R. Quigley, 43, Keota, Iowa, was charged with assault causing injury at 511 Melrose Ave. on Aug. 29 at 10:20 p.m.
Patricia A. McKim, 30, 2401 Highway 1 E. Apt. 3614, was charged with assault causing injury at 511 Melrose Ave. on Aug. 29 at 10:20 p.m.
Billy A. Menakaya, 49, 1205 Laura Drive, was charged with obstructing officers at 500 Van Buren St. on Aug. 29 at 3:30 a.m.
Matthew A. Streicher, 18, Burge Residence Hall Room 433, was charged with public urination at 200 S. Dubuque St. on Aug. 29 at 1:35 a.m.
Jeremy D. Brooks, 19, 504 S. Johnson St., was charged with possession of alcohol under the legal age at the corner of Johnson and Court streets on Aug. 29 at 12:15 a.m.
Anthony M. Mandersheid, 20, 319 E. Court St. Apt. 23, was charged with keeping a disorderly house on Aug. 29 at 4:25 a.m.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Matthew D. Stegner, 20, 650 S. Dodge St. Apt. 1, was charged with public intoxication and possession of a schedule I controlled substance at Rienow Residence Hall on Aug. 26 at 2:12 a.m.
Jeff R. Landes, 35, 405 Koser Ave., was charged with unlawful passing of a school bus on Hawkeye Park Road on

Aug. 26 at 8:05 a.m.
Keith A. Clement, 22, Coralville, was charged with careless driving at the intersection of Burlington and Clinton streets on Aug. 26 at 9:14 p.m.
Xiang Zong, 29, 518 Hawkeye Court, was charged with unlawful passing of a school bus at the Hawkeye Court W bus stop on Aug. 27 at 8:15 a.m.
Darren Hall, 33, Coralville, was charged with striking an unattended vehicle at the IMU parking ramp on Aug. 27 at 9:45 p.m.
David M. Callahan, 38, Lone Tree, Iowa, was charged with fifth-degree theft at the UI Health Care lot 43 on Aug. 27 at 11:45 a.m.
Michelle K. Losee, 19, 307 S. Linn St. Apt. 308, was charged with failure to obey a traffic-control device at the intersection of Mormon Trek Boulevard and Melrose Avenue on Aug. 27 at 9:28 p.m.
James T. Cosentino, 18, North Liberty, was charged with careless driving at the intersection of Market and Clinton streets on Aug. 27 at 10:06 p.m.
Uwem K. Iniaya, 28, address unknown, was charged with criminal trespass at the UI Main Library on Aug. 28 at 12:22 a.m.
Bradely C. Hahn, 26, Deerfield, Ill., was charged with public intoxication at the Pentacrest on Aug. 28 at 1:15 a.m.
Alison S. Potish, 18, 728 E. Washington St., was charged with excessive speed at the corner of Riverside Drive and Hancher Auditorium on Aug. 28 at 2:38 a.m.
Kathrine R. Goodwin, 18, Fort Dodge, Iowa, was charged with public intoxication at the corner of Grand Avenue and Byington Road on Aug. 28 at 4:35 a.m.
John B. Nelson, 18, Hillcrest Residence Hall Room C323, was charged with possession of alcohol under the legal age at Burge Residence Hall on Aug. 28 at 2:05 a.m.
Ryan R. Loftin, 22, 2604 Bartelt Road Apt. 1D, was charged with extortion and two counts of fifth-degree theft at the Public Safety building on Aug. 28 at 4 a.m.
Edward C. Beavers, 19, Burge Residence Hall Room 1335, was charged with public intoxication at Gilmore Hall on Aug. 28 at 6:21 a.m.
Kelly D. Beaton, 19, Cedar Rapids, was charged with possession of alcohol under the legal age at lot 13 north on Aug. 29 at 2:27 a.m.
Christopher Taylor, 18, Hillcrest Residence Hall Room N12, was charged

with possession of a controlled substance at Hillcrest Residence Hall Room N12 on Aug. 29 at 1:23 a.m.
Kyle R. Alexander, 20, Dubuque, was charged with possession of alcohol under the legal age at the corner of Davenport and Clinton streets on Aug. 29 at 2:20 a.m.
Demario K. Johnson, 22, Cedar Rapids, was charged with operation without registration at the intersection of Clinton and Market streets on Aug. 29 at 1:28 a.m.
Edward M. Hodges, 20, Cedar Rapids, was charged with public intoxication at the corner of Clinton and Davenport streets on Aug. 29 at 1:28 a.m.
Adam S. Ballard, 21, Cedar Rapids, was charged with public intoxication and tampering with a motor vehicle at the corner of Clinton and Davenport streets on Aug. 29 at 1:28 a.m.
Douglas J. Steward, 19, Hillcrest Residence Hall Room N316, was charged with public intoxication at Burge Residence Hall on Aug. 29 at 1:24 a.m.
Michael P. Mlakar, 19, Burge Residence Hall Room 1507, was charged with public intoxication and unlawful use of a driver's license at Burge Residence Hall on Aug. 29 at 4:56 a.m.
Chandan K. Saha, 39, 726 Hawkeye Drive, was charged with speeding on Hawkeye Park Road on Aug. 29 at 7:58 p.m.
Alfred J. Carr, 19, 818 S. Dubuque St. Apt. 2, was charged with careless driving at the intersection of Gilbert Street and Highway 6 on Aug. 29 at 5:52 p.m.
Rodney C. Manning, 21, Toledo, Ohio, was charged with failure to use a seat belt at the intersection of Riverside Drive and Burlington Street on Aug. 30 at 1:58 a.m.

— compiled by Gil Levy

Courts

Magistrate
Public Intoxication — Frank L. Babcock, 230 Koser Ave., was fined \$155; James M. Backlin, Evanston, Ill., was fined \$155; Justin D. Bartsch, 711 E. Burlington St. Apt. 11, was fined \$155; Slater W. Bamliiss, Mount Vernon, was fined \$155;

Assault with intent to commit sexual abuse — Benjamin D. Jeskey, St. Charles, Ill., preliminary hearing has been set for Sept. 8 at 2 p.m.
Extortion — Ryan R. Loftin, 2604 Bartelt Road Apt. 1D, preliminary hearing has been set for Sept. 17 at 2 p.m.

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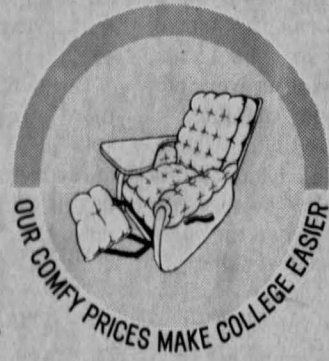
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In a country with very few pre-existing organizations designed to aid in this situation, the weight of the disaster has fallen onto the shoulders of the people.

— Andria Savage, a UI student living in Istanbul, Turkey, on the recovery from Turkey's Aug. 17 earthquake.

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Millennial mathematics and other tidbits of Kansan wisdom

So we've made it past the first week of classes, and everything is as it should be. Dean Linda Maxson had her first PR gaffe of the school year, the football team is still undefeated, and roughly half of the members of the freshmen class have notched their first PAULA. All of which must mean we're ready to plunge bravely toward the new millennium.

There's one small glitch on the road to the New Age, and we're not talking the Y2K bug here — though the Y2K bug is a colorful little character, even if no one has actually seen it yet. For instance, on the one hand you've got the U.S. government assuring everyone that there's nothing to worry about. Just go about your partying as usual, officials say, and try to wake up from your hangovers in time for the Rose Bowl. On the other hand, the U.S. government says it would be wise to have a three-day supply of

food around come Dec. 31. Well, OK. I don't know about you, but I'm quite used to the government talking out of both sides of its mouth. But it does make you wonder — if the power does go off at midnight on Jan. 1, how are you going to cook that three-day supply of food? Camp fires on the linoleum? That'll annoy those pesky neighbors who keep yammering on and on and on about a smoke-free environment. The small glitch on the rush to the new millennium goes like this: People

are rushing it. At least those people who can't perform the highly technical mathematical task of adding 1 plus 100 — which seems to include just about everybody these days.

Those who can add know that the new millennium starts on Jan. 1, 2001, not this coming Jan. 1, as is widely assumed by those who add 1 to 100 and come up with 100. Or add 1 to 1000 and come up with 1000. Even the good folks at Hancher, cultural icons that they are, have fallen prey to the New Math and are celebrating the millennium a year early. You expect more from the folks who bring you Yo-Yo Ma and Wynton Marsalis.

But, the millennium-rushers say, everybody believes that the new century — and the millennium — will arrive on Jan. 1. Yeah, well, everybody in the time of Copernicus believed that the universe revolved around the Earth. So following the logic of the millennium-rushers,

that's exactly what the universe did.

And 500 years ago, everybody believed that the Earth was flat. Those who believe the millennium is three months away are in some pretty good company.

Speaking of flat-Earth societies, there's Kansas. The Cornflower State, as you no doubt have heard, recently decided to drive a wooden stake through the heart of that evil vampire Charles Darwin. Apparently, watching "Buffy" is the height of cultural experience down there.

No longer will the Kansas Board of Education (just about the best oxymoron around) allow evolution to be taught as science; from now on, it's on par with some creature called creationism, which is to science what coloring-by-numbers is to art. The

whole thing is more or less like requiring French restaurants to serve macaroni and cheese. Not that Kansas has heard of French restaurants yet.

Reportedly, the next targets of the Kansas board are Einstein (his physics promote "relativism" instead of straight-ahead

Christian logic) and astronomers (astronomers have this nasty habit of proving the universe is 15 billion years old, rather than the 6,000 years derived from Old Testament astro-physicists). Kansans, by the way, continually add 1 plus 100 and come up with 100.

And so we rush to the new millennium. But in our rush, we should remember this: The toothbrush was invented in Kansas.

Anywhere else, it would've been called the teethbrush.

Beau Elliot is a *DI* columnist.



BEAU ELLIOT

EDITORIAL

UI, children paying the costs for child care

Labor Day presents us with a prime opportunity to evaluate the UI's own labor movement: COGS. Since its inception, the union has brought both good and bad consequences to the UI campus. COGS' bargaining raised TA salaries for fiscal year 1998. But it also takes positions, as do many labor unions, that are nothing more than an attempt to shift responsibilities from their own shoulders onto those of the rest of society.

A clear example is COGS' drive for university-funded child care for graduate employees. At the COGS Web site, Doug Anderson argues in "Facing the Child Care Crisis Together" that "the problems of child care ... cannot be solved by individual parents and families." He claims that there are compelling economic reasons that parents must have someone else care for their children. He cites "declining real wages, an increase in single-parent households and expanding career opportunities for women."

The high cost of child care, he argues, results from the fact that it is labor intensive ("so far, no machines have been invented that can take children for a walk"). This leads to "low-wage child care workers and rapid turnover rates among child-care providers, which breaks the stable relationship that children need to have with their caregivers to feel safe and secure (CDF)."

The problem, however, is not economics. Even as real wages have declined for some, staple items have decreased in price, and luxury items unheard of a century ago now fill the homes of the poorest of the poor (there are seven TVs for every 10 people in America). And expanding career opportunities for women, though laudable, are not economically compelling. It does not take a village to realize that revenue (i.e., tuition) would have to be increased to meet the increased expenditures that university-funded child care represents. Should one segment of the student body pay baby-sitting for another?

But beyond economics, the real problem is the basic assumption that someone other than parents ought to have the first responsibility in caring for children. Have we come to the point where we will no longer admit that it is a necessary evil to have someone other than mothers, fathers or grandmas burping, feeding and bathing their little ones? Can we not see that children raised by strangers, with high turnover rates, will inevitably grow up feeling abandoned, isolated, angry and alone?

Some students truly need non-family child care as a matter of survival. But this is a small minority. More often it results from a mentality that children are an inconvenience to be minimized, a career obstacle or a drain on energy. Delaying the gratification of a prestigious degree to raise your own children is a sacrifice, and advanced education undoubtedly leads to higher incomes and better material prosperity for the children of those earners. But children care little for extra TVs, VCRs and SUVs if strangers are operating them.

David Noe is a *DI* editorial writer.

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Y2K has company on the list of 'apocalyptic' events

Now that everyone is all worked up about stuff like air traffic control failures and the coming of the Antichrist, the biggest real problem we face is the inevitable anticlimax when billions of bloodshot eyes creak open on the afternoon of Jan. 1 to discover what all five of the designated drivers will already know:

Nothing happened. From one day to the next, 1,000 years of build-up will end in the biggest let-down since the release of *Waterworld*. The last word will go not to the author of Revelations, but to 1934 Wolverine MVP Gerald Ford, who once observed, "Things are more like they are now than they've ever been."

Cosmically speaking, the millennium deserves less surprise, excitement and attention than the day the odometer on your Dodge turns over 100,000 miles. I feel obliged to diffuse the hype so we can refocus on real issues, lest while we're distracted waiting for Armageddon, something far more insidious happens, such as another Ollie North Senate campaign or the revival of disco. Besides,

those of us who were paying attention know that the world really ended in 1968, and the subsequent 31 years have been nothing more than a conspiracy engineered by Madison Ave. ad execs who refuse to give up their pre-paid timeshares in the Keys.

First, lets dispense with the Y2K computer bug panic. As a journalist, I work intimately with computers, and I can bear witness to the boon that programs such as the spell checker provide our profession. I am personally satisfied that our modern equipment is virtually foolproof.

As for the literal end of the world — well, that's the last thing anybody needs to worry about.

Nor is Jan. 1 necessarily the true mil-

lennium, and I'm not talking about pedantic geeks who keep pointing out that the 21st century really starts in 2001 and who would rather miss the biggest kegger in history than give up the right to spend 12 months correcting people who don't care.

It's just that the number 2000 owes its illusion of importance to the accidental prevalence of 10-fingered life forms among calendar makers. In every culture through history, their egocentrism has kept them from admitting that nothing about the cycle of Nile floods, the movements of the planets or the NCAA playoff schedule has anything to do with base 10. And as Stephen J. Gould would no doubt remind us, giant pandas don't get to celebrate the millennium for another 1,456 years, although at this rate none of them will be around to worry about it.

But even humans have other ways of marking time. For example, computer nerds say "Y2K" doesn't really roll around until 2048, binarily speaking. My personal favorite alternative doomsday comes at the end of 2011, when the current cycle of the Aztec Sun Calendar

runs out and a bunch of Grumpy Gods of Destruction wake up from a 1,000-year snooze to find all their loyal worshippers wiped out by the ancestors of America's current majority.

The whole 2000 thing thus depends on when Christians started counting and means nothing to users of other calendars, including Muslims, Jews, Hindus ... in fact, most of the people on Earth.

For that matter, even 6th century Christians realized that year 1 was four years off the presumed birth of Jesus, but they decided it was too late to do anything about it and turned their attention to inventing music you can't dance to.

But why quibble over a few decades more or less when we're talking about a span of 20 centuries? It puts me in mind of my friend Ernie the bandleader, who begins every gig by signaling for a tuning note. Exactly why he does this remains unclear, because he invariably gets back



DREW HERMAN

half a dozen mutually incompatible pitches, shrugs his shoulders, and says, "Close enough for polka."

I won't say the digit thing is utterly without interest. After all, 2000 will be the first double zero leap year since America adopted the Gregorian calendar in the mid-18th century. Also, this year's graduates get to call themselves "the class of aught aught aught," although the rest of us will probably take to referring to them by the more felicitous phrase, "people of zero class."

There's nothing wrong with picking a meaningless theme for your New Year's party, but let's keep some perspective and call it something that reflects its true basis in an insignificant detail of human anatomy. How about "Digit Day," or maybe "The Great Finger Festival?" Just find yourself a good party, and be sure to change the oil in your dayminder.

Drew Herman is a *DI* columnist.

On the SPOT

Who will the surprise band at the Union Bar be on Wednesday night?



"I would love for it to be Bare Naked Ladies."

Michelle Baumgarten
UI junior



"It's going to be James Levine and the New York Metropolitan Opera. They're very big."

Louis Schwartz
visiting film studies professor



"I'd go with Collective Soul."

Aissa Schons
UI sophomore



"Clearly the Robert Johnson All-Stars."

Rick Altman
UI film studies professor



"I just hope it's not the Backstreet Boys."

Aaron Wasserman
UI sophomore

WORLD

E. Timor votes for independence, activists say

U.N. officials say that more than 90 percent of Timorese voters cast ballots.

By Geoff Spencer
Associated Press

DILI, Indonesia — Independence activists claimed victory Monday in a referendum on East Timor's future, buoyed by long lines of people who defied the threat of violence to vote in the U.N.-sponsored ballot.

The claim came even though not a single vote from Monday's election had been counted yet — the result will not be known for days, Sept. 7 at the latest.

Monday's ballot offered the remote, mostly Roman Catholic territory north of Australia a choice between seceding or becoming an autonomous region

within Indonesia, the world's largest Muslim nation.

U.N. officials estimated that more than 90 percent of East Timor's 451,000 registered voters, including 13,000 people overseas, cast ballots Monday, despite a prolonged terror campaign by army-backed militias to intimidate voters.

"It is clear that the turnout has been extraordinary," U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan said. Monday's vote was mainly peaceful, but one U.N. employee and two others were killed and polling was held up temporarily at several stations.

The ballot is a test for both Indonesia's fledgling democracy, which has promised to respect the results, and for the United Nations, which has long sought to resolve the dispute over East Timor.



Eurico Guterres, militia leader for Aitarak, casts his ballot Monday at a polling station in Dili, East Timor, in a U.N.-sponsored vote.

WORLD BRIEF

Mideast leaders optimistic about agreement

JERUSALEM (AP) — With pressure mounting for a peace deal before this week's arrival of U.S. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, Israeli and Palestinian negotiators said they were on the verge of agreement Monday.

For the first time in months, the two sides spoke optimistically of carrying out the long-delayed Wye River peace accord.

But in a development that could complicate negotiations, the bodies of an Israeli couple were found in a forest on the border with the West Bank Monday. Police suspected they were killed by Palestinians, raising worries of a resurgence of anti-Israeli violence.

Earlier, Prime Minister Ehud Barak said he believed that "within two or three days we will reach a conclusion" in the talks on Wye.

Gains were made on two issues that have deadlocked the sides until now: a timetable for an Israeli withdrawal from the West Bank and the release of Palestinians jailed for anti-Israel acts.

Albright, who is due in the region Thursday, expects an agreement to be sealed before her arrival, a State Department spokesman said. "We've seen evidence that each side is eager," said James B. Foley.

Egypt, another broker in the talks, hopes to host a signing ceremony in Albright's presence to re-launch the Wye peace agreement.

The peace deal, signed last October, called for three Israeli withdrawals from the West Bank in return for security measures by Yasser Arafat's Palestinian government.

But after a single pullback in December 1998, former Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu froze the deal, alleging Palestinian non-compliance.

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Drug scandal: The NFL admits it withheld drug suspensions for 16 players in 1993. See page 5B.

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The Skinny: Sunday, Sosa had as many home runs as the Cubs had wins, 54. Chicago can keep up with Sammy.

Tennis
10 a.m. U.S. Open
6:30 p.m. U.S. Open

Baseball
6 p.m. Braves at
7 p.m. Mariners at

SPORTS QUIZ

What former Iowa player tackled three of his teammates who then was drafted by the Chicago Bears?
See answer, Page 1B.

SCOREBOARD

WNBA
New York 65
Charlotte 54

NFL PRESEASON
San Francisco 16
Oakland 8

BASEBALL

Seattle 5-14
Chicago 2-6

Seattle 14
Chicago 6

Toronto 2
Minnesota 1

Detroit 1
Texas 1

Boston 9
Kansas City 1

Cleveland 7
Anaheim 5

New York 7
Oakland 4

Cincinnati 11
Atlanta 3

Rosenfels starting for Cyclones

Iowa State's Sage Rosenfels will start at quarterback in the Cyclones' season opener against Texas Tech on Monday.

By Greg Gumbert
The Daily Iowan

AMES - Iowa State's Sage Rosenfels will not fear when he returns to the Cyclones' starting quarterback position on Monday.

The Iowa State Cyclones' season opener against Texas Tech on Monday at home will feature the return of Sage Rosenfels to the starting quarterback position.

In the end, Rosenfels will be the more consistent quarterback. "There are differences," Rosenfels said.

Rosenfels' hold was anything but steady. "I wouldn't know that we're playing a lot of games, and it's a good feeling for the coaches to have me to do a good job."

Neither Rosenfels nor Walker have much experience as a quarterback. Rosenfels has 19 attempts and one touchdown in his college career.

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ON THE AIR

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The Skinny: Sunday, Sammy Sosa had as many homeruns as the Cubs had wins, 54. See if Chicago can keep up with Sammy.



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10 a.m. U.S. Open, USA
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Baseball

6 p.m. Braves at Reds, TBS
 7 p.m. Mariners at White Sox, Fox/Chi.

SPORTS QUIZ

What former Iowa linebacker led the team in tackles three of his four seasons and then was drafted by the Steelers in 1986? See answer, Page 2B.

SCOREBOARD

WNBA			
New York	69	Houston	72
Charlotte	54	Los Angeles	62

NFL PRESEASON			
San Francisco	16	See NFL preseason glance, Page 2B.	
Oakland	8		

BASEBALL			
Seattle	5-14	Florida	4
Chicago	2-6	St. Louis	2
Seattle	14	New York	17
Chicago	6	Houston	1
Toronto	2	Pittsburgh	11
Minnesota	1	Colorado	8
Detroit	1	Los Angeles	6
Texas	0	Milwaukee	1
Boston	9	Arizona	5
Kansas City	1	Montreal	4
Cleveland	7	San Diego	4
Anaheim	5	Chicago	8
New York	7	Philadelphia	4
Oakland	4	at San Francisco late	
Cincinnati	11	See NL and AL glance, Page 2B.	
Atlanta	3		

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FIELD HOCKEY

Hawkeyes take two in Invite

■ The Iowa field hockey team defeated Ohio on Monday to finish the Hawkeye Invitational undefeated.

By Robert Yarborough
 The Daily Iowan

It did not take long for senior Leslie Irvine to get used to the style of American field hockey.

In just her first year as a member of the Iowa field hockey team, the native of Northants, England, scored three goals as the Hawkeyes defeated the Ohio Bobcats 5-1 on Monday at Grant Field.

Iowa countered an Ohio goal in the first half by scoring three goals in the second. Irvine scored her second goal off a long pass from senior Quan Nim to seal the victory.

"Leslie had some beautiful finishes inside the cage today," coach Beth Beglin said. "Quan's setup inside to her at the end was done to perfection. I could not have asked for a better passing shot."

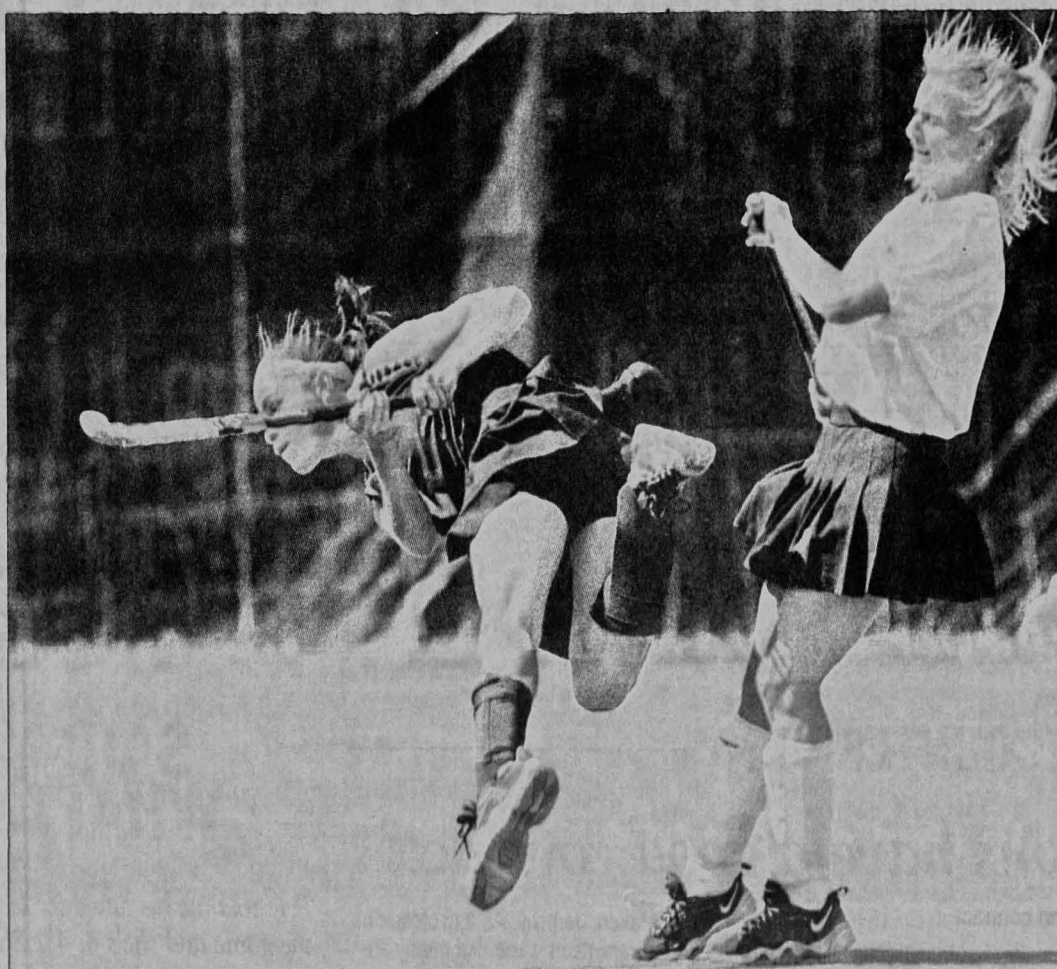
Ohio got off to an early lead as junior Andrea Pettinato scored nearly 10 minutes into the game. Iowa raised the tempo of the game and was rewarded when Irvine scored off a deflection from a Bobcat player minutes later.

With 14:37 left in the first half, Iowa senior Kelly Dolan passed to Alicyn Freet for the second goal of the game. After that point, Irvine took over with two goals in the second half.

"I was thrilled to be able to score one goal, much less three goals," Irvine said. "I think it was the product of an overall team effort and I was lucky enough to be in the right place at the right time."

Entering the game, Beglin wanted better team defense to help Freet. Saturday, the few times that Maine had an opportunity to score, Freet was left as the lone defender.

"Aly and Sarah (Thorn), were lucky enough to come up with the ball on Saturday, because we really did not give them much help at all," Beglin said. "Today, the mid-fielders and backs were quick downfield and



S.E. McKee/Associated Press

Nebraska's Bobby Newcombe warms up his arm for practice Monday in Lincoln, Neb.

Newcombe to start for Nebraska

By Kevin O'Hanlon
 Associated Press

LINCOLN, Neb. — Saying it was the hardest decision of his career, Nebraska head coach Frank Solich said Monday that quarterback Bobby Newcombe would start instead of Eric Crouch this Saturday when the Husker open the season at Iowa.

"It was probably the hardest coaching decision I've made personnel-wise in my 30 years in coaching," Solich said of the quarterback choice. "And I had a lot of tough ones to make as the running backs coach here at Nebraska."

He also gave the starting nod at I-back to DeAngelo Evans over Dan Alexander.

Solich tried to squelch rumors that Crouch, a sophomore, left the team when told he was not the starter.

"Certainly he took it hard," Solich said. "He's a tremendous competitor. ... There's a lot of emotion that runs through young people, and it's very, very tough on them."

See NEBRASKA, Page 6B

Rosenfels wins starting role for Cyclones

■ Iowa State coach Dan McCarney plans to use both Sage Rosenfels and Derrick Walker on Thursday.

By Greg Wallace
 The Daily Iowan

AMES — Iowa State fans need not fear when starting quarterback Sage Rosenfels is pulled from the game Thursday night. It's all part of Dan McCarney's plan.

The Iowa State coach announced Monday at his weekly press conference that Rosenfels would be his starting quarterback Thursday night against Indiana State. The news came with a catch, though. Iowa State's number two quarterback, Derrick Walker, will get playing time in the first half no matter how well Rosenfels performs.

"In the end, Sage was just a little more consistent," McCarney said. "There weren't any major differences."

Rosenfels understood that his hold was anything but definite.

"I wouldn't say it's relief," Rosenfels said. "Derrick and I know that we're both going to be playing a lot in this football game, and probably all season. It's a good feeling to know that the coaches have confidence in me to do a good job and lead the team out there and I'm really excited to do it."

Neither Rosenfels nor Walker have much experience as a Division I quarterback. Rosenfels, a junior, has 19 attempts over two seasons and one touchdown as a backup to the graduated Todd Bandhauer.

Walker, also a junior, is a transfer from Blinn Junior College in Texas, where he completed 66 passes for 898 yards and five touchdowns over two seasons.

Nelson shines at new spot

■ Iowa's converted tight end Bruce Nelson is ready to start at tackle Saturday.

By Mike Kelly
 The Daily Iowan

When Iowa's coaching staff moved Bruce Nelson from tight end to tackle, his dreams of catching the winning touchdown in the Rose Bowl were dashed.

The former walk-on from Emmetsburg, Iowa, has not had time to think about that though. He has to learn a new position where he will start against the ferocious Nebraska pass rush in the season opener.

"I haven't had time to miss the glory," Nelson said. "All I had to do was switch who my hero is, it's no longer Marv Cook, it has to be Mike Haight."

Two days before the start of spring practice, Iowa coaches pulled Nelson,

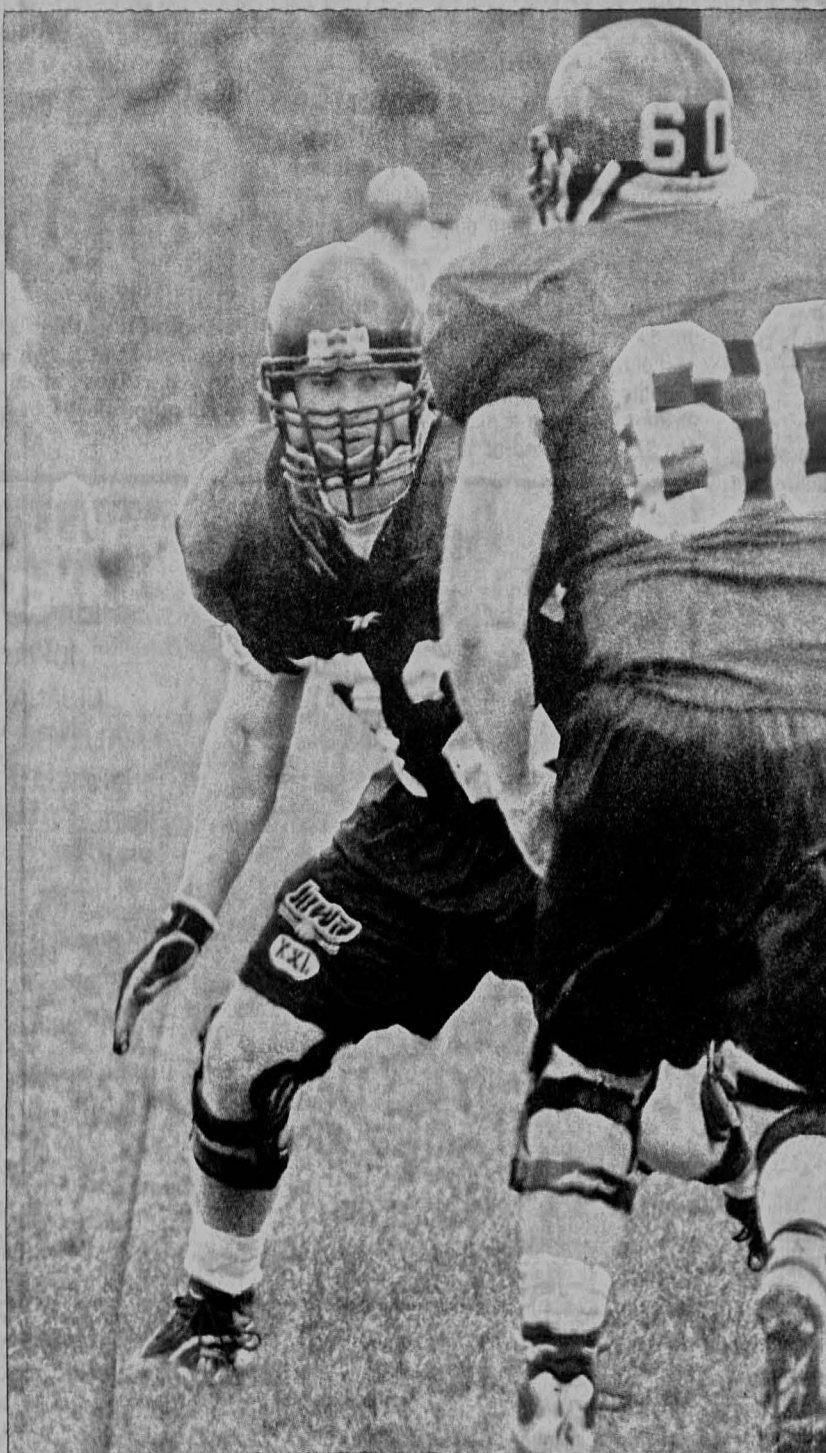
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• This is the seventh in a 10-part series leading up to the first regular-season game for the Hawkeyes.

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Brian Ray/The Daily Iowan
 Bruce Nelson (72) works out during a preseason practice against Christoph Trappe.

Iowa's O-line puts past behind them

■ Chad Deal is the only offensive lineman with more than six games of starting experience.

By Greg Wallace
 The Daily Iowan

The Iowa offensive line chooses to look forward with a positive attitude. After the summer they went through, there's no other way.

The line, which was considered weak when at full strength, endured a litany of pain over the summer and into fall practice.

■ Ben Sobieski? He was a projected starter at tackle, but is out for the season after shoulder surgery.

■ Matt Rogers? Another of last year's starters transferred to Washington, but not before claiming Ferentz had taken away his scholarship without cause.

■ Matt Markway? He's gone, too, having transferred after injuring his knee in preseason drills.

In addition, backup right guard Kyle Trippeer is questionable for the opener after shoulder surgery. Right guard Chad Deal is the only player with more than six games of starting experience; if he goes down, the next-most-experienced is right tackle Alonzo Cunningham, who started six games last year.

Half of the two-deep is comprised of freshmen or sophomores; and Bruce Nelson, the starter at left tackle, is a redshirt freshman who is a converted tight end.

"I hope nothing more happens," Deal said. "I've had enough. If someone gets injured, or someone can't play, or someone leaves — you hate to see it happen — but when it happens, you've got to let it go quick."

Deal will need to be the rock for the young line. The 6-foot-4, 285 pound senior has 18 starts in 21 games, dat-

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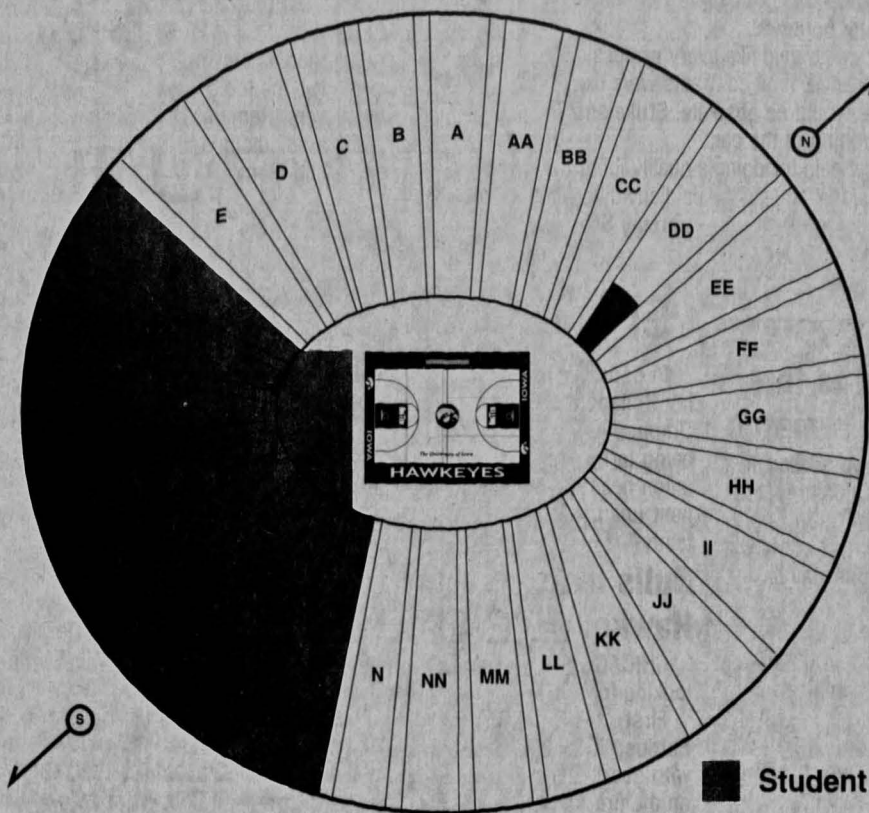
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SPORTS

More magic might await Johnson

■ Even though he has already set two world records, Michael Johnson's career is far from finished.

By Bert Rosenthal
Associated Press

SEVILLE, Spain — The magic of Michael Johnson's 400-meter world record was the defining moment of the World Championships. There could be more magic in his future.

While Johnson has accomplished more than any track and field athlete during the '90s, his career is far from over at 31.

He still has some big goals, including dropping the 400 record below 43 seconds and winning an unprecedented second 200-400 double at the Sydney Olympics.

"I never put limits on myself," said Johnson, who shattered Butch Reynolds' 11-year-old 400 record of 43.29 seconds with an electrifying time of 43.18.

Johnson ran the first 200 in 21.0 and the second 200 in 22.2, a pattern that other 400 runners cannot match. For the average quarter-miler, the difference between the first half of the race and the second is two seconds.

"Getting to 300, he was very relaxed," coach Clyde Hart said. "Patience was very important. He showed that 31.6 was like a walk in the park."

"He looks like he can do anything he wants," 1992 Olympic coach Mel Rosen said of Johnson.

As long as injuries don't interfere.

When Johnson is healthy, there doesn't appear to be a 200 or 400 runner who can cope with his remarkable combination of speed and power.

When he set the 200 record of 19.32 at the 1996 Olympics, slicing an astonishing .34 seconds off his previous mark, second-place finisher Frankie Fredericks of Namibia was about five meters back, a huge margin in such a short race. And to think, Fredericks had come within .02 seconds



Thomas Kienzie/Associated Press

Michael Johnson poses next to the board announcing his new world record time of 43.18 seconds after winning gold in the 400-meter men's race at the World Track and Field Championships Thursday.

of Johnson's previous record of 19.66, running 19.68.

When Johnson smashed the 400 record, runner-up Sanderlei Parrela of Brazil set a South American record of 44.29 and still was about 15 meters behind.

Johnson is aware that no one can seriously push him, and to continue breaking records he'll have to do it running alone down the stretch. It's not the ideal situation, but one Johnson has learned to cope with.

"I realized long ago that I wouldn't be pushed," he said.

In the 200, Johnson's major opposition in recent years has come from Fredericks and 1997 world 200 champion Ato Boldon of Trinidad and Tobago.

Now, Maurice Greene, the 100 and 200 gold medalist at the championships that ended Sunday, poses another threat, but he is still learning the techniques of running the 200 and might need a couple of more years to catch Johnson.

In the 400, the only active runners to have broken 44 seconds are Reynolds and 1988 Olympic gold medalist Steve Lewis. And neither is very active, leaving Johnson the undisputed ruler of the event.

There has been some clamor for

a 150-meter match race between Johnson and Greene to determine the "world's fastest human." Johnson will have no part of it, not after his disastrous confrontation with Canada's Donovan Bailey in 1997, when he tore his right quadriceps.

A Johnson-Greene showdown over 200 meters probably will come next year at the U.S. Olympic trials at Sacramento, Calif.

Johnson capped the World Championships with another milestone, anchoring the U.S. 1,600-meter relay team to victory for his ninth career gold medal at the worlds, the most by any athlete, one more than Carl Lewis.

"It's an honor," Johnson said. "It's a testament to what I've tried to do in my career: to be consistent and go into every championships on the top of my game and go in to win."

He now has won four straight 400 world titles, three relay gold medals and two 200 championships.

Johnson also has three Olympic gold medals, ran on the U.S. team that set the world 1,600 relay record last year and owns the world indoor record for 400 meters.

Nicklaus comparisons arise again

■ After winning for the fifth time this year, Tiger Woods has been likened to the Golden Bear.

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

AKRON, Ohio — Tiger Woods used to keep a list taped to his bedroom wall of all Jack Nicklaus accomplished, such as his U.S. Amateur victories, his NCAA title and above all the 18 professional majors that serve as a benchmark to the greatest career in golf.

Here's one Woods probably didn't include.

With his victory Sunday in the NEC Invitational on Sunday, Woods became the youngest player to win five times in one year since Nicklaus won his fifth tournament of 1963 in the Sahara Invitational at the same age — 23 years, 8 months, 30 days.

Only Woods isn't finished. He still has at least three tournaments left this year, maybe more. The way he has played since May, it is not unreasonable to think Woods can win again — maybe win them all.

The NEC Invitational was his fifth victory in his last eight tournaments. Not even David Duval was this hot when he won four times in the eight tournaments leading to the Masters, in what now seems like an eternity ago.

"I'm playing well, but I kept thinking this week that it's just a culmination of hard work," Woods said after his one-stroke victory over Phil Mickelson in the World Golf Championship event for Ryder Cup and Presidents Cup players.

"I'm starting to reap dividends of a better game."

And all of a sudden, the com-



Mark Duncan/Associated Press

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parisons to Nicklaus are starting to come into focus again.

They first surfaced when Woods overwhelmed Augusta National more than Nicklaus ever did, winning with a record-score of 270 by a record-margin of 12 strokes.

Nicklaus even suggested that Woods might win 10 green jackets before he was done, which sounded like a stretch when Woods went 10 majors before winning another one. But while Woods has only two majors to three for Nicklaus when he was 23, he has won 12 times on the PGA Tour, compared to eight times by Nicklaus at this stage.

The way Woods has dominated the deep and talented pool of worldwide players can make one only wonder what the future holds.

He has been saying all along he is building a swing that will make him more consistent, more controlled. No one believed him, especially since he won only one time on the PGA Tour last year.

Nick Price saw it with his

own eyes. "I played with him in the U.S. Open in '95 at Shinnecock Hills, and there was a lot of raw talent there," Price said. "Over the last two or three years, every time I've played with him it seems like he's just rounding off an edge here or there. I think he's going to continue to improve, too."

Price's only concern is that Woods doesn't lose his edge. The pressure on him isn't as great as when Tigermania peaked in mid-1997, but it is still greater than what any other player faces.

Woods took home \$1 million from Firestone Country Club, making him the first player to surpass \$4 million in one season and giving him a more than \$8.9 million in three full years on the PGA Tour, already good enough for 12th in career earnings.

He also is in the middle of renegotiating his contract with Nike, a five-year deal reported to be in the neighborhood of \$80 million to \$90 million. Woods said this week those figures were too high, but that was before he won yet again.

"By the time he gets to 25 or 26, he's going to have conquered a lot of mountains," Price said. "He'll have all the money in the world. He'll have probably won more majors in the next three years. It's just a question of can he keep going like Nicklaus did."

"The way he looks right now, he'll be able to," Price added. "My hat's off to him."

Woods became the first player to win five tournaments in a season since Price in 1994. Price, who won the British Open and the PGA Championship that year, remembers what it was like to show up at every tournament feeling that if he played well, he would win — or at least have a really good chance.

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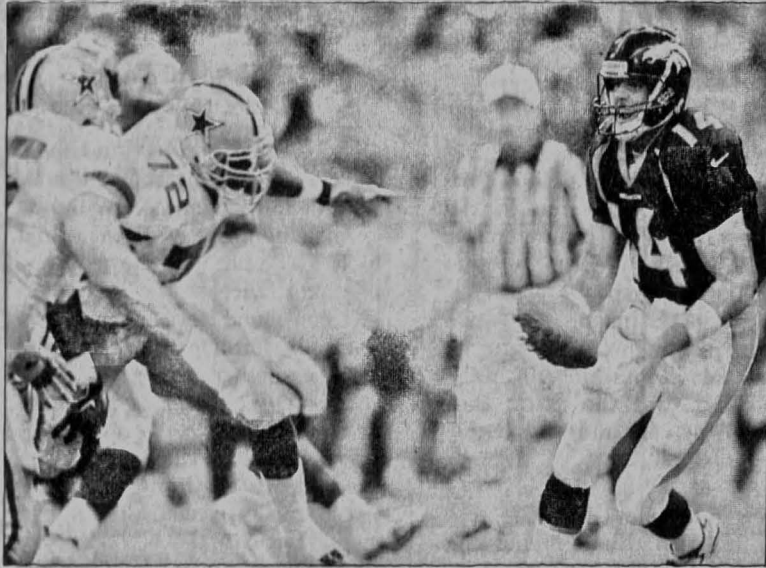
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NFL

Briester replaced as Denver QB

Former Michigan star Brian Griese will get the starting nod for the Broncos.

By Don Mitchell Associated Press



Denver's Brian Griese scrambles away from Dallas defenders Sam Simmons and Brandon Noble Sunday.

Bill Janscha/Associated Press

DENVER — Brian Griese is the new heir apparent to John Elway with his promotion Monday as the Denver Broncos' starting quarterback ahead of Bubba Brister. "It is not that Bubba Brister has not played at the level I think he can. It's that Brian Griese has played so well throughout camp and preseason games that I think he deserves that opportunity," coach Mike Shanahan said. Brister inherited the job after winning four straight games as a starter last year when Elway was out with assorted injuries. The 37-year-old Brister has struggled in the preseason, however, twice throwing interceptions on his first pass attempt of a game. The two-time Super Bowl champions are 2-2 in preseason play. "Of course, all the blame does not go to one person. You have to take a look at our offensive production," Shanahan said.

Griese, 24, who led Michigan to a Rose Bowl victory and a shared national championship in 1998, has never started an NFL game. He is the son of Hall of Fame quarterback Bob Griese. Shanahan said the younger Griese has impressed him in "everything he does... How he handles himself on offense, running

game, passing game, how he handles himself in the huddle, the way he understands defense, his protection scheme, how he handles himself with the blitz under fire." The Broncos added quarterback insurance last spring by signing veteran Chris Miller who has been out of football for three years due to recurring concussions.

Browns' Spielman retires from football

Chris Spielman's family convinced him playing football was not worth risking another neck injury.

By Tom Withers Associated Press

BEREA, Ohio — Chris Spielman never wanted to quit, not as he fought to get the feeling back in his arms and legs, and not even when doctors told him to retire. Spielman never gave in. His body did. The intense Cleveland Browns linebacker, who postponed his comeback from neck surgery a year ago to care for his family, announced his retirement Monday, just two days after a violent hit left him momentarily paralyzed. Without ever uttering the word "retired," Spielman, his wife, Stefanie sitting at his side, ended his stellar 10-year career in the same state where he was a household name before leaving high school. "I would love to keep playing, but I can't jeopardize my legs and



Spielman

my arms," he said. "It's difficult. To say no, no more, it's hard. But I don't have any regrets. "I wish I could be playing but that's not possible. I've been very fortunate to be an NFL player. That's the hard part, to wake up tomorrow morning and know I'm not an NFL player anymore." Spielman, who underwent neck fusion surgery in 1997, took a crushing, blindsided hit from Bears center Casey Wiegmann on Saturday night while defending a screen pass in Cleveland's exhibition win over Chicago. Face down in the grass, his body tingling from head to toe, Spielman said he had one thought: "Get up and get the play called," he said. "But I couldn't." "He had that first hit in training camp and that scared me," said his brother, Rick, the Bears' director of pro personnel, who was in St. Louis that night. "I told him, 'One day you're going to take a hit and you're not going to be able to get up.'" Despite the second scare, Spielman thought he might be able to continue his comeback which he postponed last year while with the Buffalo Bills to help take care of his two children after Stefanie underwent breast cancer surgery. He began weighing his options Sunday morning, walking into Browns coach Chris Palmer's

office at 8 a.m. for a heart-to-heart talk. Convinced he could still play despite an MRI that showed he shouldn't, Spielman told Palmer: "I'm not retiring." But after consulting with his family, Spielman came to one conclusion. "Until you have pure medical evidence in front of you, as a player your mentality is, 'I'll beat this,'" he said. "But as they say in football, the films don't lie, and here the images of the MRI don't lie." And as Spielman showed last year when he stayed home, family comes before football. "He told me his daughter was at the game and she's 4, 4 1/2," Rick Spielman said. "She knows that Daddy has a bad neck. When she saw him get hit, she just started crying and later she asked him, 'Daddy, if you're in a wheelchair, does that mean we can't go swimming anymore?' That's just the nail in the coffin." The injury that forced him to retire is unrelated to the fusion surgery that interrupted his career in 1997, Spielman said. Two vertebrae in Spielman's back are narrowing closer to his spinal cord, and each time he took a solid hit, he gets a tingling sensation. He had been having occasional bouts with numbness during training camp, but didn't tell team doctors.

NFL admits it withheld drug suspensions

By Dave Goldberg Associated Press

NEW YORK — The NFL said Monday that it deferred substance abuse suspensions for 16 players as part of 1993 negotiations with its players union on a new and stronger drug policy. The league said the 16 would have been suspended had it not been for the negotiations. Instead, they were put into a mandatory counseling and treatment program when negotiations were completed in 1995. League spokesman Greg Aiello said six were eventually suspended for later violations. In its statement, the league said that it agreed to withhold the suspensions in order to get the union to agree to a stronger policy. That policy was included in the 1995 agreement. "While the new policy was being negotiated, there were 16 players

whose discipline under the old program was deferred pending completion of the negotiations," the league said. "In 1995, all 16 players were slotted into the new program, tested regularly, treated by professional counselors and physicians and subject to suspension for any further violations... The 1995 program is the most comprehensive in professional sports." The deferrals were first disclosed by The New York Times, which reviewed 40 tapes from a NFL Players Association meeting in Hawaii in 1995. However, the film company sued the union in a dispute over payment, and the NFLPA never took control of the tapes.

The videotapes reportedly show Doug Allen, the union's assistant executive director, discussing differences between the new drug policy and the old one. Allen told the players that a number had failed drug tests and faced suspensions, but because of a private agreement with the NFL, the players would not be suspended. Other discussions on the tapes include an offer by a union official to teach players ways to circumvent the salary cap and assertions that some union members believed racism was behind the league's push to ban players from wearing bandannas. League sources told AP that the two men behind the ban on bandannas are both black.

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SPORTS

Reds stop Atlanta's 10-game winning streak

CINCINNATI (AP) — Jeffrey Hammonds, Sean Casey and Jason LaRue hit two-run homers Monday night as the Cincinnati Reds pulled away to an 11-3 victory and ended the Atlanta Braves' 10-game winning streak.

Atlanta put together its longest winning streak in seven years with excellent pitching. It crashed when Tom Glavine (11-10) had trouble finding the strike zone.

The left-hander gave up eight hits, five walks and six runs in only four innings — he needed 99 pitches to make it that far — while losing for the first time since July 20.

Cincinnati got its first victory in seven games against the Braves this season, finally beating the team that it considers the measuring stick in the NL.

Until Monday night, the Reds had not come close measuring up. Cincinnati lost 10 of its last 12 against the Braves over the last three seasons.

Denny Neagle (4-5) gave up five hits in seven innings as he ended his personal streak of futility. The left-hander had been roughed up in two starts against his former team at Turner Field this season.

He had some troubling moments again — Walt Weiss hit a solo homer, his first since May 25, and Andrew Jones hit a two-run homer that cut the Reds' lead to 4-3 in the fourth. Jones is 7-for-11 career off Neagle with four homers.

Tigers 1, Rangers 0

DETROIT — Brian Moehler pitched a three-hitter for his first win since July 23 and Gabe Kapler homered as Detroit beat Texas stopping the Rangers' four-game winning streak.

Moehler (9-14), who had been 0-5 in his previous six starts, got his sixth career shutout, his second this year. He struck out two and walked two in his second complete game this season.

Only two Rangers got as far as sec-



Rene Johnston/Associated Press
Toronto's Vernon Wells fields a ball in center field off the bat of Minnesota's Todd Walker Monday.

ond base against Moehler, who retired 12 of his last 13 batters.

Blue Jays 2, Twins 1

TORONTO — Pat Hentgen won consecutive starts for the first time since May and Toronto overcame a two-hitter by rookie Jason Ryan to beat Minnesota.

Hentgen (9-10) allowed just one run and five hits in 7 1-3 innings as Toronto stopped a nine-game home losing streak, the second-longest home skid in team history. He struck out four and walked none.

Ryan (1-1), making just his second career start in the majors, didn't allow many hits, but both drove in runs. The 23-year-old, right-hander struck out four and walked three.

Mariners 5, White Sox 2

CHICAGO — Russ Davis hit a go-ahead, two-run single and Edgar Martinez homered as Seattle snapped a three-game losing streak by beating Chicago in the first game of a double-header.

Rookie Freddy Garcia (14-7) won his third straight start, allowing seven hits and two runs in 5 1-3 innings. Reliever Jose Paniagua pitched 2 2-3 innings, allowing one hit, and Jose Mesa pitched the ninth for his 30th save.

Chicago lefty Jim Parque (9-11) lost his fifth straight decision, allowing nine hits and four runs in 6 2-3 innings. He walked Martinez and Jay Buhner to start the sixth and Davis delivered a two-run single after a sacrifice by Dan Wilson for a 4-2 Seattle lead.

Indians 7, Angels 5

CLEVELAND — Roberto Alomar doubled to break a seventh-inning tie, leading Bartolo Colon and the Cleveland Indians over the Anaheim Angels 7-5 Monday night.

Colon (15-4) withstood homers by Garret Anderson, Mo Vaughn and Jim Edmonds to win his fifth straight start and extend the Angels' losing streak to six.

Colon beat Anaheim for the third time this season, allowing five runs and six hits in seven innings, walked two and struck out six, including Vaughn twice on pitches clocked at 100 mph or more.

With Anaheim ahead 5-4, Dave Roberts doubled leading off the seventh and scored on a throwing error by Al Levine (1-1), who threw the ball down the right-field line after fielding Omar Vizquel's bunt single.

Red Sox 9, Royals 1

BOSTON — Pedro Martinez struck out 11 in six innings and Jose Offerman went 4-for-4 to lead Boston to a 9-1 victory over Kansas City.

Martinez (19-4) struck out 10 or more for a club-record 14th time this season and the 49th time in his career. He allowed one run on four hits and a walk to lower his major league-leading ERA to 2.36.

He will have his first chance to become the majors' first 20-game winner on Saturday in Seattle.

Yankees 7, Athletics 4

NEW YORK — Chuck Knoblauch homered and drove in four runs as the New York Yankees beat the Oakland Athletics 7-4 Monday night to move 2,000 games over .500 in their history. The Yankees, who trailed 4-0 in the

fifth inning, rallied with four runs in the fifth and three in the eighth to improve to 8,475-6,475 since moving to New York before the 1903 season.

Oakland fell two games behind Boston in the AL wild-card race. The Red Sox beat Kansas City 9-1. The Yankees (81-49) remained one game ahead of Cleveland for the best record in the league.

T.J. Mathews (8-4) walked Bernie Williams leading off the eighth. Buddy Groom came in with one out and gave up a single to Chili Davis, who was in a 3-for-35 slump, and walked Ricky Ledee.

Marlins 4, Cardinals 2

ST. LOUIS — Rookie Vladimir Nunez outpitched 16-game winner Kent Bottenfield and Mike Lowell had a two-run double as the Florida Marlins beat St. Louis 4-2 Monday night, the Cardinals' seventh straight loss.

Mark McGwire went 1-for-2 and remained stuck on 51 homers, three behind Sammy Sosa, the major league leader. McGwire, who had a single, a strikeout and two walks, and hasn't homered in 21 at-bats over six games, getting just tree hits in that span.

Bottenfield (16-7) was the fourth 16-game winner the Marlins faced in five days. They lost to the other three: Randy Johnson on Thursday, Jose Lima on Friday and Mike Hampton on Sunday.

Mets 17, Astros 1

HOUSTON — Edgardo Alfonzo went 6-for-6 with three homers as the New York Mets handed the Houston Astros their most lopsided home loss with a 17-1 victory Monday night.

Alfonzo, who also scored a team-record six times and drove in five runs, hit a solo homer in the first, singled and scored a run in the second, hit a two-run homer in the fourth and added a solo shot in the sixth.

He singled and scored in the eighth and got his final hit in the ninth with an RBI ground-rule double.

The second baseman entered New York's six-game road trip in a 2-for-25 slump. He has gone 10-for-19 through the first four games of the trip.

Raines battling lupus

NEW YORK (AP) — Tim Raines walked into the New York Yankees' clubhouse Monday a little lighter than usual and with the heavy weight of a chronic disease.

One by one, Yankees players and coaches walked up to their former teammate, who earlier this month revealed he had Lupus. They embraced him, expressed their sympathies and joked with him.

The player most responsible for keeping the Yankees' clubhouse loose and the players laughing during a record-setting season in 1998 needed his spirits lifted.

"It was emotional. Very emotional," Raines said before his Oakland Athletics played the New York Yankees. "This was my first time seeing these guys since this happened. It's my first time back in New York since the World Series parade. It's been an emotional day."

There have been a lot of emotional days recently for Raines, who has a disease with no known cure. Lupus is a connective tissue disease in which the immune system turns against a person's own body. It effects various parts of the body, especially the skin, joints, blood and kidneys.

Its symptoms can be treated and Raines is taking medication

daily and intravenous treatment once a month. While his season is over, the 39-year-old Raines vows to return to baseball by spring training and still is committed to one day playing with his son, Tim Jr., who is in the Baltimore Orioles' farm system.

"I'm going to play again," he said. "I know that. I can play five or six more years. I feel like a rookie again."

Raines became bloated and mysteriously gained 15 pounds near the All-Star break. A kidney biopsy was performed July 23 and he was diagnosed with Lupus.

Raines underwent four days of treatment in the hospital, where he was given doses of medications to relieve swelling in his kidneys.

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