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Women have a very long row to hoe

We aren't comfortable with women who wield power one minute and snuggle up the next.

Peggy Upchurch, a former York County (S.C.) Council member, nailed our country's attitude toward women generally and Hillary Rodham Clinton specifically when she said:



Clinton

"People like a woman who drinks her scotch straight. People like a woman who serves milk and cookies. But they don't like a woman who does both."

Bull's-eye.

And this has almost nothing to do with alcohol. What it has to do with is that people *still* don't like a woman who acts like a man.

By "people," I mean both men and women, because some of the harshest criticism leveled at Hillary has come from women.

Now why are we so hard on women who step out of their hoop skirts and into the hoop-la?

How come we whine, "Why can't a woman be more like a man?" And when she does, we yank her corset strings so tight she nearly chokes.

Don't confuse the issue

Let's think this through.

It's OK for a woman to serve milk and cookies.

It's OK for a woman to drink scotch straight.

But it's not OK to do both.

In other words, if you're an Unwomanly Woman, declare yourself, and don't confuse the issue by turning coat and doing Womanly Woman Things.

If you're a Lizzie Borden, charged with giving your father and stepmother 40 whacks (very manly, right?), don't let us catch you cooling your lattice-work pies on the windowsill.

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And handle her scotch.

And win the cookie bake-off.

And shout it to the neighbors.

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risen Lord give
you hope because
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Maggie

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ANTHONY LEWIS

For Public Service

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BOSTON

When Secretary of Commerce Ronald H. Brown died in the plane crash near Dubrovnik, he was on what even the meanest political critic would have to call a mission of public service. He was trying to involve American businessmen in the reconstruction of Bosnia after its suffering under genocidal assault.

The tragedy made me think about the price paid for public service in this country today. For in life, Ron Brown had been subjected to vicious personal attacks. He was under investigation by an independent counsel on matters that had nothing to do with his stewardship of the Commerce Department.

The viciousness directed at those who hold public office is staggering these days. There is nothing like it in other democratic countries, where the policies of officeholders are fair game but not their private lives.

After a recent column about reports to the Resolution Trust Corpo-

nounced the inquiry as too expensive. Yet that was about a dangerous abuse of the Constitution by the staff of a sitting President, not an inquiry into piddling real estate transactions years ago.

Just how piddling becomes clear to anyone who reads the R.T.C. reports. Searching scrutiny is applied to law-firm billings of a few hundred dollars.

Now there is a best-selling book on Whitewater, James Stewart's "Blood Sport." Joe Conason of the New York Observer caught Mr. Stewart in a mistake — one not so important in itself as in what it shows about the hyping of Whitewater.

In the book Mr. Stewart says that Hillary Rodham Clinton, in a 1987 personal financial statement to get a bank loan, misstated her assets and, "curiously," failed to mention the Whitewater property. But Mr. Conason found that on the second page of the statement Mrs. Clinton correctly described her and her husband's Whitewater interest.

In promoting his book on television, Mr. Stewart said darkly: "It is a crime to submit a false financial document." Come on, Jim Stewart. No rational prosecutor would think that worth investigating, much less charging.

The best appraisal of Whitewater to date has just been published in The New York Review of Books by Garry Wills. He is critical of President and Mrs. Clinton for many things, but he understands that these charges have been manipulated and grotesquely exaggerated. He faults Mr. Stewart for taking as gospel the words of James McDougal, the failed Arkansas S.&L. operator and developer of Whitewater.

"The same people who minimized Richard Nixon's efforts to use the vast engines of the Government ... to cover up crimes committed while he was President," Mr. Wills writes, "have become obsessed with the financial scams of a minor Little Rock con man. ... We are told we must fight 'the arrogance of power' — by turning things over to Alfonse D'Amato.

"Whitewater has been a scandal, but the clearest proved wrongdoing has been by politicians, journalists and professional (well-paid) Clinton critics."

Those who want a decent level of political discourse in this country might hope that the death of Ron Brown would shame the agitators of hate into silence. But of course that will not happen. □

The hatred of officialdom.

ration that rejected some of the Whitewater charges against President and Mrs. Clinton, I had vile telephone calls about the Clintons. There was a level of hatred that passed understanding.

The hate is undoubtedly fomented for political ends. Right-wing radio hosts talk all day about supposed Clinton sins. Political ministers like Jerry Falwell pour out vitriol. The Wall Street Journal editorial page has tried to delegitimize Bill Clinton since he was elected, attacking him and aides such as Vincent Foster and Ron Brown. (After his death, a Journal editorial said piously that on his flight "Secretary Brown was serving his country as others served it before.")

Whitewater is the focus of the hate-Clinton industry. Two independent counsels, Robert B. Fiske Jr. and then Kenneth W. Starr, have spent about \$20 million so far investigating Whitewater and other charges against the President.

When Judge Lawrence E. Walsh investigated the Iran-contra affair in the Reagan Administration, The Wall Street Journal repeatedly de-

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Library Official Retires, Kills Self

Death Follows Report Of Travel Probe

By Linton Weeks
Washington Post Staff Writer

On Friday, John O. Hemperley retired after more than 20 years as budget officer at the Library of Congress.

On Saturday, he got into his Mazda pickup truck and drove away from his home in Sumerduck, Va. Later that day, he was found dead. Authorities said he apparently died from a self-inflicted gunshot wound.

"This is an unspeakable tragedy," Librarian of Congress James H. Billington wrote in a staff memorandum yesterday. "... He will be deeply missed, lovingly grieved, and long remembered in the institution to which he was so intensely loyal."

Hemperley's strange and sudden death leaves many questions unanswered.

A few days before, Hemperley, 63, had been named in an article published in the Hill, a weekly newspaper about Capitol Hill. The story said he was being included in an investigation by the Justice Department.

Part of the criminal inquiry, the article said, focused on six trips Hemperley had taken over the past three years with Edward Lombard, a staff member of the House Appropriations subcommittee on the legislative branch. Lombard's subcom-

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mittee watches over the House budget and over several congressional agencies including the General Accounting Office, the Government Printing Office and the Library of Congress.

According to the paper's April 10 issue, the Justice Department is looking into allegations that Lombard had taken advantage of his position and that he had taken a series of questionable trips and sent the bills to the agencies his committee oversees.

According to the newspaper, one colleague said Hemperley was a "very hard-working guy" and that part of his job "was to keep Lombard happy."

A Justice Department source close to the case confirmed yesterday that Lombard, along with Hemperley and others, has been under investigation by the U.S. Attorney's Office for about a month for questionable travel practices. "It was too soon to say that Hemperley was a target of the investigation," the source said.

"Every trip Mr. Lombard took was authorized," said Lombard's lawyer, Stanley Brand. "They were all for official business. He visited government facilities or government contracting facilities. Now he may have played golf in his spare time when he was finished with his duties. That doesn't make the trips personal. Whoever is torturing this man in the Justice Department needs to read the rules."

A 1957 graduate of Northwestern State University in Natchitoches, La., Hemperley served as senior budget analyst for the Postal Service before going to work for the library. He had also worked for NASA and the Navy. He went to work for the library in May 1973, and in 1993 he received a Distinguished Service Award.

At 8:20 p.m. Saturday, the Fauquier County sheriff's department received a call from Hemperley's wife, Bess. He had left his house in Sumerduck, a small town just north of the Fauquier-Stafford county line on Route 17, and was depressed over his recent retirement, his wife told authorities. He was driving a gray 1988 Mazda pickup truck.

Fauquier County Sheriff Joe Higgs said his office treated the call not as a missing-person report, but as a "welfare check." They planned to find the truck, pull it over, ask Hemperley if he was doing all right and get him to call his wife.

They couldn't find the truck.

Meanwhile, the Stafford County sheriff's department had discovered it, and Hemperley, at 6:02 Saturday evening. He was dead in the driver's seat from a gunshot wound to the head. A small-caliber revolver lay nearby.

Staff writer Michael D. Shear contributed to this report.

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The Reliable Source

By Ann Gerhart and Annie Groer

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Senate Pays Its Respects to Brown

■ Perhaps Miss Manners will write a book on funeral protocol for official Washington. The town clearly needs one. President Clinton raised some eyebrows when he played golf instead of attending rites for Ed Muskie. And Republican congressional leaders took much flak for their noticeable absence from last week's funeral for Ron



FILE PHOTO/RY RAY LUSTIG—THE WASHINGTON POST
Lott, offering a resolution to the Brown issue.

Brown. Yesterday, Senate Republicans tried to atone. On Congress's first day back after the Easter recess, Majority Whip Trent Lott introduced a resolution, co-sponsored by his 99 colleagues, paying tribute to the late commerce secretary. It notes Brown's skill as a soldier and civil rights leader as well as his devotion to "opening doors, building bridges and helping those in need." The resolution is "a traditional gesture of respect from the Senate," said Lott's press secretary, Susan Irby.

Majority Leader Bob Dole's folks contacted Minority Leader Tom Daschle's office "sometime last week" about a bipartisan resolution, said Clarkson Hine, Dole's press secretary. Asked if Dole had the idea before or after Bryant Gumbel and Rep. Charlie Rangel (D-N.Y.) chewed out the GOP on "Today" for its collective no-show at the funeral, Hine said the resolution had been Dole's "intent from the outset."

Senators are expected to take to the floor today to offer their personal respects. No similar sentiment flowed from the House yesterday.

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Robbins, right, celebrating with Clinton and Mikva.

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The First Lady, Reveling for Robbins

First lady Hillary Rodham Clinton gave a toast at Saturday night's New York wedding fete for an old friend, Washington lobbyist Liza Robbins, and her Manhattan-based hubby, WABC-TV anchor Doug Johnson.

Former White House counsel and retired federal judge Abner Mikva performed a "mock" marriage for the couple, who actually got hitched last fall. Then he presented Clinton to the crowd.

"It's kind of rare for a lawyer to introduce a former client," Mikva told several hundred revelers at the Essex House Hotel.

Deadpanned Clinton: "At the rate I'm going, there will be literally thousands of lawyers who can introduce me."

Last October, Clinton hosted a White House power shower for Robbins and Johnson after they adopted daughter Robin. The Clintons have known Robbins—whose clients have ranged from the city of New York to L.A. prosecutor Gil Garcetti to Paul Newman's charities—since the '76 Democratic convention. Chelsea Clinton and several top White House aides have stayed in her East Hampton home and she's been a guest at a White House state dinner.

Among those at Saturday's party were Washington artist Polly Kraft and her husband, lawyer Lloyd Cutler (another former White House counsel); Clinton economic chief Laura Tyson and her screenwriter husband, Erik Tarloff; Robbins's former boss, Rep. Charlie Rangel (D-N.Y.); TV anchors Peter Jennings and Dan Rather; actors Alan Alda and Joanne Woodward; producer Alan Pakula and his photographer wife, Hannah; and lobbyist Michael Berman.

NOW YOU KNOW...

■ Marlene Ramallo Chalmers Cooke, sporting a long white skirt and pearl-beaded top, cut quite the figure dancing with her pal, Erika Schiller, Saturday night at the Bachelors and Spinsters Ball. Despite the fact that this annual dance, which began in the '30s, is for the unmarried of all ages, Cooke cronies insist she's still very much wedded to Redskins owner Jack Kent Cooke.

In that case, said longtime B and S chairman Christopher van Rolfen—a onetime Marlene beau—neither she nor other non-singles nor crashers from other fetes should have been admitted to the invitation-only event at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel. As for the dancing, lots of women boogie together these days, he said.

Schiller, for the record, is a lawyer with the firm of Sandground, Baroness and West, which represents Suzanne Cooke in her prolonged, bitter legal fight with the man who is definitely her ex-husband—Jack Kent Cooke.

■ At long last, a new eatery is coming to the old Duke Zeibert's restaurant site downtown. Morton's of Chicago, which already serves up slabs of red meat and huge crustaceans in Georgetown and Tysons Corner, could open for business at Connecticut Avenue and L Street as early as December.



FILE PHOTO
Cooke, swinging with singles.

■ No one plays "Hail to the Chief" when you're but a Cabinet secretary. An industry might, however, pander to your atrocious musical taste. Rhino Records expects to greet Robert Reich with "Hey Paula" when the labor secretary drops in today to honor the Los Angeles firm's dedication to employees and the community.

Rhino practically invented the weird boxed set: The recording by Paul and Paula that is so beloved by the secretary is found on its "Rhino Collection Billboard Top Pop Hits of 1963," for instance. The company actually makes plenty of money doing this (\$70 million in annual sales), and offers its 130 employees profit-sharing and paid vacation for doing community service. Richard Foos and Harold Bronson, major baby boomers, grew Rhino from a couple of record stores they started 20 years ago.

At the beginning we had a lot of

problems because I was bored to death by listening to opera.

—Nicoletta Mantovani, 26, secretary and lover of Luciano Pavarotti, 60, in the Italian newspaper Corriere della Sera. Clearly, they got over it.

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'Hillary's Enforcer'**How Susan Thomases,
Top Clinton Adviser,
Fell Hard From Grace****Judgment on Whitewater
Is Called Into Question;
Her Tearful Defense****'Blowing Up' Appointees**

A By JILL ABRAMSON
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Staff Reporters of THE WALL STREET JOURNAL
WASHINGTON — No member of the Clinton inner circle has had as strange a rise and fall as New York attorney Susan Thomases.

Known as "Hillary's enforcer" because of her close friendship with Mrs. Clinton and her famously combative personal style, Ms. Thomases has been a feared and influential figure in Washington. In a fitting tribute to the apprehension her name invokes among some White House insiders, her walk to the podium at a 1993 power soiree was accompanied by the theme from the movie "Jaws."

A more-vulnerable Susan Thomases, hobbling on a cane because of a broken leg, answered questions for two hours at her New York law firm recently. Once the administrative partner of her prestigious firm, Willkie, Farr & Gallagher, Ms. Thomases is now its client, trying to fend off legal problems stemming from three rocky appearances before the Senate Whitewater committee. An unprecedented fourth summons is imminent from chairman Alfonse D'Amato, the New York Republican who has blasted her as "not credible."



Susan Thomases

"I don't think that they understand what it means for a lawyer like me to be under oath," says Ms. Thomases, her eyes filling with tears. "I am telling the truth. If they don't believe me, there's nothing more I can do."

The very source of Ms. Thomases' power is also the root of her current travails — a friendship with the first lady that has spawned everything from satire to conspiracy theories. Ms. Thomases is lampooned in the novel "Primary Colors" as a ubiquitous and annoying kibitzer, while counter-feminist Camille Paglia casts her as "Hillary's dark side, her Janus twin or alter ego, a suspicious Medusa. . . ."

She earned her fearsome reputation with stunts like threatening to have aides fired during a 1992 Clinton-campaign stop if they didn't drag away a blond supporter who bore a resemblance to Gennifer Flowers. Ms. Thomases won't comment on the incident, and Mrs. Clinton was unavailable to speak about her friend.

'Old Floppy Shoes'

Publication of "Blood Sport," a new book about the Clintons and Whitewater, has stirred yet more controversy. Ms. Thomases herself initiated it and unsuccessfully pressed the Clintons to cooperate with author James B. Stewart, a former Page One editor of this newspaper. The book paints an unflattering portrait of the first couple and may create new complications for Ms. Thomases, too. Whitewater investigators wonder why its detailed account of her last meeting with the late White House deputy counsel Vincent Foster is so at odds with notes of a Federal Bureau of Investigation telephone inter-

view of Ms. Thomases in June 1994.

Certainly, Ms. Thomases, 52 years old, doesn't fit the stereotype of a polished power broker. Her gray hair is untamed, her suits often rumpled, and she cares little for makeup. During the campaign, her casual footwear earned her the nickname "old floppy shoes" among some campaign workers. She keeps a frenetic pace despite battling multiple sclerosis, a condition she didn't tell most friends about for years. Defenders say she is as passionate about her friends and family as she is about work; she and her husband, an artist she met while he was doing construction work on one of her partner's apartments, have a six-year-old son.

Yet if Mrs. Clinton is a Rorschach test for people's feelings about strong-willed women, Ms. Thomases is primal-scream therapy. Many who have worked with her have sharply critical words. She herself joked at a roast for political consultant James Carville that more tickets would have been sold "if they said they were roasting me—at the stake."

Michael Berman, a prominent Democratic lobbyist, says she, as a woman, is unfairly skewered for hardball tactics that "if I did them nobody would give it a thought because that's the way a 300-pound man ought to operate." But more than style arouses critics; it is also her record of giving the Clintons questionable advice.

A Combustible Combination

Indeed, the humbling of this quintessential FOB (Friend of Bill) points up how friendship can cloud independent judgment. Just when the Clintons needed dispassionate advice, they often turned to Ms. Thomases, who may have put loyalty ahead of everything else. Her voyage to the top of Washington's power structure is a reminder that power without accountability can be combustible.

Politics was the original bond between Ms. Thomases and the Clintons. The

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daughter of a New Jersey textile executive, Ms. Thomases had taught history at her alma mater, Connecticut College, and eventually earned a law degree. She met Bill Clinton in Washington in the summer of 1970, when she was working as a consultant and involved in the antiwar effort, and he was about to start Yale Law School.

Later, she and Hillary Clinton hit it off famously, discovering a shared passion for children's issues and for food. After Mr. Clinton became governor of Arkansas, Mrs. Clinton even had the Rose Law Firm in Little Rock hire Ms. Thomases to help segregate Mrs. Clinton's pay from Rose's earnings from state clients.

In 1978, Ms. Thomases won kudos for becoming one of the nation's few women campaign managers, helping New Jersey's Bill Bradley win a Senate seat. A few years later she became the third woman elected as a partner at Willkie Farr, and was named its administrative partner, a sensitive job she held until 1991.

She was intimately involved in Mr. Clinton's decision to run for president. During the primaries, she was an unofficial trouble-shooter, often clashing with younger staffers who feared that crossing her was to risk crossing Hillary. Invoking her long friendship with the Clintons to get her way helped cement a reputation as an insensitive Bigfoot. "There are times when she can be damn brusque and she's not reluctant to use her leverage to get things done," says her friend Harold Ickes, deputy White House chief of staff, "and there's nothing wrong with that."

Mrs. Clinton turned to her after the 1992 New Hampshire primary. The New York Times was asking questions about a money-losing investment called Whitewater, and Mrs. Clinton wanted someone to track down records and handle the queries. Several aides say they were relieved to learn a lawyer—Ms. Thomases—would review this investment.

Yelling at Aides

Relief turned to anger when the story

broke. Ms. Thomases thought she had persuaded the reporter to postpone publication. So when campaign staffers saw the story, they panicked. They talked to Ms. Thomases about how to handle the fallout, but she yelled at them, implying that they were overreacting and calling them "children," say three former campaign officials.

Though she had gone through some Whitewater records and talked to the Clintons' accountant, Ms. Thomases hadn't gathered all relevant documents, say the aides, who felt unfairly blamed. Campaign aides dashed to the Rose Law Firm, where partner Webster Hubbell handed them cartons of documents containing everything from Whitewater papers to credit-card receipts. They worked through the night piecing together an estimate of how much the Clintons had invested. That night, Ms. Thomases was replaced as the campaign's Whitewater trouble-shooter.

Ms. Thomases notes she only had 10 days to deal with the situation, and many documents were unavailable. "I tried to get the facts the best I could," she says.

Despite the Whitewater imbroglio, the Clintons tapped Ms. Thomases to become the campaign's full-time scheduler. By all accounts, she had a special talent for planning events, and she took a leave of absence from Willkie Farr in the summer of 1992, moving with her family to Little Rock. She controlled the campaign's most precious commodity — the candidate's time. "She could say no, and that's one of the most important skills as scheduler," says campaign aide Nancy McFadden, now general counsel of the Department of Transportation.

At least one Thomases client benefited from this influence. During the New York primary, she and Mr. Ickes planned Mr. Clinton's tour so that he stopped at Metrotech, a Brooklyn business complex developed by Willkie Farr client Bruce Ratner. Ms. Thomases declines comment.

'Being Susaned'

In the campaign's final hours, as Mr. Clinton concluded a marathon of rallies, he playfully suggested an extra stop to a plane load of sleepless staffers, recalls Clinton friend Jim Lyons, who was there. A chorus went up from the giddy crowd: "You haven't checked with Susan!"

Ms. Thomases was well-positioned to influence the Clinton choices for key posts, especially inside the White House. She strongly backed some candidates who proved ill-suited for their jobs, such as Bernard Nussbaum for White House counsel and Mack McLarty for chief of staff. On the cabinet level, she championed Zoe Baird for attorney general.

While she didn't have actual veto power, people familiar with the events say she was instrumental in "blowing up" — to use a favorite Thomases term — some White House appointments, including that of Thomas Donilon as deputy chief of staff. (Mr. Donilon, now a senior State Department official, says he doesn't think she derailed him, and "I had a good working relationship with her.") Among Clinton aides, losing out to Ms. Thomases was known as "being Susaned."

When the Clintons moved into the White House, Ms. Thomases returned to New York with her husband and son. Still, most Wednesdays found her in Willkie Farr's Washington office. Despite having no official portfolio, she had a special White House pass and helped design the floor plan of the first lady's offices. She roamed freely through the White House, dropping in on Mr. McLarty and Mr. Nussbaum, and offering unsought advice to other aides, who continued to wonder if she was speaking for herself or for Mrs. Clinton.

'Midnight Caller'

Her day and night calls to the White House earned her the sobriquet "the Midnight Caller." But on July 20, 1993, after putting her son to bed, it was Ms. Thomases who received a call — from Mrs. Clinton to say Mr. Foster had killed himself. Ms. Thomases says she was shattered; he had been a close friend since the 1970s. "There has not been enough understanding of how shocking this was," she says.

What happened next is the subject of intense speculation. There came a flurry of phone calls between Mrs. Clinton in Little Rock, Ms. Thomases and Mrs. Clinton's top aide, Maggie Williams. At the same time, Mr. Nussbaum wouldn't let investigators search Mr. Foster's office. Some Republicans believe he may have been acting on the advice of Ms. Thomases, a suggestion both she and Mr. Nussbaum deny. Mr. Nussbaum did testify that Ms. Thomases asked him about the search; she testified that he brought it up. She says her calls to Ms. Williams were attempts to "reach out" to a distraught friend.

Senate Republicans, including North Carolina's Lauch Faircloth, aren't buying that, and believe some calls involved worries about the office contents. Ms. Williams says the panel simply doesn't understand the close friendship between the women. "It was not uncharacteristic of Susan — the time of calls, the number of calls, just to find out how people are doing," she says. "I hear the theory of it, but the truth of it is something very different."

Meanwhile, Sen. D'Amato is furious over Ms. Thomases' claims to remember little of a belatedly disclosed visit to the White House family quarters after Mr. Foster's death. Ms. Thomases has testified she can't even recall whether she saw Mrs. Clinton that day — a day when a Clinton personal lawyer was reviewing papers from Mr. Foster's office. A committee aide says inconsistencies in Ms. Thomases' testimony are being reviewed to see whether she can be prosecuted for lying.

Memory Loss

Cognitive difficulty, including memory loss, is a little-known symptom of MS, afflicting 40% to 60% of sufferers, according to Stephen Reingold of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. Watching Ms. Thomases testify was "terribly painful," says New York consultant Susan Heilbron, who serves with her on the board of the New York City chapter of the society and who with Ms. Thomases co-founded a group of professional women with MS. "To not understand [Ms. Thomases' memory lapses] could be associated with a neurological disease ... to see that Sen. D'Amato called her a liar ... to those of us with memory problems it was particularly upsetting," she says.

Says Ms. Thomases, "I have experienced memory problems, and I have been told it is a common occurrence with MS, but I can't say my not remembering phone calls on that occasion was because of MS."

"I think you have to put this in context," she adds, "I was very, very busy" on law-firm business. "This was not the only thing on my mind. Some of these phone calls had to do with their grief. Some with my grief. I had no other agenda in these calls."

In recent days, Ms. Thomases has been hammered in public for another alleged miscalculation — encouraging Mr. Stewart to write his book. "Let's just say that this is not the book I suggested," she notes. In it, she says Mr. Foster confided marital and other troubles to her during their last visit at a Washington hotel; but she told the FBI she last saw him at a lunch "with some other people in Washington," according to an FBI document, and that she could offer "no reason or speculation as to why he may have taken his life." Her lawyer says the FBI document is incorrect.

Some former campaign colleagues were shocked to see Ms. Thomases at a recent Clinton fund-raiser in New York. Sitting in a wheelchair with her leg in a cast, she seemed anything but a formidable power broker. She no longer has a special White House pass and hasn't been in Washington much, other than for grillings by Sen. D'Amato. She remains friendly with the Clintons, but won't play a role in the re-election campaign. "The Clintons believed that I was needed [in 1992] and I was proud to be included," she says, "but I'd just as soon stay home. I will find other ways to help."

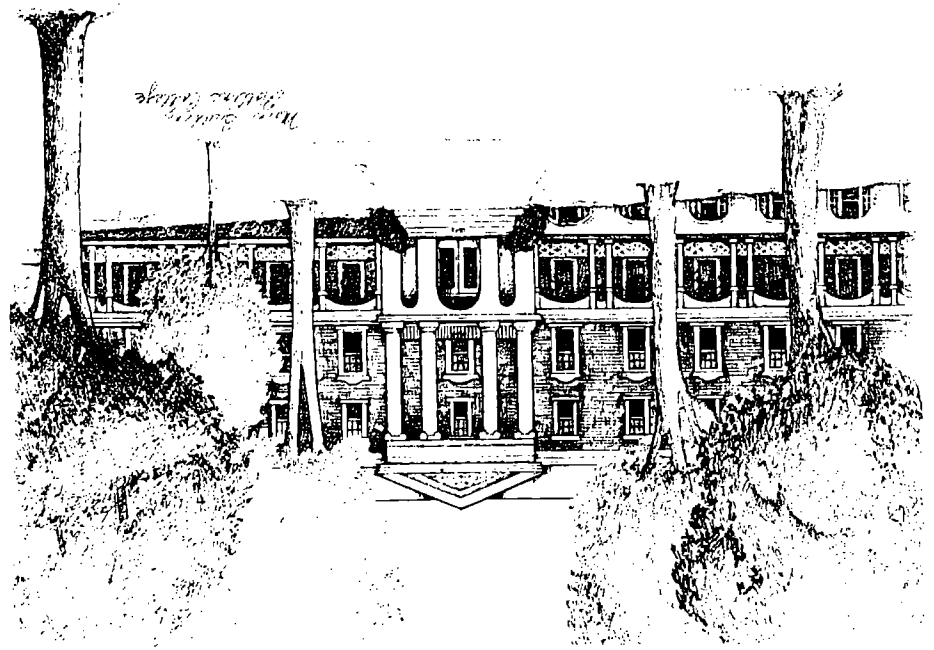
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Dear Maggie,

I just wanted to write and thank you and the office for having me the month of January. It was a wonderful experience for me to have as I truly learned that Politics in Washington have always interested me and it was beneficial to my career in life to see how things worked on the executive side. I hope to be able to work with you someday though working with the Children's Defense Fund. I know that many of their issues are close to your heart.

I look forward to keeping in touch with your office as I

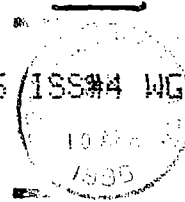


begin into my career with politics and
children's issues. Please let ms. Clinton
know that my support is with her and
that it was an honor working in her
office. Take care!

Sincerely,
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MAYORS, CITIES MOURN RON BROWN'S DEATH

Mayors from throughout the United States, from cities large and small, joined the nation in a massive outpouring of grief to honor the memory of Commerce Secretary Ronald H. Brown.

As memorial services began in the nation's capital for Brown and 34 others who died in the tragic plane crash in Croatia April 3, Conference President Seattle Mayor Norman Rice summed up the thoughts of mayors in a statement:

"This is terrible news for all Americans and it's even harder because Ron Brown was a close friend and colleague of mine," Mayor Rice said, adding that "it's such a powerless

feeling knowing that a friend may be injured or worse half a world away and there's nothing that you can do but wait, hope and pray."

Mayor Rice said Brown was a good friend of the Seattle region. "As Secretary of Commerce, he has been a tireless and tenacious advocate for Boeing, our region's high technology companies, and small businesses and exporters all across the Pacific Northwest."

Mayor Rice's sentiments beamed a common theme as tributes to the late Secretary were made by mayors.

Columbus Mayor Greg Lashutka wrote President Clinton that Secretary

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Secretary Brown at the 1995 Annual Conference of Mayors in Miami.



Mayor Stokes at the 1971 Annual Conference of Mayors in Philadelphia.

By Mike Brown

The first African American mayor of a major U.S. city, Carl B. Stokes, died April 3 at the Cleveland Clinic. He was 68.

Stokes was elected Mayor of Cleveland in 1967, capturing more than 50 percent of the vote in a city then 37 percent black. This win came two years after a first, and losing, bid for mayor as an independent candidate. Stokes was reelected in 1969 but two years later declined to seek a third term. Prior to serving as Mayor, he was a member of

CLEVELAND'S CARL STOKES DIES

First African American Mayor of Major City— Journalist, Jurist, Ambassador

the Ohio House of Representatives, the first African American Democrat to be elected to that body.

Stokes was an active member of The U.S. Conference of Mayors during a period of national unrest which produced dramatic changes in the politics and the economics of many major U.S. cities, including his own. He was elected to the Conference's Advisory Board in June 1969 and to the organization's Trustees the following year and often testified on urban issues before the U.S. Congress. When elected First Vice President of the National League of Cities in 1970, Stokes became the first African American officer of that organization.

Stokes's election in Cleveland and Richard Hatcher's in Gary at about the

same time were widely hailed as symbols of rising African American political power in the turbulent 1960s. Born into poverty and raised in a public housing project, Stokes as Mayor would gain a reputation for efforts to expand public housing and end the poverty and discrimination which he feared would "strangle and destroy our entire urban civilization." Politics, he said, were about "opening up government for full participation by all segments of society," and during his two terms as Mayor, 270 minorities were appointed by Stokes to supervisory and skilled jobs.

Stokes also has been credited for maintaining calm in Cleveland in the wake of the assassination of the Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr. in 1968. At

a time when many other U.S. cities were experiencing violent reactions to King's death, Stokes walked the streets of his City with other African American leaders in a successful effort to relieve tensions.

The Mayor's older brother, U.S. Representative Louis Stokes (OH), believes his brother "inspired black Americans to aspire to higher political office all over the country."

"As Mayor, Stokes inspired 14-year-old Mike White's dream of becoming the Mayor of Cleveland," said the City's current Mayor, Michael White, himself an African American in his second term in City Hall. "During his tenure as Mayor, he was an inspiration to many. His leadership, courage and convictions earned

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Black, white student scores stay steady

By Marilyn Elias
USA TODAY

A 20-year trend in which the gap in achievement scores for black and white students had steadily narrowed is now over, a Rand scientist reports.

David Grissmer of Rand, a Washington, D.C., think tank, used new scores from the National Assessment of Educational Progress, which tracks reading, math and science abilities of 9-, 13-, and 17-year old students. He spoke at a weekend Atlanta conference co-sponsored by Emory University and the American Psychological Association.

One-third to one-half of the racial gap was erased from the early '70s to the early '90s. Grissmer says better-educated black parents and smaller family size, factors that promote academic progress, account for one-third of the gains. But the Rand analysis also credits Southern school desegregation; smaller class sizes; and "Great Society" education spending.

Recent education cuts are taking a disproportionate toll on black students, says Robert Hauser of the University of Wisconsin, Madison. "But the years when the gap was closing show the academic achievement differences between races are not intractable."

After the interview, a night on the town

My dinner with Marlon ... After our talk April 5 — the interview so taken out of context as to distort what the great actor meant regarding Jews and Hollywood — I casually asked the reclusive one whether he'd like to join my friends and me for dinner at Eclipse in L.A. I naturally expected a "no" because Brando just doesn't go out to nightspots. So I was shocked when the reply was a resounding "yes."

About 200 paparazzi and assorted media types followed our car as we left the CNN building. All the questions, by the way, were about Brando's offer to open his home to suspected illegal immigrants beaten by cops in Riverside County and his gift of \$25,000 to them for their children's schooling.

The scene at Eclipse was a regular riot. No one could believe that Marlon Brando was actually there and having a great time and greeting diners at all the tables.

My buddies from the old days in Brooklyn became fast friends with Brando, who regaled everyone with stories of his early days in New York City and how Jewish he'd become in the process (he considers himself Jewish).

I got back to my hotel room at 11:30. At midnight the phone rang. "Want to fly down to Baja?" Marlon asked. "Now?" I asked. "Sure," he said. "I've invited some friends over to the house. Sean Penn is here." I begged off. It turns out they didn't go because some didn't have their passports. Brando had arranged for a plane, at midnight no less.

I will not comment on the aftermath of my interview with him except to say it has to be seen in its entirety to be understood. I'm glad that Brando met with Rabbi Marvin Hier of the Simon Wiesenthal Center to explain that he is in no way bigoted and to say that he was sorry if his remarks offended, because they were not intended that way. And I'm glad that Hier understood him. This was an important step in view of the hullabaloo.

King's things ... I've flown the new Boeing 777 twice, and it really is some kind of airplane. The quietest I've been on. And the overhead containers for luggage are immense. ... They didn't come any better than Ron Brown. I emceed a roast of him that included remarks by Hillary Rodham Clinton, then first lady of Arkansas. The two had a wonderful friendship, and we all miss his energy and his smile. He had one of the great smiles of all time.



**Larry King's
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News & Views**

Larry King's column appears every Monday. Larry King Live is seen nightly on CNN and simulcast on the Westwood One radio network.

Ford steers plan to get Mazda back on course

By James Cox
USA TODAY

HONG KONG — Ford, now in control of Mazda, is likely to jump-start the ailing automaker by taking steps Mazda managers have long resisted.

Ford on Friday paid \$480 million to boost its stake in Mazda to 33.4% from 25.4%, effectively taking control of the Hiroshima-based company.

Henry Wallace, a senior Ford manager on temporary assignment at Mazda, is Mazda's new president and first foreigner to head a Japanese auto company.

Analysts, auto executives and media in Japan wasted no time speculating about Ford's next moves. Ford is likely to:

► Cut Mazda's Japanese



By Susumu Takahashi, Reuters

Wallace: First foreigner to head a Japanese automaker.

workforce by 6,000, the *Japan Times* newspaper says. Mazda now employs 26,000 workers, down 4,000 from 1993.

► Kill production of rotary-

engine vehicles. Mazda, the only major automaker still producing rotary-engine cars, has seen sales dive from a peak of 240,000 a year in 1973 to about 5,000 last year. Mazda engineers hoped to develop a new version of the sporty, rotary-powered RX-7 called the RX01, but Ford may kill the project to save money.

► Accelerate efforts to buy more parts from overseas and reduce the number of suppliers. Only 5% to 7% of the components in Mazda vehicles are made outside Japan, says Chris Redl, analyst at ING Barings in Tokyo. Other Japanese carmakers have saved money by shifting to foreign parts.

► Take firmer control of Mazda's dealer network in Japan. Ford sells vehicles

through the Autorama network it jointly owns with Mazda. Now, Ford can put its cars in Mazda's Anfini, Autozam and Mazda-brand showrooms as well, industry executives say.

► Use excess capacity at Mazda's two Japan factories to produce more Fords.

► Try a Ford-style marketing campaign to rebuild Mazda's battered image and cut the number of new models at Mazda in hopes of giving them more distinct identities.

Since 1990, Mazda has suffered from high costs, a blurry image and a glut of dealers, brands and models. The company depends heavily on exports, but unlike other Japanese automakers it failed to protect itself against a rising yen by moving production out

of Japan.

Mazda's main lender and second-largest shareholder, Sumitomo Bank, is backing Ford. Mazda "can no longer hope to turn things around just by trying to cut manufacturing costs, as it has been doing. (Ford and Mazda) will build a cooperative structure based on a global vision, from new-car development to sales," Tatsumi Sotoo, Sumitomo's chairman, told newspaper *Nihon Keizai Shimbun*.

Ford may have ensured Mazda's survival. Japan's No. 5 automaker lost \$757 million in 1993 and 1994, barely breaking even for the fiscal year ended March 31. Production has declined each year since 1990. Mazda's domestic market share fell 7.8% last year, de-

spite a 4.8% increase in Japanese auto sales. Sales in 1996 are down 18%.

"Mazda was headed for either extinction or a buyout by another domestic carmaker," Redl says.

Ford first invested in Mazda in 1979. Its goal has been to use its stake in Mazda to gain an edge in fast-growing Asian markets and save money by sharing the cost of developing and marketing vehicles.

"Their relationship has muddled along and been stagnant. There hasn't been enough resource sharing," says Peter Boardman, analyst at UBS Securities in Tokyo.

Analysts say Mazda's vehicle lineup needs a remake. "It boils down to cars," says Redl. "What they've got now is pretty

'95 sales sag	
Mazda U.S. car and light-truck sales	
1985	326,557
1986	379,843
1987	331,724
1988	349,337
1989	341,916
1990	349,677
1991	343,612
1992	338,883
1993	344,609
1994	375,416
1995	283,745

Source: Autodata

tired. They need some new vehicles that catch the eye of consumers and can compete on price. They haven't had any for a long time."

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World scene

Arrests called relief for Haiti

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti — The arrest in the Dominican Republic of two of Haiti's most notorious former leaders should come as a relief to Haitians who have feared the pair might re-enter their country, the Dominican Republic's ambassador to Haiti said yesterday.

Military sources in the Dominican Republic said Sunday that former Haitian Police Chief Michel Francois, a leader of the 1991 coup that ousted President Jean-Bertrand Aristide, and Frank Romain, former mayor of the capital, Port-au-Prince, had been arrested and were facing deportation.

Haiti's government suspects that both have been directing activities characterized as "seditious" from the Dominican Republic, according to government sources.

In the Honduran capital of Tegucigalpa, President Carlos Roberto Reina said that the two men had applied for asylum and that he would grant it.

Young Jews march to remember Holocaust

OSWIECIM, Poland — From the red brick barracks of Auschwitz to the gas chambers at Birkenau, 6,000 Jewish young people marched somberly yesterday to remember the 1.5 million people who died there during the Nazi Holocaust.

The "March of the Living," which retraces the steps of many Holocaust victims, has been held every other year since 1988 to help preserve the memory of the 6 million Jews who died in Hitler's death camps.

The march takes place on Holocaust Remembrance Day, which is a day of national mourning in Israel. Sirens blared and work came to a halt throughout the country as Israelis observed two minutes of silence yesterday morning.

Former Italian premier sentenced for graft

MILAN, Italy — An Italian court found disgraced former Prime Minister Bettino Craxi guilty on further charges of corruption yesterday and sentenced him to eight years and three months in prison.

The charges against Craxi, who is living in self-imposed exile in Tunisia, were connected to a corruption scandal over the building of Milan's subway system in the 1980s.

Craxi, who served as Socialist prime minister from 1983 to 1987 and is one of the most prominent casualties of Italy's graft probes, said the sentence, which included a \$23 million fine, was part of "a political and organized persecution."

Libyan passenger jet violates sanctions

CAIRO — A Libyan passenger jet believed to be carrying 115 pilgrims flew over Egypt yesterday en route to Saudi Arabia in violation of a U.N. ban on international air travel.

The plane did not have permission to cross Egyptian territory, and Egyptian air traffic controllers tried to persuade the pilot to return to Libya, an Egyptian civil aviation official said.

Airport officials said the jet did not turn back and was headed for a landing in the Saudi city of Jidda.

Egypt made no attempt to intercept the jet.

Colombian rebels kill 31 soldiers; alert set

BOGOTA, Colombia — Troops across Colombia were placed on alert yesterday after leftist rebels pressing for the ouster of President Ernesto Samper ambushed and killed 31 soldiers in one of the bloodiest attacks in the country's long-running guerrilla war.

Eighteen soldiers were wounded in the attack, which Mr. Samper branded "an act of barbarity both cowardly and terrorist."

Armed forces chief Adm. Holan Delgado said the attack occurred late Monday in a remote area of Narino Province, about 310 miles southwest of the capital, near an oil pipeline ruptured by guerrilla saboteurs earlier in the day.

In response to the attack, described by military sources as the worst suffered by the army in a decade, the Defense Ministry placed troops across the country on maximum alert and announced that the 200,000-strong reserves may be called in to help confront "the spiral of terrorism by subversive groups."

From wire dispatches and staff reports

Embassy Row

By James Morrison

Israel vs. Lebanon

The Lebanese ambassador yesterday condemned Israel for attacks on Beirut and southern Lebanon, but the Israeli ambassador said his country is only defending itself and called on Lebanon and Syria to control the Hezbollah rebels.

Ambassador Riad Tabbarah said the Lebanese people are rallying behind Hezbollah and that the Israeli military campaign has failed.

"Israel felt that if it created enough refugees, enough pain for the Lebanese people, that the population would revolt against Hezbollah and call for it to be disbanded," Mr. Tabbarah said in an interview with United Press International.

"But in fact the opposite is happening. . . . Hezbollah is becoming more popular, more politically powerful, because they are the only group retaliating."

Israeli Ambassador Itamar Rabinovich said his country must defend itself against Hezbollah. He also blamed Iran, not Syria, for encouraging Hezbollah to renew its rocket attacks on northern Israeli villages.

He blames a "cynical, deliberate policy by the government of Iran" for both the Hezbollah attacks and the spate of bombings inside Israel by Hamas guerrillas.

"It is a deliberate policy of trying to disrupt the peace process," he said in an interview with Embassy Row.

"Syria does not instigate this. Syria, at the same time, holds sway over Lebanon," he said. The Israeli attacks are aimed at creating "pressure on Lebanon and Syria to do what they can to put an end to Hezbollah activity," he said.

Mr. Tabbarah criticized President Clinton for supporting Israel, but Mr. Rabinovich said his country is grateful for U.S. help.

"We have a great deal of understanding from the administration and from Congress. They have been very supportive," he said.

Getting to know him

Washington is getting to know Eduardo Duhalde, the governor of Buenos Aires province and the front-runner to be the next president of Argentina.

In a race even longer than an American presidential campaign, Mr. Duhalde has announced his candidacy for an election in 1999.

"Political observers in Argentina say if the election were held today, he would be a shoo-in. But three years from now is three years," said Francisco Aguirre, editor-publisher of Diario Las Americas.

Mr. Aguirre, a longtime Washington insider and confidant to Latin American leaders, hosted a dinner for Mr. Duhalde last night. His invited guests included several members of Congress and top State Department officials, such as Jeffery Davidow, now ambassador to Venezuela who is soon to become the assistant secretary of state for Latin American affairs.

Mr. Duhalde today is scheduled to meet Vice President Al Gore.

He is also due to hold a press conference at 10:30 a.m. at the Argentine Embassy.

As governor of Buenos Aires province, he administers the largest district in Argentina. It has one-third of the population and is roughly the size of France.

Mr. Duhalde, 54, is one of the top leaders in President Carlos Menem's Justicialist Party.

Ambassador guilty

A former Israeli ambassador to the United States has been convicted of fraud for charging personal purchases to a credit card issued for official expenses.

Simcha Dinitz, ambassador here in the 1970s, resigned last year as director of Israel's Jewish Agency after allegations surfaced that he had charged thousands of dollars on an agency credit card while on trips to the United States.

Mr. Dinitz, who had pleaded not guilty, was convicted Monday in Jerusalem District Court.

The quasigovernmental agency serves as a link with world Jewry and helps bring immigrants to Israel.

Confirmation hearings

The Senate Foreign Relations Committee tomorrow will hold confirmation hearings on four ambassadorial nominees.

They are: Kenneth Brill for Cyprus, Christopher Hill for the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Richard Morningstar for the newly independent states of the former Soviet Union, and Day Olin Mount for Iceland.

Sen. Richard G. Lugar, Indiana Republican, will preside over the hearings, beginning at 2 p.m. in Room 419 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

• If you have a tip, suggestion or question, call Embassy Row at 202/636-3297.

Let's go fishing

In last Wednesday's column, we revealed that the U.S. Information Agency Office of Civil Rights was excluding boys from its "Take Our Daughters to Work Day" program later this month.

Now, the Washington-based Independent Women's Forum (IWF), whose leadership is well versed in legal issues related to sex-based differences, notes: "The 'Inside the Beltway' report ... should be galvanizing news to the Justice Department's Civil Rights Division, which recently argued in the Supreme Court that the Constitution forbids excluding persons from government programs on the basis of gender."

The IWF recalls that Deval Patrick, assistant attorney general for civil rights, argued in the case *United States vs. Virginia Military Institute*: "Women are entitled to equal access to all benefits that VMI seeks to provide exclusively to men."

"Where is the Civil Rights Division when its comrades in the USIA Office of Civil Rights (and, we strongly suspect, other federal offices) declare that they intend to violate the Equal Protection Clause of the Constitution on 'Take Our Daughters to Work Day'?" the women now wonder.

One IWF member, herself a lawyer, points out: "It could raise Eighth Amendment [cruel and unusual punishment] problems. The only constitutionally permis-

sible remedial program would be 'Take Both Our Daughters and Our Sons to Work,' or 'Leave 'Em Both at Home,' or else 'Go to School With Them,' or 'Hell, Take the Day Off and All Go Fishing.'"

Taking notes

"Fifty-seven hubcaps, two mufflers, and one tire and rim."

— What Kevin Long, press secretary to Rep. Dan Burton, Indiana Republican, counted around one large pothole in the northbound lanes of Interstate 395, approaching the District's Francis Case Memorial Bridge.

Glad to serve

In February, while other lawmakers took a much-needed winter break from legislating, we disclosed that Sen. Fred Thompson, Tennessee Republican, was serving jury duty in a Nashville courthouse.

Mr. Thompson and his peers ultimately found one William Chapman guilty of drunken driving, "but that's not the main thought I came away from jury duty with," the senator notes now.

And what is remarkable or unusual about this drunken-driving case?

"Nothing. And that's the point," the senator says. "Day in and day out, in courtrooms across Tennessee and the nation, there are countless numbers of cases being disposed of by public officials



Jury duty reassured Sen. Fred Thompson about the justice system.

and private citizens wherein justice is served. These are the cases you seldom hear about."

Cases too often getting the publicity, the senator notes, are

the "wrong-headed criminal verdicts" or "the hot-coffee case where a jury awarded ... an outlandish amount of money to a plaintiff."

In such cases, "unethical lawyers and judges must be disciplined, and runaway juries should be reversed on appeal, as they usually are," he says. "But we ought to realize, at a time when so many of our institutions seem to be crumbling around us, that our judicial system has served us pretty well. And that's what I saw close up when I did jury duty."

Worth clipping

Building a case yesterday that President Clinton has repeatedly cast his lot not on the side of equal opportunity for all Americans, "but on the side of racial, gender and ethnic preferences," Sen. Orrin G. Hatch, Utah Republican, cited the words of Duke University law professor William Van Alstyne, who wrote in 1979:

"One gets beyond racism by getting beyond it now: by a complete, resolute, and credible commitment never to tolerate in one's own life — or in the life or practices of one's government — the different treatment of other human beings by race."

"Indeed, that is the great lesson for government itself to teach: in all we do in life, whatever we do in life, to treat any person less well than another or to favor any more than another for being black or white or brown or red, is wrong. Let that be our fundamental law and we shall have a Constitution universally worth expounding."

The Norman effect

President Clinton is warning his staff: Forget the current presidential election polls. Don't get overconfident.

As the president flew from Washington to Alaska on the first leg of his round-the-world tour, a senior aide innocently asked what he thought of the just-concluded Masters golf tournament, in which Greg Norman blew a huge lead.

Without missing a beat, the president replied: "The story of Greg Norman is one that I want everyone on the White House staff to memorize."

Mr. Clinton later walked through the aircraft and repeated the message two or three times to his staff.

The lesson was clear: Mr. Clinton may have a commanding lead in the polls over Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, but November is a long way away.

Up close and personal

"Hillary Clinton has had her pores minimized by Klinger facialists — who are the best in the business," writes author Jan Pottker in her new book "Celebrity Washington," a guide to homes, haunts and hideaways of Washington's most famous residents.

The Georgette Klinger Skin Care Salon, for anyone else interested, is in Chevy Chase.

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The Washington Times

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Independent counsel hands over Brown case

Justice Department will complete inquiries

By Jerry Seper
THE WASHINGTON TIMES

Independent counsel Daniel S. Pearson yesterday said he was handing over to the Justice Department his investigation into suspected financial irregularities involving associates of the late Commerce Secretary Ronald H. Brown.

He said he expects the transition would be completed in the next two months.

Mr. Pearson, who was named by a federal appeals court to probe accusations of financial irregularities involving Mr. Brown and various associates, said Justice Department officials had agreed to continue an inquiry into others believed to be involved.

In a statement, he said the department had agreed to his request "that it accept the responsibility of taking over the investigation" of "unresolved" matters developed during his inquiry, which began in July.

Mr. Pearson added that, while he believes his office had jurisdiction to continue the probe, he concluded "it would not be in the public's best interest to continue with an investigation that ... [but for Mr. Brown's involvement] would have been under the aegis of the Department of Justice."

Mr. Brown and 34 others were killed in an airplane crash in Croatia on April 3.

Mr. Pearson and his staff have met with various federal agencies, including the Justice Department, over the past several days to determine how the probe might proceed.

The investigation centered on concerns that Mr. Brown had received more than \$400,000 from his stake in a company run by Noland Hill, a Democratic fund-raiser, even though he invested no money in it and its major business ventures were failures. The company, First International Communications Corp., got its primary income from another Hill firm, Corridor Broadcasting Corp.

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. and the independent counsel's office had been investigating whether Mr. Brown and

Mrs. Hill bled Corridor, which defaulted on a \$26 million loan. Corridor gave \$63,825 in "soft money" to the Democratic Party in 1991 and 1992.

Mrs. Hill also financed the purchase of Washington TV station WFTY (Channel 50) with a loan from Sunbelt Savings and Loan of Dallas. Sunbelt's eventual failure cost taxpayers \$2 billion.

Investigators also focused on loans and other debts, including taxes, that Mr. Brown's son, Michael, might have paid with money from Dynamic Energy Resources of Tulsa, Okla. Michael Brown got a gift of stock worth \$500,000, plus a \$160,000 payment and membership valued at \$60,000 in an exclusive Virginia country club.

Up to 20 grand jury subpoenas were issued last month over the Dynamic Energy payments.

Nora Lum, a major Democratic Party contributor and owner of Dynamic Energy, arranged the payments and gifts to Michael Brown. She worked on fund-raisers with Ronald Brown when he was a lobbyist and chairman of the Democratic National Committee.

Some of Mr. Brown's trade trips also led to accusations that the commerce secretary sold access and seats on the planes for large contributions to the Democratic Party. This could expose commerce officials and others to criminal charges under federal anti-gratuity, competition and anti-trust laws.

Mr. Pearson's appointment had been sought by Attorney General Janet Reno after a 90-day FBI investigation found potential criminal violations involving Mr. Brown's receipt of the \$400,000. The FBI inquiry also found that Mr. Brown failed to record on federal financial disclosure forms money received when he sold his interest in First International.

Mr. Pearson, a former federal prosecutor now in private law practice in Miami, is expected to write an interim report on the status of his investigation, as required by the independent-counsel law.

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Madison S&L woes recounted

Jury not allowed to hear lawyer's testimony on meeting

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — A lawyer who represented Madison Guaranty Savings and Loan Association testified yesterday about the financial mismanagement at the institution just before White-water defendant James McDougal was ousted by federal regulators.

Lawyer J.B. "Breck" Speed testified in the federal trial of Gov. Jim Guy Tucker, Mr. McDougal and his ex-wife, Susan. They are charged with 21 counts of fraud and conspiracy in connection with \$3 million in loans, some from Madison.

One charge says the defendants tried to deceive regulators with false records.

Mr. Speed testified about a July 9, 1986, meeting between Mr. Tucker, Madison's president, John Latham, and lawyer John Selig. All three worked for the same Little Rock firm at the time.

Two days after the meeting, Mr. McDougal was ousted by regulators who ordered other Madison employees to run the S&L in

compliance with federal requirements. Madison collapsed in 1989 at a cost to taxpayers of more than \$50 million.

At the meeting, Mr. Selig said the Federal Home Loan Bank Board was concerned about Madison's stability.

Mr. Selig said the board feared Madison's real estate arm — which Mr. McDougal personally directed — was "run in an uncontrolled manner," Mr. Speed said.

In Mr. Speed's notes, Mr. Tucker was quoted as saying, "It looks like pillage by the [McDougal] family."

Mr. Tucker said regulators would view some of the S&L's practices as "simply indefensible" and "the risk is grave" that regulators would shut down Madison, Mr. Speed testified.

The judge didn't allow the jury to hear Mr. Speed recount Mr. Tucker's remarks because the government couldn't show that Mr. McDougal was present at that point in the meeting.

A federal grand jury in Little

Rock indicted the McDougals and Mr. Tucker on Aug. 17 on multiple counts of fraud and conspiracy. They are accused of using various schemes to defraud the government of \$3.13 million in bogus loans through Madison Guaranty Savings and Loan Association and Capital-Management Services Inc.

The indictment alleges that they fraudulently structured financial deals within Madison and Capital-Management, transferred assets from one venture to another to generate "fraudulent profits," and engaged in "land flips" and other fraudulent transactions.

Madison, owned by the McDougals, and Capital-Management, a lending agency licensed by the Small Business Administration and owned by David L. Hale, a former municipal judge in Little Rock, are key focuses of independent counsel Kenneth W. Starr's ongoing Whitewater investigation.

The indictment says a \$300,000

loan by Capital-Management to Mrs. McDougal — approved by Hale — was obtained with a fraudulent application that "misrepresented the use and purpose of the loan." Hale has told the grand jury he was pressured by Bill Clinton and Mr. McDougal for that loan after being told of financial difficulties at Madison. The accusation has been denied by the president and Mr. McDougal.

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Where's Tipper?

The Second Lady's fans have been demanding to know where she is. They miss Tipper Gore. "Where has she gone?" readers call The Source to demand. Gore appeared at Ron Brown's funeral, but she did not accompany her husband to services at Dover Air Force Base or to the state dinner earlier this month for Italian President Oscar Luigi Scalfaro.

Our callers have dark fears: Perhaps she has gone to the spa to trim up for the upcoming summer stumping. Perhaps she is tired of life in the fishbowl of this city, they suggest. Perhaps her children are proving a handful at home.

None of these things is true, said the second lady's spokesman, Sally Aman. Gore has been maintaining her usual public schedule as well as her duties as a mother of four. It's just that the media often ignore Gore's activities, said Aman, adding, "It's nice to know people notice."



Public figures: The Gores in Oklahoma City Friday.

In fact, Gore is such a trouper that she attended a water quality testing event Saturday in Boston with her husband, the Earth Day devotee.

Friday, both Gores were in Oklahoma City for the bombing memorial. Thursday in New York, Tipper handed out a photography award.

By Ann Gerhart and Annie Groer

For Sale: The Castle That Crumbs Built

■ Need a beach house with a little more room this summer?

Why not consider the four-story villa on Queen Street in Rehoboth Beach being unloaded by Philip Zaffere, who made his dough in bread, or more precisely, in Stove Top stuffing and the crust for Mrs. Paul's fish sticks?

In 1988 the crumb king made another killing—a cool \$200 million—when he sold his business. Zaffere spent an estimated \$4 million of that to acquire four lots and build a 7,000-square-foot Mediterranean-style house complete with 100-foot-wide private beach, outdoor pool, indoor gym, two studios, two kitchens, master suite and several guest rooms.

Now it's up for auction Saturday



The Rehoboth house: No small potatoes.

NOW YOU KNOW

■ Hoaxes are all the rage. The latest one flying about masquerades as a legitimate Reuter story from Tehran, describing the Iranian media's discomfort with translating Bob Doie's name.

"It turns out that the proper spelling of the Republican Party's likely nominee, Dole, is exactly the same as that of the word 'penis' in Persian," the story says, continuing, "At first it might seem funny to some people, but it's creating a serious issue for us. How can we write headlines using that word?" said Majid Fanni, a pre-press specialist at a Tehran service.

Reuter never sent out such a dispatch, spokesman Bob Crook told the Source. He was quite huffy over the whole matter. "We're insulted. It's obscene," he said.

"This is an unfortunate aspect of the new Internet culture."

However, the phony story does contain a kernel of truth. Several Farsi speakers interviewed said that Dole, translated phonetically, is "dool," which is indeed the word for the male sexual organ.

Deadpanned Dole's press secretary, Clarkson Hine: "Around the world, Senator Dole is synonymous with leadership, integrity and credibility."

■ Spike Lee is expected in Manassas today, wrapping up filming on his low-budget Million Man March movie. "Get on the Bus," starring Andre Braugher, Isiah Washington and Ossie Davis, traces the journey of 20 men who travel from L.A. to D.C. to the march.

"It's a big black buddy movie," said a Lee spokesman. The last scene is supposed to be shot early tomorrow at the Lincoln Memorial.

■ Looks like Joe Theismann will be back in court again. This time it's for not handing over the remaining \$300,000 in alimony that he owes his second ex-wife, Jeanne Caruso Theismann. Mark Barondess, the high-profile divorce lawyer representing the onetime Miss America finalist, told The Post's Peter Pae that Theismann didn't pay the amount when it was due April 1. It is part of a \$600,000 lump sum the former Redskins quarterback



Braugher, above, and Lee, winding up in Washington.



because Zaffere, 60, and his family spent so little time there, what with visiting their four other homes: the principal residence in Oxford, Md.; a Caribbean getaway in St. Croix; a place near Boston; and another in Vancouver, B.C.

The house goes on the block fully furnished—from the chandeliers and the ceiling mirrors over the hot tub to the whiskey in the liquor cabinet, said William Bone, president of the Alabama-based National Auction Group, which specializes in trophy properties.

But for those in Kuwait or Brunei or Las Vegas who might want to bid but can't make it to the beach, Zaffere is scrambling to put the auction action on the Internet.

was ordered to pay under a 1995 divorce settlement.

"I guess Joe likes to hang out at the courthouse," said Barondess, who filed a petition for garnishment against Theismann in Loudoun County circuit court last week.

■ Susan Sarandon and Ed Asner were to present Christopher Reeve with the National Award from Physicians for Social Responsibility last night, to honor the actor's dedication "in protecting the environmental health of this generation and those to come." Larry King hosted the New York event; expected to attend were EPA Assistant Administrator Lynn Goldman and Robert Musil, executive director of the D.C.-based organization.

■ Hannah Pakula is a historian and writer, not a photographer, as she was identified last week in this column. Her son wants everyone to know this, because he wants her to sell more books.

He is Bob Boorstin, former special assistant to the president and current adviser to Secretary of State Warren Christopher.

Pakula, who is married to film director Alan Pakula, is the author of the well-received current biography "An Uncommon Woman," about Empress Frederick, eldest daughter of Queen Victoria and mother of Kaiser Wilhelm.

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Associated Press

SARAJEVO, Bosnia, April 21—U.S. military helicopters patrolling central Bosnia buzzed a group of Muslim refugees and apparently confrontational Serbs today, flying low enough to send the crowd home. The show of force defused one instance of what is rapidly becoming a major headache for the NATO-led peace-keeping force.

Refugees intent on using the Dayton peace agreement's freedom of movement guarantee are pressing to return to territory controlled by their foes. Aid officials support their right to return but urge caution because of the potential for violence.

Maj. Jerry Renne, a NATO spokesman, said two U.S. helicopters were

on routine patrol near Serb-held Doboj when they noticed a gathering of civilians. The helicopters "hovered over the crowd, at which point the crowd began to disperse," he said.

The confrontation involved about 100 Muslims, including women, children and elderly, and about 200 Serbs, mostly young men, one of whom waved a Bosnian Serb war flag. It took place at a front-line bridge over the Usora River, about five miles southwest of Doboj.

[Nordic U.N. peacekeeping troops separated the two sides and averted more serious trouble by shooting into the air, the Reuter news agency reported.]

[Elsewhere, 60 Croat refugees escorted to Serb-controlled Bosanski Brod in northern Bosnia to visit family

graves were attacked by stone-throwing Serb protesters, Croatian state television reported, according to Reuter.]

On Friday, Czech soldiers posted in northwest Bosnia opened fire over the heads of a crowd of Muslims and Serbs to disperse them. About 200 Muslim refugees had crossed into Serb-held territory to see their homes and were met by angry Serb residents. Randolph Ryan, a spokesman for the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees, said the confrontation "was an extremely dangerous situation that is a likely precursor to coming events unless parties agree soon to have a phased return" of refugees.

On another front today, the Bosnian government freed a senior Serb military officer whom it had arrested

in January and sent to the International War Crimes Tribunal in The Hague. The tribunal declined to indict Col. Aleksa Krsmanovic and returned him to Sarajevo.

Krsmanovic was arrested in Sarajevo along with Gen. Djordje Djukic, who was indicted. The tribunal did not indict Krsmanovic, but the Sarajevo government continued to hold him after he was returned from The Hague on April 3. Krsmanovic was reunited with his family today at Serb headquarters in Pale, outside Sarajevo.

Also released were 10 Serbs held in the southern city of Mostar, and a Croat and a Muslim who had been held by Serbs. All were suspected of war crimes, but not indicted. The three sides still hold 36 prisoners.

AROUND THE WORLD

Hard-Liners Lose Majority In Iran Vote

TEHRAN—Hard-line followers of the late ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini have lost their majority in Iran's parliament, according to election results announced yesterday.

The exact makeup of the new parliament remained to be determined. But supporters of President Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani made some gains, and it was clear that the emergence of his technocrat-heavy group, the Servants of Construction, has changed the face of Iranian politics less than two months after it was founded.

By last night, 256 of the 270 seats in the parliament, the Majlis, had been decided in runoff elections held Friday.

The conservatives, who have campaigned under the banner of the Association of Combatant Clergymen, are expected to win 110 seats, down from 140. Rafsanjani's supporters are believed to have taken 90 to 100 seats.

—Associated Press

African Soldiers Call Off Revolt

■ BANGUI, Central African Republic—Mutinous troops in the Central African Republic called off a three-day pay revolt, and President Ange-Felix Patasse immediately agreed to their amnesty demand.

"We have decided to return to our barracks while waiting for the undertakings made by President Patasse to be translated into reality," said a spokesman for the mutinous troops identified as Sgt. Ceriac Soki.

About an hour after Soki's statement, Patasse went on state radio and television to exalt "our valiant army" and announce amnesty for mutineers who returned to barracks.

Patasse said he set up a committee to come up with propositions on improving the conditions for the forces.

—Reuter

Kashmir Rebels Claim Delhi Bomb

■ NEW DELHI—Two separatist groups claimed responsibility

for a powerful bomb that killed at least 17 people here, saying they wanted to punish their rivals and stop elections next month in troubled Kashmir.

Saturday evening's explosion toppled a rooming house in the crowded heart of New Delhi, killing eight foreigners and injuring 32 other people. The blast occurred a week before the start of India's general election. Voting begins on Saturday and ends May 30 in Kashmir.

A joint statement from the Islamic Harkat-ul-Momineen and the Khalistan Liberation Force, distributed to newspapers in Srinagar, Kashmir, said the bomb had been triggered by remote control. It said the bombing was part of an attempt to stop the elections from taking place in Jammu and Kashmir, predominantly Hindu India's only Muslim-majority state, where more than 20,000 people have been killed in a six-year separatist insurgency.

—Reuter

U.S. Calls New Talks With N. Korea Useful

■ BERLIN—U.S. officials hailed a first round of talks with North Korea about Pyongyang's missile program as "a good beginning" and said they plan more discussions at a later date.

A North Korean official said the next round would be arranged at an undetermined date through diplomatic channels.

—Reuter

Gaza Police Arrest Militants in Plots

■ GAZA CITY—Palestinian police said they uncovered plots by Islamic militants to assassinate Palestine Liberation Organization chief Yasser Arafat and carry out more suicide bombings in Israel.

The attack on Arafat was to take place at a Gaza City cemetery on April 28, said Col. Tawfiq Jaber, head of Palestinian intelligence in southern Gaza.

At a news conference, Jaber presented six of the seven members of the Islamic militant group Hamas who were arrested.

He said two of the men identified 16 underground Hamas cells, leading to an undisclosed number of arrests and prevention of six planned suicide bombings in Israel.

—Associated Press

RECORDING -

Great is Thy Faithfulness
Count your Blessing -

Ron Brown
Funeral
Personal

What one
By send

Is Isaiah

40:28

They that Lord
hope in
the Lord

He is the
one to
lead?

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for families

one person assigned

Jan

Or something
else the
family would
prefer?

3 PM

700 - full

11:05 -
A Mighty

The Lane College Choir is here
15 AM. They are scheduled
to sing in the OEOB @ 9:30

Today also is the 28th Anniversary
of ~~the~~ Martin Luther King's death

Lane is a traditionally black
college in Jackson, TN. Methodist

I think they would be
honored to sing at the
prayer service

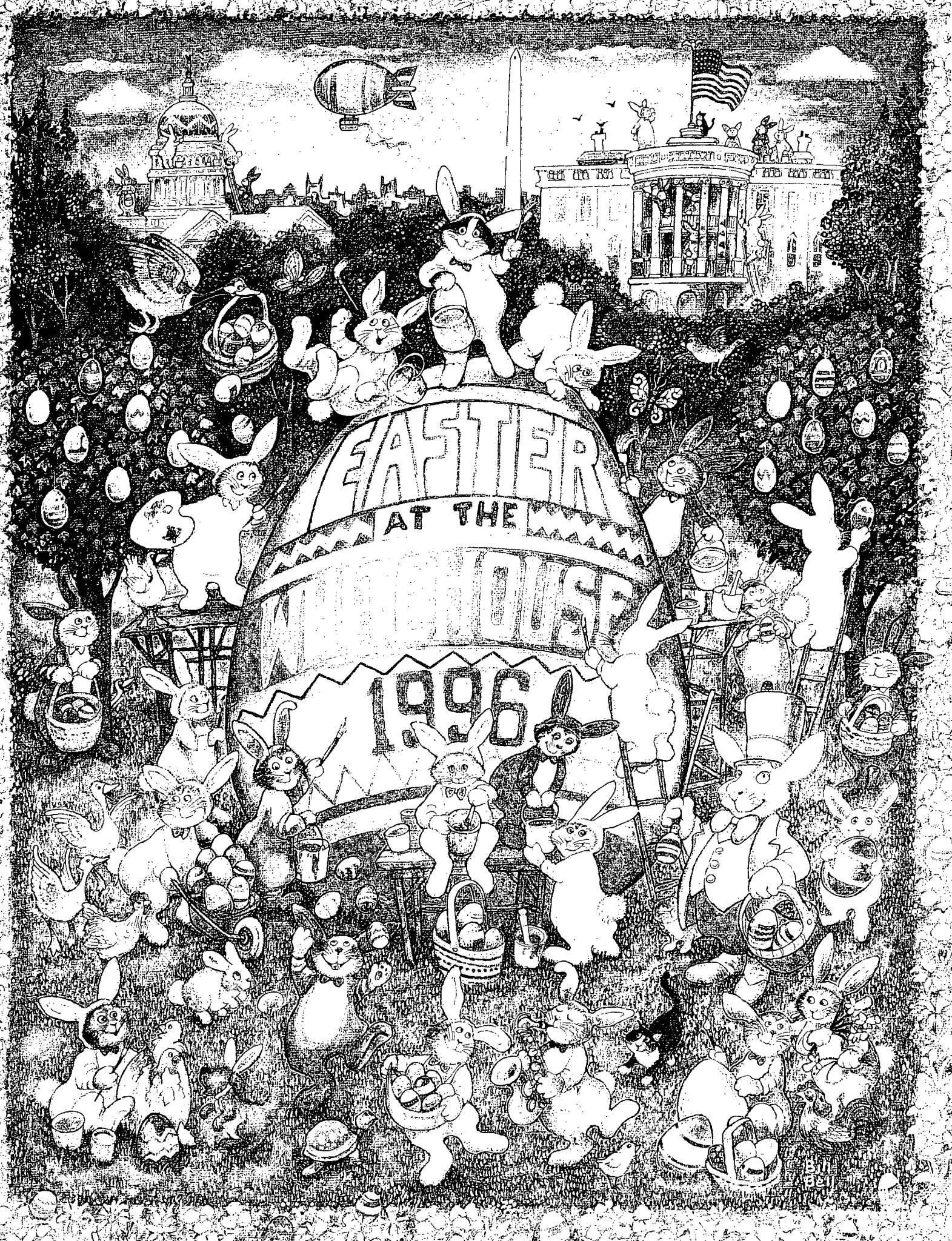
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THE LITTLE ENGINE THAT COULD
By Watty Piper

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= pause
for G's

→ GSmime

Chug, chug, chug. Puff, puff, puff. Ding-dong,
ding-dong. The little train rumbled over the
tracks. She was a happy little train for she had
such a jolly load to carry. Her cars were filled
full of good things for boys and girls.

There were toy animals, giraffes with long
necks, teddy bears with almost no necks at all,
~~and even a baby elephant.~~ There were dolls, and
a puppet, and the funniest little toy clown you
ever saw. And there were cars full of ~~toy engines,~~
airplanes, ~~tops,~~ hula hoops, ~~picture puzzles,~~
juggling balls, books, and every kind of thing
boys or girls could want.

But that was not all. Some of the cars were

All go "mmmm"

(2)

filled with all sorts of good things for boys and girls to eat ^{mmmm} big golden oranges, red-cheeked apples, bottles of milk for their breakfasts, fresh vegetables for their dinners, peppermint drops, and lollypops for after-meal treats.

The little train was carrying all these wonderful things to the good little boys and girls on the other side of the mountain. She puffed along merrily. Then all of a sudden she stopped with a jerk. She simply could not go another inch. She tried and she tried, but her wheels would not turn.

G&S as train

G S
point
@ Kids

What were all those good little boys and girls on the other side of the mountain going to do without the wonderful toys to play with and the good food to eat?

{ All Sigh & Frown w/ Stephen
→ Peter w/ Nose & Kazoo }

"Here comes a shiny new engine," said the

maggie:

Stephen:
"What's he saying?"

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funny little clown who jumped out of the train.

"Let us ask him to help us."

*Stephen does it in
Peter as clown "STOP!"*

So all the dolls and toys cried out together:

"Please, Shiny New Engine, won't you please
pull our train over the mountain? Our engine has
broken down, and the boys and girls on the other
side won't have any toys to play with or good
food to eat unless you help us."

All "Sigh" "Frown"

But the Shiny New Engine snorted: "I pull
you? I am a Passenger Engine."

All puff up proud!

I have just carried
a fine big train over the mountain, with more cars
than you ever dreamed of. My train had sleeping
cars, with more comfortable berths; a dining-car
where waiters bring whatever hungry people want
to eat; and parlor cars in which people sit in soft
arm-chairs and look out of big plate-glass
windows. I pull the likes of you? Indeed not!"

All "Humph!"

And off he steamed to the roundhouse, where engines live when they are not busy.

How sad the little train and all the dolls and toys felt! Then the little clown called out,

~~Passenger Engine is not the only one in the world.~~

Maggie

Here is another engine coming, a great big strong one. Let us ask him to help us."

PG on Kazoo
Stephen:
"What?
did he
say?"

The little toy clown waved his flag and the big strong engine came to a stop.

Refer Stops
Stephen

"Please, oh please, Big Engine," cried all the dolls and toys together. "Won't you please pull our train over the mountain? Our engine has broken down, and the good little boys and girls on the other side of the mountain won't have any toys to play with or good food to eat unless you help us."

All of
audience
joins in
speaking

But the Big Strong Engine bellowed

"I am a

All show
muscles

Freight Engine. I have just pulled a big train loaded with big machines over the mountain. These machines print books and newspapers for grown-ups to read. I am a very important engine indeed. I won't pull the likes of you!" And the Freight Engine puffed off to the roundhouse.

The little train and all the dolls and toys were very sad.

All: "Sigh & Frown" { Peter w/ Kazoo

mag

"Cheer up," cried the little toy clown. "The

Stephen: "What did he say?"

~~Freight Engine is not the only one in the world.~~

"Here comes another. He looks very old and tired, but our train is so little, perhaps he can help us."

So the little toy clown waved his flag and the dingy, rusty old engine stopped.

{ Peter stops Stephen

"Please, Kind Engine," cried all the dolls and toys together. "Won't you please pull our train over the mountain? Our engine was broken down,

} All say together

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and the boys and girls on the other side won't have any toys to play with or good food to eat unless you help us."

All sigh & look tired

But the Rusty Old Engine sighed: "I am so ^{be tired} tired. I must rest my weary wheels. I cannot pull even so little a train as yours over the mountain. I can not. I can not. I can not."

And off he rumbled to the roundhouse chugging, "I cannot. I can not. I can not." All "I can not"

Then indeed the little train was very sad, and the dolls and toys were ready to cry. All Sigh, frown

But the little clown called out, "Here is ^{KQZOO} another engine coming, a little blue engine, maybe she will help us."

The very little engine came chug, chugging merrily along. When she saw the toy clown's flag, she stopped quickly.

“What is the matter, my friends?” she asked.

“Oh, Little Blue Engine,” cried the dolls and toys, “Will you pull us over the mountain? Our engine has broken down and the good boys and girls on the other side won’t have any toys to play with or good food to eat, unless you help us. Please help us, Little Blue Engine.”

*All
Said*

“I’m not very big,” said the little engine.

“They use me only for switching trains in the yard. I have never been over the mountain.”

‘But we must get over the mountain before the children awake,” said all the dolls and toys.

The very little engine looked up and saw the tears in the dolls’ eyes. And she thought ^{Everyone Cried} of the good little boys and girls on the other side of the mountain who would not have any toys or good food unless she helped.

Then she said, "I think I can. I think I can. I *All say*
think I can." And she hitched herself to the little
train. *get kids 5-10 kids to be cars -
adults-*

She tugged and pulled and pulled and tugged
and slowly, slowly, slowly they started off.

The toy clown jumped aboard and all the
dolls and toy animals and the puppet began to
smile and cheer!

Puff, puff, chug, chug, went the Little Blue
All Engine. "I think I can--I think I can--I think I can--
I think I can--I think I can--I think I can....." *Wo wooo wooo*

Up, up, up. Faster and faster and faster and
faster the little engine climbed, until at last they
reached the top of the mountain. Down in the
valley lay the city.

"Hurray" cried the funny little clown and the
puppet and all the dolls and toys and all the

fruits and vegetables. "The good little boys and girls in the city will be happy because you helped us, kind Little Blue Engine."

And the Little Blue Engine smiled and seemed to say as she puffed steadily DOWN the mountain:

I THOUGHT I COULD. I THOUGHT I COULD I
THOUGHT I COULD. I THOUGHT I COULD. I
THOUGHT I COULD...."

*Exit Kids
Adults -
Saying "Thought
I could"*

To:

Maggie

From:

Ed
Lieberman

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Panel counsel: Hillary stashed files in Chelsea's school books

Senate subpoenas
400 Sidwell
Friends students
and teachers

By Elizabeth Nedkins
THE WASHINGTON TIMES

The chief Republican lawyer for the special Senate Whitewater committee said yesterday he believes first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton hid Rose Law Firm records in daughter Chelsea's school books to hide her role in a real estate project that federal regulators described as a "sham."

Majority counsel Larry Beria raised the issue during an early-morning talk with reporters at Capitol Hill watering hole Bullfeathers, saying "questions need to be asked (burp) about the



Dole says he'll quit race "unless Hillary is indicted"

By Brian Bloomberger
THE WASHINGTON TIMES

TOPEKA, Kan. — Sen. Robert Dole of Kansas, dogged by persistent criticism from GOP insiders that he could not defeat President Clinton in a one-on-one election, said yesterday that he will "drop out" of the presidential race if first lady Hillary Clinton is not indicted by the end of March for her involvement in the Whitewater/Castle Grande/Foster/Mena scandal.

"If the first lady is indicted for

tax evasion, perjury, and war crimes, then Bob Dole is very much in this race," Mr. Dole told reporters at a press conference in the University of Kansas Library.

"But if Hillary is still sitting pretty at the end of the month, then Bob Dole is dog meat," the Senate Majority Leader added.

It was the first time Mr. Dole has declared that he would quit the Republican presidential race if

Polls show him losing to Hill/Bill combo

Hillary Clinton were not indicted. Until now, Mr. Dole has claimed that "he could whip Bill Clinton with my one good hand tied behind my back." Dole campaign strategists said that Dole's change in tactics stemmed from polling data showing Dole losing to Clinton by a 2 to 1 margin. With Ms. Clinton sitting in jail, Dole leads Clinton comfortably.

Later in the day, at a campaign

rally in Halifax, Nova Scotia, Dole laid blame for his failing fortunes on persecutor Kenneth Starr. "What the [expletive deleted] is Starr waiting for?" Dole told a crowd of 2,500 cheering brewery workers. "If you throw that prissy little bitch in jail, she'll start talking quicker than the liberals in Congress will vote for a tax increase."

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First Lady: Up the river? AP

Sen. D'Amato's shirt lost by dry cleaners

Superior Court judge demands explanation from the White House

By Adrienne Washingup
THE WASHINGTON TIMES

A Superior Court judge in Washington, D.C., yesterday ordered Hillary Rodham Clinton to testify at the fraud and conspiracy trial of Harry and Susan Stanton, proprietors of the Watergate Valet. Judge

**FIRST IN
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HOUSE
CRIME**

Arturo Gonzalez signed the order late yesterday afternoon, acting on the request of Billy Bob Bennett, attorney for plaintiff Alfonso D'Amato.

D'Amato's complaint alleges that the Stantons, "with malice afore-

thought, conspired to receive a far hearing.

D'Amato said yesterday that he believes his shirt's disappearance is just the latest in a series of bizarre heists orchestrated by the first lady. "She stole my running shoes, my eyeglasses case, my toothbrush," said D'Amato as he spoke by phone from the back room of Roma Restaurant in Westchester, N.Y. "I really don't know what she's looking for. After all, she's already stolen half of Arkansas. Why would she need my shirt?"

"Some may call this a fishing expedition," said D'Amato. "But I've learned that when it comes to evidence and the Clintons, one should not leave one pair of undies unturned."

A tiny White House official with a last name who asked not to



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Bear Facts: Hillary may have hidden flies in stuffed animals, too.

whereabouts of those damn records (hiccup).

Mr. Beria said an option agreement prepared by Ms. Clinton in connection with the Castle Grande real estate deal was central to uncovering the reason for Vincent Foster's alleged "suicide." Republican senators believe that Foster's death is connected to Clinton-sponsored drug-smuggling operations in Arkansas, which have been linked to both Kennedy assassinations.

"Is it a coincidence or is there a connection between Ms. Clinton's announcement that she lost the Rose Law Firm records and Chelsea Clinton arriving at school at Sidwell Friends—a posh private school—with more 'math' homework than usual?" Mr. Beria asked.

The committee issued subpoenas yesterday morning to 421 faculty members, administrators, coaches, and students of Sidwell Friends, demanding information pertaining to the contents of Chelsea Clinton's school work, locker, and lunch box. "The committee is prepared to conduct around-the-clock hearings until someone confesses that

see GUILTY TEENAGER, page A7

Stantons, "with malice aforethought, conveyed Sen. D'Amato's oxford blue dress shirt to one Hillary Rodham Clinton knowingly and willingly." Judge Gonzalez, who was appointed by President Bush, ruled that Ms. Clinton's testimony about the shirt is vital if Sen.

A tiny white mouse, who asked not to be identified, said that the shirt had "probably been taken by 'Fat Tony' Solamo or one of the other hoods D'Amato hangs out with."

see KLEPTOMANIAQ, page A5



I've got a secret: What are the first lady and her aide trying to hide?

AP

9,000 feared dead in Bosnia massacre



"What has she wrought?": Bosnian Muslims in Srebrenitz bury a victim of yesterday's massacre, which was apparently masterminded by first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton.

White House can't explain Hillary's whereabouts

by John Tyndull
THE WASHINGTON TIMES

SRBRNCNZ, Bosnia—Serbian troops slaughtered more than 9,000 Muslim civilians, including pregnant women and children, in a pre-dawn attack on this town in eastern Bosnia.

In Washington, GOP leaders said they saw "disturbing parallels" between the mass slaughter and the Whitewater scandal. "What I want to know, and know now, is what role first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton played in this epic tragedy," said Rep. Jim Leach. "A woman who could hide law firm records for years is undoubtedly capable of equally monstrous crimes, such as the cold-blooded killing of 9,000 innocents."

White House officials admitted that they could not account

for the first lady's whereabouts this morning, but that they doubted she could have flown to Bosnia and back without attracting attention. "I'm sure she didn't do it. No, really, I am. I'll have to get back to you on this one," said White House spokesman Anonymous.

While campaigning in Bucolic, Ga., Republican presidential candidate Pat Buchanan condemned Ms. Clinton's presumed role in the massacre. "The first lady's action is the warning shot of the liberals' New World Order," Buchanan told a cheering crowd of pitchforked peasants. "We need to dig a moat, lock the fence, guard the barricades, and keep Hillary and her ilk out of our United States."

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District's 1996 Budget Deficit Tops \$800 Million

Control Board to probe whether first lady "cooked the books" for Barry

By Jean Jersey
THE WASHINGTON TIMES

John Hill, executive director of the District's Financial Control Board, announced today that the city's fiscal year 1996 deficit would exceed \$800 million, four

times the amount estimated just last week. The finding comes at an embarrassing time for the Clinton administration, just one day after Barry spokesperson Johnny Allen confirmed that first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton had been serving as a secret financial adviser to the mayor.

"She cooked the damn books," claimed D.C. appropriations subcommittee chairman Rep. James T. Walsh of New York. Walsh called for an immediate Control Board investigation into the first lady's

financial shenanigans. Walsh also introduced legislation in Congress that would add Sen. Alfonse D'Amato to the Control Board.

In a statement read to the press by her chief aide and pathological liar Margaret Williams, Ms. Clinton denied involvement with the D.C. financial scandal. "After being ousted as health care czar, I could've, should've, and would've taken a role as financial adviser to the District. But I wasn't asked, and if I was asked, I didn't accept, and if I did accept, I

didn't act improperly. That should answer all of your questions."

A close adviser to Mayor Marion Barry, however, contradicted the first lady's account. "We saw what the woman could do with cattle futures and asked her to do the same for us. Unfortunately, she bet our lottery money on one too many pork bellies, and the chickens have now come home to roost. The, er, first lady set me up."

see PARTNERS IN CRIME, page A7

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THE WHITE HOUSE

Dear Maggie -

I am so sorry about the loss of
your friend Ron Brown.

My heart goes out to you at this
difficult time.

My thoughts are with you.
Sincerely,
Bill

THE WHITE HOUSE

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The President and First Lady of Ghana with President and Mrs. Clinton during the UN's 50th anniversary celebrations in New York

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Ghana's 39th Independence Celebration at the Embassy in DC



(Left to Right) Mrs. Catenor, Colonel E. Catenor-Military Attaché, Mrs Appenteng, Nana Elia-Appenteng-Minister, Mrs. Simone Spio-Garbrah, H.E. Ekwow Spio-Garbrah-Ghana Ambassador in the receiving line to welcome guests to Ghana's 39th Independence Anniversary celebration in Washington, D.C.



H.E. Ekwow Spio-Garbrah (left) greets Mr. Melvin Foote (right) of the lobbying public policy group Constituency For Africa (CFA) at the Independence Day reception held at the Chancery on March 6th in Washington, D.C.

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Embassy Of GHANA

PRESIDENT'S VISIT HIGHLIGHTS INVESTMENTS IN GHANA



At Lincoln University: From left First Lady Nana Konadu Rawlings, President Rawlings and Dr. Niara Sudarkasa



President Rawlings speaking at a Luncheon in his honor in Washington, D.C

In view of the importance the Ghana government has placed on economic development, President Jerry John Rawlings undertook an investment tour of the U.S.A. in October 1995 accompanied by top government officials. The tour took him to New York, Chicago, Washington, D.C., Houston, Atlanta, Detroit and Los Angeles. He explained the government's divestiture programme that is aimed at privatizing over 300 state-owned enterprises and other measures designed to attract both foreign and Ghanaian capital, and maintain the economic gains that Ghana has steadily made through more than a decade of structural reforms.

The President acknowledged that any action that would accelerate economic growth, involved corrective policies on the part of government and also the rededication of all Ghanaians to the task of nation building.

He commended those living abroad for contributing towards an annual inflow of resources totalling over US\$300 million, but encouraged them to do more and advise their relatives in Ghana to invest wisely in the education of family members, in real estate, and in the establishment of productive ventures.

He pointed out however, that the

government was not looking for investments as a sacrificial duty or favor, but for people to seriously identify and take advantage of the opportunities that exist.

President Rawlings said: "Take for example the Buipe cement factory. Standing on a large deposit of limestone is an 80 percent completed cement factory, abandoned years ago when the Brazilian company involved went bankrupt. If completed, it could produce a large part of the nation's requirement of non-structural cement."

Continuing the President said: "The national electricity grid runs through Buipe. An excellent highway links it to the south and northwards as far as Tamale, while work on the Tamale-Bolgatanga highway has begun. Buipe port is now the northern terminus of freight vessels on the Volta Lake, and in addition to port facilities, has a large storage facility for petroleum products."

These and other examples, the President said were indicative of the tremendous investment potential of the country and the opportunities available in Ghana.

He also pointed out that with the Ghana Investment Promotion Center now reorganized as a facilitatory agency rather than a regulatory agency, it was in a better position to assist prospective investors to link up with joint-venture partners, and also to explain regulations, procedures and legal safe-guards that are meant to protect investors.

The Ghana Embassies are also in position to give basic information about investments to anyone needing it.

The President's trip to the U.S. also took him to the General Assembly of the United Nations in commemoration of its 50th anniversary. In his speech to the world body, he outlined Ghana's main foreign policy concerns, as well as the direction Ghana wanted the U.N. to move in next 50 years.

"Let us build a world in which that sense of internationalism that gave us the Charter, will carry us forward into a 21st Century where right, not might, will prevail; justice will subdue injustice; the small, and weak, can safely live alongside the big and strong," the President concluded.



First Lady of Ghana-Nana Konadu Agy Rawlings and U.S. Secretary of Energy O'Leary



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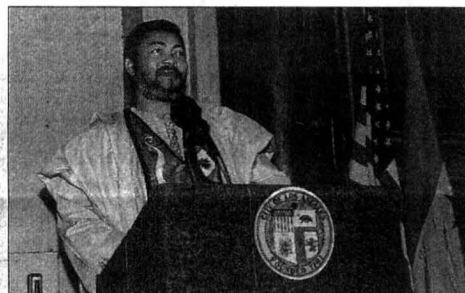
Front from left to right: Congressman Melvin L. Watt of North Carolina, Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee of Texas, Congresswoman Maxine Waters of California, First Lady Nana Konadu Agyeman Rawlings, and President Rawling of Ghana



From left: First Lady Nana Konadu Agyeman Rawlings and Mrs. Simone Spio-Garbrah, wife of Ghana's Ambassador at a meeting with the African Ambassadors Spouse Association



Veteran musician Stevie Wonder and President Rawlings at the LA Banquet in honor of the Ghanaian leader.



President of the Chicago Mercantile Exchange (second left) presents to President Rawlings a trader's overcoat to commemorate the visit of Rawlings to the exchange. According to the Exchange's officials, President Rawlings is only one of three Presidents (others are former Presidents Bush and Gorbachev) to have received a trader's overcoat from the Exchange, symbolizing Ghana's successful transition to a free market.



Banquet in honor of President Rawlings and First Lady Nana Konadu Rawlings in Houston. Seated from right Mrs. Webb-Host Committee Chair, Mrs. Asiamah and Mr. Asiamah-President of Ghana Association in Houston-at the podium speaking - the Minister of Trade & Industries Ibrahim Adam



President Rawlings accepts a sword from Michael Jackson at the LA Banquet

