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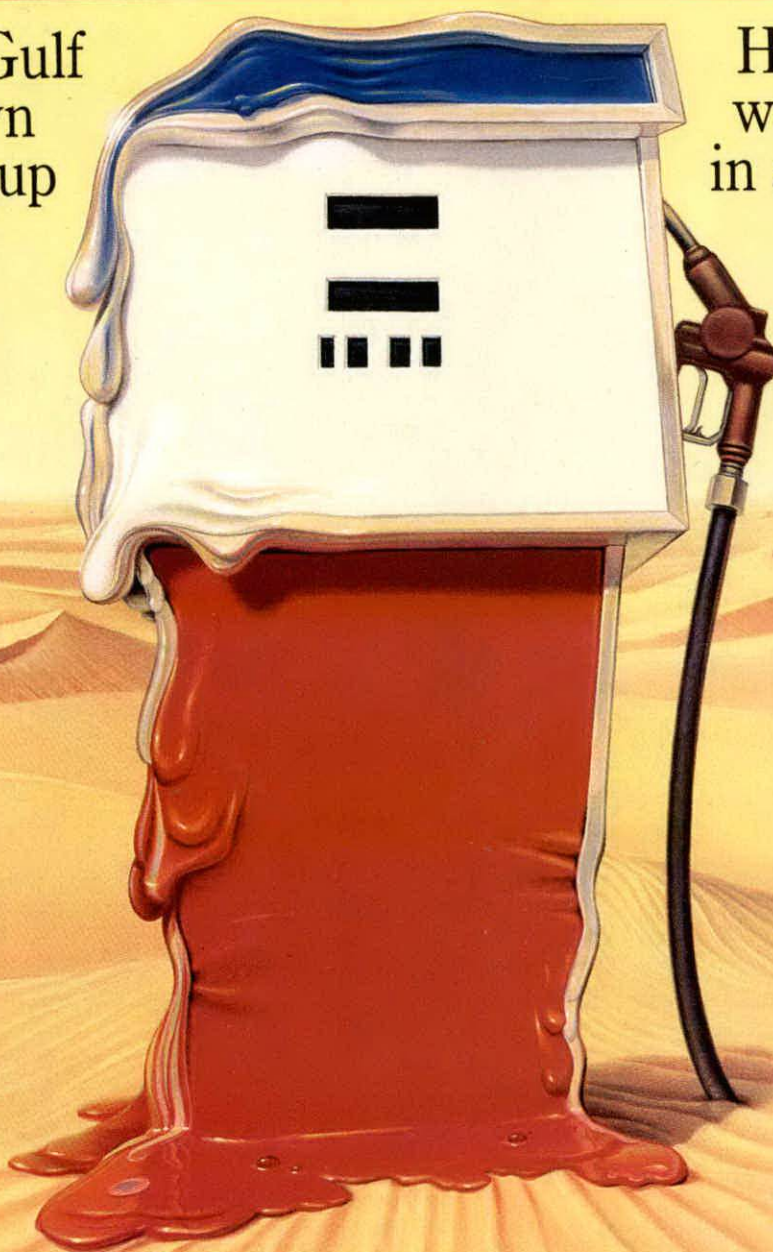
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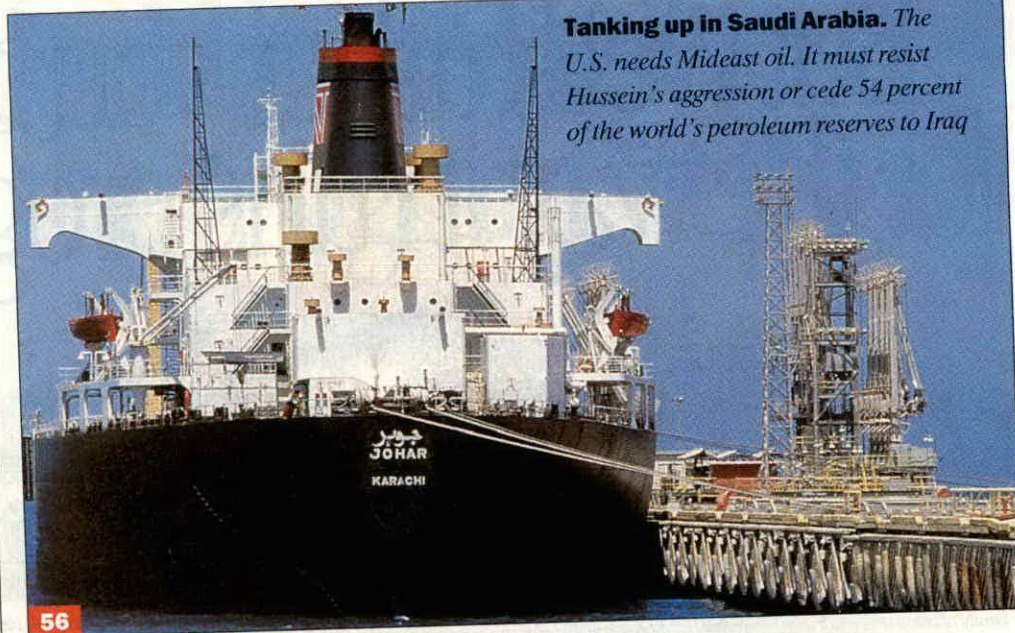
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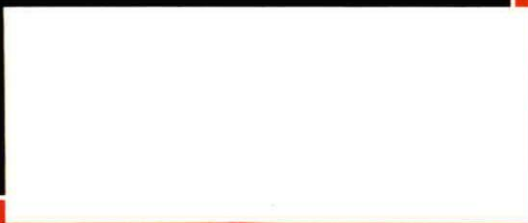
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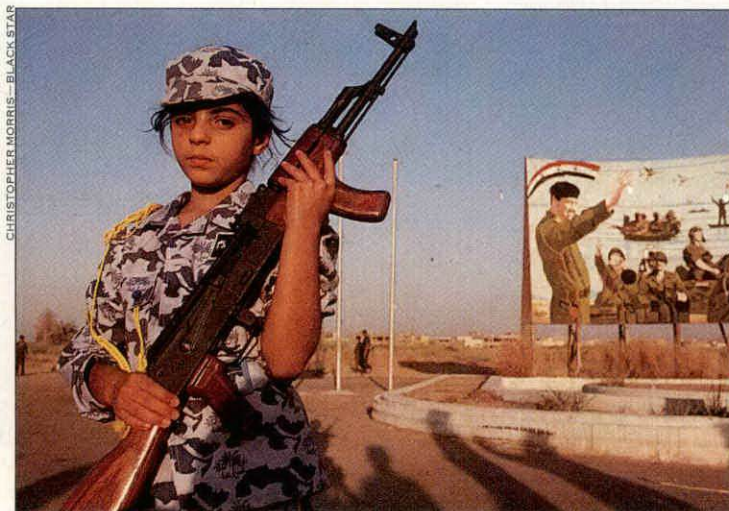


MARK RICHARDS—SIPA

NATION: Strapped for cash and compassion, America is mortgaging its future by ignoring the needs of its children

Presidents, Prime Ministers, a King and a Cardinal gather at the United Nations to discuss the plight of the world's most vulnerable citizens. What kind of leadership can the U.S. offer? Not much, so long as we stubbornly refuse to invest in health care, education and basic support programs for the young.

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CHRISTOPHER MORRIS—BLACK STAR

THE GULF: With sanctions serving only to increase Saddam's belligerence, war looks more and more inevitable

For the first time, Iraq threatens to launch a first strike. ► **Should Bush exploit** a legal loophole to order a hit on Saddam? ► **From shopkeeper to minister**, Iraqis believe battle is unavoidable. Perhaps that is why so few seem truly enthusiastic about their leader. ► **Israel steps up** its defenses.

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Matsushita Electric negotiates to buy MCA, the Hollywood entertainment conglomerate. ▶ Unless the U.S. and Europe budge, the world's trade talks may collapse.

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SPACE: Surprising views through Venus' murky veil

After a balky start, the Magellan probe is mapping the cloud-shrouded planet by radar. Found so far: giant craters, major lava flows and a webwork of faults.

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ESSAY: "The American Century" was no illusion. What's more, a second one could—and should—be on the way.

This been an era of U.S. ascendance, says Henry Grunwald, former editor in chief of Time Inc., but if there is to be a Second American Century, the nation must renew and rebuild itself. Writes Grunwald: "It is unbelievable—and unacceptable—that the richest and most productive country in the world, which we still are, cannot find the means to exert international leadership while simultaneously improving its own society."

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To escape the growing conservatism of the federal bench, liberals are turning to state supreme courts and winning on issues like abortion and pornography.

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VIDEO: A nation is riveted by *The Civil War*

It was PBS's version of *Roots* week, as Ken Burns' masterly 12-hour documentary drew record ratings and reintroduced viewers to a crucial part of American history.

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SPORT: Burly and brash, the Oakland A's are a team for all postseasons

Baseball's best team can dazzle you with speed, numb you with power, destroy you with their arrogance—and that's just when Rickey Henderson is at bat. Add the glower of Jose Canseco and the death stare of Dave Stewart, and you have a team that looks as tough as it plays. This October, the A's know that their true opponents will not be the Pirates or Red Sox or Reds, but the ghosts of great teams past.

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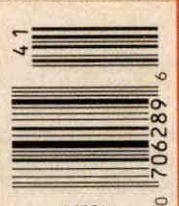
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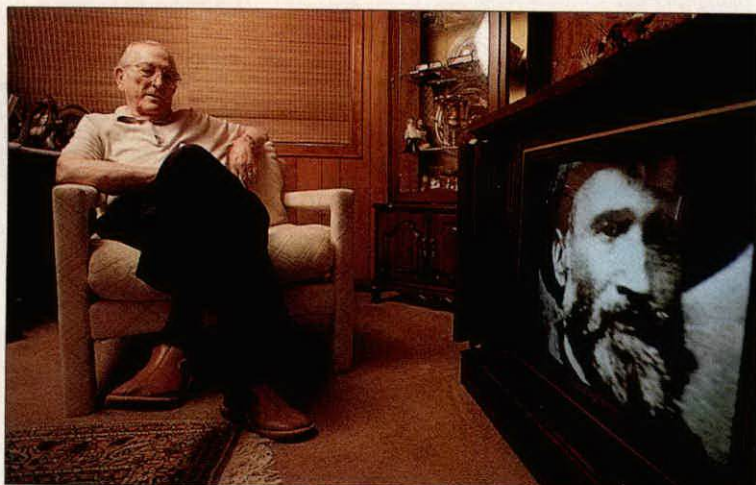
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THE CIVIL WAR REMEMBERED

**A Stunning
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Sparks
Old Passions
and New
Controversies**



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Jack Joplin, son of a Civil War soldier, views the PBS series at home

■ Revisiting the Civil War

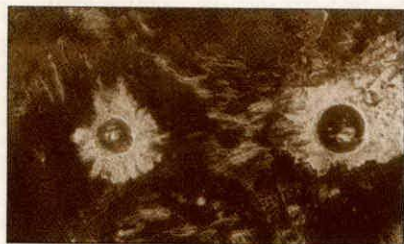
Fourteen million Americans—more than the entire population of the Confederacy—watched a stirring, 11-hour television series last week on the War Between the States. Told through still photographs, maps and paintings, augmented by diaries and letters, the deeply affecting documentary rekindled old partisan passions and raised questions about the meaning and memories of war. Commentator Shelby Foote, 73, suddenly finds himself a celebrity, and the keepers of the war's shrines—Antietam, Shiloh, Gettysburg—are bracing themselves for the first wave of new Civil War buffs. **Lifestyle: Page 58**

■ Dangerous Delusions

A report from inside Iraq suggests that Saddam Hussein and many of his followers wallow in lies, bluster and dangerous self-delusion. And as Iraq refuses to withdraw from Kuwait, a move is underway at the United Nations to authorize the use of force against Saddam. **Crisis in the Gulf: Page 20**



Impervious to fact: Listeners in Baghdad



Radar reveals 30-mile-wide craters

■ The Earth's Hot Twin Sister

In the closest inspection yet of Venus, the Magellan spacecraft finds a vast "crater farm" and a plain marked like graph paper. Scientists predict a spectacular fall show from the first U.S. planetary probe since 1978 and some answers to the mystery of where Earth's torrid sibling went wrong. **Society: Page 74**

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