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Gov. Clinton gave to Whitewater | major GOP candidates for |
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| leaders. DNC Co-chair Dodd |
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| news may occur away from |
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cmte. (#15) | but Perot's influence never |
| completely disappeared. |
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Some key ex-Harvey Gantt | reform just last week. |
backers move to Charles Sanders | Coincidence? (#5) |
in NC Dem Senate skirmish. |

===== QUOTE OF THE DAY =====

"Clearly, though, he cannot rest where he is, or Sen. Dole
will take over his functions long before next year's election."
-- DETROIT FREE PRESS editorial on Clinton's Bosnia policy, 7/28.

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HELLION OR HERO

Self-described presidential candidate Robert Haines has resumed his campaign in Manchester, NH, after his arrest for pointing a gun at two men. Interestingly, Haines also recently made news when he wrestled to the ground the gunman who shot several rounds at the WH. -- Courtesy Manchester UNION LEADER.

===== WHITE HOUSE '96 =====

*1 CLINTON: BEGALA TO LEAVE WASHINGTON

Governing and running a re-election campaign are quite different than taking on an incumbent president. Changes in Pres. Clinton's political team reflect that. NEWSWEEK's Cohn & Turque offer up four who are "in" and four who are "out" with the "fickle" Clinton, noting "success is as ephemeral in politics as it is in showbiz." The '92 campaign tended towards "liberal populism," which does not suit a president attempting to stake out the center. Those listed as out include:

- o Mandy Grunwald, who closed up shop and now works out of her basement on "smaller accounts."

- o Stan Greenberg, whose contract with the DNC was "slashed" after "failing to predict" the '94 GOP surge and was "judged disloyal" for advising other Dems to distance themselves from Clinton.

- o Carville & Begala. Paul Begala, whose "decline" is described as "perhaps the most poignant," as he devoted his life to the campaign in '92 only to lose "favor when he counseled a senatorial client to vote against Clinton's trade policies in '94 and for bad-mouthing then OMB Dir. Leon Panetta. Panetta then cut Begala out of meetings when he became CoS. Begala is returning to his native TX to join the PR firm of Public Strategies, teach at the Univ. of TX and write a column for JFK Jr.'s new political mag, "George." Carville voluntarily took a "sabbatical" from Clinton and governance, but is "positioned to play a major role" in the campaign (8/7 issue). First he will finish his book defending liberalism and then "expects to work on Clinton's reelection campaign" in '96 (Walsh/Melton/ Devroy, W. POST, 7/30). Begala, on leaving the WH inner-circle: "I'm not the best person to be in the middle of those internal fights. I'm going to have a new life" (TIME, 8/7 issue).

THE "IN" CROWD:

- o Bob Squier, new media guru.
- o Dick Morris, who helps Clinton navigate in the center.
- o Doug Schoen, who Morris told Clinton was "the best

pollster in America."

o George Stephanopoulos, who is described by Press Sec. Mike McCurry as the "main go-to guy," but Stephanopoulos is "left out of key weekly political-strategy meetings with the boss." Like Carville, Stephanopoulos is well-positioned for '96. The Clintons are "famous for dropping aides abruptly when things don't go well," so War Room alumni should take heart that they might be brought back into the fold. "Consultant du-jour" Morris has made several trips in and out of the President's favor himself (NEWSWEEK, 8/7). According to U.S. NEWS' "Whispers," Morris told Clinton that his promise to balance the budget in ten years (or nine as the case may be) has resulted in a "permanent 10-point increase in his approval rating." Also reported in "Whispers" is Clinton's plan to name defeated Surgeon General nominee Henry Foster to lead the "long awaited" campaign against teen pregnancy (8/7 issue). Morton Kondracke predicts: "Mickey Kantor moves from [USTR] to become White House Chief of Staff and run the campaign for Bill Clinton in 1996" ("McLaughlin Group," 7/29).

THE NON-EXISTENT COALITION: L.A. TIMES' McManus writes the "strong liberal-centrist coalition" that Clinton is currently trying to sew together "doesn't exist." Instead, the two groups "remain at odds, constantly quarrelling over who was at fault for the party's disastrous showing" in '94. Because of this, every time Clinton makes a policy decision, "he upsets someone he's counting on for help next year." Analyst Stu Rothenberg: "Clinton needs everything he can get. He needs turnout, he needs money, he needs foot soldiers to go door to door. He needs both the base and the center. ... He needs to draw an inside straight. ... He has to walk a tightrope ... You're going to see the President targeting messages to groups in his base -- affirmative action, liberal women, environmentalists -- while his overall message is more centrist" (7/30).

MORE FAMILY VALUES: Speaking to the American Federation of Teachers 7/28, Pres. Clinton outlined a 14-point "American Family Values Agenda." The speech was intended to create a "platform to compete with the reigning conservative manifestos." The speech made clear that Clinton "would not let the Republicans alone define family values" and also marked the first time that Clinton indicated he "plans a campaign against tobacco use by young people." Many of the points outlined by Clinton were "calls for protection of existing Government programs and [admin.] initiatives against cuts by the Republican Congress" (Mitchell, N.Y. TIMES, 7/29).

NEW BUDGET NUMBERS: In VT for the annual NGA meeting, WH CoS Leon Panetta told reporters 7/29 that "new details" of the Clinton plan to balance the budget in 10 years will be released today. According to Panetta, the preliminary numbers indicate that Clinton's proposals could get to balance in "closer to nine years," rather than the predicted 10. The budget review was prepared by OMB; OMB Dir. Alice Rivlin will testify before Congress 8/1 regarding the specifics of the review (REUTER/Balto. SUN, 7/30).

*2 WILSON: AS EXPECTED, ASSEMBLY HOLDS UP CA'S BUDGET

Swift passage of the CA budget was "imperiled" Sunday night by a "nasty feud" between Pete Wilson and Assembly Dems over financial aid to L.A. County and a welfare plan. Although it passed the state Senate on 7/29, a compromise negotiated by Wilson and leg. leaders last week "deteriorated" into an "exchange of angry accusations" in the Assembly. Wilson, "impatient to return to the presidential campaign trail, bitterly accused Democrats of trying to hold him up for more concessions." Wilson said Assembly Dems are "welshing" on last week's deal while Assembly Dem leader Willie Brown called Wilson a "flat-ass liar." Wilson has "largely been kept off the campaign trail" by the legislature's failure to enact a budget. This weekend, Wilson "missed a chance to showcase his presidential bid" at the NGA meeting in VT, attended by 42 of his fellow govts. Pres. Clinton and Bob Dole will offer their "competing" welfare plans to govts. today, but Wilson will "remain stuck in Sacramento" (Lucas/Gunnison, S.F. CHRONICLE, 7/31).

GOOD WEEKEND CHATTER: William Safire: "If you're betting, you have to bet on Dole now. ... He's been picking up delegates, as they call them, one after another. But I think we have to keep our eye on the possibility of a stumble and who would move in. Lamar Alexander is doing a good job. I think Pete Wilson is the guy to watch" ("Meet the Press," NBC, 7/30). Jack Germond: "The next round of polls on Republican candidates will show that Pete Wilson is the one that used the affirmative action issue to get himself out of the pack juxtaposed against Dole."

*3 DOLE: IN NH, FOCUSING ON CLINTON

Bob Dole visited Rochester, NH 7/30, speaking about his plan to overhaul welfare and "criticizing" Pres. Clinton, who Dole "said did not have a plan" for welfare reform. Asked about his affirmative action bill, Dole said his intent was "not to make race part of the campaign, but to provide a forum for discussing the issue in Congress next year": "I've got a flawless civil rights record and I'm proud of it." Dole also claimed that recent comments by Jack Kemp criticizing the GOP treatment of affirm. action were "taken out of context": "Jack Kemp wrote me a note saying his comments were misconstrued, that he didn't attack Bob Dole." Dole also "won applause" when he spoke about his efforts to lift the Bosnian arms embargo and listed four women, including Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchinson (R-TX), when asked if he were considering any women as running mates (Scales, BOSTON GLOBE, 7/31). NH is in some ways Dole's "most important primary" next year. "A stumble, taking second or third, could be fatal." That's why he is "working hard to hold his front-runner status" through town meetings like Rochester. The presence of Dave Carney, who is running Dole's NH campaign, marks a "difference" from the Dole campaigns of old. Carney: "We have a totally different game plan and strategy than he had in 1988. I think they were much more dominated by winning Iowa, coming to New Hampshire with a bump and leveraging it." In '88, Dole had only two dozen field staff in NH. Now Carney has at least one in each of the 259 NH towns. Dole has also "honed" his message to that

of a "hardrock conservative." Arlen Specter contends Dole's new message is "at odds" with his congressional record: "Bob Dole has trimmed his sails on affirmative action and in defeating Henry Foster. ... The character issue is going to come into play. After all, our major complaint against Clinton is his frequent change of opinions, isn't it?" (Thompson, K.C. STAR, 7/31).

NORTH CAROLINA: A "key group" of NC GOP gathered in Mecklenberg County, the NC county with the highest number of GOP primary voters, to declare their support for Dole. Frosh Rep. Sue Myrick (R-09) will chair the county for Dole, as well serve as vice-chair on the NC steering cmte. Other supporters include: ex-Gov. Jim Martin, ex-Rep. Alex McMillan, ex-AG James Carson and other state and local officials (release, 7/28).

WEEKEND SCREEDS: RICHMOND TIMES-DISPATCH's Hall argues there "is nothing in the world" Dole needs to do except develop a "set speech," win the nomination and "ride the wave of discontent" with Clinton into the WH. But Dole -- "determined to put the thrill back into a runaway -- began to grab the horns" of Bosnia and affirm. action "in ways that put the focus on his record and that of the Republican party, rather than Clinton." On Bosnia, "it is difficult to understand why Dole feels a need to present an alternative [to Clinton] at all." On affirm. action, "he is trying to convert the low grumbling and growling" against it into a legislative ban, fearing that if he waited until the GOP came up with an alternative to the program, he would be "co-opted" by Pete Wilson and Phil Gramm (7/30).

AGE ISSUE: Steven Chapman argues that Dole's age "matters for reasons that have nothing to do with political style or ideology. It matters because by any prudent standard, Dole is too old for the presidency." Dole is healthy and energetic now, but that may not last: "A sensible electorate won't count on good luck" (TIMES-DISPATCH, 7/30). N.Y. TIMES' Rich writes "physical age is not the issue ... The real issue is his character. After two Presidents who've been on too many sides of too many questions, is the country in the market for another?" (7/29).

CONSULTANT SIGNS UP: GOP strategist Jay Smith has joined Dole's media and strategy team (Dole release, 7/31).

*4 FROM THE FIELD: THE WEEKEND IN IOWA AND NEW HAMPSHIRE

An event at Plymouth State College 7/30 attracted a crowd of more than 400 and Phil Gramm, Dick Lugar, Arlen Specter and Bob Dornan. Also attending were spokespersons for Pat Buchanan, Lamar Alexander and Bob Dole. IA Gov. Terry Branstad (R) spoke on behalf of Dole on IA and NH's roles as leaders in the presidential selection process: "We think God ordained New Hampshire to be first and we want to keep it that way." Branstad added that NH has a "better track record" than IA in those selections. Many of the candidates or representatives used the five minutes they were given to address the crowd to "focus" on Pres. Clinton as their "target" (Manchester UNION LEADER, 7/31).

BUCHANAN: Pat Buchanan campaigned over the weekend in Sioux City and other parts of western IA. He highlighted his opposition to NAFTA and GATT, saying he would repeal them as president. He added, "The minute I take the oath of office, the

new world order will come crashing down." Buchanan's camp bragged about their 2nd-place showing in last week's TIME-CNN poll and in an "informal" vote taken at the Ida Co. fair (Zerschling, SIOUX CITY JOURNAL, 7/31). IA Christian Coalition Pres. Ione Dilley has "emerged as one of the most influential political figures" in IA and her influence will be felt as her organization "goad[s]" GOP candidates "into more conservative positions on social issues such as abortion" and "shove[s] the debate to the right, causing GOP moderates to wince." Buchanan is "rapidly becoming the favorite" of many coalition members, and if he wins the 7/19 Ames IA straw poll, "it will be due in no small part to the movement Dilley has nurtured." The coalition's skill in political organizing has turned it into "one of the most effective political operations in Iowa today." It is bringing "thousands" of new voters to the booths and "tipping the balance toward conservatives in close elections." Dilley will stay "neutral" on the '96 race, but her followers are "scattering" among the candidates. Dilley: "Quite frankly, too many of the candidates are avoiding pro-life issues like the plague" (Yepsen, DES MOINES REGISTER, 7/31).

YAFFERS LIKE GRAMM: Phil Gramm won a straw poll conducted by Young Americans for Freedom (YAF) at the Nat'l College Republican Convention 7/27-29 (release, 7/28).

SPECTER: Arlen Specter opened his NH headquarters in Concord 7/30 with about 50 volunteers. Bringing "the loudest applause" was a declaration by Specter that he "liked" being the only pro-choice candidate in the field. He also said he was convinced he could win if supporters could get centrists "off the sidelines and onto the playing fields" (CONCORD MONITOR, 7/31).

JACKSON: U.S. NEWS' "Washington Whispers" reports that Dem and GOP strategists agree that Jesse Jackson "would most likely benefit" from CityVote's strawpoll to be held 11/7, about 100 days before the NH primary. They say CityVote would be an "excellent springboard" for a Jackson presidential campaign because "cities are Jackson's natural constituencies." Any "viable presidential candidate" can appear on the ballot, and the list of those "recommended" to appear by CityVote include five undeclared candidates -- Jackson, Colin Powell, Malcolm Forbes, Jr., Lowell Weicker and Ross Perot. Not listed is Newt Gingrich, whom they decided was "not likely to run" (7/7 issue).

*5 PEROT: UWSA MAY BE "PANDERTHON"; A POWELL-PEROT TICKET?

Comparing Ross Perot to the "slightly dotty society matriarch -- ridiculed in private, but whose dinner invitations are never turned down," NEWSWEEK's Turque explains the "giant sucking sound you'll hear next week" in Dallas at the UWSA conference 8/11-13 will the pres. hopefuls "paying homage." The candidates are planning an "extraordinary panderthon, each hoping to become the new champion of Perot's potent populist message." The "reaching out" to the Perot voters is "important," but since "most of these voters are likely to be tilting Republican anyway in 1996 ... the real target is Perot himself," and an attempt to "charm him" out of the '96 race. A "cautious GOP operative" said this will have to be done "gingerly": "What we don't want to do

is see anyone tell him he can't run." The WH wants Perot in the race for all the reasons the GOP wants him out, and "the possibility of irritating Perot with a presidential slight" could be the reason Clinton will not attend. DNC co-chair Chris Dodd will go in Clinton's stead and will "face a tough sell" in a crowd in which only a third approve of Clinton's job performance. But "the question is whether they're that much happier" with the GOP field. "Many Perot activists are coming to Dallas to discuss forming a national third party." Even if Perot does not run, he "couldn't possibly" deliver the 20 million votes he received in '92 even if he were to endorse another candidate because he has "little in the way of a political organization." But another Perot candidacy "could change all that." Scheduling himself for "maximum exposure" in the coming weeks, Perot is "leaving his options open." Ex-press sec. Jim Squires, who is considering an independent Senate run in KY: "It wouldn't surprise me if you see Ross in there" (7/7 issue). "As Republicans prepare to endure the scorching Dallas sun, they have reason to sweat." Perot voters are disenchanted enough with DC "to swing to either party." They oppose the GOP on a number of issues, including NAFTA and GATT and failing to deliver term limits and a balanced-budget amendment. But, "by kissing Perot's political ring early and often," GOPers hope to keep Perot out of the contest (Dunham, BUSINESS WEEK, 7/7). In a DALLAS MORNING NEWS interview, Perot dismissed the notion that he is merely attempting to play "political kingmaker" with the conference. He said his motive was to get candidates "to stay focused on campaign and government-reform issues that he believes will swing independent voters": "Implementing these ideas is all we want. To me, the ultimate victory would be to see it done, and for me not to have to get involved. ... I want the American people better educated on the issues than they've ever been before in the history of this country -- before the primary starts." He outlined a plan to be a "power-broker between independent voters and political leaders" and said he did not want to "be within 50,000 miles of politics" because it is "irrational." He did not, however, give an "unequivocal statement" about his intentions for '96 (7/30).

THIRD PARTY: If Perot gets the commitments of the GOP contenders to support campaign finance and lobbying reform -- the issue that has "wider and deeper support than any other on the reformist third-party agenda" -- momentum for a third party or an independent Perot candidacy "could be derailed." But his followers have "their own plans" for the conference -- they hope to introduce a resolution calling for a new party. It is "questionable" whether Perot wants to "hear or talk" about third parties. "Long-time Perot-watchers" believe a third party, or the "threat of a third party," is only a "means to affect government reform, not an end in itself" for Perot. If he were to run, it is "more likely" he'd do so again as an independent. There are also "suggestions" that Perot take the VP slot on a third-party ticket led by Colin Powell, a team that could "serve to draw in all the scattered new [independent] parties under one third-party umbrella" (Worthington, CHICAGO TRIBUNE, 7/30).

***6 POWELL: TV TALK FOCUSES ON A REPUBLICAN RUN**

CNN's "Inside Politics Weekend" hosted Citizens for Powell's Chuck Kelly and historian Stephen Ambrose. Ambrose: "He's a Republican at heart, but the Republican Party has been taken or is threatened to be taken over by the extremists in the party, and he would not be terribly comfortable with that. He has an opportunity to rescue the Republican Party from the extremists ... My own preference is that he would run as a Republican. ... General Powell, as a Republican candidate, I'm telling you it's going to be a 62, 63, 64 percent of vote. The man will just sweep the country." Kelly: "To make a difference, he needs a decisive mandate. The only way he can get that decisive mandate is to run as a Republican, because otherwise he subdivides the country, and dividing the country is exactly the opposite of what Colin Powell's great contribution can be." Kelly, on why he hopes Powell would not accept an offer to be GOP VP: "The man has the trust of this country. ... When people connect as they have with Colin Powell, there is no purpose to be served by having him subordinate that popularity to another person" (CNN, 7/29). TIME's Mark Thompson, asked if Powell is a Republican: "I think so. I don't think there's much doubt about that. ... It will become quite clear in his book that he is very much, in some ways, a social and fiscal conservative, although plainly he does embrace affirmative action." Thompson, on how Powell may come to his decision: "He's running down a diving board and he's ready to jump up, and at the end of September, early October, he's going to be putting all of his weight on that board, and springing up, and it's at that point in time, when national attention is really going to be focused on him, that he will see his options crystalize in ways that may not be apparent now. ... Probably by Halloween, he will have made a decision as to what to do" ("Road to the White House," C-SPAN, 7/30). N.Y. TIMES' Berke writes as Powell "begins to unmask himself" during his booktour, "the question becomes whether voters will feel betrayed by their own hopes." That "groups so diverse" support him provides "the most troubling evidence that people are embracing a political silhouette and filling in its features on faith" (7/30).

***7 VEEPSTAKES: MORE LUNGREN TALK**

SACRAMENTO BEE's Endicott writes that when Bob Dole tossed out the name of CA AG Dan Lungren (R) as a possible running mate, Lungren's political staff "made certain last week that the speculation about him got the widest possible distribution." And even though Dole may have made the remark "as much to tweak Wilson ... as to flatter Lungren, the idea is not as farfetched as it might seem." Lungren has "impeccable credentials" and at 48, is a "nice counterbalance" to Dole, 78. But "more importantly," he is "immensely popular" with the CA conservative GOP voting base and has "appeal to moderates." A Dole campaign aide noted, "If he can just deliver California, hell, that's all you need him for." Even if Dole's comment was just a "gratuity" to Lungren, "there is no question" that his stature has been "enhanced" by the mention, putting him in a position to "reap some benefits" for "the job he really wants," CA gov. in '98, for

which he has already filed candidacy papers (7/29). L.A. TIMES' Gladstone and Ellis notes that although Lungren's office "faced political perils when agents launched a sting operation against a former chairman of his own party," the investigation "may well enhance Lungren's own marketability for higher office." He is considered a "strong bet" to run for either governor or Senate in '98 (7/30). W. TIMES' Murray interviews Lungren, noting that he is "No. 1" on Bob Dole's VP list. Murray calls the AG "complex, combative and charming, even to his enemies," but points out that most people consider him "very conservative." Lungren would "likely try" to succeed CA Gov. Pete Wilson (R) if he were to leave office and "even Democrats like his penchant for thrift." Lungren calls himself a defender of state's rights and a man tough on crime." He supports Prop. 187 and is "particularly peeved" at federal court efforts to block it (7/30).

===== NATIONAL BRIEFING =====

***8 WHITEWATER: DEPOSITIONS COULD GIVE HILLARY A ROUGH RIDE**

Sworn depositions from close advisers to Hillary Rodham Clinton may bring her involvement more into question before the Senate Whitewater hearings. ABC's Donovan: "ABC News has obtained a number of documents ... including sworn depositions from some of the principal witnesses who will be testifying before the Whitewater committee. A review of those documents indicates that the next two weeks of hearings could produce some politically difficult moments for the White House, especially for First Lady Hillary Clinton." ABC's Judd: "In the depositions reviewed by ABC News, three Clinton associates leave open the possibility that Hillary Clinton played a role in the decision to keep investigators away from Vince Foster's office. At the least, their ambiguity provides Republicans with plenty of ammunition." The three depositions are from Thomases, ex-WH Counsel Bernard Nussbaum and Nussbaum asst. Stephen Neuwirth. Judd then explained the depositions: In her deposition, Thomases said she had "no recollection" of speaking to HRC about the contents of Foster's office, or the review of those contents. But when asked if it is possible, she replied "Yes, it is possible." In his deposition, Nussbaum said that although he doesn't "know it for a fact, it wouldn't surprise me that the President or the First Lady would have had a discussion with Thomases about a search." Judd noted that Neuwirth's deposition holds one of the "most tantalizing clues" for Republicans about who was concerned about access to Foster's office. Neuwirth said that "'Nussbaum felt that Ms. Thomases and the First Lady' were concerned about the prospect of 'unfettered access.'" Judd concluded, "In the end, these documents contain no smoking gun, but they do contain enough information about Mrs. Clinton that the already partisan Whitewater hearings will become more so in the coming weeks" (7/30).

DOUBTING THOMASES: Under header, "She Calls at Midnight," TIME's Duffy writes that "Senate investigators would like to learn" what Thomases was doing on the Wednesday following Vincent Foster's death and "whether Hillary Clinton put her up to it."

Probers intend to find out whether Thomases -- known for her midnight strategy calls to the WH -- attempted to interfere in the search of Foster's office two days following his suicide. Thomases allegedly spoke with Nussbaum "at least once" on the morning he was going to let investigators into the office. Thomases also allegedly called HRC CoS Maggie Williams (or others in the first lady's office) five times. The "combative, self-important and funny" Thomases worked on the '92 campaign and then turned down an offer to work in the WH. Instead, she is the "top outside kibitzer" who "terrorizes aides with her withering judgment." Thomases is scheduled to testify in the hearings next week, but she may be able to avoid explaining her role in the searches of Foster's office; she has been HRC's legal representation since the 80s -- including Whitewater matters -- so all her discussions with the first lady about the land development deal are privileged, and Senators "cannot compel her to explain them" (8/7 issue). Even if Thomases manages to avoid explaining Whitewater related issues, Dems are "bracing for what some say could be 'a disaster.'" Thomases' "prickly manner has alienated nearly everyone in Clinton's orbit; aides fear she'll also rile Congress and the TV public." One Hill aide, when asked if anyone was preparing Thomases for her testimony said, "There's not enough money to pay me to do that" (NEWSWEEK, 8/7 issue).

NUSSBAUM PREVIEW: Ex-WH Counsel Bernard Nussbaum will testify this week about the handling of files in Vincent Foster's office after Foster's suicide. He will be asked about a Secret Service officer's testimony that some of Foster's files were removed on the evening of his death, before investigators arrived. GOP "detractors and some investigators" say Nussbaum impeded a Federal inquiry into Foster's suicide. After initially promising DoJ attys they could look at Foster's files in search of a suicide or extortion note, he "abruptly reneged" after talking to HRC confidant Susan Thomases. Nussbaum plans to tell the Senate that the investigation is "a search in a dark room for a black cat which isn't there." Nussbaum, while claiming the Clintons had not done anything wrong, said, "I'm taking the heat and a good lawyer often takes the heat for a client. ... I should have been more out front in defending my conduct when I was under attack." Nussbaum called the thesis that Whitewater contributed to Foster's depression "almost a malicious fiction": "Whitewater was not on his mind. ... It was an innocuous issue then" (Labaton, N.Y. TIMES, 7/31). NEWSWEEK's Klein, on the "detour" Foster's "personal files" made en route to the WH private residence: "So What? These were personal files. The Clintons had a perfect right to review them before they were passed on to their attorney. They had a perfect right to keep them for that matter." The "most disappointing" aspect of the hearings is what we are learning about the Clintons' character: "They are the Tom and Daisy Buchanan of the Baby Boom Political Elite. The Buchanan's you may recall, were F. Scott Fitzgerald's brilliant characterization of flapper fecklessness in 'The Great Gatsby.' They were 'careless' people. They smashed up lives and didn't notice. After two years, it's becoming difficult to avoid a distinguishing characteristic of this administration: the body

count. Too many lives and reputations have been ruined by carelessness, too many decent people have been forced to walk the plank for trivialities, appearances, changes of mind. Whitewater has been the worst of it" (8/7 issue).

PUNDITS: Eleanor Clift: "Hillary Rodham Clinton has a terrific blind spot when it comes to anybody going through anything she thinks they don't have a right to. Now, to somebody who came of age during Watergate, she should realize that that office was the site of a potential criminal scene. ... She has created huge problems for herself and the President as a result" ("McLaughlin Group," 7/29). Howard Fineman: "The problem that Al D'Amato's got is that this is all heading straight for Hillary Clinton, which is the last person he wants it to head for. She's very smart, I won't say who she's smarter than, very good on TV. She's a woman and she's not in office. ... It's a dicey thing to bring her in." Juan Williams: "Hillary's going to be called into the dock at some point, and the American people aren't going to think she's so wonderful. They're going to think, 'Hey, you have a lot of guilt here'" ("Capital Gang Sunday," CNN, 7/30). Senate Whitewater chair Al D'Amato, appearing on CNN's "Evans & Novak," asked if it still possible that HRC would be called to testify: "If I say that, the next thing you know, there'll be a newspaper headline that says, 'D'Amato says possible.' We must see that there are clear, convincing facts that necessitate that. Only under those circumstances. We're not going to make this a circus" (7/29). Jack Germond, on the hearings: "This whole thing is a joke. It's a political hatchet job by Al D'Amato." Fred Barnes: "[The conventional wisdom] was he'd be a wild man and they'd turn up nothing new. In fact, he's been very reasonable and they've turned up a lot new" ("McLaughlin Group," 7/29).

CLINTON SENT AR BUSINESS TO MCDUGAL: While AR Gov., Bill Clinton allegedly helped direct state business to his Whitewater partner, James McDougal. This "first confirmation" that Clinton was "directly involved in a state decision that benefitted" McDougal will be a "key focus" of House Whitewater hearings next month. Madison Savings & Loan, which is owned by McDougal, received three state leases "worth tens of thousands of dollars" in the mid 80's -- two of them approved after McDougal hosted a "controversial" re-election fundraiser for Clinton in '85. Ex-AR housing agency chief Wooten Epes said he met with Clinton to protest the leases because the "price was too high" and the buildings were in an "undesirable" part of Little Rock. Epes said that Clinton rejected his advice and said he "thought it would be good for the state" (Rauber, N.Y. POST, 7/31). Clinton atty David Kendall claimed there was "never any connection between political contributions and the leases": "There was never, at any time, or in any way, special treatment of Jim McDougal or any quid-pro-quo favors of any kind" (AP/Balto. SUN, 7/31).

*9 WACO: ZELIFF SAYS CLINTON "PERSONALLY INVOLVED" IN DECISION

On NBC's "Meet the Press," Rep. Bill Zeliff (R-NH), the co-chair overseeing the House Waco hearings, was asked if he thought Pres. Clinton was "personally involved" in making the decision to

enter the Branch Davidian compound. Zeff: "I believe he was. ... We believe there was information, we can show this week, that indicated that he wanted to be informed every step of the way. He wanted to know. He wanted to be involved in the decision process. ... I don't believe Janet Reno, who had less than two weeks on the job, made this decision all by herself." Rep. Charles Schumer (D-NY), also on the show: "This is the kind of fishing expedition that has given these hearings something of a bad name. ... Before you make an allegation that the President was involved, have some facts. ... There wasn't one shred of evidence [from WH documents] that the President made the decision. He was informed of the decision" (7/30). During the hearings on 7/28, ex-Assoc. AG Webb Hubbell and others testified that Clinton was not involved in the decision. USA TODAY header: "Lawmaker says Clinton had big Waco role" (7/31).

RENO TO TESTIFY TOMORROW: AG Janet Reno is expected, on 8/1, to be the final witness at the House Waco hearings. She is expected to testify, as she told reporters last week, that the decision to use gas and raid the compound was hers, that she saw no other option to ending the siege, and that she informed Clinton of her decision. N.Y. TIMES editorial: "The real puzzle remains the lack of prudence and reasonable foresight on the part of [Reno] and other [Admin.] officials" (7/31).

*10 MEDICARE: DISCORD MARKS ANNIVERSARY PARTY

"Like relatives squabbling at a birthday party," Pres. Clinton and the GOP marked the 30th anniversary of Medicare "by accusing each other of putting the program's future at risk." In his weekly radio address, Clinton charged Republicans, in trying to "fix" Medicare, would in effect put the elderly "in a fix." Clinton released a gov't study that showed 500,000 senior citizens would be pushed into poverty due to higher health costs under the GOP plan. Clinton said the money would be used to "finance tax cuts for the wealthy." But Republicans countered that Clinton has offered no plan to keep the Medicare trust fund from going broke. Rep. Barbara Vucanovich (R-NV), in the GOP response: "There aren't too many birthday celebrations left for Medicare unless we act now." Clinton was joined for his radio address by the First Lady and a group of senior citizens, including his stepfather, Dick Kelly, and his mother-in-law, Dorothy Rodham (Benac, AP/PHILA. INQUIRER, 7/30).

THE PERILS OF SECRECY: L.A. TIMES' Chen writes that just as the WH kept the details of its '94 health-care plan in "virtual secrecy," a "very similar process also is being embraced" by Hill Republicans "as they plot their own, high-stakes drive to revamp Medicare. And just as the controversial process itself helped doom President Clinton's sweeping agenda last year, the current GOP tactic also could backfire if it fails to win the support of a wary public, especially the nation's powerful senior citizens.

... Republicans might well pay a high price at the polls in 1996 -- just as Democrats did in 1994, in part, because the promised Clinton health-care-reform initiative collapsed (PHILA. INQUIRER, 7/30). House Maj. Leader Dick Armey, on "Meet the Press," insisted, "We have not been working in secret. Just about

everybody interested in health care, including the AARP and other seniors groups, including the providers ... have been in meetings with us as we have explored all kinds of possibilities, all kinds of recommendations. The only thing that is secret, in terms of the Democrats' characterization of this, is that we haven't been able to put the details together and reveal it to the American people. ... This is just pure balderdash, all this stuff about secret plans" (NBC, 7/30).

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION: ABC's Donovan: "With the Clinton Administration under increasing attack by Republicans on Capitol Hill, Congressional Democrats fanned out across the country ... staging rallies to focus attention on one political issue the Democrats believe is still a big winner for them" (7/30). CNN's Dougherty: "The elaborately scripted, satellite town hall meeting was less a party than a declaration of war against Republicans." HHS Sec. Donna Shalala: "It's time that we told those out-of-control revolutionaries that Medicare is not their piggy bank to pay for a big tax break for people that don't need one and don't want one" (7/30). Margaret Carlson: "The Democrats are winning the soundbite war at the moment, but Clinton is missing an opportunity to revive his health care plan, the parts of it that are in agreement with what the Republicans are trying to do right now, which is to push people into managed care" ("Capital Gang," CNN, 7/29). ABC's Zelnick: "Democratic polls say that Medicare is one of their best political issues. They're likely to keep it front and center as the battle of the budget unfolds" (7/30).

RISKS: CBS' Orr: "Republicans accused the administration of watching Medicare go bankrupt." Rep. John Boehner (R-OH): "The fact is, the President has no plan. They're afraid of this issue" (7/30). Bob Novak: "It's very dangerous for Republicans. ... Right now in the fight, the demagoguing by the Democrats has put the Republicans a little behind" ("Capital Gang," CNN, 7/29). U.S. NEWS' Susan Dentzer, calling Medicare "a political time bomb": "The Democrats are holding the bomb and it's about to blow up in the Republicans' face" ("Late Edition," CNN, 7/30).

*11 PACKWOOD: MOYNIHAN FIGHTS MOVE FOR PUBLIC HEARINGS

Sen. Pat Moynihan (D-NY) has "emerged as one of the chief supporters" of Sen. Bob Packwood (R-OR), who is the subject of an Ethics Cmte investigation over sexual and official misconduct charges. In a Dem caucus meeting last week, Moynihan said "it was not the time for public hearings on the accusations" and that "any decision about what to do next" should be left to the Ethics Cmte, which reconvenes today. Moynihan "rejected" a proposal by Sen. Barbara Boxer (D-CA) that would force a full Senate vote on a resolution to hold hearings: "I took the simple position ... that in the interests of the Senate, we ought not to bring ethics issues to a vote until the committee has resolved them. ... The position is, you do not politicize these matters or the institution will regret it" (Seelye, N.Y. TIMES, 7/31). Paul Gigot, on Boxer: "She's winning the battle of PR so far. She is playing rough, punch-in-the-gut politics" ("M/L," PBS, 7/28).

PENALTY: NEWSWEEK reports the Ethics Cmte "may decide to do more than censure" Packwood. Sources close to Packwood "say they

now fear the committee could recommend that the entire Senate vote" on whether to strip him of his Senate Finance Cmte chair, rather than leaving it to a secret ballot of GOPers. A public, recorded vote "would all but guarantee that Packwood loses his chairmanship." But the cmte is "considered unlikely to call for public hearings." NEWSWEEK's "CW" gives Packwood a "down" arrow: "Old CW: Packy's tongue in your mouth. New CW: Sen. Boxer's fist in his kisser" (8/7 issue).

*12 BOSNIA: WARFARE GETS TREACHEROUS ... IN DC

Paul Gigot, on last week's Senate vote repudiating Pres. Clinton's policy on ending the arms embargo in Bosnia: "Ultimately, this may help the president politically. ... If [Congress] does ultimately override the veto, it begins to take responsibility" ("MacNeil/Lehrer," PBS, 7/28). John McLaughlin: "It is rare enough that the foreign policy of the nation's Commander-in-Chief is directly challenged by Congress, but it is almost unheard of that members of the President's own party would join so massively in such a repudiation." Eleanor Clift: "This is a pretend policy that the Senate has advanced. ... The impact of this is zero." Fred Barnes: "This is the most important slap-down of the president in foreign policy in twenty years. ... One way or another, [the embargo] will be lifted" ("McLaughlin Group," 7/29). Al Hunt: "This is the most devastating repudiation of a President on foreign policy since the closing days of Vietnam. I'm not sure if this would be good policy. It may make matters worse ... but the message that this sends about this President, about his fecklessness and his carelessness on this policy, has so antagonized people that he has no allies left in the Congress" ("Capital Gang," CNN, 7/29). Charles Krauthammer: "It is an incredible rejection of the administration policy and a vote of no confidence. If this were a parliamentary system, the Foreign Secretary and the Minister of Defense would have to resign and the Prime Minister would have to shuffle his cabinet and have a whole new team and a whole new policy." Carl Rowan: "This may be a pyrrhic victory for Bob Dole and the others. It's kind of akin to me saying, 'I don't like Mike Tyson. I hear he beats up women, but I don't want to fight Mike Tyson because somebody I really like might get hurt, so what I'm going to do is buy his girlfriend a pair of boxing gloves to even up the match.' Now, that's about what the Senate did this week" ("Inside Washington," 7/29). William Safire: "The amazing thing to Americans should be the vacancy in the White House. We've never had this, at least in 100 years, of a President, in foreign affairs, losing control and control being seized by the Congress" ("Meet the Press," NBC, 7/30). Jack Germond & Jules Witcover write, "By this time next year, when the 1996 election campaign is in full swing, the war in Bosnia may be off the television screens and largely forgotten. But Bill Clinton will be at a pronounced disadvantage if he is perceived by the electorate as a president over his head on foreign policy" (Balto. SUN, 7/29). Under the header, "Why Congress Took Over Bosnian Policy," W.S. JOURNAL's Melloan writes, "Presidents are seldom censured on foreign policy by a bipartisan vote this powerful. ... The

Senators seemed less motivated by opportunism than by simple disgust" (7/31).

EDITORIALS: ORLANDO SENTINEL: "Mr. Clinton has had plenty of time to show leadership on this issue -- and hasn't. The course he prefers is to keep mucking around in Bosnia with half-measures that go nowhere or stick-waving that threatens to suck the United States into a wider military commitment" (7/28).

DETROIT FREE PRESS: "Clinton must understand that whether Congress has a better policy or not, it clearly has a message for him. The country is befuddled about Bosnia, unhappy with this country's stance, unclear about what kind of alternative might seem more heroic. If Mr. Clinton continues to do as badly on setting an agenda for Bosnia and explaining it well, this week's vote surely will begin the final unraveling of his foreign policy. ... Clinton needs to act decisively to regain his prerogatives and exercise his responsibility. ... Clearly,

though, he cannot rest where he is, or Sen. Dole will take over his functions long before next year's election" (7/28). DETROIT NEWS editorial header: "Bosnia: Dole Takes Control" (7/28).

CHICAGO TRIBUNE calls Clinton's Bosnia policy "a policy marked by incoherence, inconsistency and conflicting motives. Worst of all and whether intended or not, it is a policy that has made the United States an accomplice to genocide" (7/28).

SCARLET L: Clinton is listed in TIME's "Losers" column: "Another Senate action: veto-proof majority votes to end Bosnian arms embargo" (8/7 issue).

HOUSE ACTION: The House 8/1 will consider ending the Bosnian embargo, either by taking up the Senate measure that passed last week by a 69-29 vote or by drafting its own version. In June, the House voted 318-99 to "direct President Clinton to end the ban unilaterally," but that amendment was attached to legislation that is still pending in the Senate. House Maj. Leader Dick Armey, on whether the House has the votes to override an expected Clinton veto: "We think it'll be very close" (Scarborough, W. TIMES, 7/31).

*13 WELFARE REFORM: CLINTON VS. DOLE (AND DOLE VS. GRAMM)

Pres. Clinton and Senate Maj. Leader Bob Dole today will offer "competing proposals" to "overcome a political impasse that has stalled welfare legislation for two months." Speaking before the NGA in Burlington, VT, Clinton will offer states incentives to meet an "ambitious new goal of putting large numbers of welfare recipients into jobs or programs that prepare them for work," according to admin. officials. Another official also said that the Clinton plan would give states more "flexibility in running their welfare plans." Dole's proposal builds on the measure approved by the Senate Finance Cmte, to which a group of 24 conservative senators, led by Phil Gramm (TX), objected. Searching for a consensus, Dole was forced to "move to the right." Still, his plan would "place him in the middle," between a conservative Gramm bill and a "liberal alternative" to be offered by Senate Dems. Dole's measure would provide block grants to the states, which would have "far more discretion than they have now in deciding how to use the money." But poor people

would no longer have the legal right to federal assistance (Pear, N.Y. TIMES, 7/30). WH Press Sec. Mike McCurry: "Part of the reason why we're losing momentum here is the Republicans are all over the map on this. Republican governors are not in agreement with members of the Congress from the Republican party, and Republicans in Congress are in widespread disagreement on how to proceed. They just don't have their act together." CNN's Blitzer: "Ending welfare as we know it has been a popular rallying cry since the '92 campaign, but last year it took a back seat to [Clinton's] ill-fated health care reform initiative. Aides say he's attempting to use this issue once again to seek a middle ground between liberal Democrats and conservative Republicans" (7/28).

GOP CONFLICTS: "On welfare, more perhaps than on any other issue, Mr. Dole's instincts as a deal maker in the back rooms of Congress conflict with the ideological purity demanded by the conservative wing of the Republican Party." NH Gov. Steve Merrill (R): "This may be the first philosophical battleground in the race for the Republican presidential nomination." He added, "This gives Gramm a specific issue on which he can contrast himself with Bob Dole." Gramm's bill would deny aid to unwed moms under 18, most legal aliens and additional children born to families already on welfare. One Dole proposal, described in confidential documents, would "require teen mothers to live at home and attend school" and would "expressly give states the option to deny benefits." Dole also is considering a measure to "mandate that states deny benefits to teen mothers," but states could "pass legislation to opt out" of this requirement (N.Y. TIMES, 7/30). According to Sen. Thad Cochran (R-MS), a Dole ally, the Gramm bill "is not likely to prevail" (Vobjeda/Havemann, W. POST, 7/29).

*14 COVER TO COVER

BUSINESS WEEK -- "Power to the States: Are they ready?" (8/7).

NEWSWEEK -- Photo: Susan Smith. "Who deserves to die? Why America supports capital punishment yet puts so few people to death." (8/7).

TIME -- "Why America shouldn't kill cultural funding" (8/7).

U.S. NEWS -- "Windows '95. Beyond the Hype: A User's Guide" (8/7).

ECONOMIST -- "Containing China" (7/29-8/4).

NEW REPUBLIC -- "The Incredible Growing Presidency: 'Forget Newt's Power. Forget Clinton's Weakness. There's a reason why Gingrich and Dole and Gramm and Buchanan are still jockeying for the presidency. It's where the power still is.'" (8/14).

===== CAMPAIGNS OF '95 =====

*15 SAN FRANCISCO MAYOR: BROWN WINS BACKING OF COUNTY DEMS

CA Assembly Dem Leader Willie Brown chalked up a "significant victory" on 7/26 when he won the endorsement of the S.F. Co. Dem Central Cmte (DCC). Twenty-three of the 29 cmte

members voted to back Brown; ex-HUD official Roberta Achtenberg received 4 votes, Mayor Frank Jordan got two, and Supervisor Angela Alioto got none. It was the first time the cmte voted to endorse a mayoral candidate. The endorsement means that Brown "will receive the full benefit" of the party "in the form of get-out-the-vote efforts, slate card mailings, voter registration and fund-raising events." Last year, state Dems sued to overturn a state law which prohibited them from making endorsements in nonpartisan races like S.F. mayor. A federal judge said the law "directly restrains political speech" and allowed the party "leeway to endorse." Other candidates: businessman Ben Hom (R) and S.F. Enviro. Commiss Joel Ventresca (D) (Bender, S.F. EXAMINER, 7/28). Filing deadline 8/11. Supervisor Terence Hallinan (D), who had considered the mayoral race, is instead challenging D.A. Arlo Smith (D) for re-election. The DCC denied its endorsement to Smith, a move which Hallinan called "a body blow to Arlo. Two of his kids are on that committee, and he said he had this committee sewn up in January." Also running for D.A.: ex-asst D.A. Bill Fazio (EXAMINER, 7/28).

*16 BALTO. MAYOR: CHOICE MAY REST ON STYLE, NOT ISSUES

The difference in leadership between Mayor Kurt Schmoke (D) -- "The One-Man Think Tank" -- and City Council Pres. Mary Pat Clarke (D) -- "The Doyenne of Do It Now" -- has "seldom ... been as stark" as in the "recent flap" over the city's curfew. After the city stopped enforcing the law because the courts struck down a similar one, Clarke "sprang into action," pushing through a revised bill almost immediately. But Schmoke refused to sign the bill until legal experts declared that the law would hold up, nearly two weeks after it passed council. State Sen. John Pica (D): "They're at different extremes. He tends to study issues, to defer judgment until a study is completed. She tends to make decisions on the spot." Schmoke is the "quintessential cerebral candidate," but his "low key approach and studious manner often have made him seem lost in thought, aloof from some of the gritty details of urban life, reluctant to be a cheerleader and unable to move swiftly." Clarke is the "prototypical populist politician," but her "full-speed-ahead style has often made her seem frantic and frenzied: so quick to jump on the latest bandwagon that she acts before thinking, unwilling to take politically unpopular stands and infrequently siding against individual neighborhoods." In response to charges that he is too cerebral and slow to act, Schmoke replies, "I believe firmly there is a difference between do-it-now and do-it-right" (Siegel/Daemmrich, Balto. SUN, 7/30). Dem primary: 9/12.

===== 50 STATE REPORT =====

*17 COLORADO: ALLARD SAYS HE'S 98% SURE HE'LL RUN

With the numbers from his most recent campaign finance statement "pushing him closer to a decision" on whether to run for the seat of retiring Sen. Hank Brown (R), Rep. Wayne Allard (R-04) said 7/29 there is a "98 percent chance" he will make the bid. The FEC reports show that Allard has "collected nearly \$284,000 to spend on a possible run" including "about \$123,000 of

contributions ... from individuals" and "about \$85,000" from PACs. Allard said "the number of individuals willing to give money early to his campaign shows that he has significant statewide support for a Senate run." He has not "officially announced," but said he would announce his plans "this autumn." Allard: "If things continue to go as they are, it's a certainty." AG Gale Norton (R) is already in, so "Allard's entry into the race could set up a primary-election battle between them" (Kretschman, GREELEY TRIBUNE, 7/30). Other possible GOPers: atty Bill Eggert, ex-Sec/State Mary Estill Buchanan, state Sen. Charlie Duke. Announced Dem: ex-Jerry Brown CO mgr Phil Perington. Possible Dems: Denver atty Tom Strickland, state Sen. Paul Weissman, Denver councilmember Ramona Martinez and Univ/CO's Gene Nichol.

*18 MISSOURI: EX-NFL QB KENNEY HOPING TO SCORE IN GOV. RACE

State Sen. Bill Kenney (R), a quarterback for the K.C. Chiefs during the '80s, told colleagues in a letter "that he planned to seek the GOP nomination" for gov. in '96 and will "make a formal announcement this fall." Gov. Mel Carnahan (D) is "expected to seek a second term." Kenney spokesperson Mike Gannon said Kenney "was serious" about running and "not merely testing the political waters." In his letter, Kenney "was highly critical" of the governor, saying that "just like Bill Clinton, Mel Carnahan broke his promise to the voters of Missouri" when he supported a "[\$310M] education tax increase" in '93. MO GOPers have said the bill "should have been submitted to voters." Kenney also wrote that the reasons for running were "clear": "Taxes are too high. Crime is too rampant. Corruption is too commonplace. And Gov. Mel Carnahan is too liberal." Kenney has credited "Christian activist groups" for helping him win election in '94 to his legislative post, his first public office (Sentell, K.C. STAR, 7/28). Other GOP possibles: state House Min. Leader Mark Richardson, Auditor Margaret Kelly and state Sen. Min. Leader Franc Flotron.

*19 MONTANA: POLL SHOWS ONLY 30% WOULD VOTE FOR BAUCUS

The latest Montana Poll indicates that only 30% of Montanans surveyed would vote to re-elect Sen. Max Baucus (D) in '96. Thirty-three percent of those surveyed said they would consider another candidate, 17% said they would "definitely replace" Baucus and 19% were undecided. The Univ. of MT Bureau of Business and Economic Research surveyed 402 adult MT residents 6/22-27, and has a margin of error of +/- 5%. Baucus received a 48% job approval rating against a 28% disapproval (AP/Butte MONTANA STANDARD, 7/28). In a hypothetical race against LG Max Rehberg (R), Baucus led 36-24%, with 40% undecided (NRSC release, 7/28). Other GOP possibles: '90 primary cand. John Domenech, state Sen. Lorents Grosfield.

*20 NORTH CAROLINA: SOME EX-GANTT BACKERS MOVING TO SANDERS

In his bid to unseat Sen. Jesse Helms (R), businessman Charlie Sanders (D), a "relative unknown" to NC voters, has raised nearly \$750,000, with about \$500,000 on hand, according to

FEC reports to be filed next week. But Sanders' probable primary opponent, ex-Charlotte Mayor/'90 Dem nominee Harvey Gantt (D), has raised "barely any" and has only \$10,000 on hand. Helms has already raised over \$1M. In addition, Sanders has received donations from Charlotte Dems "who had made it a habit" of supporting Gantt. In '90, Helms beat Gantt 53-47%, with Helms spending \$18M to Gantt's \$8M. But Sanders spokesperson Chuck Carr said Sanders "offers a new alternative to put against Jesse Helms. And the support that he's received in this first reporting period shows he can win, which is the name of the game." As an unknown, Sanders "might need more money" than Gantt, but that he is receiving support from former Gantt backers "could signal trouble" for the former mayor. Stan Kaplan, who raised money for Gantt in '90 but now supports Sanders, said Gantt is "too liberal" to beat Helms and the "more moderate" Sanders has a better chance: "I just don't think the dynamics are there. The Democratic Party should be more where Clinton is leading it than where Harvey thinks it ought to be. ... Harvey is much more vulnerable to attacks by Helms." Another Gantt defector, atty Mark Bernstein, said that Sanders' campaign contacted him "months ago," but that he has "yet to hear" from Gantt: "I just didn't realize he was going to run." But Gantt's friends contend that there is "no doubt" that he is in the race. Although he has not hired a campaign staff, he has hired DC consultants. A Gantt campaign aide added, "People who underestimate Harvey made a mistake the last time. It is very early. I have total confidence that the resources Harvey needs will be there and that he'll beat Sanders in the primary." Helms campaign treas. Jack Bailey commented that his camp "doesn't care" which candidate wins the Dem primary: "We'll let the Democrats have their primary and choose their candidate. We'll take our chances against either one of them ... and think we will win" (Morrill, CHARLOTTE OBSERVER, 7/28). Other possible Dems: AG Mike Easley and state Sen. Beverly Perdue.

HAYES FOR GOVERNOR: State Sen. Maj. Whip/textile firm owner Robin Hayes (R) has completed almost seven hours of film of himself at work and at home, which he will use in his campaign to unseat Gov. Jim Hunt (D). He has also hired pollster Whit Ayers and GA political consultant Tom Perdue. Perdue's "recent victories" include Sen. Bill Frist's (R-TN) upset win in '94. In the legislature, Hayes "continues to push the issues from which he is likely to build a campaign platform." He advocates "clamping down on abortion," requiring schools to teach sexual abstinence until marriage, and slowing the growth of spending for social programs (Raleigh NEWS & OBSERVER, 7/29).

===== TV MONITOR =====

*21 THIS MORNING: "FOX Morning News" hosted frosh Rep. Tom Davis (R-VA), ex-RNC chair Frank Fahrenkopf, W.S. JOURNAL's Jerry Seib, ex-OMB adviser Matthew Miller, NEWSWEEK's Melinda Liu and TIME's Elaine Shannon.

TONIGHT: CNBC's "Russert" hosts NBC's Jim Miklaszewski.

SUNDAY: ABC's "Brinkley" hosted Reps. Dick Durbin (D-IL) &

Bart Gordon (D-TN), Joe Califano and Tobacco Inst.'s Brennan Dawson. NBC's "Meet the Press" hosted House Maj. Leader Dick Arme & House Min. Leader Dick Gephardt and Reps. Charles Schumer (D-NY) & Bill Zeliff (R-NH). CBS' "Face the Nation" hosted Reps. Henry Waxman (D-CA) and Charlie Rose (D-NC). CNN's "Reliable Sources" hosted W.S. JOURNAL's John Fund. CNN's "Crossfire Sunday" hosted Reps. Susan Molinari (R-NY) and Charlie Rangel (D-NY). C-SPAN's "Sunday Journal" hosted Govs. Tommy Thompson (R-WI), Howard Dean (D-VT), Gaston Caperton (D-WV) & Arne Carlson (R-MN) and AP's John King. C-SPAN's "Road to the White House" hosted TIME's Mark Thompson, Bush/Quayle '92 mgr. Fred Malek and Reagan Defense Sec. Caspar Weinberger.

SATURDAY: CNN's "Evans & Novak" hosted Sen. Banking chair Al D'Amato (R-NY). CNN's "Capital Gang Saturday" hosted Senate Maj. Whip Trent Lott. CNN's "Inside Politics Weekend" hosted Citizens for Colin Powell's Chuck Kelly and CCP/pres. historian Stephen Ambrose.

FRIDAY: "MacNeil/Lehrer" focused on the EPA with EPA Admin. Carol Browner and frosh Rep. David McIntosh (R-IN). CNN's "Inside Politics" hosted SC Gov. David Beasley (R), TIME's Margaret Carlson and W.S. JOURNAL's Jerry Seib. CNN's "Crossfire" hosted Tony Snow and NEWSWEEK's Evan Thomas.

OUTRAGES: Mark Shields, on the initial lack of an invitation to Korean War vet Sen. John Glenn (D-OH) to the South Korean state dinner: "Fat cat CEOs and showbiz types were invited, but not Senator Glenn. Ever gracious, John Glenn accepted a last-minute telephone invite to spare Mr. Clinton's White House staff's stupidity more embarrassment." Bob Novak, on Sen. Barbara Boxer's (D-CA) call for public Packwood hearings: "She wants a show trial to titillate feminists. The outrage is that the Democrats on the Ethics Committee have capitulated to her demands." Margaret Carlson, on Sen. Jesse Helms' (R-NC) latest attack on gays, describing the "odor" of congressional support for the gay lobby: "If there's a great big odor, it's coming from Helms' hatefulness." Al Hunt, on the continued power of special interests in the Congress: "Republicans, including the freshmen who were supposed to be so different, are hustling millions of dollars from vested interests the way Democrats used to" ("Capital Gang," CNN, 7/29).

LAUGHS: David Letterman, on the Whitewater hearings: "The Republicans demanded to see a suicide note left by Vince Foster, and the Democrats said, 'Well, you'll have to wait a minute. The ink's not dry'" ("Late Show," CBS, 7/28). Jay Leno, on Rep. Mel Reynolds (D-IL) saying he only had phone sex with an underage girl: "Remember when we were kids in school and the whole class would have to write a letter to your congressman? ... Did anybody here ever think one day, the Congressman would call back and go, 'Hi, what are you wearing?'" Leno, on the story of a man who removed a bullet from his head while he was waiting for doctors to arrive: "I think that's known as the Republicans' health-care plan" ("Tonight Show," NBC, 7/28).

TOP TEN WAYS THE WORLD WOULD BE DIFFERENT
WERE IT COVERED WITH WATER

- 10) Packwood putting the moves on a manatee.
- 9) Top prize on "The Price is Right": Towels!
- 8) Kevin Costner makes hideously expensive movie about life on dry land.
- 7) It would be "The Blowfish and Hootie," my friend.
- 6) Cab drivers would be forced to bathe whether they want to or not.
- 5) Lots of talk on Court TV about O.J.'s "bloody flippers".
- 4) Michael Jackson would have plastic surgery to look more like a sea bass.
- 3) It would be perfectly good manners to take a leak out the window.
- 2) I'd host the show wearing nothing but a Speedo.
- 1) All Mets games rained out ("Late Show," CBS, 7/27).

===== TV SOUNDBITE =====

"Leopards don't change their spots. And my guess is that underneath all this, Al D'Amato is going to come up with some very juicy morsels, some hot rabbits in that hat of his, before this is over."

-- Rowland Evans, on the Whitewater hearings,
"Evans & Novak," CNN, 7/29

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COMING HOME: Who's logged	husbands' voting behavior.
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===== QUOTE OF THE DAY =====
 "There are one or two titles that are better
 than 'chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.'
 -- Colin Powell, showing a little more leg,
 in a San Diego speech, W. TIMES, 8/5

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===== WHITE HOUSE '96 =====

*1 WILSON: MEETS THE PAST IN SUNDAY GRILLING; ABORTO SWERVE

Pete Wilson "took a sharp right turn on abortion" during his appearance on "Meet the Press" (Marelius, SAN DIEGO UNION-TRIBUNE, 8/7). Wilson, asked by NBC's Gwen Ifill if he, as president, would sign the bill passed by the Senate 8/5 to deny coverage to federal employees who seek abortions, said he would sign it "even though I am pro-choice and have been all my life." Wilson said he "would prefer to see funding for the abortions for poor women come from private sources." Arlen Specter has called limiting federal funding of abortion "a virtual meltdown for abortion rights supporters." Wilson, on Specter: "He is making a terrible mistake if he thinks that all the people who are pro-choice are pro-federal funding for abortions. They are not. The majority, I think, probably feel the other way." Wilson said he would oppose overturning Roe v. Wade and that he "disagree[s] strongly" with a call for a "human life amendment" outlawing abortion. Wilson, asked "how vigorously" he will fight to remove the pro-life plank from the GOP platform, noted "I am clearly on record as saying we should eliminate that plank." Ifill: "That's as far as you'll go?" Wilson: "I have said I would oppose it, and we should replace it. Isn't that clear?" Ifill: "You're sending out a couple mixed messages" (8/6). UNION TRIBUNE's Marelius: "Wilson's comments, despite his insistence to the contrary, would seem to be at odds with much of his own record and curiously timed politically. Throughout his tenure as governor, Wilson has seldom called attention to his pro-abortion rights stand to avoid inflaming Christian conservatives who dominate the California Republican Party. But as he campaigned for president, Wilson has been giving his pro-abortion rights views a higher political profile" (8/7).

BROKEN PROMISE: Asked why he "broke his word" about running for pres., when he campaigned in '94, Wilson repeated his claim: "I am able to help my state and the country even more by running for president and winning than by remaining as governor for the last two years and the last term in which I would be struggling

to wrench concessions from a hostile administration who does not share my values or California's, or frankly, I don't think America's." NBC's Tim Russert, after noting Wilson signed legislation three weeks ago requiring state vendors to "submit criteria showing how they were doing hiring minorities," asked, "So there is some good affirmative action?" Wilson: "There has been some good." Russert: "Can there be in the future?" Wilson: "It depends on what you define as affirmative action ..."

Russert, after quoting Wilson from 30 years ago as advocating "special treatment" for college applicants from "disadvantaged backgrounds": "You've changed." Wilson: "I have changed and I think most Americans have." Asked if his supporter, MA Gov. Bill Weld, is "wrong" about affirmative action, Wilson replied, "Yes, I think he is" (NBC, 8/6).

MAINE MAN: Prior to his "Meet" appearance, Wilson traveled to ME and announced that Senate Pres. Jeff Butland will be his state dir. and that state Sen. John Hathaway will be his ME finance dir. He also signed on activists Mert Heny and Sharon Miller as state co-chairs (Wilson release, 8/4). Wilson also hired ME GOP exec. dir. Ben Coes as his NE coordinator. Coes was an "instrumental player" in the GOP recapture of the ME Senate in '94. "As in most of the states Wilson has targeted," many major GOP officials have already endorsed Bob Dole. "The result is that Wilson's campaign has adopted a guerrilla strategy, focusing on up and coming politicians willing to gamble on a second-tier horse, and the key grass-roots organizers who can develop a base of support." Wilson strategists, believing Wilson's "political profile is a better fit in the Northeast than elsewhere," are "devoting a major portion of their efforts to New England. They hope the region can give Wilson an early boost but fear that if he does not win" there, "he may not recover elsewhere" (Leshner, L.A. TIMES, 8/7). Richard Lugar and Wilson both appeared at the Rockland lobster festival. After "Meet" in DC, his swing moved on to Philadelphia and then to IA and CO. With the CA budget finally completed last week, Wilson "will spend much of his time" this month on the road. His campaign "already has begun testing" cable TV spots in some unspecified "key primary states." His announcement at the Statue of Liberty with accompanying multi-state tour is "expected" to be 8/28 (Ward, S.F. CHRONICLE, 8/6).

PETE'S PAL JESSE: S. J. MERCURY NEWS' Trounstone writes Wilson's "most effective campaign operative to date" is Jesse Jackson. Because Pres. Clinton "isn't quite as delicious a target," Wilson may attempt to "exploit Jackson as a foil." The Wilson campaign may give Jackson a "cameo role" in Wilson's TV ads. "As he did with former Gov. Jerry Brown and former California Chief Justice Rose Bird, Wilson could use Jackson as the visual symbol of the undisciplined liberalism he so valiantly opposes." The "trouble" with this plan is that Wilson could be "decried as a racist ... In short, Wilson would buy a lot of grief he might otherwise avoid. ... But private conversations with key members of Team Wilson suggest he won't for one simple reason. He doesn't need to. As one Wilsonista put it: Jackson will keep the spotlight on himself." One Wilson adviser, on using Jackson in a TV ad: "Who needs that aggravation? You've

got to win in a way that will cause people to think you never crossed the line ... How it's put on the screen is important. There are more subtle, more creative ways of doing it" (8/7).

GIVE ME LIBERTY: W. POST's Taylor notes Wilson's decision to not only use the Statue of Liberty for his announcement site, but to use Lady Liberty on his campaign logo. Miss Liberty "did release a brief statement through a spokesman, the poet Emma Lazarus: 'Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free'" (8/6).

SHOT FROM THE DOLE CAMP: Dole adviser Dave Carney: "Wilson is the only ... candidate who doesn't even win in his home state in the primary, and his issue isn't a couple of votes on taxes or a couple of votes here in the Senate, it's his whole message. It's out of sync with most of the voters in the Republican primary and most of the voters in New Hampshire, and he's got zero on the ground to date. It will be difficult, in just 200 days, to come up here and reinvent himself" ("IP," CNN, 8/5).

***2 NEW HAMPSHIRE: THRU JUNE, BUCHANAN SPENT MOST DAYS IN-STATE**

NATIONAL JOURNAL surveyed campaign workers in the states about personal candidate appearances in the first six months of '95. All told, the candidates spent 146 days in NH, and only 13 days in DE. NH Gov. Steve Merrill's threats to the candidates seem to have paid off. But DE remains committed to holding its Saturday primary just five days after NH; NH wants no primary within a week of its own. NH is currently planning on a 2/20 primary, but it reserves the right to move it up; the official date may not be set until 12/95. Merrill spokesperson Steve Edwards: "They wanted to make Delaware a more prominent player in the process. What they have done is the exact opposite." DE GOP Chair Basil Battaglia "predicted that Delaware will get its fair share of attention from the candidates once some of them realize that they have little chance of winning in New Hampshire" (8/5).

CANDIDATE	DAYS IN NH	DAYS IN DE
Pat Buchanan	35	1
Richard Lugar	27	2
Lamar Alexander	24	0
Arlen Specter	21	1
Bob Dole	14	0
Phil Gramm	13	4
Pete Wilson	7	1
Bob Dornan	5	2

Alan Keyes -- did not respond to survey

***3 GRAMM V. DOLE: WELFARE REFORM DEBATE COULD GET BLOODY**

"A showdown over welfare reform against a backdrop of presidential nomination politics is expected today" in the Senate as "liberal" Republicans backing Bob Dole and Finance Chair Bob Packwood (R-OR) will "do battle" with "conservatives" supporting amendments to the bill, led by Phil Gramm. Dole's bill, "which reportedly has the backing" of 32 of 54 GOP sens., would turn over welfare programs to the states in the form of block grants, impose a five-year lifetime limit on benefits, and require

teenage mothers to live at home and attend school to get welfare (Hallow, W. TIMES, 8/7). Conservatives, backed by the Christian Coalition, believe Dole's plan should be "bolder" and include a "family cap" to end the automatic increase in payments to women on welfare who have additional children. Other conservative groups, including the Nat'l Right to Life Cmte and the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, have "warned that such measures could increase abortions" (AP/BOSTON GLOBE, 8/5). Gramm's amendment, which has over 23 supporters, would also seek to bar welfare benefits to unmarried mothers under 18 and to legal immigrants. Gramm, appearing on "Face the Nation": "We can't fool around with marginal changes. We are either going to dramatically change welfare and break this cycle or we are going to end up losing America as we know it." Asked if he could pass his amendments to the Dole bill: "Yes, I think so." Asked if he could get an amendment to deny payments to immigrants: "Senator Dole has made this a big issue, for example, in the Cuban-American community in Miami. Somehow he thinks that giving welfare to immigrants is a good political issue. I think it's a bad public policy." Gramm, asked if he would vote for the Dole bill if his amendments do not pass: "I've got to look at the final bill" (8/6).

MORE BURKE BASHING: Conservatives upset with Dole's plan note that Finance Cmte staff dir. Lindy Paull "is a close friend and ideological ally" of Dole CoS Sheila Burke. Sen. Lauch Faircloth (R-NC), who is a co-sponsor of the Gramm effort: "Packwood and Sheila Burke put together a facade ... to pretend to the American people that we are passing welfare reform and we're not." Senate Maj. Whip Trent Lott, however, called the Dole bill "a formula that is as fair as you can ever get when you're working with all 50 states and trying to accomplish the goals we're trying to reach here" (W. TIMES, 8/7). Heritage Foundation's Robert Rector: "Dole has worked with Packwood to pull this welfare reform bill as far to the left as it could go.

... Packwood's philosophy is essentially the National Organization for Women's position: That the taxpayer has a moral obligation to subsidize illegitimacy, and to refuse to subsidize illegitimacy is to interfere with a woman's reproductive rights. That is the foundation of the Dole welfare bill" (W. TIMES, 8/7).

REAX: CBS' Orr: "While Dole's proposal has more support than rival bills, there are still deep divisions among Republicans about what direction welfare reform should take. ... No plan yet has the votes needed to pass" (8/6). Mark Shields, on the prospects for welfare reform: "There's no question there's going to be welfare reform. ... Clinton will not veto welfare reform. But there is a division between Phil Gramm and Bob Dole" ("M/L," PBS, 8/4). Cokie Roberts: "The confluence of interest is really between Bill Clinton and Bob Dole and Newt Gingrich on this. They want a welfare bill. All three of them want to be able to go home to the people and say, 'We've succeeded. We have reformed welfare.' The person who doesn't want a welfare bill or at least one that looks anything like the one they're talking about is ... Phil Gramm" ("Brinkley," ABC, 8/4). WH Dep. CoS Harold Ickes, asked if Clinton could "live with" Dole's plan:

"'Living with' and 'dealing with' are two different phrases. I think the Dole proposal, as it exists now, he could not, probably could not, live with. ... It does provide a basis for honest discussions about welfare reform. ... but it is certainly not something the President could sign at this point" ("IP Weekend," CNN, 8/5). Pete Wilson, on "Meet the Press," criticized the Dole bill for not having a family cap: "It's unfair when a young working couple that is saving to pay for a baby they can't afford has to pay taxes for an unwed mother's child. ... We shouldn't be subsidizing promiscuity" (NBC, 8/6).

MOYNIHAN: "I wish the administration had not come out to change welfare as we know it. How do you change welfare as you know it, when ... 62% of the children in Los Angeles City, are on welfare?" Moynihan, asked if Clinton should veto the Dole plan: "I think he should. I don't know that he will. He's given real signals that, if there's a maintenance of effort and such like, he'll sign the bill" ("Face the Nation," CBS, 8/6). Moynihan, in a N.Y. TIMES op-ed, warns of the "Devolution Revolution," the handing down of social welfare programs from the federal gov't to the states (8/6). TIME's Kramer, citing a Clinton adviser: "People don't understand that real reform requires spending more, not less, and the President can't have voters think he's soft on welfare reform." Kramer: "So don't expect [Clinton] to march with the poor" (8/14 issue).

*4 BUCHANAN: NH CO-CHAIR QUILTS; SHOWS STRONG AMONG NH GROUP

Ward Scott, one of three NH co-chairs for Pat Buchanan's campaign, resigned, citing family demands. "But asked if he still supported Buchanan," Ward responded, "I don't really think that's relevant. I'm taking a respite from politics." Ward, in a statement: "I wish Mr. and Mrs. Buchanan, Bay Buchanan and the entire Buchanan team Godspeed and success in all future endeavors." Ward had helped not just in NH but also with organizing Buchanan's successful showing at the VA straw poll in June. The remaining two state chairs: State Sen. David Wheeler and '94 House cand. Mike Hammond (Rau, CONCORD MONITOR, 8/5). More: Scott "insisted the break was 'very amicable, and I have nothing but good things to say about the campaign I'm leaving" (Tibbetts, Manchester UNION LEADER, 8/7).

SCORES AT TAXPAYERS PICNIC: Buchanan won a straw poll at the annual picnic of the Granite State Taxpayers Assn. Only Buchanan and Alan Keyes attended. While about 800 members were there, the group, founded by ex-Gov. Meldrim Thomson (R), boasts a membership of 12,000 (Ghioto, BOSTON GLOBE, 8/6). According to Buchanan's campaign, the straw vote was the largest for the GOP since VA straw poll in June, also won by Buchanan. Buchanan was first with 48%, Phil Gramm had 21%, Keyes 10%, etc. (Buchanan release, 8/7). Buchanan "said ... his win means New Hampshire is now a Buchanan-Dole race." But Gramm backers "claimed the ballot box was rigged and the whole affair was nothing but a Pat Buchanan rally" (Manzo, NH SUNDAY NEWS, 8/6).

*5 LUGAR: A SO-SO CANDIDATE, BUT ONE HELLUVA CHATEAU

The ECONOMIST's "Lexington" proclaims the candidates' signs

"say it all": "A staid 'Dole for President' looks like an unexciting statement of the inevitable. The large, conservative type of 'GRAMM' could announce a Texan bank, or stand on a tombstone. White letters on a red background exclaim, 'Lamar!' (Some candidate! Some name!). The stars scattered on the red-white-and-blue 'Buchanan' resemble random bullet holes. By contrast, an elegant row of five yellow stars stands above the name 'LUGAR.' written in white against a soothing deep blue. If presidential candidates can be categorized like hotels," Richard Lugar "has awarded himself a five-star rating. Chateau Lugar, his sign seems to announce, is the top-class joint, demanding your custom. ... Chateau Lugar is nothing if not a serious establishment, one that makes a virtue out of an unwillingness to follow fads and fashions. Unfashionably, for example, foreign policy is served as a main course. Mr. Lugar ... has the quaint notion that national security remains a core job of the presidency. ... Above all, Chateau Lugar offers a pleasant feeling, an inclusiveness that contrasts with some of the more mean-spirited Republican establishments. ... If Chateau Lugar is really so classy, why has it not attracted more attention? One reason is, frankly, dullness. Mr. Lugar is an incurably flat public speaker. He has the goody-goodyness of the Eagle Scout he once was. In an America wary of politicians, his studied earnestness can come across as just another political gimmick. ... It would be tempting to treat his candidacy as a mere frolic, an exercise in vanity, if he did not take it so terribly seriously himself. ... But he is dogged to a fault, he has important things to say, and he can hope against hope that Americans will eventually recognize class when they see it. That five-star rating may be a bit overdone, but compared with the alternatives -- Ye Olde Inn, Hollow Lodge, Meanstreak Motel -- Chateau Lugar has many charms" (8/5-11 issue).

TALES FROM THE TRAIL: INDIANAPOLIS STAR's Schneider profiles Lugar's stops at the Rockland, ME Lobster Festival Parade 8/5 and in Portsmouth, NH 8/6. Lugar spokesperson Mark Helmke notes while Pete Wilson speaks about ending illegal immigration and affirmative action, big issues in CA, Maine "never recovered from the recession. People are not out of work here because of immigration. The message is the economy, it hasn't changed (from the '92 election). We're stealing that issue away from Clinton because he's done nothing" (8/6).

*6 PEROT: GET READY FOR "PANDER-AMA"!

Ross Perot's United We Stand America will hold its "Preparing for the 21st Century" conference this weekend, 8/11-13. All the GOP candidates for pres. will speak to the purported 8,000 UWSA members to attend. Also attending: Jesse Jackson, Speaker Newt Gingrich, Hill Dem leaders Tom Daschle and Dick Gephardt and party chairs Haley Barbour, Chris Dodd and Don Fowler. Pres. Clinton is sending adviser Mack McLarty as his personal emissary. TIME's Birnbaum writes the event will be "an unprecedented three-day pander-ama." Bob Dole, Phil Gramm and Lamar Alexander "proudly count themselves as cellphone mates" of Perot. The GOP candidates "are more than willing to risk the

appearance of sycophancy for the opportunity to impress Perot right out of the race." Still, Gramm strategist Charlie Black "grumbles": "We're being used as props." As for Clinton, "Why should he try to placate the man? Clinton's best chance for re-election is for Perot to say mad enough at him and his policies to run." But "while showing some calculated disrespect for Perot might be good for Clinton's ambitions, it probably is not so healthy for his party." Unlike the GOP, Dems "are not well positioned to bring Perot followers into their camp." The Dems' "secret weapon," of course, is the GOP, and their drive to reduce enviro, health and safety regulations and cut Medicare deeper than the Dems. Dem pollster Mark Mellman: "Independents are more likely to vote against somebody than for somebody; the question is, who are they going to vote against?" (8/14 issue). U.S. NEWS' Walsh writes, as a force, UWSA's influence "is spotty." Although quite visible in CA, IL, NJ and PA, "in most states, the group appears to have little impact. That lack of organized activism, however, does not diminish the strength of Perot's 1992 supporters as a voting bloc," particularly on some surefire '96 issues as immigration (8/14 issue). RNC Chair Haley Barbour: "I don't think there will be any market for an independent candidate like there was in 1992 -- certainly not Ross Perot. Ross Perot was a symptom. Politics abhors a vacuum" (8/6). Inst. for Policy Studies' Robert Borosage: "Going down and pandering to Ross Perot does not strike me as a presidential posture" ("FOX Morning News," 8/7).

IN HIS OWN WORDS: Perot, on running for pres.: "As lucky as I've been, if anybody ought to do this, I ought to do it, I will do it. ... I want the problems solved. [But] selfishly, nothing would please me more than to just go back to work. ... I promise to go away when they pass real laws on these issues, not sham, whitewash, tricky stuff" (U.S. NEWS, 8/14 issue). Perot appeared on "Evans & Novak" and reiterated his desire to see the two-party system work than to form a third party (CNN, 8/5). TIME's Birnbaum: "The Republicans cannot imagine anything better than Perot going away. Bill Clinton cannot imagine anything worse." But Perot "no longer appears hell-bent" on running for pres. Perot: "Did you ever hear of anyone who has a [personal] political agenda renting a big arena, attracting a crowd from all over the country and letting what would be his opponents speak? No! Surely that makes a point" (8/14 issue).

SAY SOMETHING NICE: Speaker Newt Gingrich, on Perot: "He's been enormously helpful to us in the fight for a balanced budget where he's been a real champion of what we're trying to do. ... And he is sincere in his desire to reform Washington, and I would say on eight things out of ten we're in agreement." Gingrich, asked if Perot will run: "He knows the mathematics: in a two-way race, Bill Clinton almost certainly loses; in a three-way race Bill Clinton has a real chance to survive" ("Today," NBC, 8/7).

*7 POWELL: TEASES AUDIENCE WITH HINTS OF PRESIDENTIAL DESIRE

At the Insight '95 gathering, a lineup of "global leaders," at the San Diego Convention Center -- where the GOP convention will be held 8/96 -- Colin Powell "dropped several hints that are

likely to keep current presidential contenders on edge." Powell: "There are one or two titles that are better than 'chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.'" Powell, citing George Bush's '92 defeat despite his favorable ratings after the Gulf War and the GOP's '94 sweep in Congress: "The American people are doing some political channel surfing." He also "said his memoirs, 'My American Journey,' due out in September, will 'deal with political issues -- will he or won't he?'" But he "dodged" questions about his views on affirmative action, saying he doesn't want to get involved in "California politics." The appearance "underscored the general's unusual popularity." Also at the conference were Henry Kissinger, Carl Sagan and Mario Cuomo. Powell's memoirs will be excerpted in an upcoming issue of Time Magazine, and he will also be the subject of a television special (Billingsley, W. TIMES, 8/5).

*8 FIELD NOTES: ALEXANDER PLANS "BREAKTHROUGH" IN NH

Alexander NH chair Tom Rath, on Bob Dole's lead in NH: "It's an enormous Dole juggernaut and all we can do is swim in its wake. ... You don't have to win the election every day, you just have to win it one day." Rath, asked to pick a winner in NH: "The roadways of New Hampshire are littered with the bodies of political pundits who tried to pick the winner of this primary this far out. I will tell you this. We are planning the breakthrough strategy in this race, and we are going to breakthrough in New Hampshire, however that gets defined" ("Inside Politics," CNN, 8/5).

FORBES: W. POST's Taylor profiles billionaire Steve Forbes, who if he runs, would be driven by "a sense of mission and a moment of historic opportunity. Forbes views the tax-cutting governorship of his "life-long friend," NJ Gov. Christie Whitman, as his model for the nation. Forbes drafted Whitman's then-campaign proposal to cut NJ's income tax by 30%. Forbes has hired pollster John McLaughlin; his campaign would be run by Empower America pres. William Dal Col. Associates say Forbes is "prepared to spend" \$10 million of his own money to win the GOP nomination; Perot reportedly spent \$60 million in '92 in his general election bid (8/7).

FLETCHER: U.S. Commission on Civil Rights' Arthur Fletcher, asked about the fact that he seconded the nomination of Bob Dole for VP in '76: "I did not rubber stamp everything that Bob thinks about or what he would like to do or thinks good for the country when I seconded his nomination. I thought he'd make a good vice-president then, and I think there's a possibility, if I don't win the nomination, he'd make a good president. I'd put him on my ticket as vice" ("Sunday Journal," C-SPAN, 8/6).

*9 CLINTON: SHOULD HE SIGN UP KEVIN PHILLIPS, TOO?

Political theorist Kevin Phillips, a former GOP strategist, writes the GOP has squandered much of its political gains of '94: "No opposition Congress and House leadership ... has lost so much credibility so quickly. ... Late 1994's radical (as in 'bold') agenda is becoming late 1995's radical (as in 'crazy') agenda.

More and more of what the House sets in motion is starting to look to mainstream voters like a right-wing caricature. Gingrich's written pledge to NRA to block gun control legislation is of a piece with Contract ingredients such as the House bill to gut federal regulation of business; the recent House appropriations rider to block money for key aspects of environmental protection; and the radical budget package that slashes \$270 billion of future Medicare funding to facilitate \$250 billion of tax cuts tilted to the upper-brackets while leaving virtually every current corporate and financial tax-break in place. ... This legislative record is the equivalent of a Goodyear blimp floating over an anti-aircraft battery. ... What we have seen in the last six months, more in the House but also in the Senate, is a spurning of the public's priorities -- law and order, clean air and water, deficit-reduction that protects Medicare and makes corporations and millionaires pay more ... -- in order to gratify the very different desires of upper-bracket lobbies and special interests" (8/6).

GREENBERG MEMO: WH Dep. CoS Harold Ickes, asked about the internal memo from pollster Stan Greenberg that stated Clinton is "fundamentally mispositioned" for '96: "It is strong stuff. Stan is one of several pollsters, as you know. He has been advising the President for a number of years and will continue to do so. I don't think that, if you read the report in totality ... that that report says anything that has not been said by many, many public polls" ("IP Weekend," CNN, 8/5).

"STRIKEOUT KING": A N.Y. POST study concludes Clinton's legislative record with Congress "is the worst for president in over 40 years" (8/7).

REALLY EARLY ANNOUNCEMENT DATE? Ickes, asked when Clinton will formally enter the race: "I don't know. That will probably be sometime in September or October. We haven't pinned down a date. ... It may even be later" ("IP Weekend," CNN, 8/5).

MORRIS SIGNS WITH ANOTHER ARKANSAN? Arkansas LG Mike Huckabee (R), who is plotting a bid for the open Senate seat, said that Clinton consultant Dick Morris has agreed to be "one of my consultants." But Morris said that no relationship had been "formalized." Huckabee might not be a candidate, however. If indicted AR Gov. Jim Guy Tucker (D) is convicted of his "Whitewater-related" charges, Huckabee would become gov. and has said he would not seek the Senate seat (Broder, W. POST, 8/6).

LOBBY REFORM: Clinton announced he would not wait for the Congress and said he will curb lobbying on the executive branch by executive order. CNN's Blitzer: "Clinton is continuing his new political strategy of trying to show he can get things done without Congress. ... The President also has one eye on Ross Perot's convention" (8/5). CBS' Schieffer: "Since he's heard nothing from Gingrich since [their NH handshake], the President said he'll instead ask Attorney General Reno to draw up a new list of guidelines for dealing with lobbyists" (8/4). CNN's Dobbs: "Clinton ... trying to seize the high ground on the issue of lobbying reform" ("Moneyline," CNN, 8/4). Gingrich: "I wish the President would spend less time campaigning and more time telling us what's his plan on Medicare. We're going to get to

campaign reform, but we have a September deadline to get Medicare fixed." Clinton: "It takes no energy at all. He doesn't have to do anything in the Congress right now. All he has to do is to do what he said he'd do when he shook hands with me" ("Inside Politics," 8/4).

===== NATIONAL BRIEFING =====

***10 WHITEWATER: "STORMIEST" WEATHER FOR THE WH IN THE FORECAST**

Whitewater hearings resume today in the Senate and begin in the House, in a week that "could bring the stormiest Whitewater weather the Clinton administration has encountered so far." The most celebrated witness this week will be ex-WH counsel Bernard Nussbaum, the "key" figure in the events that followed the 7/93 suicide of dep. WH counsel Vincent Foster and who will "likely be roughed up" by cmte GOPers. Testimony last week established that Nussbaum "kept officials at arm's length" in the aftermath of Foster's death, but there is yet to be established any motive -- "whether, as Mr. Nussbaum says, he was merely acting as an aggressive lawyer with little public relations know-how or, as some Republicans believe, he was trying to hide Whitewater or other documents that might be damaging to the Clintons" (Baer, Balto. SUN, 8/7). The Senate cmte, headed by Sen. Al D'Amato (R-NY), will also hear this week from atty/WH adviser Susan Thomases, "who purportedly told Mr. Nussbaum that first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton was concerned about 'unfettered access' to the papers by police." Today the cmte will hear from Clinton counselor Mack McLarty, ex-WH senior adviser David Gergen, ex-WH dep. asst. C. William Burton and VP Gore CoS Jack Quinn, all of whom "participated in various conversations" about a 7/22/93 review of Foster's records by Nussbaum, during which federal investigators, "in the midst of a death investigation, were not allowed to see any of the papers" (Seper, W. TIMES, 8/7).

HOUSE: The House panel, chaired by Rep. Jim Leach (R-IA), will focus on the failure of Madison Guaranty, a Little Rock S&L, and whether Clinton admin. officials "improperly interfered with a Resolution Trust Corp. [RTC] investigation of Madison." At the same time, Whitewater ind. counsel Kenneth Starr is looking into accusations that "money from Madison was illegally diverted to the Whitewater project and that other funds from the thrift were routed improperly to powerful Arkansas politicians," including then-Gov. Clinton (Seper, W. TIMES, 8/7). For their part, Dem members of the House Banking Cmte said that Leach has lined up testimony that will "deliver only one side of the complicated" Whitewater story. Ranking cmte member/ex-chair Henry Gonzalez (D-TX): "The only witnesses who will be called are those who support Republican claims" (Kiely, DEM-GAZETTE, 8/5). And the "Back to Business" cmte notes that Leach "and the rest of the Republicans" on House Banking "will once again waste taxpayer funds in their partisan pursuit to hurt the President" (release, 8/4). Leach: "What we've had is a long train of blocking the information flow. What this is going to be is the unblocking of information" (W. POST, 8/7).

HRC: Meanwhile, released WH documents in anticipation of this week's hearings show that "Hillary Rodham Clinton may have

played a bigger role in legal representation of Madison Guaranty ... than she has said." The papers show that HRC "received \$7,583 in legal fees in the mid-1980's" from Madison. HRC has claimed she played a "minor role" in the Rose Law Firm's representation of the S&L, which failed at a cost of \$65M to taxpayers. The documents, however, indicate that she "collected more than 40 percent of the fees Madison paid to the firm between 1985 and 1987." HRC said in a statement that she was not "in charge" of Rose's work for Madison, but that she was the "billing partner." The RTC -- which hired the Rose firm to investigate the fiscal demise of Madison -- accused the firm of "failing to disclose conflicts of interest" regarding its work with Madison (Kiely, AR DEMOCRAT GAZETTE, 8/5). HRC also indicated that Madison was brought in as a Rose client by first-year atty Richard Massey and that he did the bulk of the work for the thrift. Massey said in a '92 interview that he "did not know how or why the firm was put on retainer by Madison." Earlier testimony by ex-Assoc. AG Webb Hubbell indicated that both Massey and HRC had recruited Madison as a client. Regarding questions as to whether Madison owner/Clinton Whitewater partner James McDougal improperly paid off Whitewater loans that should have been the Clintons' responsibility, the statement says, "We were passive investors and relied upon the McDougals to operate it" (Engelberg, N.Y. TIMES, 8/5). Hubbell, by the way, begins today a 21-month prison sentence for mail fraud and income-tax evasion. He plead guilty to charges brought by Starr that he "bilked the Rose Law Firm and his clients out of \$482,410 and failed to pay federal taxes totaling \$143,747" (Seper, W. TIMES, 8/7).

TAXING DILEMMA: The released WH documents also bring new scrutiny to claims made by the Clintons during the '92 campaign that deductions made on their taxes in '84 and '85 for loan interest payments actually made by the Whitewater Corp. were a "simple error." The new documents suggest that the Clintons "should have known what they were doing at the time" and that they "were clearly advised that Whitewater had made the payments." HRC wrote to McDougal in 10/84 to ask that the real estate company make the annual payment on a loan taken out from the Security Bank of Paragould. The loan, taken out in Mrs. Clinton's name with the understanding that the corporation would make the payments, was used to build a model on one of the Whitewater lots. Responding to HRC's request, McDougal sent a Whitewater check to cover the interest and make a \$2,000 principle reduction. The Clintons "nonetheless deducted the interest portion -- \$2,811 -- from their personal taxes the next spring." It wasn't until late '93 when the Clintons sent a check to the Treasury to reimburse the deductions taken in '84 and '85 with interest (AP/ Balto. SUN, 8/6).

YOU WANT MORE? N.Y. POST header: "Did Foster kill himself in White House parking lot?" (8/7).

ON THE TUBE: TIME's Karen Tumulty: "While the Waco hearings have not gone the way the Republicans had hoped they would, the Whitewater hearings have, in fact, scored at least a few flesh wounds on the President" ("Sunday Journal," C-SPAN, 8/6). W. POST's Juan Williams: "Mrs. Clinton needs to come forward.

Maggie Williams ... has just taken a beating. ... Mrs. Clinton needs to remember that these people may work for her, but they're not paid to take a beating like this. It would be a stand-up thing to do" ("Capital Gang Sunday," CNN, 8/6).

*11 ABORTION: SENATE LIMITS COVERAGE FOR FEDERAL WORKERS

The Senate on 8/5 joined the House in "rolling back abortion rights" granted by Pres. Clinton, voting 50-44 to deny insurance coverage of abortion services to federal employees except in cases of rape/incest/life-of-the-mother. "Tempers flared" in six hours of debate over the measure, which was attached to a \$25B appropriations bill that finances the Treasury Dept., Postal Service and other executive offices. Earlier in the day, the Senate voted 52-41 to reject an amendment that would have banned abortion coverage under the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program (FEHBP) except to save the life of the mother. But the amendment was softened to allow exceptions for rape and incest victims (Hosler, Balto. SUN, 8/6). Three Dems and five GOPers switched their votes after the exception for rape and incest was added to the bill (Gray, N.Y. TIMES, 8/6). Both versions of the amendment were offered by Sen. Don Nickles (R-OK). Nickles: "I don't want taxpayers to have to subsidize abortion as a fringe benefit. This is not an issue about a woman's right to choose. This is about taxpayer dollars being used to destroy an innocent human life." In '84, a ban on abortion coverage under FEHBP was imposed, but Pres. Clinton lifted it by exec. order in '93 (SUN, 8/6).

ASSESSMENT: SUN's Hosler notes that the vote "made clear that the chamber is not going to block entirely the wholesale dismantling of abortion rights that many in the House Republican majority are seeking" (8/6). W. POST's Havemann writes the vote "showed the renewed power of anti-abortion forces in the Republican-controlled Congress" (8/6). N.Y. TIMES' Gray: "The vote dealt a heavy blow to moderate-to-liberal groups and politicians who had hoped that the Senate would provide a bulwark against a wave of conservative-driven changes in social policy contained in spending bills" (8/6). CBS' Attkisson: "Even though it only affects federal workers, the net result is clear. Both houses of Congress have now signaled the President they have the votes to start limiting access to abortion" (8/5). TIME's Karen Tumulty writes the vote "comes during the same week that the Senate voted not to hold open hearings on charges of sexual misconduct against Senator Packwood. So, I think, for a lot of the women's groups, this does send a pretty scary couple of messages" ("Sunday Journal," C-SPAN, 8/6).

PROSPECTS: The pres. may decide to veto the bill, "but it is not clear whether Mr. Clinton will be able to sustain his position in the final negotiations with Congress over the federal budget because there will be so many controversial issues also in play" (SUN, 8/6). The Senate version is less restrictive than the language adopted by the House in 7/95, which would allow abortion coverage only to save the life of the mother.

HOUSE: GOPers "completed Phase II of the Republican revolution" before leaving for their August recess on 8/4,

"having survived sharp philosophical differences to complete work on a vast reordering of federal spending," including a Labor, Education and Health and Human Services appropriations bill that allows states to deny Medicaid funds to poor women seeking abortions in cases of rape and incest (SUN, 8/5). Speaker Newt Gingrich said the appropriations bill is a "sign that this is a more conservative Congress, and that there are some underlying changes going on at a philosophical level of how you try to do things in this country. I think that the bill represents a stronger concern about abortion than had been the tradition in the House" (N.Y. TIMES, 8/5). Gingrich, with Senate Maj. Leader Bob Dole at his side, "fired another salvo" at the Dems: "If I have one disappointment this summer it has been the sort of unending left-wing rhetoric, and sort of negative partisanship. We've seen a sort of Bonior-dominated, left-wing faction in the House that has been ... unendingly uncooperative." Dems "struck back in kind." House Min. Whip David Bonior: "We've heard a lot of talk about revolution in the past eight months. If Newt Gingrich says the Republicans are revolting, who are we to disagree" (N.Y. TIMES, 8/5). He added, "The Republicans began this session promising to make history -- and they certainly have. This is the most hardhearted, shortsighted, suck-up-to-the-rich-and-soak-the-middle-class Congress in history" (SUN, 8/5). W. POST's Morgan: "With such attention to detail, and with appeals to the party loyalty of a raft of GOP factions that threatened to sink the huge bill, the House leadership achieved one of its most significant victories since taking power" (8/5).

*12 PACKWOOD: CONDEMNED BY WOMEN'S CAUCUS

The National Women's Political Caucus voted "overwhelmingly" 8/5 that Sen. Bob Packwood (R-OR) should be "kicked out of the Senate" if he sexually harassed women. "Most" of the delegates voted yes on the questions of whether the Senate "erred" in closing the hearings into the charges and that he should face "the toughest punishment possible." In addition, they passed a resolution urging women to contact their senators to "voice their objection" to closed hearings and "raise their concern that the charges aren't being taken seriously." Leader of the OR delegation Barbara Turner: "Men have been covering up for other men since time began, and men have been stifling women's voices since time began." Only two women "spoke against" the resolution, calling sexual misconduct "common in Washington and in the rest of the country." One of those, Marilyn Schultz, who went to high school with Packwood, "said it was a politically motivated controversy making Packwood the scapegoat for all men who ever acted boorishly before the Clarence Thomas-Anita Hill hearings in 1991 sensitized people" (Miller, PHILA. INQUIRER, 8/6). Packwood OR comm. dir. Matt Evans reaffirmed 8/4 that Packwood has "absolutely no intention of resigning": "It would take a full vote of the Senate to expel him and there has been no serious talk of this" (Nolan, BOSTON GLOBE, 8/5). Cokie Roberts: "I just got a good source that does say that Packwood is likely to resign and maybe before the recess. The charges are not pretty, and the Senate doesn't want to go through the exercise of

having to have this whole debate." ABC's Cochran: "I don't think Bob Packwood will fold his cards until a decision has been made by the Ethics Committee" ("Brinkley," ABC, 8/6). Fred Barnes and Eleanor Clift predict the Senate will censure Packwood and strip him of his Finance Cmte chairmanship. Jack Germond, Clarence Page, and John McLaughlin predict Packwood will be censured but keep his chairmanship ("McLaughlin Group," 8/5).

MORE SENATE VOTE FALLOUT: Nina Totenberg: "There should have been public hearings, but not on the sex stuff. ... It's just too icky" ("Inside Washington," 8/5). TIME's Elaine Shannon: "Let's face it, Congressional Ethics Committee is an oxymoron" ("To The Contrary," PBS, 8/5). Jack Germond: "Republicans in the Senate have been on the moon for the last five years." Eleanor Clift: "Packwood doesn't really contest the charges, so don't have public hearings. But 31 months and there's no penalty. That's what's undermining the Senate" ("McLaughlin Group," 8/5). TIME lists Sen. Barbara Boxer (D-CA), who unsuccessfully pushed for public hearings in the Senate, as one of the week's "Losers": "Senator loses battle to air Bob Packwood's laundry in public" (8/14 issue).

*13 WOMEN'S VOTE: AFTER 75 YEARS, IT'S GENDER GAP CITY

U.S. NEWS' Borger analyzes the women's vote -- with accompanying poll (see #22) -- in the 75 years since it was allowed. In 1920, when women gained the franchise, "the betting was that men still would pull the levers. ... By 1964, women were voting more often than men. By 1980, they were voting more often for Democrats." According to the poll, the gender gap over the role of gov't is "large": 53% of men see gov't as the problem; only 43% of women do. But the gap becomes a "gorge" when considering leaders: half of men approve of Speaker Newt Gingrich; 35% of women do. Pres. Clinton is almost the exact opposite. "If last year's election reflected frustrations of angry white men, next year's could turn on the anxieties of their wives. ... Polls show that more than half of those who voted in 1992 but stayed home in 1994 were women ... [which was] very bad news: for Dems. Dem pollster Celinda Lake "says that the [Dems] could have kept control of Congress had its women been as 'excited' about their party as men were about the GOP" (8/14 issue).

NWPC: At the Nat'l Women's Political Caucus convention in Nashville, Anita Perez Ferguson, twice a Dem nominee for Congress from CA, became the new president, succeeding Harriett Woods.

*14 COVER TO COVER

BUSINESS WEEK -- Photo: Michael Eisner. "Disney's Kingdom: Can Michael Eisner Dominate the New Entertainment Economy?" (8/14).

ECONOMIST -- Graphic: Silhouette of pied piper, followed by four mice atop the "Hollywood" sign: "Walt Disney and the piper's tune" (8/5-11).

NEWSWEEK -- Photo: JFK Jr. "Coming of Age: At 34, JFK, Jr. is Finally Trying to Make His Mark" (8/14).

TIME -- Photo: Anglerfish. "Mysteries of the Deep:

Scientists are Set to Conquer the Last Frontier: the Ocean Floor"
(8/14).

U.S. NEWS -- Graphic: Mickey Mouse with an ABC emblem for
his nose. "Mighty Mouse: Turning America into Disney's World"
(8/14).

===== SENATE WATCH =====

***15 WELFARE: NRSC LAUNCHES RADIO ADS IN FIVE STATES**

The NRSC, chaired by Sen. Al D'Amato (R-NY), will begin airing 60-sec radio ads over the next week in the home states of "liberal" Dem Sens. Tom Harkin (IA), Paul Wellstone (MN), Bill Bradley (NJ), Carl Levin (MI), and Jay Rockefeller (WV), all up in '96. D'Amato: "The purpose of these radio ads is to encourage liberal Senators to join the Republican Party's effort to pass genuine workfare provisions. We hope citizens will contact their Senator's office in an effort to help change their Senator's past opposition to workfare." Excerpt from the ad: "Welfare just doesn't work. It even hurts the very people it's supposed to help. After thirty years of failed liberal welfare policies, it's time for a change. The Republicans in the Senate have a plan to let states replace welfare with workfare. It's fair. It's simple. It makes sense. Workfare, not welfare. If you can work, you must work or no check. But Liberal Senator [home state Sen.] has voted against workfare time after time. That's incredible. ... Taxpayers deserve better" (release, 8/6).

***16 LOUISIANA: TAUZIN SWITCHES TO THE GOP; SENATE BID NEXT?**

Rep. Billy Tauzin (03) "declared himself a Republican" on 8/6, the fifth member of Congress -- and the third in the House -- to "abandon" the Democratic Party since the GOP took control of Congress last November. Tauzin "said he gave the Democratic Party a chance to become more centrist but it remained too liberal for his own political philosophy." Tauzin: "My decision today is philosophically driven, not politically driven. It's about ideas. We cannot afford to keep doing business as usual if we are going to get American back on track." The party-switch was "no surprise. His conservative district and his own leanings had fueled speculation about the move for months" (UPI/W. TIMES, 8/7). Tauzin had resigned 8/4 from The Coalition, the group of conservative Dem House members, a clear sign that a party switch was imminent. He is now expected to run for the Senate seat that is being vacated next year by J. Bennett Johnston (D). Still, Tauzin spokesperson Ken Johnson said, "This decision will have no bearing on whether he decides to make the Senate race." Another conservative Dem who quit The Coalition -- Rep. Mike Parker (MS 04) -- said he "plans no decisions regarding party affiliation until the House returns next month" (Kahn, ROLL CALL, 8/7 issue). Other Dem-to-GOP switches this year: Rep. Greg Laughlin (TX 14), 6/26; Rep. Nathan Deal (GA 09), 4/10; and Sen. Ben Nighthorse Campbell (CO), 3/3. Also, Sen. Richard Shelby (AL) switched the day after the '94 election.

CAUTION: Inst. for Policy Studies' Robert Borosage: "This Congress has lost popularity at record pace since last November.

These guys are joining a ship that may well be sinking" ("FOX Morning News," 8/7).

***17 MASSACHUSETTS: NEW WELD INTEREST IN SENATE RACE CITED**

BOSTON HERALD header: "Gov eyes run against Kerry: Tells strategists of Senate interest" (8/4). BOSTON GLOBE header: "Weld steering an unlikely course on a possible challenge to Kerry" (8/6). Both Boston papers report that Gov. William Weld (R) met with NRSC exec. dir. John Heubusch and pol. dir. Joanne Barnhardt recently, but HERALD's Sciacca notes Weld "informed [them] that he is still interested in a possible run" against Sen. John Kerry (D). Heubusch: "My impression is that he has not ruled it out, which pleases us very much. ... He would be a perfect candidate. The only thing it would take for him to win is to run." Weld aides, who had "downplayed" speculation about a Weld bid, "renewed" that speculation, as CA Gov. Pete Wilson's WH bid "lags" and "pressure mounts" from state GOP leaders to recruit a Kerry challenger (8/4). But GLOBE's "Political Capital" says the speculation, "treated as big news in some quarters earlier this week, seems pretty darned implausible to those who pay more attention to facts than spin." A "source close to Weld," on the meeting with NRSC, which is "nervous about not yet fielding a challenger": "There was no news there. He's always said he hasn't closed the door on it. ... No one could have taken that meeting and figure it means he's leaning toward running." "Political Capital" also reports during the meeting, Weld "steered" the NRSC to his economic affairs sec. Gloria Larson, "who has been touted as a possible candidate." But Larson said she "isn't interested," citing Kerry's \$2M war chest and marriage to Heinz ketchup heir Teresa Heinz (8/6).

TOUGH RACE: The NRSC has "tagged" Kerry as one of their top five Dem targets for '96 and "vowed" to deliver \$700,000 to the GOP challenger. But Kerry is financially "well-poised for a tough race." MA GOP chair James Rappaport, Kerry's opponent in '90, announced he would "monitor Kerry's spending to ensure" that Heinz "does not use her personal fortune to infuse his campaign": "If she contributes more than the \$2,000 maximum allowed, we'll be seeking charges against both of them." Weld has about \$400,000 in his state campaign account, but that money cannot be transferred to a Senate race. Still, Weld consultant Ray Howell "dismissed the cash gap," saying Weld could raise funds "quickly": "He has never closed the door (on a Senate bid)" (Sciacca, BOSTON HERALD, 8/4). Other possible GOP candidates: Rappaport, '94 nominee Mitt Romney, ex-radio talk show host/'94 primary cand. Janet Jeghelian and Suffolk Co. DA Ralph Martin.

***18 NEW JERSEY: D'AMATO SAYS NRSC WILL TARGET BRADLEY**

NRSC chair Al D'Amato (R-NY) called Sen. Bill Bradley (D-NJ) "out of step with the electorate and politically vulnerable" 8/3 as he announced that he would make Bradley's defeat next fall "a top priority" of Senate GOPers. He said the NRSC will contribute the maximum \$710,000 to Bradley's opponent. The announcement is

"unusual because it come long before the calendar turns to the 1996 election season." But D'Amato declared that Bradley's "weak showing in 1990 and his lack of preparation for a tough and challenging 1996 campaign make him more vulnerable than ever to defeat." He accused Bradley of "swimming against the tide of economic change that finally puts taxpayers first" and predicted that Bradley's "long liberal record of supporting higher taxes on New Jerseyans and bigger government in Washington" will be "major" campaign issues. Bradley responded to the charges through spokesperson Victoria Streitfeld: "D'Amato is just trying to extend his political empire from New York to New Jersey. New Jerseyans are fully capable of making their own decisions of who they want their elected officials to be. They don't need to be dictated to by Al D'Amato" (Cohen/Wald, Newark STAR-LEDGER, 8/4).

MORE: The NRSC statement was "careful" to say its contribution would go to the eventual GOP nominee, but D'Amato did cite Rep. Dick Zimmer (R-12) as an "example of an 'excellent' candidate who could defeat Bradley." Zimmer, who has the backing of NJ Gov. Christie Whitman, has a war chest of \$1.1M for the race, raising more than any other challenger in the country (see HOTLINE, 8/3). Bradley has raised \$1.7M since '94 for the race, but currently has only about \$600,000 on hand. GOPers maintain that Bradley's lack of "substantial" fundraising is an "indication" that he might not seek reelection. But since 12/94, Bradley has "repeatedly insisted" that he does not need to raise the \$13M he did in '90 and "expressed confidence" that he can raise \$6-7M for the race. On "Imus in the Morning" 8/3, Bradley "reiterated" that he is a candidate and that "people remain skeptical only because 'I'm just doing things differently this time.'" He has not yet assembled a campaign staff, although he did announce he has hired a campaign consultant, and despite GOP attempts to "engage [him] early in the campaign," he "has been more inclined to ignore the political forays and devote his attention" to Senate business (STAR-LEDGER, 8/4). Other announced GOP candidate: Passaic Co. Freeholder Richard DuHaime. If Bradley retires: Reps. Bob Torricelli (D-05) & Rob Andrews (D-01).

*19 NEW MEXICO: NOVAK FORESEES A RICHARDSON-DOMENICI RACE

Bob Novak writes that Rep. Bill Richardson (D-03), "fresh from his freelance diplomatic triumph in Iraq, is seriously considering" challenging the "powerful" Senate Budget Cmte chair Pete Domenici (R) next fall. Domenici is "considered one of the least vulnerable" GOPers up in '96, but NM GOP leaders "fear that Richardson is the one challenger who might be able to harness the state's big Democratic voting majority against Domenici. The question is whether Richardson would sacrifice his safe House seat for the risky Senate race" (N.Y. POST, 8/5).

===== ON THE HOUSE =====

*20 IL 02: HEARD WILL TESTIFY IN REYNOLDS CASE TODAY

Jailed recanted accuser Beverly Heard will take the stand today and testify in the sexual misconduct trial of Rep. Mel

Reynolds (D). Heard has been in jail since 7/26 for refusing to testify in the case. On 8/3, following stern threats of jail time by Judge Fred Suria Jr., prosecutors offered Heard immunity for anything she says on the stand, even if she contradicts testimony she made in front of a grand jury that she had sex with Reynolds. CHICAGO TRIBUNE's Possley & Kendall report that prosecutors think the answer to Heard's lengthy hold out "is that late last year Heard, hoping to open a beauty salon and build a new life with her then-roommate and lover, agreed to accept a \$100,000 bribe offered by Reynolds in return for her recanting her claim that she and the congressman had sex when she was 16." Today, in what will be "one of the most significant days of the trial," prosecutors hope to "solve the mystery of Heard's recalcitrance and disprove any possible denial that she had sex with Reynolds." Regardless of what she says, Heard's decision to testify "is a major breakthrough for the prosecution. It opens the door to a wide range of additional documentary and testimonial evidence." Whether Heard says she had sex with Reynolds or stands by her recantation, "her words will set off a flurry of legal maneuvering" with both the prosecution and the defense armed with both her grand jury testimony and her sworn recantation to either "buttress or impeach what she says." With today's testimony, Heard will "begin what will no doubt amount to two or more days on the stand, under attack from whichever side her testimony falls against" (8/6). On 8/4, the testimony featured ex-Heard roommate/lover Karren Lawson who said that Heard "repeatedly said she wanted Reynolds to be arrested." Her testimony was "immediately seized upon" by defense attys who suggested that Heard's original sex charges were made "to exact revenge on the congressman." The cross-examination of Lawson lasted more than two hours resulting in the delay of Heard's testimony until today (TRIBUNE, 8/5).

***21 OH 14: GOP HIGH ON GEORGE**

Ex-U.S. Atty Joyce George's (R) challenge to Rep. Tom Sawyer (D-14) -- who won a fifth term in '94 with 52% of the vote -- is "looking more likely by the day." George met recently with Speaker Newt Gingrich, Rep. Ralph Regula (R-16) and OH GOP chair Bob Bennett, and while no announcements were made, sources from both parties said George "will almost certainly" run. Bennett, comparing George to '94 GOP nominee Lynn Slaby: "Joyce George will run and she will win. The difference is, Joyce George knows how to raise money." Unseating Sawyer, who has not lost an election since '76 when he ran for the OH House and is an "extremely well-organized campaigner, won't be easy." But "with money and hard campaigning, she could give Sawyer fits next year" (Hoffman, AKRON BEACON JOURNAL, 8/4).

===== POLL UPDATE =====

***22 U.S. NEWS: THE GENDER GAP IS ALIVE AND WELL**

1,000 registered voters (plus an oversample of 45 African-Americans voters) surveyed 7/25-27 by Ed Goeas (R) and Celinda Lake (D); margin of error +/- 2.9% (release, 8/4).

	BILL CLINTON	HILLARY CLINTON	NEWT GINGRICH	
JOB RATINGS	ALL MEN	WOM	ALL MEN	WOM
Approve	47%	39%	54%	56%
Disapprove	46	54	37	34
	41	27	43	38
			47	

TODAY IN THE U.S.	ALL MEN	WOM
Very/Pretty good times	49%	52%
Not such/Not at all good times	48	45
	49	

WOMEN TODAY ...	ALL MEN	WOM
Do not necessarily have more choices now,	50%	46%
b/c these days more women have to work,		54%
whether they want to or not		
Are better off than before b/c they have	43	46
more job options and have a real choice of	41	
whether they want to work outside the home		

SOME PEOPLE SAY THAT GOVERNMENT ...	ALL MEN	WOM
Is the problem, not the solution to our problems	47%	53%
Can help people, and needs to work for	43	37
average working families	48	

REPUBLICANS IN CONGRESS ...	ALL MEN	WOM
Have gone too far in cutting social programs,	49%	42%
and may end up hurting more people than help		56%
Have not gone far enough in reforming gov't	35	44
programs to save the taxpayers' money	27	

I USUALLY VOTE THE SAME AS MY SPOUSE/PARTNER	ALL MEN	WOM
Agree	27%	34%
Disagree	64	55
	72	

===== TV MONITOR =====

*23 THIS MORNING: NBC's "Today" hosted Speaker Newt Gingrich. "CBS This Morning" hosted NARAL pres. Kate Michelman and Sen. Don Nickles (R-OK). "FOX Morning News" hosted Reps. Connie Morella (R-MD) & Al Wynn (D-MD), Sen. Charles Grassley (R-IA), new AFL-CIO Sec-Treas. Barbara Easterling, TIME's Jeffrey Birnbaum, Inst. for Policy Studies' Robert Borosage and GOPAC's Peter Roff.

TONIGHT: CNBC's "Russert" hosts AP's John King. "CBS Evening News" interviews Webb Hubbell.

PLAY OF THE WEEK: CNN's Schneider, on the testimony of ex-Dop. AG Philip Heymann at the Whitewater hearings: "A bombshell went off that did enormous damage to the White House and bolstered the credibility of its critics. ... Heymann's testimony blew the White House story wide open. It gave the Republicans cover" ("Inside Politics," 8/4).

OUTRAGES: Al Hunt, on MS Gov. Kirk Fordice's (R) refusal to apologize for the murder of 3 civil rights workers 30 years ago: "He even claimed [MS] has the best race relations in America -- no way with a race-baiting buffoon as governor." Margaret Carlson, on Gingrich's letter to the NRA: "Republicans received

millions from the NRA last year. The NRA is getting its money's worth, but the public is being robbed" ("Gang," CNN, 8/5).

LAUGHS: David Letterman, on new developments in the Whitewater hearings: "Apparently, eight years ago in Little Rock, Hillary Clinton knocked off a 7-Eleven" ("Late Show," CBS, 8/4). Mark Russell, on the punishments being debated for Packwood: "They've discussed everything from expulsion to a weekend with Barbara Boxer" ("Inside Politics Weekend," CNN, 8/5).

TOP TEN WAYS THE U.S. WOULD BE DIFFERENT IF IT WERE OWNED BY DISNEY

10. Defense Department spends billions on "Flubber missile."
9. Convicted killers must listen to "It's A Small World" for the rest of their lives.
8. Presidents on Mt. Rushmore rigged up to sing like a barbershop quartet.
7. Winning athletes exclaim, "I'm going to any random spot in the country!"
6. We'd get to see Janet Reno in one of those tight Mouseketeer sweaters.
5. Al Gore replaced by more lifelike audioanimatron.
4. Platoon of country bears sent to Bosnia as "Operation Jamboree."
3. We'd bomb Busch Gardens back to the Stone Age.
2. Just like cows in India, sacred mice would wander the streets.
1. Instead of Whitewater, Goofygate ("Late Show," CBS, 8/4).

===== TV SOUNDBITE =====
"If he's serious about political reform,
he ought fire Ron Brown tomorrow morning."
-- Speaker Newt Gingrich on Pres. Clinton
and campaign reform, "Late Edition," CNN, 8/6

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 | he will leave NYC, by |
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===== QUOTE OF THE DAY =====
 "First thing you ought to do is get rid of the
 Department of Education. It don't belong."
 -- Morry Taylor, CRAIN'S CHICAGO BUSINESS, 8/28.

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AND HOW DID BUSH DO?

Pres. Clinton's approval rating for his 10th quarter in office (April, May and June of this year) was 48%. Here are the 10th quarter ratings of recent presidents: Bush -- 73%; Nixon -- 49%; Reagan -- 44%; Carter -- 31% (Courtesy Gallup).

===== WHITE HOUSE '96 =====

***1 WILSON: WANTS TAX CHECKOFF FOR COPS; MORE ANNOUNCE REAX**

Pete Wilson, in day two of his announcement tour, went to Boston's Faneuil Hall and proposed a federal income tax checkoff "for people to steer money toward their local police departments." Wilson's plan would allow people to earmark 1% of their federal income taxes for state and local law enforcement programs which "he said could generate more than \$6 billion annually for local police." Wilson, the first gov. to sign "Three Strikes You're Out" legislation, said his Checkoff for Public Safety would result in a direct grant to states. He estimated that it could generate \$175 million for MA to hire 2,378 officers and \$30M for NH to hire 394. MA Gov. Bill Weld, a key Wilson supporter, called the proposal "great." Wilson also criticized Pres. Clinton's "100,000 cops" crime bill, "noting that it forces local governments to put up most of the money and will phase out all federal aid by decade's end." But in "apparent deference" to Weld, Wilson "touched only briefly on his opposition to affirmative action and support for tougher curbs on illegal immigration." Weld supports retaining affirm. action programs. Wilson also "saluted" Middlesex Sheriff Brad Bailey, who "recently vowed to risk imprisonment rather than obey a judge's order to release prisoners from overcrowded facilities." Wilson, on Bailey: "He told the judge he'd rather go to jail himself than put these thugs back on the street -- that's my kind of sheriff!" (Howe, BOSTON GLOBE, 8/30).

EMPTY IN PHILLY: In a speech before a "nearly empty" gathering of the Fraternal Order of Police in Philadelphia, Wilson delivered a "law and order" speech where he said, "I'm sick and tired of a corrupt culture more interested in honoring the perpetrators of crime than the victims of it." As was the case 8/28 when he announced at the Statue of Liberty, when "no New York elected officials were on hand to greet him even as a matter of courtesy, let alone to endorse him," there were no PA GOP officials "on hand to greet him here either" (Hallow, W. TIMES, 8/30).

SO FAR, SO GOOD: S.J. MERCURY NEWS' Thurm thinks Wilson "succeeded" in his effort to "grab the media's attention": "By and large, Monday was a shining moment for the usually non-telegenic Wilson: The sun beamed on his face at just the right angle, giving him a near-glow and illuminating the torch on the

Statue of Liberty behind him in New York Harbor" (8/29). A N.Y. POST editorial calls criticism of Wilson's choice of the Statue of Liberty as a backdrop "out of line": "His point was simple -- there is a difference between legal and illegal immigration to this country. ... However much it may pain the open-borders crowd, this nation does have immigration laws, ill-enforced though they may be. And some states --including both New York and Pete Wilson's California -- are suffering a crushing burden from having to subsidize the growing number of people who sneak into this country" (8/30). N.Y. DAILY NEWS' Nelson writes Wilson "suffers the misfortune of being a moderate fighting for recognition in a crowded Republican primary. He tries to convince the conservatives he's conservative and the moderates that he's moderate, and inevitably he winds up talking out of both sides of his mouth. He can do better" (8/30).

DON'T SINGLE OUT PETE ON CONSISTENCY: W.S. JOURNAL's Seib considers the shifting positions of the '96 contenders, be they "flip-flops," "policy reversals" or "evolutions in thinking." Wilson, for example, has changed his position on affirm. action, immigration and whether he would run for pres. as gov. His campaign says his views reflect the same shift in America. Wilson manager George Gorton: "Most Americans were in favor of affirmative action in the 1960s. Most now think it's a problem." Seib writes that Wilson "is hardly alone. In fact, those looking for pristine consistency will look in vain in 1996." Check out these reversals: Bob Dole (assault weapons, no-tax pledge), Lamar Alexander (education), Phil Gramm (pork), Pat Buchanan (free trade), Bill Clinton (middle-class tax cut). Dem pollster Peter Hart said the "problem" for Wilson "isn't that he has changed, but rather that the timing of his changes make them appear to have been made only for 'political expediency.'" Clinton's problem "may be slightly different. He probably suffers not so much from changing his mind as from a perception that he can't make up his mind in the first place" (8/30).

SKED: Wilson will be in Jacksonville, FL today; on 8/31 his "Liberty Tour" takes him to Des Moines and Walcott, IA.

*2 GRAMM: VISITS PIZZA KITCHEN, GETS DOLE HOT UNDER COLLAR

Phil Gramm, "stepping up his New Hampshire campaign," took his welfare reform fight with Bob Dole "from Capitol Hill to a Bedford pizzeria." In a visit to Luisa's Pizza, Gramm "said that Dole's welfare reform bill started out too weak, has become a bit tougher only since Dole accepted two Gramm-authored provisions, but won't be tough enough until Dole accepts two more Gramm proposals." Gramm: "I want to stop giving people more and more money to have more and more children on welfare. ... [Also], we ought to eliminate the federal bureaucracy that goes with [AFDC]. ... The best that Sen. Dole has given me so far is that we will eliminate 30% of the federal jobs in an agency that is no longer working." Gramm, asked if he would filibuster a Dole bill he considers too weak: "I want to work out an agreement. ... I intend to vote for welfare reform. But we've reformed welfare many times, but we have not changed it" (DiStaso, Manchester UNION LEADER, 8/30). Dole press sec. Nelson Warfield: "Dole's

welfare reform bill will advocate work, and return decision-making to the states and to the governors, like New Hampshire Governor Steve Merrill. ... Our adversary in the battle to reform welfare is Bill Clinton, not each other. Phil Gramm needs to quit worrying about the best interests of his campaign and start worrying about the best interests of America" (BOSTON GLOBE, 8/30). Later in the day, stopping off at the Nashua West Rotary Club, Gramm continued his criticisms of Dole, saying "the difference between himself and Dole is 'our leadership in trying to promote change.'" Gramm: "Dole was ready to compromise on health care and I said, 'No.' I tried to add the Contract with America tax cuts and spending cuts to the Senate budget, but Sen. Dole refused to endorse it and didn't speak out for it. ... You can't compromise on everything. ... We're not going to change America by cutting deals" with Dems (UNION LEADER, 8/30).

BLOOD PRESSURE RISING? Excerpts from both Gramm and Dole were featured on WMUR-TV Manchester. WMUR's Carl Cameron: "After donning an apron for a tour of a Bedford Pizzeria, Phil Gramm fired a conservative shot squarely across Bob Dole's bow. ... From his lakeside retreat, a hint of Dole's temper in response." Dole: "Well, Phil Gramm's one of the best nitpickers in the business. It's never quite enough when I do something. He's always there to say something negative, he has that freedom, he's not the leader. ... I've got to bring people together. While he's dividing them, I've got to bring them back together. We don't need Phil Gramm's unrealistic polarization, we need unity here." Cameron: "Dole's preferred strategy would be to stay above the fray as both Senate Majority Leader and presidential frontrunner. After all, given his history and reputation for temper, he's well aware that keeping his lead could be closely linked to keeping his cool" (8/29).

FROM THE W.S. JOURNAL: Gramm co-writes a W.S. JOURNAL op-ed, entitled "Why Pro-Lifers Should Support Welfare Reform," with Family Research Council's Gary Bauer. Excerpt: "Some have argued that lawmakers should disarm the illegitimacy provisions passed by the House in order to 'avert the tragedy of abortions in America.' We share the commitment to life, and we believe that a vote to reduce illegitimacy will protect the lives of the unborn far more effectively than a vote to retain cash benefits for unwed mothers. Social liberals with a vested interest in dividing conservatives have manufactured a pernicious myth that reforming welfare and eliminating abortion are mutually exclusive goals. Pro-lifers should challenge this, because there are no data to support the contention that the current welfare system suppresses the abortion rate. In fact ... the relationship between higher welfare benefits and higher abortion rates holds up in a state-by-state analysis as well. States with the most generous welfare benefits also tend to have the highest abortion rates" (8/30).

PIZZA FOR YOUR THOUGHTS: UNION LEADER's DiStaso writes, "In one of the more entertaining 'photo ops' thus far" in the campaign, Gramm "donned an apron and was taught by Luisa Matta and her staff how to cook a pizza. ... A little while later, in an unexpected move," Gramm manager Jim Courtovich handed cooked

pizza to DiStaso. "Gramm said, 'Go ahead. You can take that back to the Union Leader.' Courtovich insisted. Gramm, of course, would love to have the editorial endorsement of the state's largest newspapers, so the reporter knew the pizza was obviously meant for authorities higher than himself. So he diligently delivered it to Publisher Nackey S. Loeb yesterday afternoon. Her reaction? Appreciative of the thought, but unfazed" (8/30).

*3 DOLE: STUCK INSIDE THE CABIN WITH THE RIGHT-WING BLUES AGAIN

S.F. CHRONICLE's Saunders writes Bob Dole's decision to return \$1,000 to the Log Cabin Republicans marks the "low point" of a campaign that "promises to be very low." Other campaigns are "gleeful" about Dole's "nasty move." According to LCR chief Rich Tafel, Dole should be aware that "trashing gays is not a freebie": "I don't think we can go through another campaign cycle with all these candidates having closeted gay staff." Tafel said the LCRs would not "out" anyone themselves, but that other gay advocacy groups "just might." Header: "The Dole Way: If You're Down, Kick a Gay" (8/30). A BOSTON GLOBE editorial comments Dole "probably thought he was standing tall for the far right wing of his party" by giving the money back. Actually, the move "made him look pathetically small. Deserting supporters because of political expediency never sits well. ... Dole has not returned campaign contributions to Time Warner even though he deplores the 'nightmares of depravity' in the entertainment industry. ... He could have respectfully agreed to disagree with Log Cabin Republicans on the issue of gays in the military. The Log Cabin Republicans have always been clear about who they are. It's Bob Dole who is disingenuous" (8/29). W. POST editorial: "The real danger for Mr. Dole is not that he will be perceived as a left-winger but that he will turn into some sort of ideological pretzel, twisting this way and that, depending on whether he is thinking about the primaries (twist right) or the general election (twist toward the center). That will help him neither in the primaries nor in the election" (8/30). ATLANTA CONSTITUTION editorial: "Will the real Dole please stand up?" Dole, "once a pillar of middle-of-the-road conservatism and common sense, has demonstrated that he won't let decency and principle get in the way of wooing the Republican Party's staunchest ideologues. ... [He] is engaging in situational ethics. ... [T]his presidential candidate may look like Bob Dole, the well-respected senator. He may also talk like Dole and walk like Dole. But whether he thinks or believes like the real Bob Dole has become a matter under serious question" (8/29).

AND ANOTHER THING: A CONCORD MONITOR editorial, under header, "Dole's weakness," reviews a recent speech in Concord: "Dole's no different now than in 1980 or 1988, when his other presidential runs failed. He was, still is and may always be unable to tell voters in simple, clear terms who he is and what he would do for them as president. ... After two decades of

running for president, Dole doesn't have a standard speech down; he still cannot viscerally connect with voters. Perhaps it's a tribute to stubbornness -- a refusal to let handlers tell him what to say and how to package it. But it's striking that a politician with a command of legislative details falters so at expressing whole concepts and ideas" (8/30).

TEAM UPDATE: Dole picked up the endorsement of NH exec. councilor Ruth Griffin 8/29 (Miller, Manchester UNION LEADER, 8/30). She will join the campaign as an NH vice-chair. Dole is in Dixville Notch, NH today (Dole release 8/29).

*4 ALEXANDER: SPINNING FOR DOLLARS

Nashville TENNESSEAN's Daughtrey comments on "long shot" Lamar Alexander's releasing two internal polls last week "designed to show him as a somewhat shorter shot for the nomination." Internal polls have to be "taken with a grain of salt," but they can "say a lot about the backroom strategy being developed in the campaign headquarters." Meaningless as the IA straw poll "might be," without the Nashville and Atlanta delegates Alexander flew in to vote for him, he "would have finished behind Alan Keyes," who did not bring in any supporters. The IA poll showed Alexander tied with Pat Buchanan for fourth and up 4% for June. The NH poll showed Alexander in third, a point ahead of Gramm -- "the first poll outside [TN] to show Alexander ahead of Gramm." In the larger picture, "the dynamics of the Republican race have not changed in six months. Despite some blips here and there, no one has yet threatened Dole's front runner status. With a field of 10 candidates, no one has emerged as a clear alternative. ... No doubt" Alexander has moved up in IA and NH due to his campaigning there and airing of TV spots. But he needed to release the polls to "show contributors some momentum" as he prepares to "hit the fund raising trail again" -- something he needs to do in order to afford to "make another push" in IA and NH in 2/96, "when the numbers really count" (8/27).

*5 LUGAR: GOES HOME TO GIVE THE SPEECH THEY SAY HE CAN'T GIVE

Dick Lugar came home to Indianapolis 8/28 and "delivered the kind of speech that his critics say he can't -- sometimes funny, often fervent, and with a point aimed right at the hearts of voters who tell pollsters repeatedly that they are sick of attack-dog politics." Lugar "rejected the exploitation of 'wedge issues'" used by candidates like Phil Gramm, Pat Buchanan and Pete Wilson. Speaking at a luncheon honoring an organization he helped form to boost the political careers and involvement of women, Lugar spoke with "passion" in favor of affirmative action -- "the type of affirmative action where someone works to open opportunities because that is right and not because it is the law." Lugar said it was "right" to "jump start" the opening of political opportunities for women. Noting that some GOP hopefuls would dismantle affirmative action, Lugar said the campaign is "extremely misguided, mean-spirited and nasty" (Schneider, INDIANAPOLIS STAR, 8/29).

***6 SPECTER: ONLY HALF OF PA CONTRIBUTIONS GO TO NATIVE SON**

According to FEC reports, "one out of every two dollars" given to pres. candidates from PA donors "went to someone other than Arlen Specter." Specter has raised at least \$743,000 from PA, while the other candidates have raised at least \$762,000 in the state. Pollster Terry Madonna said Specter's home state support is "strong," but "it is by no means solid": "Specter certainly is not the candidate for a substantial number of Pennsylvanians. Conservatives in the Republican party certainly don't find anything rewarding in a Specter candidacy." Specter officials "downplayed" the contribution figures, saying he "has not exhausted his fund-raising potential" in PA. Specter dep. campaign mgr Craig Snyder said the campaign is "happy with the support we're receiving" from PA: "He has received a significant amount of support from Pennsylvania at this point, and there certainly will be more." Specter has raised about 45% of his money out-of-state, a "figure comparable" to the out-of-state contributions to the Pete Wilson and Lamar Alexander campaigns. Pres. Clinton, Bob Dole and Phil Gramm have raised greater percentages from out-of-state donors, while Richard Lugar has raised a higher percentage from his home state (Jesdanun, AP/PHILA. DAILY NEWS, 8/29).

***7 NEW HAMPSHIRE: SOME LATE-SUMMER CNN CHATTER**

CNN's "Inside Politics" offered up a roundtable on NH. Here are some excerpts:

GRAMM: CNN's Randall, on part of Phil Gramm's problem in NH: "There is Gramm's personality. Prominent Republicans sources here say he is arrogant, that he steps on too many political toes." Gramm: "I'm not going to try to go around changing who I am." Randall: "It could cost him the endorsement" of Gov. Steve Merrill. BOSTON GLOBE's David Nyhan: "I can't imagine Phil Gramm picking up a lot of votes. The more he talks, I think the more altitude he loses. ... He'll bomb." WMUR News Director Jack Heath: "I would not overlook Gramm's message in [NH]. I would agree that he is a very direct, somewhat politically abrasive type, but his message fits a lot of people out here. The question will be, can he sell his message personally."

DOLE: NH GOP Chair John Stabile, on Dole's NH performance so far: "I don't think anybody can approach his organization." WMUR's Heath: "To his credit, he's doing everything right ... but he's fighting somewhat of a superhuman effort in the expectations game." GLOBE's Nyhan: "I look at Dole and I see Muskie and Mondale all over again."

BUCHANAN: Nyhan: "Having the Union Leader's [support] is as good as having money, which Buchanan does not have. ... Once Buchanan gets past the Union Leader's support, there's nothing there for him. ... I think Buchanan is way overrated." Nyhan, noting Buchanan's 37% showing against Bush: "I think he'll be lucky to do double digits this time."

ALEXANDER: Nyhan: "I regard [him] as the dark horse. ... Lamar's already raised seven-and-a-half million, which has surprised a lot of people, including me. ... I would expect that

the nominee would be either Wilson or Alexander, because I think a non-Washington man is the best bet for the GOP. ... Alexander would be my longshot pick to win [NH]" (8/29).

***8 IOWA: CANDIDATES RACKING UP THOSE FREQUENT FLYER MILES**

The Iowa Caucus Project reports GOP pres. candidates have collectively spent over 257 days in IA since the inauguration of Pres. Clinton, which is more than ever before. Leading up to the '88 caucuses, GOPers spent 209 days in the state. Also in '88, more than 3000 reporters "from around the world" came to cover IA's caucuses (release, 8/29).

***9 VEEPSTAKES: THOMPSON COULD BE VOLUNTEERED; VOINOVICH'S TAX**

Sen. Fred Thompson's (R-TN) name has made it onto the GOP's "long list" of potential VP candidates. GANNETT's Bender points out that Thompson is "smart, well-spoken, appeals to the flannel shirt crowd as well as the stuffed shirts on Wall Street and, Hey! He's even a movie star." GOP strategist Mitch Daniels, on Thompson: "He's a tremendously appealing figure. He has star quality, and -- this is very important -- he has the ability to articulate Republican values from the perspective of the average person." Gramm pollster Linda Divall agrees: "He could put Tennessee into play. It would be interesting to have two vice presidential candidates from the same state. It would show the Democrats they do not have a lock on Tennessee." Divall added that Thompson's "outsider image" could win over Ross Perot supporters, as he won 70% of the Perot vote in his Senate race. However, TN GOPers "probably would grouse" if Thompson got the VP spot, because it would "leave a void in the Senate the Democrats could fill" (Nashville TENNESSEAN, 8/28).

VOINOVICH TAX RECORD LEAVES SCANT CHANCES: U.S. NEWS' Michael Barone, who predicted the GOP nominee will be determined on 3/19, the day of the OH, IL, MI and WI primaries, told OH reporters that any chance OH Gov. George Voinovich has for a VP spot "could be irrevocably damaged" because he raised taxes as gov. Barone noted that "a lot of people in the Republican Party are basically saying, 'We'd veto this guy because he's raised taxes. We just don't want that. Remember President Bush?'" Barone also said Clinton will be "hard put" to repeat his victory in the state (Brazaitis, Cleveland PLAIN DEALER, 8/27). A recent Tarrance Group (R) poll shows Bob Dole's lead over Bill Clinton growing slightly, to above 50%, in OH when the matchup reads Dole-Voinovich vs. Clinton-Gore (HOTLINE sources).

***10 CLINTON: EDITORIALS REACT TO FUND-RAISING**

The BOSTON GLOBE reported that Pres. Clinton's campaign team is considering rejecting federal funding during the primaries -- and the spending limits that go along with it (see HOTLINE 8/29). Reform advocates like Common Cause reacted negatively to the possibility. Others did, too. GLOBE editorial: "If Clinton's aides convince him to opt out of the federal financing scheme for next year's primaries, the president risks committing yet another act of political self-destruction. ... In the year of Newt, the president has managed to land his most effective counterpunches

on the House speaker on the vital matter of political reform and its most essential component, campaign finance. ... Now he risks undoing the progress he has made -- not just giving away partisan political advantage but also, more important, eliminating the emerging sense of momentum for real campaign finance overhaul. ... Clinton should keep his eye on that ball and stick with public financing" (8/29). FORT WORTH STAR-TELEGRAM editorial: "Apparently the Clinton political team sees a need for big TV advertising late this year and early next year to prepare the Clinton image for the fall campaign. From a practical viewpoint, they see advantage in using only privately raised funds. Practical, perhaps; honest no. If the president ever wonders why he has a negative image or is accused of talking out of both sides of his mouth, he should weigh his frequent statements in favor of campaign finance reform against his performance as a fund-raiser. ... Nevermind that the Republicans ... might look hypocritical themselves if they criticized such a Clinton decision. It would still be wrong. One hundred percent, dead-certain wrong" (8/29).

*11 POWELL: GENERAL NOT GETTING SUPPORT FROM OLD HAUNT

W. S. JOURNAL's Ricks reports the Pentagon, Colin Powell's "old haunt," is "immune" to the "Powellmania" sweeping the nation. Senior DoD officials are "growing uneasy" with Powell's "key legacy," the so-called "Powell Doctrine." The doctrine advocates the use of U.S. military force only "with decisive force and with the clear support of the American people." The critics are asking "whether the Powell approach effectively ties the hands of the president by entertaining only all-or-nothing options for using military force." The doctrine is only being "questioned, not replaced or even challenged directly in public," and it still "holds sway" over much of the armed services, "especially" the Joint Staff. In addition, Powell's views about two other "crucial questions" -- keeping the military out of Bosnia and reducing its size now that the Cold War is over -- "still prevail in Pentagon circles." Many critics "aren't tackling Gen. Powell directly, but instead are taking aim at a proxy target, the Joint Staff, which reports only to the chairman of the Joint Chiefs," Powell's former position. It was under Powell's leadership that the Joint Staff "moved to the center of power in the U.S. military establishment"; many service members are now "challenging" that authority (8/30).

*12 PEROT: FASCINATION WITH HEROES DOESN'T HELP POLITICS

DALLAS MORNING NEWS' McKenzie writes about "a problem with Ross Perot": He "seems to live in a world of individual heroes, where men and women of legendary abilities ride into town, perform acts of bravery and head back out." Perot makes frequent references to individual heroes and their acts of bravery. The problem with this "fascination" is that "his focus on individual heroes and incredible acts of personal bravery is only tangentially relevant to politics or government. ... If politics were so simple, we wouldn't be worrying about troubles like Bosnia, air pollution or interest on the debt. ... The daily life

of politics and government -- where issues with many parts are debated -- is not really about personal acts of bravery. Like it or not, politics is ultimately about collective action, complete with details and drudgery. Committees, procedures, hearings, persuasion -- those are the tools politicians use to achieve progress. They are not the same tools needed to dash into falling buildings and save lives -- or to send private forces into Iran to rescue company employees, as Mr. Perot once did. ... Now, Americans may be growing tired of politics precisely because individual acts of bravery are not so germane to political life. Yet unfortunately, problems like fixing Medicare are not solved by individuals on lone pursuits. They are resolved by the tiresome work of leaders trying to move large numbers of people toward a common goal. Does Ross Perot really understand that fact? ... Successful political leaders are marked by having the staying power to develop a consensus out of many conflicting positions. Bob Dole, for example, may never inspire the masses for being so involved in the political process. But as he told the Dallas convention, his bottom line as Senate majority leader is knowing where the votes are. That fact may sound raw, but well-regarded legislators ... understood that bottom line was necessary for progress" (8/30).

*13 TAYLOR: TAKES HIS MESSAGE EAST

CRAIN'S CHICAGO BUSINESS' Merrion profiles Morry Taylor, noting his campaign has gone from "obscurity to a curiosity among political cognoscenti" since the IA straw poll. His plan to cut the federal deficit is simple: "You do it just like you do in business. ... The federal payroll this year, with fringes, is \$200 billion. So, you take a third of that out. Saves you \$60 billion. Then, you consolidate it, no different than you do in any other business, and you save an extra \$120 billion in administrative cost savings. Bingo, that's \$180 billion: You've balanced the budget. You haven't even started to cut all the foolish programs that you can go after there." But asked about what programs he would cut, "he talks about firing the bureaucrats who put [in] \$600 toilet seats or \$900 claw hammers." Taylor: "When you go to cut programs, you've got to turn around and you've got to get congressional authority. But first thing you ought to do is get rid of the Department of Education. It don't belong." Taylor also believes the federal government should not provide welfare: "It should go back to the states. But the states should also pass it right back to the counties, give them the money. Block-grant it right back and get the federal government right out of it." "In the past, Mr. Taylor has associated himself with views that are even further from the mainstream." Taylor took out a full-page ad in USA Today last year in which he and his employees "offered a number of ideas on what America needs." Those ideas included floggings instead of prison for certain crimes, and sterilization of people on welfare. "He now says the idea is that tubal ligations and vasectomies should be free for welfare recipients, so they can avoid having more children. Floggings were an employee's ideas, not his, but I paid for (the ad), and I take responsibility for

it. ... We've got to figure out how to do something; we can't just keep throwing them all in jail" (8/28). Taylor's 89-stop tour of New England took him to Maine 8/24. A "Perot admirer," Taylor said that although he voted for Perot in '92, he thinks his campaign was "politically unrealistic" and encouraged Perot supporters "to get behind his campaign within the two-party system": "If you want change, then join the Republican Party and change it. If all the United We Stand jumped into the Republican Party, they'd take it over." Admitting his lack of name recognition, Taylor said his strategy for winning would be "similar to his approach in business": "Out-whip the suckers" (GANNETT/PORTLAND PRESS HERALD, 8/25).

===== CAMPAIGNS OF '95 =====

*14 LOUISIANA GOV: ROEMER ADDS TO HIS LEAD; WOMEN TIED FOR 2ND

Shreveport TIMES Poll, conducted 8/25-28 by Mason Dixon/PMR, surveyed 828 registered LA voters; margin of error +/-3.5% (8/30). Tested: ex-Gov. Buddy Roemer (R), Treas. Mary Landrieu (D), LG Melinda Schwegmann (D), state Sen. Mike Foster (D), state Rep. Robert Adley (D), atty Phil Preis (D), Reps. Cleo Fields (D-04) & William Jefferson (D-02), '91 cand. David Duke (R), state Rep. Quentin Dastugue (R), state Sen. Don Kelly (D), Delgado Comm. College prof. Anne Thompson (R), Rev. Carey Kimbrell (R) and Orleans Levee Board Pres. Robert Harvey (D). Filing deadline: 9/7. Election: 10/21. Runoff: 11/18. In the 7/95 poll, Jefferson Parish Sheriff Harry Lee (D) and ex-Gov. David Treen (R) were polled; both have since dropped out of the race.

	ALL	7/95	MEN	WOMEN	WHITE	BLACK	FAV/UNFAV
Roemer	33%	24%	35%	31%	37%	21%	47%/21%
Landrieu	13	13	12	14	15	7	43 / 16
Schwegmann	12	12	11	13	13	8	35 / 23
Fields	8	11	9	7	1	27	29 / 25
Foster	6	3	8	4	8	--	26 / 14
Jefferson	5	2	5	5	1	16	19 / 16
Duke	5	5	7	3	7	--	14 / 69
Dastugue	3	2	3	3	4	--	16 / 10
Adley	2	1	2	2	2	--	9 / 6
Preis	1	1	1	1	1	--	8 / 6
Kelly	1	--	1	1	1	--	9 / 7
Thompson	--	--	--	--	--	--	10 / 11
Kimbrell	--	--	--	--	--	--	5 / 4
Harvey	--	--	--	--	--	--	7 / 10
Undecided	11	12	6	16	10	21	

RUNOFFS

	NOW	7/95		NOW	7/95
Roemer	49%	46%	Roemer	45%	43%
Schwegmann	36	40	Landrieu	40	38
Undecided	15	14	Undecided	15	19
Roemer	61%	59%	Roemer	59%	--
Fields	22	24	Jefferson	21	--

MORE: Dastugue on 8/26 "walked away" with a victory in a Christian Coalition-conducted straw poll, getting 128 of the 183 votes cast. Foster came in second (32 votes), Roemer third (17) (N.O. TIMES-PICAYUNE, 8/29). W. POST's Edsall writes that with Gov. Edwin Edwards (D) retiring, "traditional Democratic populism" in the Edwards-Huey Long mold "is teetering close to collapse. ... At the same time, allegations of widespread -- even by Louisiana standards -- payoffs of state legislators by the gambling industry are fueling voter discontent in a state that has been economically stagnant" (8/30).

===== SENATE WATCH =====

*15 MICHIGAN: END-OF-SUMMER CAMP?

DETROIT FREE PRESS' McDiarmid writes that if Rep. Dave Camp (R-04) runs for the seat of Sen. Carl Levin (D), it would "convert a one-on-one primary" race -- between talk show host/'94 primary cand. Ronna Romney (R) and "virtually unknown" Detroit businessman Jim Nicholson (R) -- into a "complex three-way grapple." And it would "instantly force party regulars to recalculate the odds and adjust earlier scenarios." If Camp runs, consider the following: 1) Two men vs. one woman, which helps Romney. 2) Two pro-lifers (Romney & Camp) vs. one pro-choicer, which helps Nicholson. 3) Two southeastern MI cand. vs. one out-stater, which helps Camp. But while Camp has convinced several GOP "higher-ups" that a run is possible, there are "problems" that may hinder a bid. He would have to give up a secure position in the House, as well as a spot on House Ways & Means. In addition, Camp "outspokenly endorsed" Romney in the '94 primary, calling her the "right messenger." Finally, "skeptics will note the last time a mid-Michigan congressman ran against Levin -- Bill Schuette in 1990 -- he got clobbered" (8/29). Schuette is a possible candidate for '96.

ENDORSEMENTS: Longtime GOP leader/'82 gov. nominee Richard Headlee announced 8/28 for Romney and will serve as her honorary chair. Headlee: "I believe Ronna Romney is Michigan's best candidate to end Levin's 18-year reign in the U.S. Senate." Headlee supported now-Sen. Spencer Abraham (R) in his '94 primary against Romney. Headlee "joins a growing list of key Republican leaders" endorsing Romney, including Rep. Joe Knollenberg (R-11) and Wayne Co. GOP chair Ed Haroutunian (Romney release, 8/28). Meanwhile, Nicholson named Wayne Co. businessman David Brandon to chair his finance cmte. Brandon: "I am confident our fundraising team will raise over \$2 million for Jim's primary campaign" (Nicholson release, 8/29). Other possible GOPer: Rep. Peter Hoekstra (R-02).

*16 NEW JERSEY: TORRICELLI HEARS NICE THINGS FROM DASCHLE

After a "closed door session" with Rep. Bob Torricelli (D-09), Senate Min. Leader Tom Daschle (D-SD) vowed to "pull out all the stops" on behalf of Torricelli's quest for the seat of retiring Sen. Bill Bradley (D). Calling Torricelli the Dems'

"best hope of retaining the Bradley seat," Daschle said the DSCC will provide Torricelli's campaign with the "maximum allowable financial help," should he win the primary. Daschle: "No one has the national credibility in New Jersey that Bob Torricelli has. He will get the maximum assistance from the party. We see this as a very winnable race. New Jersey is a huge state for the Democratic Party. It will be worth every effort to support Bob Torricelli in this race." While Torricelli has not yet declared his candidacy, he is "considered the frontrunner" for the Dem nod and has said he "does not expect a tough fight" for the nomination. But there is a long list of potential Dem opponents, "headed by" ex-Gov. Jim Florio (Orr, Newark STAR LEDGER, 8/29). Given the importance of the seat, DSCC officials have said they expect to provide the maximum to whomever wins the primary. Other possible Dems: Reps. Rob Andrews (D-01) & Robert Menendez (D-13), Cherry Hill Mayor Susan Bass Levin, state Sens. John Lynch & John Adler, Assemblyman Neil Cohen and Morris Co. Prosecutor Michael Murphy.

DREAMY DEM: Some "prominent" NJ Dems are hoping John F. Kennedy Jr. will enter the race. State Senate Min. Leader John Lynch (D) called a Kennedy bid a "magnificent adventure for the Democratic Party at a time when it sorely needs it." There are, however, some problems with a Kennedy candidacy: he lives in NY; he's busy launching GEORGE, a new political mag.; and his spokesperson said he is "absolutely not" interested in a Senate bid -- "no way, no how." But when Dems hear the name Kennedy, "they get stars in their eyes." One Dem pointed out that Kennedy's mother owned a lot of property in northern NJ, thus making residency a "simple matter." As for Kennedy's reluctance to run, one Dem said, "So what? Lots of the best candidates are demure about running." Another Dem added, "We still have lots of time to work this out" (Guenther, Camden COURIER-POST, 8/29).

ON THE GOP SIDE: Six GOP senators will host a fundraiser for Rep. Dick Zimmer (R-12). Senate Maj. Leader Bob Dole, Maj. Whip Trent Lott and Sens. John McCain (AZ), Hank Brown (CO), Rick Santorum (PA) and Al D'Amato (NY) will host the event at the NRSC on 9/14. Santorum, who served with Zimmer in the House, on why he is backing Zimmer: "New Jersey taxpayers cannot afford another tax-and-spend liberal in the Senate. Having seen how hard Dick has worked to protect the interests of New Jersey taxpayers in the House, I know what a big difference he will make in the Senate" (Zimmer release, 8/29).

PEACHY KEAN? N.Y. TIMES' Sullivan writes that ex-Gov. Tom Kean (R) "has told friends that he will decide quickly" whether or not to enter the race, either this week before leaving for the Women's Conference in China, or upon his return. One thing that will not stop Kean this time -- as it did when he backed away from a challenge to Sen. Frank Lautenberg (D) in '94 -- is "family concerns." He apparently has his family's "blessing" this time around. FEC spokesperson Ian Stirton says that Kean will not be able to use the \$700K held by a state PAC created for his earlier campaigns if he decides to run. Not everyone is "delighted" by the prospect of a Kean candidacy, especially Zimmer. GOPers are wary of a "divisive, fund-sapping" primary.

Meanwhile, Florio's interest is "creating waves." NJ Dem chair Tom Byrne said of a potential Florio bid: "I respect Jim Florio, but he's been running for office for 20 years and I think it's time to give the new faces a chance and let them begin to define the party" (8/30). Other announced GOPer: Passaic Co. Freeholder Dick DuHaime. Other possible GOPers: Rep. Marge Roukema (R-05), state Senate Pres. Donald DiFrancesco and state Sens. Richard LaRossa & Bill Gormley.

ANOTHER COMEDIAN IN THE SENATE? PHILA. DAILY NEWS' Bykofsky reports that Joe Piscopo is also considering a bid; Piscopo describes himself as a conservative Dem who believes abortion is a private matter and supports the death penalty (8/29).

===== ON THE HOUSE =====

*17 CAMPAIGN FINANCE: TOP 50 HOUSE MEMBERS IN RECEIPTS

Below is a list of the top 50 House members ranked by total campaign receipts for the period 1/1-6/30. Individual and PAC contributions, interest income and transfers from other accounts are included.

NAME	RECEIPTS	NAME	RECEIPTS
Dick Gephardt (D-MO)	\$1,218,922	Bill Zeliff (R-NH)	\$257,529
Newt Gingrich (R-GA)	884,897	Billy Tauzin (R-LA)	247,901
Tom Delay (R-TX)	486,084	Rick White (R-WA)	245,021
Joe Kennedy (D-MA)	473,205	Bill Baker (R-CA)	243,166
John Ensign (R-NV)	448,698	P. Kennedy (D-RI)	242,411
Nita Lowey (D-NY)	429,303	Bill Paxon (R-NY)	239,859
Tom Davis (R-VA)	397,903	Jack Reed (D-RI)	232,979
C. Schumer (D-NY)	397,048	D. McIntosh (R-IN)	231,914
J. Christensen (R-NE)	370,388	Bart Gordon (D-TN)	226,617
Joe Barton (R-TX)	348,709	Dan Frisa (R-NY)	224,455
Tim Johnson (D-SD)	342,332	G.Radanovich (R-CA)	216,343
John Boehner (R-OH)	314,251	Ed Markey (D-MA)	216,233
Philip Crane (R-IL)	307,063	Wayne Allard (R-CO)	211,930
Jennifer Dunn (R-WA)	302,360	John Linder (R-GA)	211,671
Bob Livingston (R-LA)	301,284	Don Young (R-AK)	210,395
Greg Ganske (R-IN)	292,684	S. Chambliss (R-GA)	208,495
Vic Fazio (D-CA)	288,892	Pat Roberts (R-KS)	207,735
John Dingell (D-MI)	284,313	Jerry Weller (R-IL)	207,594
Bud Shuster (R-PA)	283,316	Dick Armey (R-TX)	207,487
Peter Deutsch (D-FL)	280,831	W. Thomas (R-CA)	202,867
Thomas Bliley (R-VA)	274,061	Jon Fox (R-PA)	202,677
Jim McCrery (R-LA)	271,078	Frank Riggs (R-CA)	201,309
Martin Frost (D-TX)	271,020	Bob Barr (R-GA)	200,644
Charlie Norwood (R-GA)	270,232	James Talent (R-MO)	197,320
Frank Cremeans (R-OH)	267,102	J. Costello (D-IL)	195,215

ANALYSIS: House members, particularly the "aggressive" frosh, are "eclipsing all records in raising campaign cash." Already, \$43.8M has been raised by the 435 incumbents, a 38% increase from the first cycle of 1993. Steve Stockmeyer, who runs an assn. of business PACS: "Among some PAC groups, there's been a sense of panic because they had invested so much in

[Dems]. Now they are playing catch-up, unashamedly. That's one reason you're seeing the big numbers." GOPers credit the "aggressive level of activity" to Gingrich and other high-ranking GOP members who, "like the [Dems] before them, have sought to return their majority status into fund-raising advantage." Frosh, not veterans, "accounted for most of the increase": GOP frosh average: \$142,000; Dem frosh average: \$78,000 (Drinkard, AP/PHILA. INQUIRER, 8/30).

*18 IL 05: THE BALKANIZING OF CHICAGO

Alderman Richard Mell (D) is fighting to get his son-in-law, state Rep. Rod Blagojevich (D), to be the Dem nominee to challenge frosh Rep. Mike Flanagan (R) in '96. But Blagojevich first has to get past a primary contest with state Rep. Nancy Kaszak (D), a "strong vote getter" and a "Polish-American in a district with a large Polish vote." While Blagojevich, a Serbian-American, is the "early favorite" to get the nomination, Mell "isn't taking any chances." His strategy is to recruit ex-Ald. Carole Bialczak (D) to run and split the Polish vote. Since there are "significantly more Poles than Serbs" in the 5th CD, ethnicity is a potential advantage for Kaszak. But Mell's "ethnic ploy could backfire" because Bialczak "doesn't have a ghost of a chance of winning." That's fine with Mell; "he'll be pleased if Bialczak slashes Kaszak's vote by 2 percent." And he isn't "done scheming" yet. Mell may also field a candidate to run against Flanagan in the GOP primary (Neal, CHICAGO SUN-TIMES, 8/29).

===== TV MONITOR =====

*19 THIS MORNING: "FOX Morning News" hosted THE HILL's Martin Tolchin, Dem consultant Lesley Israel, NEA VP Bob Chase, Center for Strategic and Int'l Studies' Col. William Taylor and Center for Defense Information Adm. Eugene Carroll.

LAST NIGHT: "MacNeil/Lehrer" led with Bosnia. The three nets led with the Mark Fuhrman tapes. "M/L" focused on Bosnia with NEW YORKER's Anna Husarska, World Policy Institute's Walter Russell Mead, Brookings' Susan Woodward and John Hopkins' Fouad Ajami. CNN's "Inside Politics" hosted WMUR News Director Jack Heath, BOSTON GLOBE's David Nyhan, NH GOP chair John Stabile and ex-NBC and PBS pres. Larry Grossman. ABC's "Nightline" examined the Fuhrman tapes.

TOP TENS: Thanks for all of your lists -- we're looking for even more. Please fax your submissions to Andrea Short at 703-518-8701.

TOP TEN REASONS WHY BOB PACKWOOD IS STILL IN THE SENATE (submitted by Frank Wilkinson of EMILY's List)

10. Victim toll, while climbing, is still lower than that from the San Francisco earthquake.
9. None of the women Packwood met on foreign junkets has been

- contacted by the Ethics committee.
8. Congress' anti-regulation drive has stalled BATF plan to register Packwood's tongue as a deadly weapon.
 7. Colleagues concerned expulsion of Packwood might send a hurtful message to Sen. Thurmond.
 6. Packwood has promised a federal tax rebate to constituents of senators who don't vote for public hearings.
 5. Sen. Byrd is looking forward to replacing references to Cicero and Xenon with references to Bacchus and Dionysus in floor speeches.
 4. Pat Moynihan using Packwood as source for his next welfare book.
 3. Many of the "incidents" were either minor or with a minor.
 2. Senate colleagues just love having him around.
 1. Bob Dole.

===== SOUNDBITE =====

"Phil Gramm's one of the best nitpickers in the business. It's never quite enough when I do something. He's always there to say something negative, he has that freedom, he's not the leader."

-- Bob Dole, on Gramm's criticism of Dole
as a compromiser, WMUR-TV, 8/29

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WAVY NAVY: A Gramm aide stirs up controversy with an article that lampoons women in the Navy. (#3)	Davis -- a Dem -- becomes acting gov. Davis has not caused any mischief (yet), nothing like what then-LG
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 wasn't "mean" enough. (#15) |

===== QUOTE OF THE DAY =====

"Jews are going to vote for Clinton and
 anyone who says differently is crazy."

-- Dem Strategist Steve Rabinowitz, FORWARD, 9/1 issue.

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CORRECTION: The 8/31 HOTLINE attributed an interview with Steve Forbes to NBC's "Today." He appeared on ABC's "GMA."

???? OVERLOOKED ????

Rep. Carlos Moorhead (R-CA 27), who has announced his retirement, is one of only 7 members still in Congress who served on the House Judiciary Cmte during the Nixon impeachment hearings in '74. Others: John Conyers (D-MI), Charles Rangel (D-NY), Ray Thornton (D-AR), Paul Sarbanes (D-MD), Bill Cohen (R-ME) & Trent Lott (R-MS). Thornton, who is also retiring, did not serve from 1979-90. Sarbanes, Cohen & Lott are now in the Senate.

===== WHITE HOUSE '96 =====

*1 WILSON: GETS SIDE-SWIPE IN IOWA, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Pete Wilson was forced to cancel an event at a Walcott, IA, farm (near Davenport) after he and his wife Gayle were involved in a Des Moines traffic accident. Two cars ahead of Wilson's motorcade collided at an intersection, and one of them then slid into the car carrying the Wilsons. Two people were injured, but the Wilsons were not hurt and no damage was done to their car. The motorcade remained at the scene until police and rescue workers completed their work. Since he was already running late, the Wilson staff decided to scrap the Walcott event, which left Thurman Gaskill, a Wilson IA leader, disappointed. Gaskill: "He's got to come out here and get on the ground and meet people. This is a state where they expect to meet the candidates. I feel we've got to spend more time in Iowa. People expect that" (Wiley/Yepsen, DES MOINES REGISTER, 9/1). Wilson did, however, phone in to the event to say he would return to Davenport. A Wilson release recounts the incident: "Immediately following the collision, Governor Wilson exited his vehicle to render aid to one of the passengers injured in the collision ..." (8/31).

WELFARE SOUNDBITE: Earlier in Des Moines, Wilson criticized Bob Dole's handling of the welfare-reform package: "The bill taking shape with Senator Dole's compromises has more strings attached than a marionette" (REGISTER, 9/1).

CA GROUP DOES ANTI-PETE RADIO: Manchester UNION LEADER's DiStaso reports, "First, he's labeled a chameleon. Now, his critics say, he's a weathervane." A group called "Speak Up, America," headed by people "involved directly or indirectly in California politics," said it will air radio ads on WHEB (Portsmouth) and possibly other NH stations calling Wilson the "ultimate political weathervane." Deane Little, exec. dir. of the Palo Alto-based group, said the "non-partisan" group -- which includes Dem pollster Paul Maslin -- focuses on issues such as "environmental protection, ethics in government and reproductive rights. ... We also comment specifically on politicians when they have serious ethical problems." The ad states that Wilson

promised Californians last year he wouldn't run for pres.

PARTIAL TEXT: "So, what's he doing in New Hampshire now? Not vacationing, that's for sure. ... We'll state it plainly. We believe that Pete Wilson lacks the moral character to be President." Wilson spokesperson Dan Schnur: "If the measure of a man is the enemies he makes, we're in pretty good shape. ... I suppose we ought to take it as an accomplishment. If a bunch of Democrats are excited about playing in a Republican primary, there must be something in Pete Wilson that scares them." Lamar Alexander is also running anti-Wilson ads in NH, citing "flip-flops" (9/1). In the '92 campaign, an AR-based group, ARIAS, ran anti-Clinton radio ads in NH.

MORE ANTI-WILSON ADS: W.S. JOURNAL's "Washington Wire" notes that "anti-tobacco crusaders dog" Wilson's campaign. CA-based Americans for Nonsmokers' Rights aired radio ads in IA and CA that "blast" Wilson for "diverting money" raised from CA's cigarette tax. Instead of going to anti-smoking programs in CA, they claim the money went to more general health programs. The group has taken Wilson to court. The ad also criticizes campaign chair Craig Fuller for ties to Phillip Morris. Ad excerpt: "You think Pete Wilson's runnin' for president -- or just wants to be the next Marlboro Man?" (9/1).

PRESERVE AND PROTECT: As Wilson "barnstormed" through eight states in his announcement tour, he "brought with him a little touch of home -- the California Highway Patrol." The CHP accompanied Wilson as part of its \$2.7M budget for "dignitary protection" -- a service usually offered to statewide elected officials "while they are in California." CHP spokesperson Steve Kohler: "It's relatively rare to offer protection outside the state because our responsibilities are mostly in California." However, he said Wilson is "still the governor of California, and it's still our responsibility to protect him." Stevan Allen, a spokesperson for CA LG Gray Davis (D), who is acting gov. while Wilson is out of the state: "Pete Wilson is entitled to protection wherever he goes. The real question is why isn't he here in California doing the job the taxpayers hired him to do?" (Yoachum, S.F. CHRONICLE, 9/1).

***2 DOLE: DEMOTES IA MANAGER; KIRKPATRICK'S PROFILE RISING**

Bob Dole "replaced his Iowa campaign manager in the wake of his recent straw poll setback in Ames." Immediately after the event, campaign strategist Tom Synhorst left KS to take over the IA operation. In Synhorst's first move, longtime conservative activist Darrell Kearney replaces Steve Gibbs as IA manager. Gibbs will become IA field dir. Kearney: "The straw poll was a wake-up call for Dole's supporters who thought we were so far ahead, they didn't need to bother to vote. ... Our job from here on out is to make it clear this is a horse race. We take nothing for granted." Dole nat'l manager Scott Reed: "We asked Darrell to come on board and refocus our efforts and keep us on track for next February" (Yepsen, D.M. REGISTER, 9/1).

COMING ATTRACTIONS: Dole "plans to kick off the fall phase" of his campaign next week "with a pre-emptive one-two punch. He will criticize revisionism in the teaching of American history

and propose 'pro-growth' economics policy dear to the hearts of supply-side Republicans" like Jack Kemp. Keynoting the American Legion convention in Indianapolis 9/4, Dole "will expand on his moral-values initiatives." He is expected to discuss "America's need to keep up its defenses against foreign threats and that America's unique culture faces threats at home. Specifically, Dole will condemn proposed revisions in the teaching of American history that emphasize negative aspects of the nation's past and ignore many of its celebrated accomplishments." Dole also "will endorse English as the official language of the nation." At the Chicago Economic Club 9/5, Dole will make his "pro-growth" appeal to supply siders Kemp and Jude Wanniski. He is expected to call for a 60% supermajority vote of Congress to increase taxes and will seek "high growth rates through tax breaks for the middle class and simplifications and enhanced fairness in income tax preparations." Phil Gramm will address the Chicago Economics Club a week later (Hallow, W. TIMES, 9/1).

HMMM: W.S. JOURNAL's "Washington Wire" reports the U.S. trade deficit with Mexico has critics of NAFTA on the rise. Dole -- "once a big NAFTA backer -- now seeks his distance" (9/1).

KIRKPATRICK WILL BECOME MORE VISIBLE: The Jewish FORWARD's Lagnado writes that "a battle for the hearts and minds -- not to mention the pocketbooks -- of Jewish and Republican voters is taking shape" and ex-U.N. Amb. Jeane Kirkpatrick, "one of the most battle-scarred defenders of Israel in the GOP camp," is "emerging" as a major part of the Dole camp. Although she is "sidestepping the question" of her role in a Dole admin., "sources in the campaign" said Kirkpatrick, a nat'l co-chair for Dole, is "being talked about" as probable Sec/State," if she is not tapped for VP. The "backstage role" Kirkpatrick has played "will become more visible" in the coming months as other GOP hopefuls "seek to position themselves to appeal to Jewish voters and campaign contributors." But ex-Clinton aide Steve Rabinowitz is skeptical of Kirkpatrick's impact: "Dole has a tremendous problem in the Jewish community. ... Jews are going to vote for Clinton and anyone who says differently is crazy" (9/1).

ENDORSEMENTS: The Dole campaign has announced the addition of NH Senate Pres. Joe Delahunty as a state vice chair (release, 8/31). Dole has also won the endorsement of Christine Moore. Moore "is recognized statewide as a key leader of the [FL] Christian Coalition. She will play an active role in recruiting conservative leaders across [FL]" (release, 8/30).

*3 GRAMM: STAFFER PENS CONTROVERSIAL NAVAL ARTICLE

A NAVY TIMES article, written by Phil Gramm's issues director Larry Di Rita, which "lampoons diversity and women in the service," has "divided" readers of the magazine. The "satirical" piece is set aboard an aircraft carrier doing rain-forest research off the coast of Brazil. The captain of the ship has to delay his scheduled leave for three months because "his replacement is on maternity leave." Retired navy Commander Deborah Gernes called the piece "hysterical ranting," and said she had never felt the need to protest anything in the magazine until now. Gernes called Di Rita's work an "offensive and

unprofessional commentary," and an "insult to every professional navy officer." Navy Capt. Dick Bates (ret.) "thought it was good satire." Bates, who graduated from the Naval Academy in 1948, "opposes women on combat vessels," and calls himself a "relic from the past." Di Rita, an '80 Academy grad, could not be reached for comment. In the article, the action takes place on the USS Pat Schroeder. In the story, a seaman of "IndoUgric" heritage sues his superior, charging "insensitivity to diversity." Andrea Camp, spokesperson for Schroeder, said Di Rita is "from the flat earth caucus": "It sounds like a very reactionary fear-of-the-future attitude" (Gamerman/Bowman, Balto. SUN, 9/1).

CHALLENGES DOLE ON EMBARGO: Gramm again "challenged" Bob Dole not to delay a Senate vote to override Pres. Clinton's veto of the Bosnian arms embargo. Gramm: "The sooner we let Bosnians defend themselves, the sooner there will be no reason to send American pilots to fight in Bosnia." Gramm argued that attempts by the Clinton admin. to negotiate a peace settlement "risks deeper U.S. involvement": "It is Bill Clinton's right to be consistently wrong, but Republicans shouldn't fall in line behind him" (REUTER/USA TODAY, 9/1).

***4 PEROT: HAS "NIGHTLINE" ALL TO HIMSELF**

Ross Perot appeared last night on "Nightline." Asked which independent candidate he'd support: "I'm not going to pick a horse." Asked about an indie's viability: "The deck is totally stacked against that person -- all the rules, all the regulations, all the campaign money. ... If you go out as an independent candidate there's no way in the world you're going to get enough money to finance your own campaign because the Democrats and Republicans split up everything the Treasury gets." On the GOP Congress: "It's very important that those pledges [made in the Contract with America] be kept, very important that we get campaign finance reform, that we get ethical reform in Congress, get the basic things the American people want." On '92: "All the exit polls show that if everyone who had wanted to vote for me had voted for me and had not been talked out of it by saying don't waste your vote, believe it or not, I would have won. That's one of the best kept secrets in the universe." Asked if the American people could handle the hard solutions to the budget, Social Security, Medicare: "They are grown up. They understand it. Once you know you have cancer, you start looking for chemotherapy -- and that ain't pretty. ... They know we are on a short fuse as far as our financial condition" (ABC, 8/31).

***5 CLINTON: HARD RAIN CONTINUES TO FALL OVER BOSNIA**

Pres. Clinton, visiting Hawaii to commemorate allied victory over Japan, called the air-strikes against the Bosnian Serbs the "right response to savagery." He told a crowd in Honolulu that he hoped they were "proud of the role" the U.S. Armed Forces are playing in helping NATO forces deliver a "loud and clear" message to the Bosnian Serbs. The WWII commemorations follow Clinton's two week Wyoming vacation. Despite the interruptions of world events, Clinton said that he would return to Washington with "a

great deal of renewed energy and spirit and hope for our country" (Lewis, DALLAS MORNING NEWS, 9/1).

SEIZING THE DAY: Balto. SUN's Lewthwaite writes a "crucial new element" is driving the "more aggressive allied pursuit of peace" in the Balkans: "United States leadership." The Clinton admin. is "seizing the moment both to propose a formula for negotiations and to fill the air-space over Bosnia with U.S. led attack jets." For Clinton "being able to untie the Gordian knot that is Bosnia would lend a political boost to his re-election prospects" (9/1). PHILA. INQUIRER's Rubin writes the air-strikes, combined with the U.S. push to get peace negotiations started, "add up to something that has been missing for the last four years: a coherent U.S. policy. ... A U.S. president finally seems committed to ending the fighting and brokering a peace" (9/1). CNN's Blitzer: "The President's message was dual-pronged. He was effectively, once again, drawing a line in the sand against the Bosnian Serbs. ... At the same time, he is ... reaching out in terms of the negotiating process. ... The President is trying to make a case that this is a turning point in Bosnia, and his aides insist that if things go smoothly, if the message can be delivered loud and clear, the message of the NATO air strikes, then this will create an opportunity for a peace settlement to emerge" (8/31).

WHITEWATER: W. POST EDITORIAL: "When a special grand jury in Little Rock hands up an indictment, and the White House puts out a press release noting that Bill and Hillary Clinton were not charged, you know Whitewater has taken us to a new place. ... The independent prosecutor is slowly working his way deep into the Clinton governorship. If the Clintons broke no laws, did they, in essence, turn a blind eye to what was going on around them?" (8/31). AR DEMOCRAT-GAZETTE's Meredith Oakley, asked if the Clintons will be hurt by Whitewater: "Short of falling right at the doorstep of Bill and Hillary Clinton, which this case involving [AR Gov.] Tucker appears not to do, they'll be okay" ("Inside Politics," CNN, 8/31).

*6 LOUISIANA: NEWSFLASH! CLINTON LEADS DOLE IN SOUTHERN STATE

A Shreveport TIMES poll, conducted 8/25-28 by Mason Dixon/PMR, surveyed 828 registered LA voters; margin of error +/- 3.5%. Subsample: 178 likely GOP voters; +/- 7.5% (9/1).

CLINTON JOB	ALL	MEN	WOMEN	DEM	GOP
Exc/good	38%	30%	46%	45%	19%
Fair/poor	62	70	54	55	81

GOP PRIMARY	ALL	MEN	WOMEN
Dole	37%	33%	41%
Gramm	18	21	15
Buchanan	16	18	14
Wilson	5	5	5
Alexander	5	6	4
Lugar	1	1	1
Specter	1	--	2
Dornan	1	2	--

Keyes	1	1	1
Fletcher	--	--	--
Undec.	15	13	17

GENERAL ELECTION MATCHUPS

Clinton	46%	Clinton	51%
Dole	44	Gramm	37
Undec.	10	Undec.	12

Clinton	36%	Clinton	38%
Dole	32	Gramm	26
Powell	15	Powell	21
Undec.	17	Undec.	15

*7 FIELD NOTES: LUGAR, SPECTER, WILSON TO GET MATCHING FUNDS

The Federal Election Commission certified Dick Lugar, Arlen Specter and Pete Wilson for receiving federal matching funds. The first candidate to qualify was Phil Gramm on 3/20; Lamar Alexander, Pat Buchanan and Bob Dole were certified as eligible 5/31. To become eligible for matching funds, campaigns must raise \$5,000 in 20 different states in amounts no greater than \$250 from any individual. Other requirements include agreeing to an overall spending limit, abiding by spending limits in each state, using public funds only for legitimate campaign-related expenses, keeping financial records and permitting an extensive campaign audit (FEC releases, 8/30-31).

DORNAN: The ATLANTA JOURNAL-CONSTITUTION reports "racial slurs by staff members" of Bob Dornan's campaign "have resulted in several dismissals." Terry Dornan-Cobban, Dornan's daughter and campaign manager, "said some staffers have been asked to leave when they used racial language or urged Dornan to stop highlighting his past association with Martin Luther King Jr. in the 1960s." Dornan-Cobban "said one dismissed staffer also made inappropriate remarks about women." With so little in funds, Dornan's campaign "is run by his family with no regular paid staff" (8/31).

TV TALK: ABC Pol. Dir. Hal Bruno, on the pitfalls of primary compression: "We've never seen anything happen this fast and this early. ... This is a terrible way to go about doing it. There's a lot to be said for going back to the days when the party leadership did it. ... The qualities it takes to win a nomination are not necessarily the qualities we look for in a president." PBS' Ken Bode: "It's a terrible system. We need time to look at these candidates. ... It's always better to know everything you can about a candidate before you elect him President rather than find out afterwards, and Whitewater is an example of something like that. There's just not time, unless you begin now, to do really intensive work reporting on every one of these candidates, ... and there just isn't the appetite in the news consumer out there to receive that information now. That's the dilemma we have" ("Inside Politics," CNN, 8/31). Ex-Clinton

press sec. Dee Dee Myers, asked who Clinton feared most in the GOP field: "If General Powell were to get into this as a Republican, I think that would be a very difficult situation ... any of the other candidates, President Clinton is in a very good position to beat. ... Clearly it would be a little tougher to beat a more moderate Republican, but I think the White House believes that it's going to be very difficult for a moderate Republican, say Lamar Alexander, Pete Wilson, to win the nomination" ("GMA," ABC, 9/1).

*8 GOP CANDIDATE SCHEDULES: WHERE THEY'LL BE

ALEXANDER: 9/1-4 -- Vacation w/family
9/5 -- Milwaukee, WI, w/Bill Bennett to fight for
WI school choice program

BUCHANAN: 9/1-3 -- No campaign events scheduled
9/4 -- Candler, FL at Townley Manufacturing for
Marion Co. Labor Day celebration
9/5 -- College Park, GA for news conference
-- Hartwell, GA for luncheon and fundraiser

DOLE: 9/1 -- Weirs Beach, & Wolfeboro, NH for Fall Campaign
Kickoff "Boatercade"
9/2 -- No campaign events scheduled
9/3 -- Darlington, SC for a NASCAR Winston Cup race
9/4 -- Indianapolis, IN at American Legion Convention
for keynote speech on values
-- Ottumwa, IA for Labor Day Rally
-- Burlington, IA for Des Moines Co. GOP Hog Roast
9/5 -- Chicago Economic Club for major policy speech

DORNAN: Schedule not available

GRAMM: 9/1-4 -- No media events scheduled
9/5 -- Washington, DC for Senate business

KEYES: 9/1 -- St. Croix, Virgin Islands for conference
9/2 -- St. Thomas, Virgin Islands
9/4 -- Candler, FL at Townley Manufacturing for
Marion Co. Labor Day celebration
9/5 -- Ft. Myers, FL

LUGAR: 9/1 -- Hopkinton Fair, NH
-- Appearances on Adler On-Line (TV program)
& David Brudnoy on WBZ Boston
9/2 -- Ellsworth, Blue Hill & Bangor, ME
9/3-4 -- Vacation w/family

SPECTER: 9/1-2 -- No campaign events scheduled
9/3 -- Appearance on CBS' "Face the Nation"
9/4 -- No media events scheduled
9/5 -- Washington, DC for Senate business

TAYLOR: 9/1 -- Kennebunk & York, ME

WILSON: 9/1 -- L.A. Police Academy Law Enforcement breakfast

9/2 -- Sacramento, CA for bill signings

9/3 -- Jackson Hole, WY for fundraiser

9/4 -- Indianapolis, IN

9/5 -- Indianapolis, IN for American Legion event

-- Washington, DC for fundraisers

===== NATIONAL BRIEFING =====

*9 PACKWOOD: ON THE OFFENSIVE

In what appears to be a "glimpse" of what "would likely come" if the Senate Ethics Cmte next week grants Sen. Bob Packwood's (R-OR) request for public hearings on sexual misconduct allegations against him, Packwood atty Charles Slepian said that "one of the accusers was once seen voluntarily planting a big kiss" on Packwood. Thus, what would be expected to come with public hearings is "a flood of embarrassingly personal he-did, she-did charges and countercharges, fodder for a thousand supermarket headlines and a television spectacle lurid enough to outdraw a soap opera." The Ethics cmte is scheduled to meet 9/6, its first mtg since Packwood's request for public hearings, which followed two new accusations against him, one of which came from a woman who was then 17 years old. A "key question" will be whether cmte chair Sen. Mitch McConnell (R-KY) will drop his opposition to public hearings. But since Packwood now supports them, his request will be "hard to deny." Sen. John McCain (R-AZ): "We'd show solidarity with what Bob Packwood wants." While "much is unclear about the shape and timing" of the hearings if they were to be held, many "expect that they would be reminiscent" of the '91 Clarence Thomas-Anita Hill hearings. If Packwood's recent press conferences are "any indication," his defense strategy will be "trying to impugn his accusers' credibility" (Hook, L.A. TIMES, 9/1). Slepian's announcement refers to a deposition from a woman who worked with Packwood accuser Mary Heffernan at the National Abortion Rights Action League in the '80s and was at an '82 reception that was also attended by Packwood and Heffernan. The deposition said Heffernan "walked briskly over to the senator, threw her arms around him, hugged him and kissed him on the lips." Packwood's response was described as "very friendly, normal, not anything out of the ordinary." Heffernan's complaint involved an incident in '81 or '82 when she visited Packwood's office as a lobbyist for NARAL. She alleged Packwood "squeezed her arms and leaned over and kissed her on the mouth." It is "unclear" which of these events took place first, or if they are the same incident. This witness wants to remain anonymous now, but "is prepared to be identified and testify if public hearings are held." She claims to have written the ethics cmte in 5/95, but got no response. A cmte source "said the panel was aware of what she had to say but did not regard it as 'having any impact in the incident' involved in the allegation" (Dewar, W. POST, 9/1). The woman insists her story is relevant: "If we assume the incident

Mary Heffernan alleges preceded the friendly incident I witnessed, she was, in effect, rewarding the senator's previous bad behavior, giving him no indication he offended her. If, on the other hand, the bad incident followed the friendly one I witnessed, she, in effect, led him on" (W. TIMES, 9/1). Slepian released four other depositions last week challenging the credibility of another accuser and said more statements -- "perhaps as many as 100" -- challenging the accusations will be released in coming weeks (Dewar, W. POST, 9/1). Heffernan "called Packwood's release of the deposition an attempt by him to scare off his accusers" (USA TODAY, 9/1).

STRATEGY: Slepian: "It appears that a kiss took place, but she was the one making the delivery of that kiss. This is part of why we are asking so hard to have the Senator, among other things, be given the right to cross-examine his witnesses at a hearing and to get the authority to subpoena witnesses" (CNN, 8/31). Packwood accuser Gena Hutton, whose credibility was questioned last week with the release of depositions claiming she "continued to work" for Packwood following the incidents she complained about, "dismissed" Packwood's strategy as "an 11th-hour attempt to smear and intimidate the women in advance of public hearings." She said she and other accusers "had been expecting a smear attempt to turn them into the accused once [Packwood] changed his mind and demanded hearings. ... He's trying to save his political career at the expense of everyone and anyone." Packwood comm. dir. Matt Evans "denied" that Packwood was now fighting "more aggressively because he sensed" that his leadership of the Senate Finance Cmte was "increasingly at stake as the case against him persisted": "The Senator essentially remained silent for two and a half years on these allegations despite in many cases knowing what was being said publicly about him was not true. I think he just got tired of it." Evans also contends that Packwood was hoping for a "fair decision" from the Ethics cmte but decided that was not a "workable strategy" after the announcement that two more allegations would be added to the charges against him.

*10 HOTLINE ROLODEX: A TABLOID ITEM TO SPOIL YOUR WEEKEND

N.Y. POST cover: "JFK Jr. Pops the Question." POST's Nguyen reports soon-to-be magazine publisher JFK Jr., 34, "has given his live-in squeeze," Carlyne Bessette, an engagement ring. "But friends say Bessette is taking her 'sweet time' to decide." A source: "She still won't say yes I do" (9/1).

===== CAMPAIGNS OF '95 =====

*11 LOUISIANA GOV: EDITORIAL ACCUSES LANDRIEU OF HYPOCRISY

A Baton Rouge ADVOCATE editorial comments on the recent FORBES article on Treas. Mary Landrieu's (D) campaign contributions, stating the magazine "has a valid point" about her questionable contributions (see HOTLINE, 8/31). Noting that Landrieu has taken contributions from bond firms that do business with the state while she has called for a ban on campaign

contributions from gambling interests, the paper questions whether her actions are "any different from legislators taking contributions from gambling interests": "Just like the gambling business, the bond business is a highly lucrative one. There is a lot of money to spread around to bond attorneys and consultants, and the business has been the subject of earlier scandals in Louisiana, as well as in other states. In short, it's just one more case in which a business can exert undue influence through campaign contributions and in which there is an opportunity for political officeholders to be swayed in the performance of their duties by campaign contributions. ... Perhaps she also should be calling for a ban on campaign contributions from bond interests" (8/31). Other Dems: LG Melinda Schwegmann, state Sens. Mike Foster & Don Kelly, state Rep. Robert Adley, atty Phil Preis, Orleans Levee Board Pres. Robert Harvey and Reps. Cleo Fields (D-04) & William Jefferson (D-02). GOPers: ex-Gov. Buddy Roemer, state Rep. Quentin Dastugue, Delgado Comm. College prof. Anne Thompson and Rev. Carey Kimbrell. Possible GOPer: '91 cand. David Duke. Filing deadline: 9/7. Election: 10/21. Runoff: 11/18.

EDWARDS SURGERY: Retiring Gov. Edwin Edwards (D) underwent heart surgery 8/30 after doctors found blockage during a routine exam. Edwards' oldest son, Stephen, "said his father was told the surgery did not have to be performed immediately and could have been scheduled for a later date." The gov. is expected to be hospitalized for about six days (AP, 8/30).

===== SENATE WATCH =====

*12 RETIREMENT WATCH: COHEN SAYS 4 OR 5 RETIREES STILL TO COME

In announcing his decision not to seek Bill Bradley's (D) open Senate seat in '96, ex-NJ Gov. Tom Kean (R) trashed Washington and said he couldn't serve with the "radicals" of his own party (see HOTLINE 8/31). W. POST's Russakoff reports Sen. Bill Cohen (R-ME), who is running for a fourth term in '96, "said he knows of 'at least four of five'" more senators who will announce they are leaving, in addition to the six Dems and one GOPer -- Bradley, Exon (D-NE), Pryor (D-AR), Johnston (D-LA), Heflin (D-AL), Simon (D-IL) & Brown (R-CO) -- who already are bowing out. Cohen "would not name names, but there is speculation" that he was talking about those still on everybody's lists of possible retirees: Mark Hatfield (R-OR), Nancy Kassebaum (R-KS), Sam Nunn (D-GA), Claiborne Pell (D-RI) and Strom Thurmond (R-SC) (9/1).

*13 KANSAS: ROBERTS RUNS AROUND STATE, JUST IN CASE

Rep. Pat Roberts (R-01), whose CD covers virtually all of central and western KS, ventured east to Kansas City for the "stated reason" of promoting the '95 farm bill. "But another purpose was obvious": "running for a possible open U.S. Senate seat in Kansas next year." Popular three-term Sen. Nancy Kassebaum (R), who did not raise a penny in the first half of '95, is yet to announce her intentions. Her cash-on-hand is \$112,000. Roberts, of Dodge City, chairs the House Ag. Cmte. In K.C., he also met with the K.C. Star's editorial board, spoke to

the K.C. Chamber of Commerce and held a fund-raiser in Overland Park. Earlier in the week, he raised money in Topeka, also outside his CD. Roberts said he does not know what Kassebaum will do. But, "based on private talks with her", Roberts said, Kassebaum's "preference is to step down." Roberts: "I think she wants to return to private life" (Kraske, K.C. STAR, 9/1).

*14 LOUISIANA: TAUZIN SWINGING FROM THE HIGHEST VINE

Shreveport TIMES poll, conducted 8/25-28 by Mason Dixon/PMR, surveyed 828 registered LA voters; margin of error 3.5% (release, 8/31). Tested: Rep. Billy Tauzin (R-03), Rep. Jim McCrery (R-05), AG Richard Ieyoub (D), Sec/State Fox McKeithen (R), Rep. Jimmy Hayes (D-07), Rep. Richard Baker (R-06), state Sen./'78 Dem primary cand. Woody Jenkins (R), oilman Pat Taylor (R), ex-Dem House Speaker Bubba Henry (R) and state Sen. Max Jordan (R).

SENATE PRIMARY		SENATE PRIMARY	
W/ McCRERY		W/OUT McCRERY	
Tauzin	22%	Tauzin	26%
McCrery	17	Ieyoub	16
Ieyoub	13	McKeithen	10
McKeithen	8	Hayes	8
Hayes	7	Baker	7
Wilson	6	Wilson	6
Baker	5	Jenkins	3
Jenkins	3	Taylor	2
Taylor	2	Henry	--
Henry	--	Jordan	--
Jordan	--	Undec.	22
Undec.	17		

RUNOFF:

Tauzin	44%	Tauzin	52%	Tauzin	42%
Ieyoub	32	Hayes	21	McCrery	29
Undec.	24	Undec.	27	Undec.	29

WHY DID TAUZIN SWITCH PARTIES?

For political advantage	47%
Dem party too liberal	31
Both	8
DK	14

REAX: Rep. Jim McCrery (R-05) said, "It is encouraging to have such favorable numbers in a statewide poll, considering I

have never run statewide. ... I appreciate the advice and encouragement many people have given me regarding my potential candidacy for the U.S. Senate. I will continue to take their opinions to heart" (release, 8/31).

===== ON THE HOUSE =====

***15 CA 27: SPURNED MOORHEAD SAYS HE'S HAD ENOUGH**

Rep. Carlos Moorhead (R) announced 8/29 that he will not seek reelection to the seat he's held since '73: "When you've been in Congress for as long as I have -- 23 years -- it's a very difficult decision to decide not to run for re-election. It's one I've been struggling with for the past year or so." During the press conference, Moorhead "called for more respect" among House members and "made a plea" to constituents and the press to "stop bashing" their congressmen. He also admitted that he may have stayed "had he been granted the chairmanship of a few powerful committees," Judiciary and Commerce. Instead, he was passed up and received a less important subcmte chair. Speaker Newt Gingrich reportedly would not give Moorhead Judiciary or Commerce because he was "not mean enough." Moorhead: "Well, I certainly don't want to be a mean person. That is my last desire in life" (Turner, GLENDALE NEWS PRESS, 8/30). Moorhead's announcement confirmed "months of speculation." Moorhead, on the "current tone of politics": "The campaigns are much more cantankerous." Analysts "saw the announcement as an indication that the [GOP], in its aggressive pursuit for change on Capitol Hill, had passed Moorhead by." Brookings' Thomas Mann: "A new aggressive Republican has taken charge in the House, and while Moorhead's ideology is similar to his colleagues, his pragmatic style is a declining commodity on Capitol Hill. ... Carlos Moorhead is a nice, decent guy who found himself left behind." Moorhead "acknowledged" that idea, "saying he didn't want to remain in the House longer than he should, as the new, youthful Congress takes control": "I think some members stay too long." Asked if he was not "aggressive" enough for the new Congress, Moorhead responded he goes by the Christian philosophy to "love your neighbor as you love yourself" (Martin/Lacey, L.A. TIMES, 8/30).

PASSING THE TORCH: Moorhead endorsed Assemblyman Jim Rogan (R) -- who announced his candidacy right after Moorhead's announcement -- as his successor. Rogan said Moorhead will "leave very large shoes to fill, and if it is the will of the voters, I would be honored to serve as his successor." Rogan's announcement "follows months of speculation." There was "talk" that Rogan would stay where he was "if he could secure the [CA Assembly] speakership. But with the failure of a recall effort against Stockton Democrat Michael Machado, it doesn't appear Republicans will be able to put together enough votes to overthrow [GOP Speaker] Doris Allen, who has vowed to stand her ground." Rogan said he "would rather see" GOP leader Curt Pringle ascend to the speakership. Announced candidate/two-time Moorhead foe Doug Kahn (D), on Rogan: "I will welcome (Rogan) to the race, but remind voters of his stance. As conservative as Moorhead is, he's a moderate compared to Rogan." Another Dem

candidate, Barry Gordon, pointed out that the CD supported Bill Clinton and Sen. Dianne Feinstein (D) in '92 and LG Gray Davis (D) in '94: "It's clear that moderate Democrats can win in this district." Also running is Elizabeth Michael (Libertarian) (Turner, GLENDALE NEWS PRESS, 8/30). The open CD is "expected to spark a flurry of jockeying for the seat, particularly among state officeholders facing term limits" (Martin/Lacey, L.A. TIMES, 8/30).

*16 IL 02: MORE CHARGES FOR REYNOLDS

Rep. Mel Reynolds (D) is facing a U.S. Atty's investigation to determine whether he "illegally converted campaign funds to personal use, and whether he lied about his finances in violation of banking laws." Federal investigators were "taking notes" during Reynolds' sexual misconduct case in preparation "for the next case against him." Included in the revelations were that Reynolds used campaign funds to help pay for his suburban home and to rent the apartment where his sexual activities with with an underage Beverly Heard occurred. Also revealed was that Heard's original atty, who has since been indicted on obstruction-of-justice and other charges, had cashed three checks totaling \$5,200 from Reynolds' campaign fund when Heard recanted her accusations last January. Reynolds "had failed to make good on thousands of dollars in personal and political debts" and that one of his campaign cmtes failed to report thousands of dollars in contributions. He is also the "target of many bank lawsuits, including one filed [8/30] seeking to foreclose on his home." Reynolds has refused to comment (AP/W. TIMES, 9/1). ATLANTA JOURNAL/CONSTITUTION editorial urges that, should Reynolds fail to resign, "the House Ethics Committee shouldn't waste any time recommending expulsion" (8/31).

TV GUIDE: Reynolds appears on "Larry King Live" tonight at 7:00 pm EDT. CHICAGO SUN-TIMES' Roeper suggests a few questions for King, including, "Want to kiss me like Brando did?" (8/31).

===== 50 STATE =====

*17 CALIFORNIA: LUNGREN FOCUSES ON GRAY DAVIS ... & HUFFINGTON

CALIFORNIA JOURNAL WEEKLY's Scott reports, "If the line is forming for candidates in the 1988 governor's race, then [GOP AG] Dan Lungren is definitely one of the overnight campers. Lungren became the hands-down winner of the 'early bird' award earlier this month" by sending out a fundraising letter for the '98 race. Lungren, in the letter: "I want to make it clear to you that it would be my intention to wage such a campaign for Governor." The mailing requested "a minimum" of \$500 and "played heavily on fears of [Dem LG] Gray Davis, a favorite GOP pariah", who already has \$500,000 in his campaign account. Although Davis spokesperson Gary South "concedes" Davis has a half-million, he "argues that it's almost all carryover from" '94. Lungren's brother/campaign adviser Brian Lungren: "Gray Davis has been raising money since he graduated high school." The pitch may seem early to some, but "political pros believe the letter was a smart tactical maneuver" and "to insiders ... the pitch appeared

intended not so much to raise money as to raise a flag in front of" ex-Rep./'94 GOP Sen. nominee Michael Huffington (see HOTLINE, 8/16). Huffington is considering a run for gov. or the sen. in '98, but "recently has dropped hints his first choice" would be the former. Should Huffington run for gov., his "willingness to spend down his personal fortune" would prove a "sizeable roadblock for Lungren in a competitive primary." Huffington, downplayed the mailing: "Most people I know in the party are thinking only about 1996. To the average voter, 1998 is light years away" (9/4 issue).

===== POLL UPDATE =====

*18 CNN/USA TODAY/GALLUP: WILSON LIKES THIS POLL
 1,017 adults surveyed 8/28-30; margin of error +/- 3%.
 Subsample: 444 GOP primary voters; +/- 4.6% (CNN release, 8/31).

CLINTON JOB	NOW	7/95	CONGRESS JOB	NOW	7/95
Approve	46%	48%	Approve	30%	35%
Disapprove	43	42	Disapprove	60	55

DOLE JOB	NOW	6/95	GENERIC CONG. BALLOT (w/leaners)
Approve	51%	48%	NOW 7/95
Disapprove	34	35	GOP candidate 45% 46%
			Dem candidate 44 46

GOP PRIMARY (w/leaners)			GENERAL ELECTION (w/leaners)		
	8/28-30	8/4-7		NOW	8/4-7
Dole	45%	46%	Clinton	49%	46%
Gramm	11	9	Dole	46	47
Wilson	10	4			
Buchanan	7	10			
Alexander	4	4			
Lugar	3	2			
Keyes	2	2			
Specter	2	3			
Dornan	1	1			
No opinion	15	19			

GOP CONGRESS SO FAR	NOW	4/95	THIS CONGRESS HAS DONE
Success	52%	54%	More than others 24%
Failure	35	35	Less than others 16
			About the same 57

HAS CLINTON COOPERATED ENOUGH W/THE GOP CONGRESS?		HAS CONGRESS COOPERATED ENOUGH W/CLINTON?	
Yes	58%	Yes	38%
No	35	No	55

HAVE MORE CONFIDENCE IN	CLINTON	GOP LEADERS
Budget deficit	35	44
Economy	39	46
Taxes	39	45
Crime	39	41
Welfare	43	42

IF THE HILL GOP AND CLINTON DO NOT AGREE ON FEDERAL SPENDING GOALS THIS FALL, THE GOV'T WILL HAVE TO SHUT DOWN ALL NON-ESSENTIAL SERVICES UNTIL A BUDGET IS PASSED. WHAT SHOULD HAPPEN?

People in gov't should be more willing to compromise, 60%
even if it means they pass a budget I disagree with

People in gov't should stand by their principles, 35
even if it means the gov't shuts down

WILL THE SENATE ETHICS CMTE CONDUCT A FAIR INVESTIGATION OF THE SEXUAL HARASSMENT CHARGES AGAINST SEN. BOB PACKWOOD?

	NOW	12/92	
Very/Somewhat confident	45%		43%
Not too/Not at all	52	54	

WHY ARE GOPers TRYING TO MAKE MAJOR CHANGES TO MEDICARE?

They want to use savings to pay for budget tax cuts 44%
Changes are necessary to save program 43

===== TV MONITOR =====

*19 THIS MORNING: ABC's "GMA" hosted Dee Dee Myers. "CBS This Morning" hosted OH Gov. George Voinovich (R). "FOX Morning News" hosted Reps. Lee Hamilton (D-IN) and Connie Morella (R-MD).

THIS WEEKEND: NBC's "Meet the Press" hosts AFL-CIO interim pres. Thomas Donahue and Service Employees International Union's John Sweeney. ABC's "Brinkley" hosts Asst. Sec/State Richard Holbrooke, Phil Gramm and Sen. Joseph Lieberman (D-CT). CNN's "Larry King Live" hosts Rep. Mel Reynolds (D-IL). CNN's "Evans & Novak" hosts Labor Sec. Robert Reich. CNN's "Capital Gang" hosts GOP strategist Ed Rollins. CNN's "IP Weekend" hosts Donahue. CNN's "Crossfire Sunday" hosts Rep. Bill Paxon (R-NY) and Sen. Paul Wellstone (D-MN).

LAUGHS: Leno, on Pete Wilson's car accident in IA: "Well you can understand that -- nine Republican candidates in the same state all making right turns -- they're bound to run into each other sooner or later." Leno, on Mel Reynolds' appearance on "Larry King Live": "Is that a good idea -- putting a guy convicted of phone sex on a call-in show?" Leno, on the UN Conference: "This is the largest meeting of women since Bob Packwood's accusers got together." Leno, on Bob Packwood's claim that he doesn't remember abusing these women: "Let's take him out to dinner, buy him a few drinks and when he wakes up the next morning, tell him 'You resigned yesterday, don't you remember?'" ("Tonight Show," NBC, 8/31).

TOP TEN REASONS HOTLINE WANTS LETTERMAN TO RETURN FROM VACATION

(If you think the Top Ten lists we print are of questionable quality -- and you're wrong -- you should see the rejects. Here's a sample of what has polluted our fax this week.)

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9. Top Ten Signs You Are Going To Be the Subject of Congressional Hearings.
8. Top Ten National Football League Innovations For 1995.
7. Top Ten Reasons We're Already Tired Of The Whole "George" Magazine Thing.
6. Top Ten Things To Do Now That Jerry Garcia Is Dead.
5. Top Ten Reasons Why France Should Continue Nuclear Testing In The Pacific.
4. Top Ten Excuses For Being Late Returning From Lunch.
3. Top Ten Reasons Why People Submit Top Ten Lists.
2. Top Ten Reasons Not To Eliminate The Department Of Energy.
1. Howard Mortman's Top Ten Dating Tips.

===== TV SOUNBITE =====

"It appears that a kiss took place, but she was
the one making the delivery of that kiss."

-- Charles Slepian, Sen. Packwood's atty, on one of
Packwood's alleged instances of misconduct, CNN, 8/31

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THE HOT BOX	SPOTLIGHT
HIT THE RHODE: Claiborne	GRAND OLD POCKETEERS
Pell (RI) this a.m. became	
the 7th Dem Sen. -- nearly	You want stunning? Take
half the party's incumbents	a look at the latest report
up in '96 -- to just say no	of party fund-raising for
to another term. Likely	the 1st half of '95. The
matchup: Rep. Reed (D-02)	GOP cmtes (RNC, NRSC, NRCC)
vs. Treas. Mayer (R).	outraised their Dem
	counterparts (DNC, DSCC,
	DCCC) by more than 2-1:
READ THE BOOK ... (#1,19)	\$52M to \$20M. All three
NEWSWEEK cover story on new	GOP cmtes are flush with
Powell autobio reveals tales of	cash while, a DNC surplus
Clinton VP offers & Sec/State	notwithstanding, the Dems
talks. As for a Powell agenda,	are carrying a net debt.
its "bland," but he's plainly	CASH FOLLOWS POWER: What
open to a pres. bid. Poll	a difference 2 years make.
advises the GOP primary route.	While GOP receipts are up
	43% from the same period of

HOME'S WHERE THE HARM IS (#2,4) | '93, Dem money is up only |
New poll finds Clinton with | 1%. Credit much of that to |
better CA numbers than Wilson. | the GOP's huge infusion of |
| soft money. (#10) |
HEAR THEM ROAR (#18) | |
WA women's group urges Gov. | THE NEW KING OF CASH: AL |
Lowry (D) to stay out of '96. | D'AMATO gets extra special |
| attention. TIME reports on |
MAKING THE RULES (#15) | 2 lobbyists who say he uses |
Rep. McKinney (D-GA 11) | his Banking chair to "twist |
threatens a black Dem 3rd party | arms" for funds. (#11) |
over GA's redistricting plan. |

===== QUOTE OF THE DAY =====

"It isn't a scandal waiting to happen.

It's a scandal right now."

-- Common Cause's Ann McBride, on Al D'Amato's many chairs:

Banking Cmte, NRSC and Dole campaign steering cmte, TIME, 9/11

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CAN YOU HANDLE THE TRUTH? The HOTLINE has an immediate opening for an editorial asst. Interested? FAX resumes to Ken Rudin at (703) 518-8701. No phone calls, please.

???? OVERLOOKED ????

COLIN CAN MOVE PRODUCT

Colin Powell graces NEWSWEEK's cover this week. Next week, he is expected to do so for TIME. Will he hit for the cycle again?

NEWSWEEK (9/11/95), U.S. NEWS (8/21/95),

TIME (7/5/95), NEWSWEEK (10/3/94).

===== WHITE HOUSE '96 =====

*1 POWELL: NEWSWEEK SAYS HE LOOKS GOOD TO GO IN '96

In NEWSWEEK's cover story, Howard Fineman writes Colin Powell's new book "reads a lot like an inspirational campaign platform." While Powell "hedges a bit" about running in '96, he looks "good to go," and if he goes, he will do it "to win." Powell discloses in the book that in '88, Pres.-elect George Bush wanted to name him CIA Dir. Powell turned down the post, and Bush later named him chair of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. In '92, Dem "power broker" Vernon Jordan asked Powell if he would consider being Clinton's running mate. Powell also discloses that following the election, Jordan approached him about becoming Sec/State, and in '94, Clinton spoke to Powell directly about replacing Warren Christopher. The book, obtained by NEWSWEEK, leaves "little doubt" that Powell wants to run, and that he is "leaning toward" running as an independent. However, if he does decide to run, the numbers in a new NEWSWEEK poll (see #19) suggest Powell would be most successful as a GOPer. Powell comes in last in a three-way race with Dole and Clinton, but beats Clinton by ten points in a 2-way match-up as the GOP nominee. In "My American Journey," Powell lays out a "bland set of conservative principles that would allow him to run as either an independent or a moderate Republican: low taxes, faith in free enterprise, new scrutiny of entitlements. He makes it clear that despite his emphasis on "traditional values," he is "no fan of the religious right." The book is "no tell-all confessional," and there are no "hot buttons" pushed. Powell is "mute" on abortion, immigration, capital punishment or welfare payments to unwed teen mothers. But he does admit to having a "hot temper" (9/11 issue).

WH REAX: WH Press Sec. Mike McCurry offered "tacit endorsements" of Powell's version. McCurry: "It's no secret that President Clinton has high regard for General Powell." But in the end, McCurry said Al Gore was Clinton's "first and only choice." McCurry "did not say directly" that Powell was sounded out as a potential Sec/State, but did say Clinton and Christopher had "candid discussions" about whether he would stay in the job (S.F. CHRONICLE, 9/4). The WH "seemed surprised" and "a little

miffed" by Powell's revelations. McCurry: "Obviously these are very serious and personal discussions. Apparently General Powell has felt free to write about them. That's his right as an American" (Ball, N.Y. DAILY NEWS, 9/4).

FORETASTE OF THE BLITZ TO COME: N.Y. TIMES' Apple writes while they were once a mystery, it will soon be "difficult to avoid" Powell's political views. He will be on the cover of TIME next week. He will appear in a one-hour interview with ABC's Barbara Walters 9/15 and will kick-off a 23-city int'l book tour 9/16. He will be on the cover of PARADE magazine 9/17. News organizations "plan to cover" the tour like it was a political campaign (9/4). He'll also be on NBC's "Tonight" with Jay Leno 9/26 (Carmody, W. POST).

POWELL-MANIA GETTING TO YOU? NEW YORKER's Malanowski offers some potential career moves we may see for Powell in the near future: 1) Signs a one-year deal with the N.Y. Yankees. Yankee owner George Steinbrenner: "I'm not sure where we'll put him. I'm not sure whether he is a righty or a lefty -- frankly, I'm not even sure if he is a pitcher or a hitter. But I do know this: our team has been yearning for a sense of moral conviction." 2) Named CEO of MCA by Seagram's pres. Edward Bronfman Jr. 3) Selected as the next Pope. John Cardinal O'Connor: "I'm not sure if Mr. Powell is Catholic, or if he even believes in God, but I do know that Catholics constantly yearn for moral conviction, and Mr. Powell's got a lock on that. 4) Marries JFK Jr. John-John, on reports that Powell is already married, and is, in fact, a man: "I hear different. But, frankly, I'm not sure if any of that should matter. All I know is that I'm ready to settle down and get some moral conviction." 5) Named Special Counsel for Moral Conviction for Pres. Clinton (9/11 issue).

FL FOLLOWERS: Florida Citizens for Colin Powell, a branch of the DC-based Draft Powell cmte. has opened an office in Broward Co. and has "begun efforts to build an organization." Peter Gardner will head up the effort. Gardner: "What we are trying to do is make people aware of the fact that he is going to be a viable candidate in the Republican Party -- at least that's our feeling" (Fiedler, MIAMI HERALD, 9/3). NPR's Molpus reported on the grassroots movement in NC to draft Powell (9/5).

CHATTERBOXES: GOP analyst Jeff Bell: "He won't run. The reason is ... the resilience of President Clinton. ... He doesn't really differ with President Clinton that much on the issues, and if Clinton is seen as a viable candidate, it's going to be very hard for somebody who's seen as a moderate or liberal to get into the race, to say a new candidate is needed" ("Crossfire," CNN, 9/4). Chris Matthews: "In the end, Colin Powell will run as a Republican, if he runs at all. I think he is ... a moderate Republican" ("GMA," ABC, 9/5).

*2 CLINTON: MORPHS INTO CAMPAIGN KID MODE

Pres. Clinton "unofficially opened" his CA campaign 9/4 in speeches in which he denounced GOP stands on immigration and affirm. action, called for an increase in the minimum wage and said employers should share more profits with workers. Speaking

to "friendly" Dem crowds in Monterey and Alameda counties, Clinton "assailed his conservative opponents" and accused them of "dividing the nation for political advantage." Aides said Clinton had Pete Wilson "in mind" when making his remarks. The visit "looked distinctively like a campaign swing," but aides "denied" that it was politics wrapped in "official guise." The events were taped by the DNC for possible use in campaign ads. The WH announced that Clinton will "hit the road" again in two weeks for a five-city fund-raising tour to Phila., Miami, Denver, S.F and L.A. The current swing marks Clinton's 19th trip to CA as pres., a number "no other state, including his native Arkansas, has approached" (McManus, L.A. TIMES, 9/5). Clinton addressed crowds that personify "the twin aspects of his California base: the new-wave, environmentally minded neighbors of Monterey Bay and the old-guard, union loyalists of Alameda County." Clinton's "sharpest remark" of the day came in Alameda: "This idea, this crazy idea that somehow we can go into the 21st century by weakening our middle class, by dividing our people against each other, by convincing hard-working middle-class people that the reason they don't have a good income is because of welfare or immigration or affirmative action. ... That's not what's holding your wage down" (Trounstein, S.J. MERCURY NEWS, 9/5). Clinton's CA speeches "set the stage for the up-coming budget battle with Congress" (Benedetto, USA TODAY, 9/5). Clinton "stepped squarely onto the turf of Mr. Wilson" (Mitchell, N.Y. TIMES, 9/5). It "remains to be seen" whether or not Clinton is "in tune with the angry streak of the California electorate that applauds Gov. Wilson's tough stands." Clinton "could also suffer" because he has presided over a "continuing shrinkage" of defense spending in CA (Frisby, W.S. JOURNAL, 9/5). CBS' Braver: "There was no escaping the campaign atmosphere" (9/4). CNN's Blitzer: "The President ... made clear ... he is going to take on the Republicans on the key budget issues, but first and foremost, he wants a new political tolerance in Washington" (9/4).

HE'S GOTTA HAVE IT: S.F. CHRONICLE's Yoachum writes it was "no accident" that Clinton spent Labor Day in CA. "With a substantially weakened position in the Southern states that Clinton carried in the last election, most analysts believe that there is no way for the president to be re-elected without winning California." CA Dem Party adviser Bob Mulholland: "Clinton fits California like a surfer. ... From a Democratic point of view, the San Francisco Bay Area is the biggest bloc of votes in the state. The President is always looking at his calendar to see when the next trip to California is." Nevertheless, Dem sources have admitted that Wilson "would give Clinton a close race" in CA, despite the governor's poor showing in national polls (9/3). In an interview with the S.J. MERCURY NEWS, Clinton questioned the proposed anti-affirm. action CA Civil Rights Initiative (CCRI) "in his most extensive comments to date on the sharpest issue facing the state on which his re-election hinges." Calling the '96 ballot initiative a "deftly worded amendment," Clinton said, "I think it's important, in areas where minorities have been systematically excluded or where women have been systematically excluded, to make a conscious effort to give

qualified people a chance to serve." The president, who "stopped short of taking a stand" on CCRI, also called for "modest reductions of legal immigration and "substantial further cuts" in illegal immigration. He added, however, that even illegal immigrants should continue to receive medical care "to preserve the health of the entire community." In addition, he predicted that CA voters would re-elect him because he has delivered on his campaign promises in the state (Trounstone, MERCURY NEWS, 9/4).

ON THE AGENDA: NEWSWEEK's "Periscope" reports WH officials say Clinton is "seriously considering" declaring the oil-rich Arctic Nat'l Wildlife Refuge a national monument. "The move would keep the 1.5 million acre tract off-limits to drilling -- despite Republican efforts to tap its reserves. Aides say Clinton is trying to bolster his new image as an environmentalist" (9/11 issue). GOP analyst Bill Kristol: "There is a divergence of interests between the Democrats in Congress and President Clinton. The congressional Democrats want to be staunch defenders of Medicare, they're willing to shut down the government, they're willing to have a train wreck. Bill Clinton is going to run for re-election as the president you need to have to moderate and temper the Republican Congress. He has a much greater interest in showing that, at the end of the day, he can work with Bob Dole and Newt Gingrich" ("GMA," ABC, 9/5).

*3 DOLE: NOW HE'S THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE GUY

Bob Dole "took a deeper plunge into the culture wars" by revving up his campaign with an "attack" on bilingual education, affirm. action and new standards for teaching history. In a Labor Day speech to the American Legion Convention in Indianapolis, Dole said the nation's language, history and values "are under attack from our government and from intellectual elites who seem embarrassed by America" (Innerst, W. TIMES, 9/5). Dole: "If we are to return this country to greatness, we must do more than restore America's defenses. ... We must return as a people to the original concept of what it means to be an American." Under Dole's proposals, most bilingual education programs would be eliminated and English would be made the nat'l language (Shogan, L.A. TIMES, 9/5). "As for the proposed national history standards, a set of voluntary guidelines for teaching history in primary and secondary schools," Dole suggested that current texts concentrate "on some of our worst moments," such as McCarthyism and the Ku Klux Klan "without even describing George Washington as the nation's first President." The guidelines "have been widely criticized" since being released last year, but "to the extent that Dole's attack was aimed at President Clinton, it was blunted" by a statement from Education Sec. Richard Riley "disavowing the standards," pointing out that the Clinton admin. was not responsible for the study. Dole's speech on values, combined with today's economic address in Chicago, in which aides say he will "espouse pro-growth" policy, "represent a double-barreled effort by the Kansan to provide his candidacy with the ideological definition and emotional inspiration critics contend it has lacked" (L.A. TIMES, 9/5).

RIGHTWARD HO: W. POST's Broder: "Dole reached out very

publicly ... to conservatives in his party who in the past have criticized him for being too much a non-ideological deal-maker" (9/5). CNN's Randall: "The values theme is a Dole appeal to GOP conservative activists. ... They probably got plenty of what they wanted, including the red meat issue of language" (9/4). GOP analyst Bill Kristol: "He knows that issues like the issues that he stressed today are potent ones and that Republican primary voters will want their leader to at least articulate some views on these issues. He did a pretty good job of articulating those views" (NPR, 9/4).

BEEN THERE, DONE THAT: Dick Lugar, Pete Wilson and Pat Buchanan's campaigns all laid claim to the English-as-official-language idea, following Dole's speech. Wilson chair Craig Fuller: "We welcome Bob Dole to the cause ... If Bob Dole, during his first term as Senate Majority Leader in 1986, had joined Pete Wilson, it might be the law of the land by now, rather than a quick soundbite on the evening news" (release, 9/5). Lugar: "I appreciate Senator Dole's affirming it ... I say welcome aboard." Buchanan: "Dole is really violating the copyright laws. ... I came out for this in 1992, and I said then that all federal funding for bilingual education should be ended" (W. POST, 9/5).

HEADED BACK TO THE TARMAC? K.C. STAR's Kraske writes appearances at recent candidate forums "make clear that Dole, the presidential pack's front-runner, did not get there by making speeches." Dole adviser David Keene: "Cicero he ain't. He's not really giving people what they expect from a presidential candidate, which is a sense of the world he wants to create and where he wants to lead them if he is president." Keene "blamed Dole's heavy Senate workload for a recent lack of focus" in his rhetoric: "When he gets preoccupied, the edge is off and he gives people a legislative briefing. They go away thinking, 'I could've gotten that anywhere'" (9/3).

GRANITE SOLID: In NH, Dole and his backers "have created an aura of invincibility around his candidacy, an impression that he is the most seasoned, the most battle tested, the most endorsed, the most deserving and therefore the most likely to win the GOP crown." But Dole still carries the image that he is the "headmaster for the School of Professional Politicians, more a creature of Washington's stubborn old ways than a developer of fresh ideas." Dole is working to "counter his weaknesses" by assembling an organization that "may be hard to slow down." In NH, Dole may be the "1988 version of George Bush," as they are of "the same World War II generation and Dole is inheriting much of Bush's support in this state." By Columbus Day, Dole advisers say they will have county and town campaign chairs in place in all 13 regions of the state (Merida, W. POST, 9/4).

COMFORTABLE ON THE SENATE PERCH: ROLL CALL's Kondracke writes that Dole "is sticking to his game plan: stay mostly in Washington for the rest of 1995, get 'out of here' early next year, and remain Senate Majority Leader until he's elected President." Dole, who is "convinced that being Majority Leader is his best possible perch for seeking the presidency": "Next year, I'll miss a lot of votes. ... In January and February, I'll have to turn things over to Trent Lott, Thad Cochran, Don Nickles

and others. For an important vote, I'll show up." Sen. Mitch McConnell (R-KY), a Dole backer: "I don't think [Dole] will ever give up the title. I think he'll keep it till the day he's inaugurated." So far this year, "Dole has one of the Senate's best attendance records, and Phil Gramm, one of the worst" (9/4). L.A. TIMES' Nelson writes Dole "will necessarily be distracted" from the campaign as he acts as GOP leader "in the continuing battle over the budget, welfare reform and other contentious issues" (9/2).

WILL FALTER: Chris Matthews, likening the '96 campaign to the '52 race: "Bob Taft is represented here by Bob Dole, and I think Colin Powell will be Ike." GOP analyst Bill Kristol: "I don't think Bob Dole will make it, even though he is the front-runner right now" ("GMA," ABC, 9/5).

***4 CALIFORNIA: PETE HAS NET NEGATIVE RATING, BILL HAS NET POS.**

A Field Poll, conducted 8/24-31, surveyed 601 CA adults; margin of error +/- 4% (Field release, 9/5).

CLINTON JOB	NOW	5/95	WILSON JOB	NOW	5/95
Very good/good	36%	37%	Very good/good	27%	28%
Fair	33	38	Fair	28	34
Poor/very poor	27	24	Poor/very poor	40	37

***5 JACKSON: LABOR CANDIDATES SAY THEY ARE CLINTON GUYS**

In a "Meet the Press" joint appearance, AFL-CIO interim pres. Tom Donahue and SEIU pres./Donahue challenger John Sweeney both said they back Pres. Clinton for re-election. Donahue: "I'd urge Jesse not to run. I'd urge him not to involve himself in this. ... A candidacy by Jackson, a challenge to Clinton, will be a divisive, will have a divisive effect." Sweeney agreed Jackson should not run: "We would consider all the candidates who are in the race for President. But we firmly believe that President Clinton has done a great job as President and deserves our support." Donahue was asked why he supports Clinton, since the president supports NAFTA and failed to achieve health-care reform: "I'd tell [my members] to go out and work for him for the reasons that are good for us, the things that he's done that have helped American workers, what he's done principally in terms of the economy and for the efforts he made. ... Clinton is the best hope that workers in this country have currently on the scene" (9/3). Jackson, addressing a service outside of Grant's Tomb in NYC: "All options are open. We will not sit idly by and watch matters of economic justice, job security and urban policy be abandoned without great resistance." He accused Dems and GOPers of being "in bed" with corporate America: "The Republicans and Democrats are eating from the same trough. They are not gridlocked -- they are hiplocked." Jackson: "The Democrats have a choice: To either address real needs or become extinct" (N.Y. POST, 9/4).

***6 WILSON: DEFENDS COPS, SAYS FUHRMAN IS NOT REPRESENTATIVE**

Home after a week of his inaugural campaign-tour kickoff, where he talked illegal immigration, affirm. action and crime,

Pete Wilson cited polls that he said showed him gaining momentum: "Something that seems to make sense to Californians is making sense in Maine and New Hampshire and Massachusetts and Florida. ... The message is resonating." He met with law enforcement officers in L.A., where "he defended police in light of racist remarks" made by O.J. prosecution witness Mark Fuhrman: "To suggest, in any way, that the intolerable racial bigotry displayed by Fuhrman represents the proud men and women of the Los Angeles Police Department is absurd. We've seen similar efforts across the country to try to twist isolated cases of misconduct into a broad indictment of law enforcement. We can't tolerate bad cops. But it makes my stomach turn to see some lawyer from the ACLU making the rounds on the TV talk shows exploiting cases like this to undermine faith in American law enforcement" (Chance, SACRAMENTO BEE, 9/2). Wilson was endorsed by the L.A. Police Protective League, the CA Police Chiefs Assn, CA State Sheriffs Assn, CA State Assn of L.A. Deputy Sheriffs, Women Prosecutors of CA, and several victims rights groups (Orlov, L.A. DAILY NEWS, 9/2). L.A. TIMES' Leshner writes the "tough language and macho bravado" Wilson displayed during his kickoff tour "underscored a theme the governor hopes will pave his way to victory next year" (9/1).

ROAD MAP: L.A. TIMES' Skelton envisions Wilson's road to the WH going through NH, AZ, CO, MA, NY, FL and -- "if he's still running" -- CA. Of course, IA is a "mandatory pit stop," and OR is "inviting." But these above states are where Wilson "really intends to pour on the fuel. His goal is to exceed expectations" in NH, and "win the rest." But fund-raising has been "disappointing"; one Wilson adviser predicts a year-end gross of only \$12-16M, instead of the once-planned \$20M (9/4).

REVIEWS KEEP COMING IN: Providence JOURNAL-BULLETIN's Terzian, stating the N.Y. Times and W. Post coverage of Wilson's announcement "hovered near hysteria," writes, "no other aspirant has been welcomed with quite the frenzy and derision, the moral indignation and censure in the press, that has greeted Pete Wilson." Wilson "has a remarkable ability to anticipate issues, to place himself a few steps ahead of public opinion, positioning himself to maximum advantage. Call it opportunism or flexibility or whatever, it works for Pete Wilson as it worked for Bill Clinton" (9/4). SACRAMENTO BEE's Walters writes the "more troubling aspect" of Wilson's campaign "is that he is abandoning California at a time when strong political leadership is needed -- and in the aftermath of his absolutely unequivocal promise ... to serve an entire second term ... How, one wonders, can he make any trustworthy promises about what he would do as president ... One is left with the conclusion that this campaign is nothing more than Wilson's midlife ego-trip" (9/3). Bob Novak, asked if Wilson was viable: "Not yet. ... He is trying to be the tough guy. He comes over as less of a principled conservative than as just unpleasant. ... I really don't understand the rationale for his campaign." Mark Shields said Wilson's announcement speech "sounded like a recruitment drive for the Montana Militia." GOP analyst Ed Rollins: "I don't think this particular speech is going to convince people that he's a leader." Margaret Carlson:

"He's just unpleasant. He's neck and neck with [Phil] Gramm in the charmless school." Al Hunt, on Wilson's use of the Statue of Liberty: "If David Duke runs now, he can now announce from the Martin Luther King Center. ... They say he's underestimated. Well, there's a reason he's underestimated -- because his whole public career has been mediocre" ("Capital Gang," CNN, 9/2).

LAMAR SPAT: Regarding the "cat fight" between Wilson and Alexander over Alexander's "attack ad" in NH, BOSTON GLOBE's Oliphant compares the two "outsiders." The record of Alexander's "changing views ... is complete and shows a genuine evolution" more than an "opportunistic flip-flop," like Wilson. Alexander's ad "hits home in its portrayal of an opponent who hides from his past and has trouble explaining his present. ... Alexander has a much stronger claim to be the former governor with a less questionable past and a more plausible present" (9/3).

*7 LUGAR: WON'T TAKE RICHARD NIXON'S PRIMARY ADVICE

Campaigning in NH, Dick Lugar said he would "run as a moderate in the GOP primary" and would ignore Richard Nixon's advice to "run as far to the right as possible" during the primary campaign. Lugar said his opponents are competing "futilely" for the title of "most conservative" (Elrick, CONCORD MONITOR, 9/2). A Louisville COURIER-JOURNAL editorial, under header, "Listen to Lugar," states Lugar's campaign "isn't getting the attention it deserves, and Republican voters are the big losers. ... Unlike most of his GOP opponents [Lugar does not] bray and bellow about the threats of immigration or affirmative action." He does not "attempt to exploit 'wedge' issues" (9/1). CHICAGO TRIBUNE's Hardy writes voters should "take a look" at Lugar and Arlen Specter "before they completely fade from contention." Specter and Lugar's chances of getting the nomination are, respectively, "slim and none." It is "doubtful" that either candidate will still be in the race as of the 3/96 IL primary. The problem for the two is that they try to appeal to a "broad spectrum" of voters and do not run "hard to the right" like the rest of the GOP field (9/3).

LET'S GET AHEAD OF OURSELVES, SHALL WE? U.S. NEWS' "Washington Whispers" reports IN politicians are "plotting how to divide the electoral spoils next November." Lugar is expected to be a "shoo-in" for Sec/State should a GOPer win the WH. And if Lugar leaves the Senate, the reigning IN gov. would choose his replacement. "That makes" the '96 IN Gov. race "all the more critical." If the Dems win, outgoing Gov. Evan Bayh (D), who is term limited, would probably be named to the vacancy. But if a GOPer wins, Rep. Dan Burton (R-06), a "seven-term conservative from Indianapolis, is considered the top candidate to succeed Lugar" (9/11 issue).

*8 GINGRICH: SAYS POWELL CANDIDACY WILL IMPACT HIS DECISION

Speaker Newt Gingrich said his decision to run for pres. "hinges in part" on what Colin Powell decides to do: "Powell's decision will have a big impact. He clearly is one of the people who has an ability, nationwide, to get an organization overnight. ... If he were to decide to run in November, that would clearly

make it less likely I would run." Gingrich said Powell's interest in running hasn't kept anyone else from joining the race: "All I can tell you is that if anything, the race seems to be even more open than it was two months ago, so I'm not sure that I need to do anything except go back and try to be a very effective speaker." Gingrich has said in the past he will make a decision by the end of the year (Hostetler, AP/W. TIMES, 9/5). Analyst Charlie Cook: "I don't think there's any realistic chance that Gingrich is going to run. ... He's trying to sell some books" ("Inside Politics," CNN, 9/4).

*9 THE FIELD: GRAMM WOULD RETURN GAY MONEY, TOO

GRAMM: Phil Gramm, on "Brinkley," commented on the action on Bosnia: "I don't object to the use of air power to suppress Serb military action. But I think in the end there is only one solution to this problem, and that is to lift the arms embargo, let the Bosnians defend themselves." Gramm, asked about a Senate vote to override a Clinton veto and end the arms embargo: "If the President can tell us that he has a policy that will ultimately lead to the arms embargo being lifted, I would be willing to listen to that. I don't think there's a desire here to try to run over the President." Gramm, asked by Sam Donaldson if he would accept a contribution from the Log Cabin Republicans, a gay group: "The Log Cabin Republicans didn't make the donation to me, and no, I wouldn't take it. But I'd take a contribution from you, Sam, as you suggested earlier" (ABC, 9/3).

SPECTER: Arlen Specter, on "Face the Nation," said he may resort to subpoenaing federal agents and FBI Dir. Louis Freeh to compel them to appear before Senate hearings investigating Ruby Ridge. Specter: "I will push it to the limit. I will follow the facts wherever they lead. Will I subpoena the agents? I hope they'll come voluntarily, but if they don't, they'll be subpoenaed. ... I expect that Director Freeh to come without a subpoena but we're going to talk to everybody, including the Attorney General." Asked if he would grant anyone immunity to get them to talk, Specter responded, "I think it's premature but we may get to that." Specter did not comment when asked if he believed there was a "major cover-up" by the FBI and DoJ of Ruby Ridge (CBS, 9/3).

BUCHANAN: In a W.S. JOURNAL op-ed entitled, "An American Economy for Americans," Pat Buchanan lays out his economic plan "that can make America the enterprise zone of the industrial world": "The opportunity is at hand to jettison a New World Order Americans have rejected in their hearts, to build a new coalition of supply-siders and economic nationalists. ... This plan marries the growth ideas of Ronald Reagan to the 'American System' devised by Hamilton and Washington, pursued by Jefferson and Lincoln, perfected by Theodore Roosevelt and Calvin Coolidge. That system converted America from a seaboard country of farmers into the mightiest industrial power on earth." Buchanan's plan entails a combination of imposing a flat tax on both families and corporations, simplification and some changes of the tax code, and imposing a tariff on Japanese, Chinese and Third World imported goods (9/5). NEWSWEEK's "Periscope" reports Buchanan

has decided not to run as an indie should he not be GOP nominee because "it would be too expensive. To match the \$60 million the majority party candidates net in federal funds for the general election, Buchanan would need \$80 million, since it costs money to make money. One solution, a running mate with deep pockets. But a top campaign official vetoed the idea." The aide said, "If you're running as a populist, you can't put a billionaire on your ticket" (9/11 issue). Buchanan, on the Gramm campaign's pleasure over his fundraising troubles: "Phil Gramm has said the best friend a politician has is ready cash. Phil Gramm doesn't understand America. You can't buy Iowa. You can't buy New Hampshire. ... We're going to show that big money and being controlled and being a bellhop of Wall Street is not the way to win the Republican nomination" ("IP," CNN, 9/4).

===== NATIONAL BRIEFING =====

***10 FUND-RAISING: GOP'S COFFERS RUNNETH OVER; DEM TOTAL IS DEBT**

During the first half of '95, GOP cmtes outraised their Dem counterparts by more than 2-1. While GOP cmtes increased receipts by 43% over the same period of '93, Dem cmtes increased receipts by only 1%. PAC Money: GOP raised \$2.5M; Dems raised \$3.6M. Soft Money: GOP \$16.8M; Dems \$10.8M. (In the first half of '93, GOP cmtes raised \$6.5M in soft money, Dems \$8.6M.)

PARTY CMTES	RECEIPTS	CASH-ON-HAND	DEBT
RNC	24,764,017	2,773,621	0
NRSC	13,838,494	4,212,620	0
NRCC	13,403,740	2,426,565	1,951,256
TOTAL GOP	52,006,251	9,412,806	1,951,256

DNC	11,292,660	1,700,132	783,810
DSCC	5,266,778	70,190	176,400
DCCC	3,861,988	580,022	1,748,631
TOTAL DEM	20,421,426	2,350,344	2,708,841

CANDIDATE RECEIPTS (in millions)	INDIVIDUALS	PACs
1995 GOP incumbents (232)	14.2 (50%)	13.3 (47%)
1993 GOP incumbents (176)	6.7 (52%)	5.3 (41%)
1995 Dem incumbents (202)	7.5 (43%)	8.4 (48%)
1993 Dem incumbents (258)	7.8 (37%)	11.7 (55%)

1995 GOP froshies (73)	5.4 (52%)	4.4 (42%)
1993 GOP froshies (47)	2.2 (67%)	1.0 (30%)

1995 Dem froshies (15)	.5 (42%)	.5 (42%)
1993 Dem froshies (63)	1.6 (34%)	2.7 (57%)

(NOTE: The FEC includes newly-elected "Members" from Guam and the Virgin Islands.)

***11 HOTLINE ROLODEX: D'AMATO'S \$-RAISING; LISA FOSTER SPEAKS**

TIME's Pooley profiles NRSC Chair Al D'Amato (R-NY) as "the reigning king of Washington's money game -- the lawmaker who symbolizes what most people can't stand about the process."

D'Amato's three roles -- at the NRSC, as Senate Banking Chair and as chair of Bob Dole's campaign steering cmte -- "give him fund-raising clout that is unrivaled," making him "one of the most powerful politicians in Washington." D'Amato, with plans to deregulate the banking industry, "has leveraged his Banking Committee power" to raise money. Common Cause Pres. Ann McBride: "When the Banking ... chairman comes calling as the party's chief fund raiser and comes on in a particularly aggressive way, it isn't a scandal waiting to happen. It's a scandal right now." Two lobbyists "have told TIME that D'Amato staff members solicited contributions from them this year during conversations about pending legislation." DSCC Exec. Dir. Don Foley, on D'Amato: "He links money to legislation like nobody else in town." D'Amato called such charges "absolute hogwash": "I am not a bully. ... I have never twisted arms. Given the number of people that we meet, the fact that there are political axes to grind, that kind of thing will be said from time to time. But there is no linkage" (9/11 issue). NEW YORKER's Blumenthal examines D'Amato's critical role for Dole in NY: "He is not simply useful to Dole; as the putative deliverer of New York's convention delegates, he is necessary" (9/11).

LISA FOSTER: In her first interview since the suicide of her husband, Lisa Foster tells NEW YORKER's Peter Boyer, "I never thought he'd been murdered. The worst possible thing had happened, but it was like everything came together." More Lisa: "He probably thought we'd be well taken care of and maybe we'd be better off, financially, if he were dead, because if he went to a psychiatrist he'd never have another job." It wasn't until his death, that she realized he had clinical depression. As the conspiracy stories grew, Lisa said that, at first she, too, harbored some doubts about Vince's death -- until she conducted her own investigation. Boyer: "But her certainty about Vince is a hard comfort, dearly purchased. To believe completely in him, she says, she had to learn to believe in the despair that killed him." In his final weeks, Vince had decided to quit his WH job, which had caused him to lose sleep and appetite. Lisa said the famous note from Vince, torn into 27 pieces, "was not a suicide note," but "a kind of defense brief" for a man who took so personally the Clinton admin.'s early blunders. Lisa said Vince may have anticipated testifying before Congress about Travelgate and that after he wrote the note, he said, "I haven't resigned yet. I've just written my opening argument." Also, Lisa "has satisfied herself that Whitewater was not among Vince's anxieties" (9/11 issue).

MITCHELL MAY BALK: Ex-Sen. Maj. Leader George Mitchell (D-ME), who retired in '94, "may be losing interest" in the post of baseball commissioner. Mitchell is "finding plenty to do" with his DC-NYC law practice and his role as Pres. Clinton's special envoy to Ireland (Mashek, BOSTON GLOBE, 9/2).

A REAL HILL BABE: Frosh Rep. Enid Greene Waldholtz (R-UT) gave birth to a daughter, Elizabeth Greene Waldholtz (R), on 8/31, following 27 hours of induced labor. Mama Waldholtz is the 2nd Member of Congress to have a baby in office. The first: then-Rep. Yvonne Brathwaite Burke (D-CA), who later gave up her

seat in an unsuccessful primary bid for AG in '78.

FALSE ALARM (THANK GOD!): America drew a collective sigh of relief in discovering that the N.Y. POST's screamer on 9/1 was not so. JFK Jr. is not engaged to be married (see HOTLINE 9/1).

*12 COVER TO COVER

NEWSWEEK: Photo: Colin Powell. Text: "The Powell Campaign" (9/11 issue).

U.S. NEWS: "Sex and Violence on TV: A Guide for the Wary Viewer" (9/11 issue).

TIME: "Bringing the Serbs to Heel" (9/11 issue).

BUSINESS WEEK: "The Race for Bigness" (9/11 issue).

THE NEW REPUBLIC: "In Defense of Smoking: The Cultural, Spiritual, & Historical Need to Light Up" (9/18 & 25 issue).

===== CAMPAIGNS OF '95 =====

*13 BALTIMORE MAYOR: A WEEK TO GO, AN UPSET IS POSSIBLE

With one week to go before the 9/12 primary, Mayor Kurt Schmoke's (D) lead over City Council Pres. Mary Pat Clarke (D) is in single digits and may be narrowing. Clarke "was supposed to be down and out by now -- far down in the polls and flat out of money." And while Schmoke "still is favored," Clarke's "tenacious opposition" is causing observers to be "talking openly about the possibility of an upset." If that happened, it would be the first time an incumbent black mayor in a major U.S. city with a majority black population is defeated by a white opponent. Univ./WI's Marc Levine said, "At this point, it hinges largely on turnout ... and the extent to which there is a significant element in the black community that is ready to desert." Schmoke, backed by MD Gov. Parris Glendening (D), several unions and a "powerful alliance of black ministers," has focused on his accomplishments in his two terms. But Clarke's "relentless attacks and her insistence that Baltimore is deteriorating" have put him "on the defensive" and made him appear "more embattled than entrenched." She has been endorsed by the Balto. SUN and ex-Gov. Wm. Donald Schaefer (D), an ex-mayor and longtime Schmoke antagonist. Clarke treas. Ronald Ellison: "You can feel it in the air -- there's an energy, a surge." But the polls have "galvanized" Schmoke's supporters as well. State Sen. Larry Young (D): "For those who have been lackadaisical, who have taken the mayor's re-election for granted, it's one more major wake-up call" (Daemmrich/Siegel, Balto. SUN, 9/5).

BIG MO: SUN's Rascovar notes that Clarke is "on a roll. Her biggest allies are discontent among Baltimore City voters and the difficulty any incumbent has running for a third term. Momentum seems to be on her side. A big newspaper endorsement. Unexpected money pouring in. High-visibility crime stories blaring over television night after night by stations eager to boost their ratings at any cost. One episode after another pointing to more disarray and incompetence in the city schools. ... All this despite one of the most superficial campaigns imaginable. One Clarke TV ad has her telling supporters that she's running for mayor 'because I live here.' The city's broke

and it needs fixing. That's about as deep as the Clarke candidacy goes in trying to address city problems." But "it seems to be working." The "ABS crowd" -- Anybody But Schmoke -- is "rallying around her." Schmoke has been in office eight years "and the city's woes are multiplying, not diminishing." However, no matter who wins, "the victor is likely to discover it's a dreadful time to be mayor of a declining urban city. The winner on September 12 could wind up as the loser" (9/3). Other Dem: water taxi captain Kelley Brohawn, who says, "I'm as common as dirt." Asked about his lack of experience, Brohawn said "that he takes passengers out into the harbor every day and 'I've always brought them back in good shape'" (Mathews, SUN, 9/2).

LOU WOULD BE PROUD: Sign seen at Camden Yards: "Cal for Mayor."

===== SENATE WATCH =====

*14 COLORADO: NORTON CAN'T WAIT FOR ALLARD TO COME HOME

AG Gale Norton (R) recently "needled" Rep. Wayne Allard (R-04) over his failure to officially declare his candidacy for the seat of retiring Sen. Hank Brown (R). Norton challenged Allard to come out of his "chameleon-like fund-raising cover" and enter the race in CO, rather than in Omaha, NE, where he recently attended a \$500-a-plate fund-raiser; Norton has already announced. Allard spokesperson Sean Conway "dismissed Norton's comments as desperate": "I think what is happening is you're seeing a little bit of panic in the Gale Norton for Senate campaign." Norton noted that the congressman also held a 6/95 fund-raiser in DC, where he asked donors to contribute to his "re-election bid": "Colorado voters above all expect their elected officials to be forthright, state their intentions directly and avoid political game-playing." Conway responded, "In all fund-raising letters, he's made it clear the money will either be used in a re-election race or a race for the U.S. Senate. He has said he'll make a decision by early fall. We're fast approaching that magic date" (Sanko, ROCKY MOUNTAIN NEWS, 9/1). Other possible GOPers: atty Bill Eggert, state Sen. Charlie Duke, ex-Sec/State Mary Estill Buchanan. Announced Dem: Jerry Brown's CO campaign mgr Phil Perington. Other possible Dems: ex-Sen. Gary Hart, Gov. Roy Romer, state Sen. Paul Weissmann, Denver atty Tom Strickland, Denver councilmember Ramona Martinez and Univ. of CO Law School Dean Gene Nichol.

===== ON THE HOUSE =====

*15 GEORGIA: MCKINNEY HINTS AT 3RD PARTY; DEM READY FOR DEAL

Rep. Cynthia McKinney (D-11) said black Dems may form a third party, based on Jesse Jackson's Rainbow Coalition, if the GA General Assembly supports a state Senate plan that retains only one of three majority-black CDs. At a press conference called by McKinney, her father state Rep. Billy McKinney (D) and state Rep. Tyrone Brooks (D), the lawmakers said that the GA Senate plan would "leave the state's black Democrats searching

for a party." A special legislative session resumes on 9/5 with negotiators trying to resolve differences between the Senate plan and the House map, which would preserve two black CDs; McKinney supports that plan. She said that the Senate proposal "uses traditional Democratic, black voters as spare parts to bolster the prospects of certain favorite sons who are white Democrats." McKinney said if the Senate version is approved, she would canvass her district, urging constituents not to "push the button" for Dems favored by the GA legislature (Manuel, COX/ATLANTA CONSTITUTION, 9/4).

SPEAKER TO SPEAKER: Speaker Newt Gingrich (R-06) said he supports the state House plan, drawn by GA House Speaker Tom Murphy (D), even though it puts him in the same CD with frosh Rep. Bob Barr (R-07). He criticized Murphy, however, calling his attempts to hurt Barr "an example of the old-time power politics." Gingrich said the state Senate plan is even worse, and would be "very, very disadvantageous" to frosh Rep. Charlie Norwood (R-10) and "may hurt two others because it increases the number of black Democratic voters in those districts" (Alexander, COX/ATLANTA CONSTITUTION, 9/5).

NEW DEAL: Atlanta investment banker Lewis Massey (D), an ex-aide to LG Pierre Howard (D), may be the "most talked about, least seen individual in the congressional redistricting sweepstakes." He is "widely believed" to want the 9th CD seat currently held by Rep. Nathan Deal (R), a recent convert to the GOP. According to "speculation," the state Senate, acting on Howard's wishes, is "pressing for a 9th District more favorable to Massey." State Senate Maj. Leader Sonny Perdue (D): "It becomes a complicating factor for sure, certainly to the extent that some people's own desires start clouding some of the overarching statewide interests." No Assembly members have announced plans to run for Congress in '96, but "at least" six acknowledged that they are thinking about it, and the eventual shape of the CDs "will go a long way" in helping the legislators make their decisions. Massey "has not made up his mind" about a run: "Obviously, I can't decide until the lines are finished." Metro Atlanta state Sen. Ron Slotin (D) said he would "seriously consider" running in an urban 11th CD, now represented by McKinney. As drawn by the Senate, the district "might create a friendly niche for a white Democratic candidate" (Sherman/Alexander, COX/CONSTITUTION, 9/5).

***16 IL 02: REYNOLDS SAYS HE'LL QUIT ON 10/1**

Rep. Mel Reynolds (D), appearing on CNN's "Larry King Live," said he would resign from Congress effective 10/1. The date of the resignation means that a special election to choose his successor will be held by early 2/96. He used the TV time to "lash out at those he blamed for his downfall: accuser Beverly Heard, law enforcement and the media" (Hardy/Becker, CHICAGO TRIBUNE, 9/2). Throughout the show, Reynolds maintained his innocence, despite his conviction on sexual assault and other charges: "I made a very stupid immature mistake. ... I allowed

myself to get into conversations with someone, another adult at the time, just under an adult at the time I should say." Asked if he had had sexual relations with a minor, Reynolds responded, "Absolutely not." Reynolds appeared on the show with his wife, Marisol, who was asked how she was dealing with the scandal. She responded, "This one person not only destroyed my husband, but destroyed my kids and my possible future. It hurts." Asked about the phone calls between her husband and Heard, she said, "They are adults and that's a moral issue. What happens between our marriage is between us, our marriage, and not the public to know. ... It would hurt any wife" (9/1). Since his conviction, Reynolds has been under "intense pressure to resign and remove himself as an embarrassment to his party and the city that will host next year's Democratic National Convention." He responded by attacking his Dem colleagues on "LKL," singling out House Min. Leader Richard Gephardt, Min. Whip David Bonior and Rep. Pat Schroeder (D-CO) (Walsh, W. POST, 9/2).

KEEPING UP: CHICAGO SUN-TIMES' Neal, quoting Dem sources, writes that IL Senate Min. Leader Emil Jones (D) has decided to seek Reynolds' seat and will run in the special election, with an official declaration coming later this month. '95 Chicago Dem mayoral cand. Joseph Gardner will back Jones; Gardner was IL Rainbow Coalition chair and is a "close ally" of Jesse Jackson, whose son, Jesse Jr., is also running for the seat. Jones ran once before in the 2nd CD, losing to then-Rep. Gus Savage (D) in the '88 Dem primary. Other Dems: state Sen. Alice Palmer, state Rep. Monique Davis. Jackson Jr. and Palmer were interviewed on CNN's "Inside Politics" on 9/1.

===== 50 STATE REPORT =====

*17 CALIFORNIA: ROHRABACHER LISTED AS POSSIBLE BOXER FOE

U.S. NEWS' "Washington Whispers" reports Rep. Dana Rohrabacher (R-45) is a potential opponent of Sen. Barbara Boxer (D), whose seat is considered "one of the most vulnerable" in '98. "The outspoken conservative, surfer and self-proclaimed 'truth teller' from Huntington Beach has gained high visibility in recent weeks with biting attacks on President Clinton's China policy. Only one thing is holding him back from taking on Boxer: his close friendship with another likely candidate," Rep. Chris Cox (R-47). "If Cox passes, count Rohrabacher in" (9/11 issue). Other possible GOPers: Rep. David Dreier (R-28), ex-Reps. Tom Campbell & Michael Huffington, and Arianna Huffington.

BOXER APPROVAL: Field Poll, conducted 8/24-31, surveyed 601 CA adults; margin of error +/- 4% (release, 9/5). Tested: Sens. Boxer and Dianne Feinstein (D).

BOXER	NOW	5/95	FEINSTEIN	JOB	NOW	5/95
Very good/good	30%	27%	Very good/good	38%	31%	
Fair	29	35	Fair	29	32	
Poor/very poor	23	25	Poor/very poor	21	29	

*18 WASHINGTON: MORE PRESSURE ON LOWRY TO STEP DOWN

The leadership of the WA State Women's Political Caucus (WSWPC), "considered among the most influential women's political

organizations in the state," has "urged" Gov. Mike Lowry (D) not to seek re-election in '96. Four WSWPC board members met with Lowry and his staff dir. Lorraine Hine on 9/1 and told Lowry he "has disqualified himself from representing the women of the state of Washington." Lowry had been accused by ex-press aide Susanne Albright of sexual harassment for "hugging and patting her and telling jokes." An investigation found Lowry's conduct "did not meet the legal definition of sexual harassment but did offend Albright." Lowry agreed to pay Albright \$97,500 in return for her agreement not to sue him. He has not admitted any wrongdoing, but has apologized. WSWPC Pres. Nancyhelen Fischer, "a longtime Lowry supporter": "What our board saw was a pattern of behavior over the years. The perception of our membership and of other women is that Mike is intrusive." In 7/95, the WA chapter of NOW voted not to support Lowry's re-election bid. Lowry said it is "too early to be discussing the 1996 election" (Paulson, SEATTLE POST-INTELLIGENCER, 9/2). Announced GOPers: ex-state Sen. Ellen Craswell, state Sen. Pam Roach, '94 Slade Gorton campaign chair Jim Waldo and King Co. prosecutor Norm Maleng. Possible GOPers: businesswoman Nona Brazier, state House Maj. Leader Dale Foreman, state Senate GOP Leader Dan McDonald, state Sen. Anne Anderson and Pierce Co. Exec. Doug Sutherland. Possible Dems: AG Christine Gregoire, ex-Rep. Jay Inslee, King Co. Exec. Gary Locke, state Senate Budget Chair Nita Rinehart, Insurance Commis. Deborah Senn, Seattle Mayor Norm Rice and WA Auditor Brian Sontag.

===== POLL UPDATE =====

*19 NEWSWEEK: POWELL WINS BUT ONLY INSIDE THE TWO-PARTY SYSTEM
583 registered voters surveyed 8/30-31, margin of error +/-5%
(release 9/1).

POWELL AS INDEPENDENT NOW 10/94

Clinton	36%	34%
Dole	33	28
Powell	21	30
Undec.	10	8

POWELL AS GOP NOMINEE NOW 10/94

Powell	51%	54%
Clinton	41	39
Undec.	8	7

POWELL AS DOLE'S VP W/ PEROT IN THE RACE AS AN INDY

Dole/Powell	43%
Clinton/Gore	38
Perot	14
Undec.	5

POWELL AS VP W/OUT PEROT IN THE RACE

Dole/Powell	51%
Clinton/Gore	44
Undec.	5

GENERAL ELECTION W/OUT POWELL:	NOW	6/95	12/94
Clinton	47%	40%	38%
Dole	45	49	48

WOULD POWELL'S LONG-TIME SERVICE IN THE PENTAGON AND IN THE WHITE HOUSE MAKE IT UNLIKELY THAT HE WOULD MAKE THE KIND OF CHANGES IN GOV'T THAT THE COUNTRY NEEDS?

No	49%
Yes, unlikely to make changes...	25
DK	26

IF POWELL BECOMES A CANDIDATE, HOW SERIOUSLY WOULD YOU TAKE CRITICISM LEVELLED AT HIM FOR PAST U.S. MILITARY POLICIES SUCH AS HOW THE WAR IN IRAQ ENDED AND THE MISSION IN SOMALIA?

Very seriously	22%
Somewhat seriously	32
Not too seriously	23
Not at all seriously	15

===== TV MONITOR =====

*20 THIS MORNING: ABC's "GMA" hosted S.F. EXAMINER's Chris Matthews and GOP analyst Bill Kristol. NBC's "Today" hosted Tim Russert and Asst. Sec/State Richard Holbrooke. "FOX Morning News" hosted Jesse Jackson, ex-Rep. Tim Penny (D-MN), AFL-CIO Sec/Treas. Barbara Easterling, United Mine Workers Pres. Richard Trumka, GOP consultant Frank Donatelli, Dem consultant Bruce Freed and ROLL CALL's Susan Glasser.

TODAY: NPR's "Talk of the Nation" second hour (3-4 p.m. EDT) focuses on welfare reform with Sens. Tom Harkin (D-IA) & John Ashcroft (R-MO) and Rep. Jim Talent (R-MO).

TONIGHT: CNBC's "Russert" hosts Gramm manager Charlie Black. CNBC's "Equal Time" hosts Labor Sec. Robert Reich.

PLAY OF THE WEEK: CNN's Schneider, on the NATO air strikes in Bosnia: "The Allied military action is paying off quite nicely for President Clinton politically. ... The air strikes are President Clinton's policy. He's calling the shots. He has succeeded in restoring credibility to NATO, to the UN, and to his own administration. ... The Serbs haven't cried 'Uncle' yet, but Bob Dole has" ("Inside Politics," CNN, 9/1).

LAUGHS: Mark Russell, on Bob Dole's overtures to the religious right: "He has not ruled out carrying a cross through the streets of Des Moines, providing Pat Buchanan loans him his" ("IP Weekend," CNN, 9/2). Jay Leno: "I had a terrible nightmare last night. I dreamt that I was in a car being driven by Rodney King. We got pulled over by Mark Fuhrman. He beat us both unconscious. And when we came to, Bob Packwood was giving us mouth-to-mouth recessitation" ("Tonight Show," NBC, 9/4).

TOP TEN SIGNS YOUR PICNIC SUCKS

10. Whenever there's the slightest breeze, Peter McNeeley falls ass-first into the potato salad.
9. The Blanket you're sitting on is from Heidi Fleiss' place.
8. The "caraway seeds" in the cole slaw look suspiciously like

deer ticks.

7. Your picnic companion is inflatable.
6. That red dog from the beer commercials gets drunk and tries to mate with your roast chicken.
5. Your original campfire has now consumed 5,000 acres.
4. You have to spend all day consoling a weeping Larry Fortensky.
3. Instead of mayonnaise, elderly aunt has used Vicks' Vap-O-Rub on sandwiches.
2. In mix-up, your picnic chest contains Larry Hagman's liver.
1. O.J. keeps "accidentally" hitting people with lawn darts ("Late Show, CBS, 9/4).

===== TV SOUNDBITE =====

"If David Duke runs now, he can now announce
from the Martin Luther King Center."

-- Al Hunt, on Wilson's use of the Statue of Liberty,
"Capital Gang," CNN, 9/2

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The Republicans came, they	ISN'T THAT SPECIAL?
preached, they fished for	
votes. Dole & Gramm catch	As the parties maneuver
headlines with a clash over	for '96, three sudden
abortion. Buchanan brings	resignations on the Hill

the crowd to its feet with		force 3 special elections.
his keynote speech, and		OR: All three Dem House
Gingrich delivers "manna		members are already running
from heaven" but most agree		for Packwood's Senate seat:
Ralph Reed & the gang were		DEFAZIO (D-04), FURSE (D-
the biggest victors, by		01) and WYDEN (D-03); all
displaying their leverage		get a freebie, with no risk
within the GOP. (#7-8)		to their House seats. The
_____		two GOPers, froshies BUNN &

| COOLEY, may have second |
POWELL TO THE PEOPLE (#1) | thoughts. Dems see it as a |
In his book, he says he feels | referendum on the GOP |
comfortable with neither of the | Congress; another Wofford- |
two parties. But, in a TIME | Thornburgh? (#19) |
interview, he indicates he's | CA: Rep. NORM MINETA (D- |
considering a GOP bid. | 15) will resign 10/10, to |

| take a job with Lockheed; |
LAST LICKS (#11) | GOP gets 1st shot at taking |
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| will voters send a message |

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===== QUOTE OF THE DAY =====

"People are wondering what Forrest Gump Colin Powell stands for.

Well, they're about to find out."

-- Colin Powell, TIME, 9/18 issue

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WILL THE REAL CAL PLEASE TURN THE LIGHTS OFF WHEN YOU LEAVE

Dick Lugar, to the Christian Coalition conference 9/9: "I am the Cal Ripken candidate. If people are interested in performance, constancy, a person they can trust." Bob Dole, to potential FL straw poll delegates in W. Palm Beach 9/10: "I'm the Cal Ripken of the Republican Party. I've been at it a long time."

===== WHITE HOUSE '96 =====

*1 POWELL: THIRD-PARTY TALK IS STRONGEST YET

In excerpts from his autobio, "My American Journey," published this week by Random House and run in the 9/18 issue of TIME, Colin Powell writes, "The time may be at hand for a third major party to emerge to represent the sensible center of the American political spectrum." Calling himself a "fiscal conservative with a social conscience," Powell wrote "neither of the two major parties ... fits me comfortably in its present state." He is "troubled by the political passion of those on the extreme right who seem to claim divine wisdom on political as well as spiritual matters" and "disturbed by the class and racial undertone beneath the surface of their rhetoric." At the same time, he is "put off by patronizing liberals who claim to know what is best for society but devote little thought to who will eventually pay the bills. ... I distrust rigid ideology from any direction, and I am discovering that many Americans feel just as I do." But he has yet to say whether or not he will run in '96,

writing he has no "driving ambition" to be president, and that to be a successful politician requires a calling "that I do not yet hear. ... Nevertheless, I do not unequivocally rule out a political future. ... I would not enter to make a statement, but to win. I understand the battlefield, and I know what winning takes." In a TIME interview, Powell said he will decide about running at the conclusion of his book tour -- and that he is considering running as a Republican. He said if he runs as a GOPer, "then I've got to get started in November"; if he goes as an independent, then he'd have more time. In the book, Powell also offers a "devastating critique" of the Clinton admin.'s "modus operandi," noting that nat'l security meetings "meandered like graduate-student bull sessions. ... Backbenchers sounded off with the authority of Cabinet officers" (9/18).

"POWELL-MANIA": In the premiere issue of THE WEEKLY STANDARD, Bill Kristol writes, "If I had to bet today on one person for the Republican presidential nomination, I'd put my money on Colin Powell." Kristol writes a "poor showing" by Bob Dole in the 11/17 "Larry King" debate in FL combined with a 3rd-place finish in the FL straw poll would "mark the beginning of the end" for Dole: "By Christmas, Bob Dole could be out of the Presidential race, graciously yielding to the man who will have emerged as leader of the Republican field: Colin Powell" (9/18 issue). Speaker Newt Gingrich, on "Meet the Press," said if Powell ran, "He would immediately become the chief rival to Dole. I think Dole's institutional base is so deep that nobody could automatically displace him as the front runner. But I think that

a Colin Powell who decided to enter the New Hampshire primary as a Republican would be a very formidable contender." Gingrich said an ind. candidacy by Powell "would, in fact, be a disaster for this country. ... This country is a party country. You run the House and Senate with parties. You appoint cabinets out of parties. There is no magic independence of people who are just able to stand up and magically produce a government" (NBC, 9/10). TIME's Kramer writes Powell is "charismatic and focused. His thoughts are ordered and formed in complete sentences -- a truly dying art. His entire aspect is commanding and confident" (9/18 issue). Mark Shields: "The American people are looking for leadership, leadership, leadership. Every candidate in the field is trying to prove it, that they have it. ... This guy doesn't have to prove it" ("M/L," PBS, 9/8). Powell's interview with Barbara Walters will air on ABC's "20/20" 9/15. Also appearing on the show is Powell's wife, Alma, who expresses fear for her husband's safety if he runs (see HOTLINE 9/8).

YEAH RIGHT: Powell spokesperson Col. Bill Smullen said the book is "not a platform for anything other than an opportunity to present his book to the American people. It is not a political venue. It is a literary venue" (Goldstein, K.C. STAR, 9/9).

STATE YOUR PARTY: Shields: "I see him as an independent candidate. ... It would be crazy for Colin Powell to run as a Democrat or a Republican, to go into that tar pit with all the other tar babies." Paul Gigot: "It's a long shot because of the way the campaign finance laws are written. Both parties ... have it stacked in their favor. ... He would have to buck 200 years of

history to win as a third-party candidate" ("M/L," PBS, 9/8).

TIME's Mark Thompson: "People close to Powell acknowledge that if he were to run as a Republican, even for the top spot on the ticket, the infrastructure is there. If he were to do it as an independent, the infrastructure isn't there. They'd have to build it stick by stick. Consequently, I think if Dole continues this sort of meandering, half-hearted effort, that might encourage Powell to run for the top spot on the ticket" ("Late Edition," CNN, 9/10). George Will, on Powell saying the country is ready for a 3rd party: "I don't know whether he has the political judgment to make that call; maybe he's right about that. He uses a very peculiar phrase. He says neither party fits me completely. ... What makes Colin Powell attractive to people, I gather, is he's supposed to be a manly leader. A manly leader doesn't say if the party doesn't fit me, I'll sit on the sidelines" ("Brinkley," ABC, 9/10). Lamar Alexander, asked if he would welcome a Powell run: "Of course I would ... and I have personally encouraged him to run as a Republican. I hope he does not run as an independent. ... We badly need a majority president going into the next century and the independent candidacy is not the best way to serve his country" ("IP," CNN, 9/8). ABC's Hal Bruno, on why there is so much support for Powell: "It may be that after all these years of angry negative campaigning, we've created an angry electorate and they're looking for something different. And many of them feel that something different is Colin Powell" ("GMA," ABC, 9/11). Dem consultant Kiki Moore: "Every day that he considers [running for pres.] is good news for

the Democratic Party because it demonstrates a weakness in the current field of Republican candidates" ("FOX A.M. News," 9/11).

*2 DOLE: IS HE FOR REAL IN GRAMM'S BACK YARD?

Bob Dole brought his campaign to Dallas 9/10 "predicting for the first time that he will beat rival Phil Gramm in his own back yard." Previously, Dole had been to TX "only to raise money," but this time around he "introduced a statewide steering committee designed to battle for votes." TX Dole chair T. Boone Pickens "flatly declared" Dole will carry the TX primary. Pickens cited an August poll that showed the two candidates "running neck and neck." Gramm spokesperson Larry Neal: "In the end it's not going to matter. Phil Gramm is going to win every district and every delegate in the Texas primary" (Stahl, DALLAS MORNING NEWS, 9/11). Thirty-three "key Republican business and political leaders" are on Dole's TX steering cmte (release, 9/10). Dole, on Gramm: "Phil's trying to get some traction. ... He gets a lot of straw, but not much traction. ... I've got a quote I'm going to show him some day, that 'I'll never say anything bad about Bob Dole.' Well, he's apparently forgotten that, but he has a right to go out and attack the front runner, I guess. But it's getting a little personal and, if he wants to continue it, that's up to him. I'm not going to attack him. I'm going to try to beat Bill Clinton. Bill Clinton is my target." Rowland Evans: "It sounds as though Phil Gramm might be getting under your skin." Dole: "No, but he might be" ("Evans & Novak," CNN, 9/9).

PRIMING FOR P3: Dole, in South FL 9/9, "hop-scotched by

helicopter and chartered plane" to four counties (Martin, Palm Beach, Broward and Sarasota) choosing straw poll delegates (Fiedler, MIAMI HERALD, 9/10).

COME ON, BOB: NEWSWEEK's Klein challenges Dole to "show us your stuff": Bob Dole is "never offering anything positive, never stretching himself, never daring to distress his party's suffocating special interests. He comes across desperate and uninspired. ... He was better in 1988 ... [But] he was humiliated by a candidate [Bush] who ran very much the way Dole is running now." But Dole may have learned the wrong lesson from '88. Although the GOP electorate is likely more "Christian" than '88, the biggest change is that "there is a lower tolerance for posturing, for politicians who woo with pledges and pork rinds. ... This isn't likely to be a front-runner friendly year. ... Dole could risk a more compelling candidacy. ... He needn't go squishy; he could begin by telling some hard conservative truths" -- such as privatizing the Veterans Admin. and "weening" farmers off assistance" (9/18). GOP analyst James Pinkerton: "It's a very dangerous thing what Dole's doing. It's a show of weakness. People might wonder: 'Do you [Dole] mean what you say? ... At least Buchanan has been saying stuff like this all along. ... As he pushes for the nomination, he is losing a lot of swing voters" (PHILA. INQUIRER, 9/9). Bob Novak: "The problem with Senator Dole is he doesn't look comfortable singing those songs." Al Hunt: "Who will he pander to next? Will he come out against fluoridated water and rock 'n' roll next week? Who knows with Bob Dole now? He'll do anything now apparently, he's so

desperate. ... His fate is in Newt Gingrich's hands because he can't make any deals unless it has Newt Gingrich's blessing and cover" ("Capital Gang," CNN, 9/9). Dole, at the Christian Coalition conference, "The papers will say, 'Oh, there goes Dole to the right again.' Well, I've been there a while already" (PHILA. INQUIRER, 9/10).

NEW YORK REBUFF: NY Gov. George Pataki, a Dole supporter, joined NYC Mayor Rudy Giuliani (R), in saying that Dole "made a mistake" in returning a contribution from the Log Cabin Republicans. Sen. Al D'Amato, Dole's "top" NY backer also said he "viewed the refund as a mistake." The Log Cabin Club gave the returned \$1,000 to Arlen Specter and contributed an additional \$1,000 to Pete Wilson (Finnegan, N.Y. DAILY NEWS, 9/10).

ARIZONA ERROR: ARIZONA REPUBLIC's Sidener reports, although the Dole campaign announced an "impressive list" of Arizonans on its AZ steering cmte last week, they "apparently forgot to ask first" whether some of them were interested in membership. Dole spokesperson Nelson Warfield said it was a "glitch," putting some donors out as steering cmte members: "It sounds like a low-level staff mistake that you don't want repeated. ... These things happen in any campaign." Phoenix Suns pres. Jerry Colangelo was one of "Arizona's top business leaders" incorrectly listed as a steering cmte member. A Colangelo spokesperson: "I talked to Mr. Colangelo, and he did contribute. But as far as he knows, he's not on the steering committee" (9/9). AZ AG Grant Woods heads Dole's AZ campaign. Ex-Sen. Barry Goldwater and Rep. John Rhodes are honorary co-chairs.

HMMMM: NH Gov. Steve Merrill "will spend the entire day" 9/13 in DC with Dole and Newt Gingrich. Merrill "and other governors will talk about the future relationship between the federal and state governments" (Tibbetts, NH SUNDAY NEWS, 9/10).

OKLAHOMA SUPPORT: Gov. Frank Keating endorses Dole today (release, 9/11).

*3 GRAMM: EVEN PACKWOOD SAYS HE GOT IT WRONG IN HIS DIARIES

Phil Gramm's campaign has "hit a sudden patch of turbulence" over an entry in Bob Packwood's dairies "suggesting the two Republicans worked to "evade federal election law and direct \$100,000 of political 'soft money' towards Packwood's 1992 reelection." The Senate ethics cmte has begun an investigation into the matter (see HOTLINE 9/8). In a letter sent to the ethics cmte, Gramm denied any wrongdoing and said the problem stems from Packwood's "obvious misunderstanding of the election law." Because the use of soft money "represents a huge gray area in the campaign finance system that both parties exploit," unless Gramm can be shown to have "consciously conspiring" to break the law, his actions will be hard to condemn (Farrell, BOSTON GLOBE, 9/9). Gramm said as NRSC chair he oversaw "totally proper and legal" contributions of \$96,500 to the OR GOP for the purpose of party building activities. In his diary, after meeting with Gramm at a Packwood campaign rally, Packwood wrote, "What was said in that room would be enough to convict us all of something. I think that's a felony, I'm not sure." Ex-OR GOP chair Craig Berkman, who was present at the meeting, supported Gramm: "There

was nothing to the best of my recollection that even suggested [anything illegal. The meeting] was very general in nature about how the senatorial committee was interested in seeing its incumbents returned to office." Gramm also sent the ethics cmtte a copy of the 4/2/93 letter that accompanied the NRSC's \$24,000 contribution to the OR GOP. That letter stated that the money could not legally be used "in any way to influence a federal election" (Feeny/Whittle, DALLAS MORNING NEWS, 9/9). More Berkman: "Packwood must have been smoking peyote when he was writing in those diaries." Gramm: "There was no wink, there was no nod, and it was in writing ... I don't know what Sen. Packwood was doing in his diaries" (James/Dellios, CHICAGO TRIBUNE, 9/9). Bob Packwood, appearing on CBS' "Face the Nation," said he had misunderstood the situation: "That was totally wrong" (9/10).

*4 WILSON: HOPES TO PLACE STATE TAX CUT ON '96 BALLOT

Continuing his effort to "reposition himself as a tax cutter," Pete Wilson proposed placing a 15% state income-tax reduction initiative on the 11/96 ballot in CA. When the Legislature did not pass his proposed tax cut, Wilson decided to take the issue directly to the voters (AP/S.F. CHRONICLE, 9/9). Wilson made his tax cut suggestion 9/8, in a speech to CA business executives who were in Sacramento to push for legislation before the legislature adjourns next weekend (Ayers, N.Y. TIMES, 9/9). Wilson: "It is time to take our case to the people as we have many times before in the past when the Legislature did not act responsibly. The time has come to put

this on the ballot. Wilson announced his position after polls last week showed him trailing both Bob Dole and Pres. Clinton in CA. Assembly Dem Leader Willie Brown said Wilson made his proposal "out of desperation, trying to find a way to get his campaign jump-started" (AP/S.F. CHRONICLE, 9/9). Tax-cut talk is not new to Wilson, who in his first term as gov. supported a major tax increase. Since then he has been "urging the state Legislature, without success, to make tax cuts." Wilson "made a big show" in one of his first pres. swings in NH by taking the pledge not to raise taxes as president. To get the initiative on the CA ballot will require "roughly 600,000" signatures, which Wilson spokesperson Paul Kranhold said would be "a piece of cake" (N.Y. TIMES, 9/9).

FROM ONE GOV TO ANOTHER: Ex-CA Gov. George Deukmejian (R) endorsed Wilson. Deukmejian, who served the two terms before Wilson was elected in '90: "He can be more helpful to California as president of the United States than he can accomplish in the last two years of his term" (AP/S.D. UNION-TRIBUNE, 9/8).

FRESH SQUEEZE IN FLORIDA? MIAMI HERALD's Fiedler writes Wilson's "struggling" campaign found a "ray of hope" last week in a "shaky poll" of FL GOPers that showed him "in strong contention" to challenge Dole in the state. The poll showed Dole in the lead with 33.7% followed by Gramm at 11.7 and Wilson in third at 10.2. The poll surveyed only 205 GOPers which is "barely enough" to keep the margin of error in single digits. Regardless of the small sample size, the Wilson press office was "quick to tout" the results as evidence of the campaign's

"competitiveness" (9/10).*5 CLINTON: FULL STEAM AHEAD

U.S. NEWS' "Washington Whispers" reports that while Pres. Clinton's strategists do not believe he will face a challenge for the Dem nomination, they nevertheless do not "intend to be caught off guard." One senior Clinton strategist: "Within three weeks we could have a national campaign organized in the key states." Aides said that "despite considerable jockeying among the pro-Clinton ideological and political factions, the re-election campaign will be run out of the West Wing, not campaign headquarters in Washington. The likely boss: Deputy White House Chief of Staff Harold Ickes" (9/18 issue).

*6 JACKSON: CLEARS HIS ACCOUNT WITH FEC

Jesse Jackson announced he had raised the \$150,000 he owed the FEC from his '88 pres. campaign, "removing one of the obstacles to a potential return to the presidential trail next year." Had he not paid the settlement, Jackson would not be eligible to receive federal matching campaign funds in future races. Jackson: "All options are live." He outlined three possible political courses of action for himself in '96 -- to stay out of the race, to challenge Clinton in the Dem primaries or to run as an independent. He noted, however, that the second option was "remote" and that he would wait until the spring to decide on an independent run. Jackson said that part of his decision would be based on whether Clinton "embraces an activist agenda" for urban development, education, and health, as well as enforcement of affirmative action laws (Taylor, W. POST, 9/10).

===== CHRISTIAN COALITION CONFERENCE =====

*7 WEEKEND REVIVAL AFFIRMS THE FAITH

"It thundered and shook like an old-fashioned tent revival." Four thousand "keyed-up members" of the Christian Coalition jammed into a posh Washington hotel over the weekend, "while outside protesters chanted and called them right-tilting extremists." Inside, "the conservative, well-dressed, mostly white and middle-aged Coalition members whooped and jumped to their feet as a Republican Who's Who showed up" to speak to them (Thompson, K.C. STAR, 9/9). CNN's Duvall: "The place crackled with excitement, the approval thunderous when the preaching got going, when God or abortion came up" (9/9). NBC's Ifill: "For every one person in that room, you had a sense that there were twenty more at home like them" ("Wash. Week," PBS, 9/8). At the end of it all, Coalition exec. dir. Ralph Reed declared to his audience, "We have gained what we have always sought -- a place at the table." During the weekend, "the political equivalent of apple polishing was so intense," that some, like Bob Dole, "did not even try to hide" motives (Berke, N.Y. TIMES, 9/9). Dole: "I read in this morning's papers about how all these candidates were coming down here to court all of you. ... Well, maybe we are. What's wrong with that? ... You are the glue that holds America together. ... You've got a lit fire, and you must keep it hot" (PHILA. INQUIRER, 9/9). More Dole: "You're going to have a big,

big say about what happens in 96." But, by injecting the "sure-fire issue of abortion," Phil Gramm "made perhaps the most bald plea for coalition members to back him over Dole" for the GOP nomination (N.Y. TIMES, 9/9).

DOLE VS. GRAMM: Waving a copy of Phyllis Schlafly's Republican Nat'l Coalition for Life (RNCL) "pledge" affirming that "the unborn child has a fundamental individual right to life which cannot be infringed," Gramm won "a loud ovation" when he said, "I signed the pledge." Gramm continued, "I understand that my colleague Bob Dole is going to be here. ... He has not signed the pledge. While he is here, I want you to ask him to join us" (Berke, N.Y. TIMES, 9/9). Dole, in response during his speech, "asserted that he had never wavered in speaking out to protect the sanctity of all human life." But when "taunted" by "scattered cries" of "sign the pledge," Dole "seemed stunned at first," then "shot back": "Don't look at pledges. Look at the record" (Kranish, BOSTON GLOBE, 9/9). Dole, also in his speech, "again pushed Hollywood and the record industry to remove excessive sex and violence from their products." Dole "took aim at last week's MTV Music Video Awards show," in which artists, like Madonna, "jabbed at him." Dole: "We have a right to express outrage. ... Do not lose our voice on moral issues. Do not be intimidated by the voice of political correctness" (Feeney, DALLAS MORNING NEWS, 9/9).

BUCHANAN: Pat Buchanan, who delivered the keynote address, brought the participants "to their feet" as he "defended the right to life and called for term limits for federal judges."

Buchanan "received the warmest reception of any of the major GOP candidates at the Coalition convention." Buchanan, in his speech, pledged to end the "new world order," and shut down "outcome-based education" along with the Dept. of Education -- "positions he has held for years and that suited his audience just fine." The audience also cheered when he "reminded them he had opposed" Clinton's nomination of Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg and noted Sens. Dole, Gramm, Lugar and Specter did not raise objection to the nominations of Ginsburg and Steven Breyer, and by doing so, "helped tip the balance on the court toward pro-choice justices" (Hallow, W. TIMES, 9/10).

GINGRICH: Newt Gingrich's words "came like manna from heaven" to the Coalition members. Gingrich: "It is liberalism which brought a pact with the devil. ... It is their welfare state that has trapped the poor in drug addiction, prostitution, violent crime, ignorance, illiteracy and misery." CNN's Morton: "The loudest cheers went to non-candidate Newt Gingrich, who assured the Coalition he is with them for religion and responsibility. ... Watching Gingrich love it all, watching the crowd, the red, white and blue banners, you had to think he looked a lot like a candidate accepting a nomination" (9/8). Although Gingrich's speech drew a standing ovation from the audience, it also "immediately provoked anger and dismay from some of the liberal targets [he] derided." Interfaith Alliance's Jill Hanauer: "It is shocking and tragic that someone in such a seat of power would speak such uncivil and hateful language to any group." People for the American Way legis. dir. Matt

Freeman: "To go into that crowd and to suggest that anyone has drawn a pact with the devil is irresponsible rhetoric. ...

Perhaps he think he was kidding, but there is no doubt that some of those participants took it seriously" (Freedberg, S.F.

CHRONICLE, 9/9). Gingrich also "defended the Coalition from reporters and editorial writers who routinely-practice

Christian-phobia." Gingrich: "Take the last 25 New York Times editorials on the phobias they care about and how passionate they can be about every American's right to be involved. Unless, of course, you believe in prayer. Every American's right to be involved -- unless you believe in family" (N.Y. TIMES, 9/9).

OTHERS: Dick Lugar "was received warmly but without much enthusiasm as he gave a speech warning that cities and states are becoming excessively dependent on gambling revenues, a source of income that he said is undermining families." Lamar Alexander "received a lukewarm reception and gave a standard version of his stump speech, calling for massive transfer of spending and regulatory power from the federal government to the states. Far stronger support was voiced for" Alan Keyes, who, "almost in preacher-like rhetoric, called for a moral revival to assert the importance of two-parent families and the legitimate role of God in public life" (Edsall, W. POST, 9/10). CNN's Duvall, on Lugar: "[He] brought his 'I am the one you can trust campaign' and won some applause on taxes." Duvall, on reaction to Alexander: "Polite and proper" (9/9). Pete Wilson was unable to attend. Arlen Specter was the only major GOP candidate not to be invited. Specter did, however, stage a news conference at the Lincoln

Memorial, in which he complained, "The guiding principle of America is the principle of inclusion and the principle of tolerance" (DALLAS MORNING NEWS, 9/9).

*8 WINNERS & LOSERS: A "MAJOR MISTAKE" FOR DOLE ON ABORTION?

BOSTON GLOBE's Kranish reports Bob Dole's retort after being prodded by Phil Gramm to sign the Republican Nat'l Coalition for Life (RNCL) abortion pledge was what Gramm's campaign had "hoped for" --underscoring Dole's view on abortion and "reminding some" when Dole got angry with George Bush during the '88 campaign and said, "Stop lying about my record." A Gramm aide "acknowledged" the campaign had arranged the protest of Dole. Dole spokesperson Nelson Warfield "criticized" Gramm's "ploy du jour": "Five months ago, Gramm wouldn't say the word abortion. In fact, he proclaimed, 'I'm not running for preacher.'" Dole, unlike Gramm, believes abortion should be allowed in cases of rape and incest. Dole strategists have said he refused to sign the pledge because he does not want to "alienate potential support" in the general election (9/9). But Warfield did say Dole "believes that a Republican platform should retain a pro-life plank in 1996. He supported the platform in '84, '88, and '92 and intends to do so next year" (Hallow, W. TIMES, 9/9). RNCL pol. dir. Sandy Tiller said rumors had circulated before the conference that Dole might sign the pledge during his speech; but Gramm's challenge ended any chance of that. Tiller explained Dole would never "concede" to his rival and that she was "really kind of annoyed" by Gramm's ploy (Pins, DES MOINES REGISTER, 9/9). Gramm, Pat Buchanan, Alan

Keyes, Dick Lugar and Bob Dornan have all signed the pledge.

DON'T TELL HIM WHAT TO DO: Dole, on "Evans and Novak": "I don't let Phil Gramm ... determine what I'll do in the campaign. ... I've got a record that's unblemished as far as pro-life is concerned. ... [The pledge is] being promoted by Phyllis Schlafly, who's a big Gramm supporter. ... We'll make our position clear without asking Phil Gramm to call the shots for us" (CNN, 9/9).

JUDGMENT DAY: W. TIMES' Hallow writes Dole, "committed what many GOP political operatives regarded as the fourth major mistake of his campaign this year" by having "refused to sign the pledge or to say explicitly that he would keep the current pro-life plank intact if nominated" (9/10). Christian Coalition founder Pat Robertson: "If there is a winner of this round, Phil Gramm is the one that came out ahead" (NBC, 9/9). However, "without prompting," in a N.Y. TIMES interview, Robertson defended Dole's "conservative bona fides, rejecting what he said was recent criticism that Dole was merely pandering to religious conservatives." Robertson also "made it clear" that he considered Dole "quite acceptable to religious conservatives," although the Coalition has said that "they will not endorse" any of the pres. candidates. Robertson: "I don't think Bob Dole is being some kind of chameleon. ... [He's been a] life long conservative." Robertson praised Gramm as well, but said, "I still think it's Dole's to lose. I don't see right now, any other candidates emerging" (Niebuhr, N.Y. TIMES, 9/11). ABC's Hal Bruno, asked which candidate won the most support at the

conference: "It was somewhat divided. Going in, Pat Buchanan and Phil Gramm had the most support among this group because where they stand on the issues is closest to where the conservative Christians are. But Senator Dole has also turned in a very conservative direction, and he has had some appeal with them" ("GMA," ABC, 9/11).

REED REACTS: Coalition exec. dir. Ralph Reed, asked if it would hurt Dole if he does not sign a pro-life plank pledge: "I don't really know what the outcome of that will be, because it just happened the other day, but I think that Senator Dole has indicated that he may sign it later. He's indicated that he is committed to the pro-life plank" (CNN, 9/10). Reed has tried to "downplay" the abortion issue as of late in order to "broaden" the organization's appeal (Shepard, COX/AUSTIN-AMERICAN STATESMAN, 9/9). More Reed, asked if the GOP nominee must sign a pledge to support a constitutional amendment to ban all abortions: "I don't think any of us really knows what the end game is going to be. But ... if [the GOPers] want to continue that momentum going into '96 it's based on a three legged stool. One leg of that stool is the traditional message of lower taxes and balanced budgets. The second leg of that stool is the Perot message of term limits and political reform. And the third leg of that stool is the pro-life and pro-family stand" (CNN, 9/10).

===== NATIONAL BRIEFING =====

***9 PACKWOOD: HE'S GONE 10/1; ROTH TO HEAD FINANCE**

Sen. Bob Packwood (R-OR), yielding to Dems "incensed by his continued leadership role and even his presence" in Senate matters, said he would leave the Senate by 10/1. He also stepped down as Finance Cmte chair; both decisions were "recommended" by Senate Maj. Leader Bob Dole, whose spokesperson said Packwood would be succeeded as chair by Sen. Bill Roth (R-DE). The fixed date of Packwood's resignation came after Dole started a firestorm by saying that he may need up to 90 days to stay on and finish up his work (see HOTLINE, 9/8). Dems, led by Min. Leader Tom Daschle, said this was unacceptable, and without a firm timetable were talking of forcing a vote on Packwood's expulsion (Chen, L.A. TIMES, 9/10). N.Y. TIMES' Seelye speculates that Dole wanted Packwood to stay on for an assortment of reasons, including (1) Packwood "provides a reliable Republican vote;" (2) the more time that can elapse between the special election and the "sordid revelations" of Packwood's diaries, the "better the Republicans' chances of keeping the seat;" and (3) Dole wanted to keep Packwood on the Finance cmte so there would be no room for Dole rival Sen. Phil Gramm (R-TX), who seeks appointment to the cmte. Dole was "applauded" by members of the Christian Coalition when he announced Packwood's 10/1 departure date, but he "did not mention that he had tried to delay Mr. Packwood's departure by 90 days" (9/9).

THE WORD ON ROTH: The 74-year old Roth is "known as a team player" and is an "ardent tax-cutter who lacks his predecessor's ambivalence about the bold reform agenda championed by

conservative House Republicans" (Chandler, W. POST, 9/9). U.S. NEWS' Roberts writes he is a "more timid lawmaker who is far less likely to assert his independence from conservative orthodoxy" (9/18 issue). And SEATTLE POST-INTELLIGENCER's Connelly notes that Roth is "known more for his trademark toupee than the brain beneath it" (9/8).

NIXON PARALLELS: Writing in the NEW YORKER, Alan Brinkley says that Packwood's resignation "has many similarities to Richard Nixon's tortured departure from the White House" in '74: "Like Nixon, Packwood remained in office long after his reputation was destroyed, and resigned only when his last remaining supporters abandoned him. Like Nixon, he meticulously recorded incriminating information and then tried to suppress and alter it. Like Nixon, he denied his offenses to the end, tried to discredit his accusers, and relied heavily on procedural and legal arguments to avoid facing the substance of the charges against him. Like Nixon, he insisted that he was resigning for the good of the country" (9/18 issue). Also, Packwood first won election to the Senate in '68, the same year Nixon won the presidency.

CLINTON CASE: In a W. TIMES op-ed, Landmark Legal Foundation's Mark Levin writes that while he does "not speak as a special pleader" for Packwood, "there is something amiss when President Clinton is held to a lower ethical standard than" Packwood. "Mr. Clinton insists to a federal court that no less than the United States Constitution stands between him and the sexual harassment charges he faces. The president says he's

immune from such bothersome lawsuits, even though the phrase 'presidential immunity' is nowhere to be found in the Constitution. ... Mr. Clinton is charged, in court, of exposing himself and rubbing his hand on the inside of his accuser's leg. ... While Mr. Packwood's accusers were treated with respect and presumed truthful, the young lady who sued Mr. Clinton is portrayed as politically motivated and generally disparaged. ... What about it, Mrs. [Sen. Barbara] Boxer? Why not go to the Senate floor today and demand that the president answer the charges under oath?" (9/8). Christian Action Network Pres. Martin Mawyer: "As Senator Packwood has been forced to resign over allegations almost twenty years old ... then President Clinton should be subject to impeachment hearings over the Paula Jones allegations, which are less than five years old and have standing. This proposal will be met with derision for Bill Clinton's slavish minions in the national media, since they led the witch hunt against Senator Packwood, but the fairness of this argument cannot be denied" (release, 9/7).

*10 PACKWOOD: PUNDITS GET IN THEIR LAST LICKS

Al Hunt: "Packwood's behavior was disgraceful. ... The Senate Ethics Committee ... dragged its feet on this case and they only turned to expulsion when he became a visible political embarrassment. ... This is a decision that's going to come back to haunt them because it was less an act of courage than of expediency." Bob Novak: "God forbid that any of us ... should have their life and their fate in the hands in the Senate Ethics

Committee." NATIONAL REVIEW's Kate O'Beirne: "He ultimately did

what was really unforgivable which was make his colleagues climb

out a branch for him and then he sawed it off. ... They were only

forced to act because it became politically embarrassing" ("Cap.

Gang," CNN, 9/9). ABC's Julie Johnson: "If you really look at

this, in any other work place in America were the behavior to be

this that's described in the Packwood diaries, the individual

would have been fired without the benefit of the \$80,000 year

pension lifetime benefit" ("Brinkley," ABC, 9/10). Jack Germond:

"That scene in the Senate, the emotional scene, is a classic

example of the hypocrisy of these clowns at their worst. They

were all so mad at him. They were fed up with the guy. ... The

Senate is finally going to stumble into the 20th Century."

Eleanor Clift: "His behavior has been truly despicable, but the

Senate ... basically was acting in their own self-interest"

("McLaughlin Group," 9/9). Mona Charen: "This draconian

punishment really has an odor of PC about it." Howard Fineman:

"What they really did here was equate sexual misconduct with

treason. ... He made them do it. He said, 'You've got to get me

out of here or I'm going to ruin the Senate.'" Juan Williams:

"People take the message ... that it's something, this larger

statement about sexual harassment in society, in fact, it's a

statement about the club still protecting itself" ("Cap. Gang

Sunday," CNN, 9/10). Barnes, on the level of political damage to

the GOP: "Minimal, compared to what it might have been had they

had lurid, weeks-long, public hearings on national TV. It would

have impede the Republican agenda and blotted out every other

story in the country, probably including even the O.J. Simpson trial." Morton Kondracke: "This complicates Dole's life enormously. He's going to have to, in effect, run the Finance committee. ... What this means is that there's more likelihood that there will be a train wreck." Barnes said that Dole "has an opportunity now to step in, he ought to call a time-out in his presidential campaign and say, 'I'm going to spend the next eight weeks in Washington. The agenda there is much more important'" ("McLaughlin Group," 9/9). Lamar Alexander: "He did the right thing to resign and the Senate can get on to what it ought to be doing" ("IP," CNN, 9/8).

*11 HOW'S IT PLAYING: EDITORIALS ON PACKWOOD

ARKANSAS DEMOCRAT GAZETTE: Packwood "did the honorable thing. ... [However,] if it is not fit that the distinguished lout from Oregon remain in the Senate chamber, does the Knight of Chappaquiddick belong there? That is something else for the gentlemen and ethicists of the Senate to consider -- if they can remember who Mary Jo Kopechne was, and might have been" (9/10).

Balto. SUN: "While expulsion would have been excessive if judged solely on the past record, the public now demands much higher standards for performance in public office and behavior in the workplace" (9/8).

BOSTON GLOBE: "Packwood's sordid saga was particularly anguishing for women, many of whom had supported him because it was so rare to have a Republican defender of women's rights. ... Many puzzled how he could publicly respect women while demeaning

them with his private acts" (9/8).

BOSTON HERALD header: "Good riddance, Packwood" (9/8).

CHICAGO TRIBUNE: "The larger question is whether the decision by the ethics committee reflects the arrival of a higher moral standard in Congress or just another case of political expediency. The circumstances, unfortunately, suggest the latter. ... The unexpected bomb dropped by the committee suggests that the Senate leadership simply decided it had to be rid of Packwood before he bled any more on his fellow senators" (9/8).

DAILY ASTORIAN [OR]: "It is absurd to refer to Packwood as a brilliant legislator, as many are. He was, first and foremost, a political blackmailer and a shakedown artist. ... Oregonians -- ill served and embarrassed by this man -- can rightly say: Good riddance" (9/11).

DES MOINES REGISTER, under the header, "Start packing, Senator": "What happened to doing the honorable thing? ... Why is he making his resignation effective on Oct. 1, rather than today? ... If Packwood worked for a corporation, the company guards already would have come to escort him from the building. His continued presence is intolerable" (9/9).

N.Y. DAILY NEWS: "There are those who think that kissing, fondling and groping unwilling women is small stuff on the crime index. But even if you could buy that -- and it would take a leap of faith -- it would be difficult to be as generous in considering Packwood's other offenses. ... He has lost the integrity necessary to make law for law-abiding citizens. If he ever had it" (9/8).

N.Y. POST: "The principal charges against Bob Packwood turn on boorish behavior -- some of which took place more than 25 years ago in an entirely different social and cultural climate.

The unhappy reality is that lots of men who drank too much in the 1960s and 1970s conducted themselves as did Packwood. ... It's distressing that the mere allegation of gray-area sexual misconduct has become an automatic knockout punch -- sufficient, in most circumstances, to run men out of public life. The Senate has dishonored itself in its treatment of Bob Packwood" (9/8).

N.Y. TIMES: "Packwood should be given a proper chance to pack his belongings. But that does not require him to remain as a sitting senator for the next three weeks. ... His resignation should be effective immediately. The idea that he will be allowed to participate in Senate debates and cast votes on critical national issues for even another day demeans the institution and insults the public" (9/9).

Portland OREGONIAN: "These glimpses into the mind of one of the nation's most important political figures will further demean the reputation of the Senate among many of the public. But also note this: The diaries came to light only because the Senate's own ethics committee fought for and then released the relevant portions. Future historians may well look back and see the Packwood case as the watershed moment when the Senate came to grips with disgraceful conduct" (9/10).

RICHMOND TIMES-DISPATCH: "Packwood's reputation probably lies beyond public redemption. But at least his resignation spares continuing embarrassment to the Senate, to his party, and

to the people of the state whose interests he presumed to serve"

(9/9).

SYRACUSE HERALD-JOURNAL: "He is resigning, but the stunning thing is Packwood still doesn't get it. Almost three years after 17 women came forward and articulated the pain he caused them ... Packwood calls what he did 'over-eagerly kissing.' ... [The case] is a lesson to Packwood's current colleagues and those who may seek office in the future. 'Over-eagerly kissing' is harassment. Harassment is a crime. It will no longer be tolerated or overlooked" (9/8).

USA TODAY: "The Ethics Committee's abrupt call for expulsion after a plodding investigation left open a question: What changed the senators' minds? ... Was the ultimate offense that of violating the clubbiness of the Senate: Thou shalt not embarrass a fellow senator?" (9/8).

W. POST: "Packwood's diary tells us about a lot more than his sexual practices. It is also an indictment of the way elected officials fiddle with, skirt and violate the laws that are supposed to regulate the flow of political money into campaigns. Senators are falling over themselves to argue that the resolution of the Packwood case shows that a new day has come to Capitol Hill in the matter of sexual harassment. They should do the same about the corruption that is now a routine part of elections" (9/10).

*12 HOTLINE ROLODEX: SUING THE STEPHANO-POLICE; THE NEW FANZINES

Peter Papps, Asst. U.S. Atty for NH and a lifelong friend of

Senior Clinton Adviser George Stephanopoulos, "said he will file a civil rights complaint" against DC police after witnessing Stephanopoulos' traffic arrest. Stephanopoulos was led away in handcuffs at about 11:45pm 9/7 from a Georgetown street; he was charged with fleeing the scene of an accident and driving with an expired license. Stephanopoulos said the charge of fleeing was ridiculous: "Do you know where my car was when I was supposedly fleeing the scene? In the parking space, stopped." DC police sources told the W. Post the arresting officers were "overzealous and in error" and that the charges would likely be dropped at Stephanopoulos' 9/18 court date. Papps, a self-described "conservative Republican," on the arresting officer: "I'm looking at him thinking, 'Is he a real cop?'" Papps "said he is questioning his own faith in police conduct after the experience" (West, NH SUNDAY NEWS, 9/10).

GEORGE: CNN's "Reliable Sources" had some harsh reviews for GEORGE, JFK Jr.'s new political mag. Ellen Hume: "Just what the world always needed, more political pinups. They should have opened up a restaurant instead." W. POST's Howard Kurtz: "With a couple of exceptions, this was really low-calorie journalism. ... I guess some of this is for people who find People magazine too taxing." U.S. NEWS' Steve Roberts: "It's pretty damn thin." SCRIPPS HOWARD's Martin Schramm: "It's politics for the first-time voter. ... It's a primer in that sense." Bernard Kalb: "Looking through this magazine was like attending a party in the Hamptons. Lots of name dropping" (9/10). NEWSWEEK's Kaplan is much more generous to John Jr. after his press conference

performance: "Unlike the exam, this time he cleared the bar on his first attempt" (9/18 issue).

WEEKLY STANDARD: U.S. NEWS' Steve Roberts: "This is a damn good thing that we have this magazine. It's a cause for celebration. ... This is going to be an important magazine. We're all going to have to read it because this is where the energy and the ideas in Washington are." SCRIPPS HOWARD's Martin Schramm: "This is being run essentially by a White House Republican staff in exile. These guys all want to go back in and run one more president. ... They interview presidential candidates, pick the one they want, and then make them President." Ellen Hume: "The Standard is a serious magazine, and I welcome it, and I plan to subscribe to it. It's actually had a very strong first issue. We learn things from it" ("Reliable Sources," CNN, 9/10).

*13 COVER TO COVER

TIME: Photo: Colin Powell. Text: "Colin Powell: An American Journey" (9/18 issue).

NEWSWEEK: Photo: Elderly woman in wheel chair painfully held aloft by struggling yuppie. Text: "Mediscare. Get Ready to Get Less: The attack on Medicare. Young vs. Old: Who will carry the burden?" (9/18 issue).

U.S. NEWS: "America's Best Colleges: 1996 Annual Guide" (9/18 issue).

WEEKLY STANDARD: Drawing: Newt Gingrich swinging just above scorching flames that seem to have reached the seat of his pants,

firing an automatic weapon with a belt of bullets draped about his shoulder and carrying a brief case that's been thrown open releasing a knife, a pen and a series of papers." Text:

"Permanent Offense" (9/18 issue).

BUSINESS WEEK: "Management Meccas" (9/18 issue).

===== CAMPAIGNS OF '95 =====

*14 BALTIMORE MAYOR: RACE TIGHTENS; GOTV IS KEY TOMORROW

Balto. SUN/WMAR-TV poll, conducted 9/7-8 by Mason-Dixon PMR, surveyed 620 likely Dem primary voters; margin of error +/- 4% (SUN, 9/10). Tested: Mayor Kurt Schmoke, City Council pres. Mary Pat Clarke, watertaxi driver Kelley Brohawn. Three candidates are also running in the GOP primary. Primary 9/12.

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DEM PRIMARY	ALL	BLK	WHT	ALL	
Schmoke	47%	74%	14%	43%	
Clarke	43	14	78	37	
Brohawn	1	1	1	--	
Undec.	9	11	7	20	

Pollster Brad Coker: "It's a very close, competitive race."

Johns Hopkins' Matthew Crenson: "What's going to count is turnout. The candidate who gets his vote to the polls wins."

Clarke: "It feels as though we have the momentum here, that

people are coming together on wanting change." Schmoke, who is seeking a 3rd term: "It means I'm going to win. Every poll I've seen indicates I'm ahead." About 80% said the endorsements of the Balto. SUN for Clarke and Gov. Parris Glendening (D) for Schmoke would have no effect on their vote (SUN, 9/10). SUN header: "Candidates offer stark contrast in their views of city." Subhead: "Schmoke perceives city as on the rise; Clarke see decline" (9/10).

===== SENATE WATCH =====

*15 COLORADO: STRICKLAND IS IN, SAYS ROMER IS NOT

Denver atty Tom Strickland (D) filed candidacy papers for the seat of retiring Sen. Hank Brown (R). Strickland, who has not sought elective office before, will make a formal announcement next month. He could face "some tough competition" from ex-Sen. Gary Hart (D), should Hart run, as well as from Gov. Roy Romer (D). But Strickland said Romer had "assured him he will not enter the race." In addition, Romer's son will serve as Strickland's finance chair. Strickland insisted that his "lack of experience in public office won't be a liability" and noted that he has previously chaired the CO Metropolitan Transportation Development Commission and worked as then-Gov. Dick Lamm's (D) policy and research director (Kerwin, ROCKY MOUNTAIN NEWS, 9/8). Other announced candidates: AG Gale Norton (R), Jerry Brown CO campaign manager Phil Perington (D) and state Sen. Paul Weissmann

(D). Other possibles/likelies: Denver councilmember Ramona Martinez (D), Univ/CO Law School Dean Gene Nichol (D), Rep. Wayne Allard (R-04), ex-Sec/State Mary Estill Buchanan (R), atty Bill Eggert (R) and state Sen. Charlie Duke (R).

***16 IOWA: TINSMAN JOINS THE GOP FIELD TO CHALLENGE HARKIN**

State Sen. Maggie Tinsman (R) officially entered the race for the GOP nomination on 9/7, joining state Rep. Steve Grubbs (R); the winner faces Sen. Tom Harkin (D) in '96. Tinsman, who is pro-choice and anti-death penalty, "must mobilize the moderate wing of the party to win the GOP nomination;" Grubbs is pro-life and pro-death penalty. Tinsman said that experience is the "key difference" between the her and Grubbs: "He's the minimum age of 30 years old. ... He hasn't had much time to have a lot of experiences" (Kerwin, DES MOINES REGISTER, 9/8). Tinsman, asked if she is out of the GOP mainstream on abortion: "The Republican Party is broad enough to appeal to a variety of people. My appeal is on more critical issues, such as balancing the budget" (Smiley, OMAHA WORLD-HERALD, 9/8). Other possible: Rep. Jim Nussle (R-02).

***17 MICHIGAN: DAVE WILL NOT CAMP OUT IN SENATE RACE**

Rep. Dave Camp (R-04), ending weeks of speculation, said 9/8 he would not seek the GOP Senate nomination. Camp cited his work in the House as the only MI GOPer on Ways and Means: "Achieving

our legislative goals this fall is critical. We are involved in some of the most important debates Congress has had in a long time. I want to give my full and undivided attention to these important issues." Camp would have given up a "safe-seat" and a "choice committee assignment" to join an "uphill battle" for the nomination. Talk-show host/'94 Sen. primary cand. Ronna Romney (R) is "better known" in MI and raised more money than Camp in the first half of '95. Camp's decision "leaves the door open for a Western Michigan Republican, such as State Sen. William Van Regenmorter." Regenmorter, who has "expressed interest" in the race, is not up for re-election and would not have to give up his seat in order to run. He plans to decide "within a week" (Selinger, DETROIT NEWS, 9/9). The Romney campaign contends that Camp's decision will sustain their "momentum" because Camp, like Romney, is "conservative and pro-life." Romney: "I have always had a great deal of respect and admiration for Dave. ... His message of lower taxes, reduced spending, and less government regulation is also my message" (Romney release, 9/8). Sen. Carl Levin (D) is seeking a fourth term. Announced GOp: Businessman Jim Nicholson. Other possible GOpers: Rep. Peter Hoekstra (R-02) and ex-Rep. Bill Schuette. Dem: Chrysler Corp. exec. Edward Hamilton.

*18 NEW JERSEY: TORRICELLI SENDS A MESSAGE

Rep. Bob Torricelli (D-09) has formed an exploratory cmte in preparation of a bid for the seat of retiring Sen. Bill Bradley (D) in '96. Torricelli, the first Dem to take such action, did

so "in a bid to head off a primary fight." The cmte, "a show of organizational strength," includes 48 mayors and other local elected officials. Officials from several counties, including Hudson Co., of which Torricelli represents a portion, did not join the cmte because Rep. Robert Menendez (D-13) also is "considering" a run. Menendez said he has asked Hudson Dems to "hold off making any endorsements;" he will make a decision by the end of the month. Ex-Gov. Jim Florio (D), also considering a run, "said he will use speaking engagements, radio appearances and newspaper columns to 'generate ideas and discussions' that could lay the foundation for a race." Florio also would like to see the results of a poll conducted by Rutgers' Eagleton Inst. of Politics. The poll will show if the "anti-Florio sentiment triggered by his \$2.8 billion tax hike has died down."

Torricelli, who has "made it clear" he will run, used the exploratory event to "portray the race as a clear choice between him and his likely opponent," Rep. Dick Zimmer (R-12).

Torricelli "painted himself as a moderate in step with New Jersey voters and Zimmer in the mold" of Speaker Newt Gingrich. Zimmer then accused Torricelli of "engaging in politics of smear"

(Kiely, Bergen RECORD, 9/7). Other announced cand.: Passaic Co.

Freeholder Richard DuHaime (R). Other possible GOPers: state

Sen. Richard LaRossa (R), Rep. Marge Roukema (R-05) and state

Sen. Bill Gormley (R). Other possible Dems: Rep. Rob Andrews (D-

09), Cherry Hill Mayor Susan Bass Levin (D), state Sen. John

Lynch (D), state Sen. John Adler (D), Assemblyman Neil Cohen (D)

and Morris Co. prosecutor Michael Murphy (D).

*19 OREGON: IS ANYONE NOT RUNNING?

The first open Senate race here in 29 years has raised the possibility that all five members of the state's House delegation may run for Bob Packwood's (R) soon-to-be-vacated seat. It is, of course, a risk-free proposition -- they don't have to give up their House seats to make the race -- and thus all five have either declared or are "considering" a candidacy. The first House member to announce was five-term Rep. Peter DeFazio (D-04) (see HOTLINE, 9/8); he was followed by two-term "liberal" Rep. Elizabeth Furse (D-01) on 9/8 and eight-term "veteran liberal" Rep. Ron Wyden (D-03) on 9/10. Furse has "already drawn the attention of national women's groups." If Gov. John Kitzhaber (D) sets the election date more than 80 days after Packwood's 10/1 resignation date, there will be primaries to pick the Dem and GOP nominees. If the special election is within 80 days, the party central cmtes will choose their nominees. Sellwood, OR Dem precinct captain Peggy Roth: "If it's a primary process, I think Ron Wyden has the name recognition and the money to give anyone a run for their money. If it's an internal committee process, it will be a more even playing field." Other possible Dems include businessman Harry Lonsdale and ex-Gov. Barbara Roberts. Lonsdale, a strong environmentalist who lost to Sen. Mark Hatfield (R) in '90 and narrowly lost the '92 Dem primary, had earlier declared his candidacy against Hatfield for '96. On the GOP side, there is evidence the field "could narrow this week." Frosh Rep. Jim Bunn (R-05), a "conservative" who was expected to

announce his decision on 9/11, said "he needed more time to decide." Camille Hukari, the chair of the "powerful" AG-PAC agricultural group, "pleaded" with another possible "conservative" GOPer, frosh Rep. Wes Cooley (R-02), to stay in the House rather than run for the Senate. She said Cooley is doing a "fine job" but predicted the GOP nominee will be "conservative" state Senate Pres. Gordon Smith, "hands down." Hukari "said conservatives didn't want to see a repeat of the last gubernatorial campaign, in which the Republicans fielded conservative [ex-Rep.] Denny Smith -- who couldn't pick up needed Portland-metro area votes" and lost badly to Kitzhaber. Hukari: "We have to consider who can win. You've got to have statewide appeal. Gordon has statewide appeal. ... He would be able to beat the Democrat. He's got charisma, he's got the experience, he's got the farming background" (Suo, Portland OREGONIAN, 9/10). Earlier, Cooley said he would run, but only if the nominee was to be chosen by the GOP cmte, not in a primary. As for Bunn, he said he continues to be "extremely interested in joining this race," but that he feels he needs "more time to carefully consider all the issues involved" (Bunn release, 9/9). Other possible GOPers: Denny Smith, state Schools Supt./'86 gov. nominee Norma Paulus, '94 CD-01 cand. Bill Witt, state Labor Commis. Jack Roberts, and real estate broker Ron Sunseri.

DEMS THE WORD: Furse, a co-founder of the Oregon Peace Institute and a "champion" of abortion rights, "played up her relative inexperience": "I am not a career politician. I never have been a never wanted to be." Her '92 win was her first

elected office; she won re-election in '94 by 301 votes over Witt. Wyden, pushing for a primary, said "that Oregonians wouldn't like the nominees chosen in the political backrooms." Roberts, who declined to seek re-election in '94, said she would decide this week; she'd be "more inclined to run" if there was a primary election: "I have won three general elections in the state. Of the field of announced candidates, none have won a statewide race." At least three prominent Dems said they are staying out of the race -- Kitzhaber, ex-Gov. Neil Goldschmidt and Portland Mayor Vera Katz (Mapes, OREGONIAN, 9/9).

===== ON THE HOUSE =====

*20 CA 15: MINETA TO QUIT CONGRESS FOR LOCKHEED JOB

Rep. Norm Mineta (D), "one of the nation's most powerful Asian-American leaders," will announce his resignation today, effective 10/10, in order to take a VP post with Lockheed Martin Corp. His departure is "certain to touch off a free-for-all" for his seat; it will be a "fierce battleground as Republicans salivate over their first clear shot at a district redrawn twice since Mineta won it [in '74] and easily held it for two decades." Gov. Pete Wilson (R) has 14 days to call for a special election. The primary is likely to be held sometime in 1/96 and the special election probably coinciding with the 3/26/96 pres. primary. The CD is 46% Dem, 38% GOP. For his part, Mineta "insisted he's not scurrying from a sinking ship": "I think the Democrats are in a

very good position because the overreach of what the Republicans are doing is going to be felt by the public. ... But is there going to be a reversal [from the '94 results] in the 1996 elections? I don't think so." Even before Mineta's surprise decision, Karla Dowdy (R), a West Valley-Mission College District Board member who lost a '94 state Assembly race, said she was running. Possible Dems: Santa Clara Co. Supervisors Mike Honda & Jim Beall and ex-Supervisor Rod Diridon. Potential GOPer: Assemblyman Jim Cunneen (Parragher, SAN JOSE MERCURY NEWS, 9/11).

*21 IL 02: THE SON ALSO ANNOUNCES

Rainbow Coalition national field dir. Jesse Jackson Jr. formally announced his bid for the "soon-to-be-vacated" seat of Rep. Mel Reynolds (D). "As if there was any doubt whose reputation he would be riding," Jackson entered the Salem Baptist Church to the "strains of a new song: 'Jesse Jackson Jr., he's the one, the reverend's son, to be a congressman.'" After a 75-minute introduction that included two songs from his sister, Santita, and comments from his father, the younger Jackson spoke of "restoring the tarnished image" of the second district (Grumman, CHICAGO TRIBUNE, 9/10). While he "welcomed his father's support," Jackson said he expects to be elected on his own merits: "God has blessed me with a good name, a good name whose good works I intend to extend. But I neither seek nor expect any 'gimmies.' ... This is a democracy, not a royal lineage. I intend to work and earn your trust." Jackson said he will work for an "urban policy with incentives to reinvest in

America, to put America back to work at livable wages" (AP/Balto. SUN, 9/10).

SPECIAL ELECTION DATE: Gov. Jim Edgar (R) is expected to announce the date of the special election by 9/13. By law he must establish a primary date at least 72 days after Reynolds leaves office on 10/1; a special general election must be held before 1/1 (Hardy, CHICAGO TRIBUNE, 9/10).

LABOR LIKES PALMER: The Service Employees International Union (SEIU) Joint Council #1, which represents 75,000 workers in IL, endorsed state Sen. Alice Palmer and gave her campaign \$5,000 (release, 9/9). Other Dems: state Sen. Min. Leader Emil Jones, state Sen. Bill Shaw and state Rep. Monique Davis.

===== TV MONITOR =====

*22 THIS MORNING: ABC's "GMA" hosted ABC political dir. Hal Bruno. "FOX Morning News" hosted ex-RNC chair Frank Fahrenkopf, Dem consultant Kiki Moore and W. TIMES' Donald Lambro.

SUNDAY: NBC's "Meet the Press" hosted Speaker Newt Gingrich. CBS' "Face the Nation" hosted Bob Packwood, Sen. Maj. Whip Trent Lott and Christian Coalition exec. dir. Ralph Reed. CNN's "Late Edition" hosted Lott and Sen. Chris Dodd (D-CT). CNN's "Crossfire Sunday" hosted CO Gov. Roy Romer (D) and Dole co-chair/ex-MN Rep. Vin Weber. C-SPAN's "Sunday Journal" hosted THE WEEKLY STANDARD's Bill Kristol and ex-DNC Chair David Wilhelm.

PREDICTIONS: Fred Barnes: "If Colin Powell runs for President, he'll do it as a Republican." Eleanor Clift: "His

book tour is going to be a primary tour and he's going to be really pressed to say what he believes in. We may find out that he doesn't have any strong beliefs." Jack Germond: "Packwood's gone by Monday." Morton Kondrake: "Colin Powell will run for President as an Independent." John McLaughlin: "The dismissed indictment of Arkansas Governor Jim Guy Tucker will be reinstated" ("McLaughlin Group," 9/9).

LAUGHS: Jay Leno, on the possibility Bob Packwood would remain in office for 90 days: "He figures it will take him that long to go around and kiss everyone goodbye." Leno, on George Stephanopoulos' arrest: "Police said right away they knew it was a member of the Clinton White House. The car was in the far left lane, it kept going around in circles, and it ended up in the same place where it left" ("Tonight Show," NBC, 9/8).

TOP TEN SURPRISES IN THE PACKWOOD DIARIES

10. Often writes letters to "Penthouse" signed "Packing Wood in Washington."
9. Had a brief sexual encounter with the Liberty Bell.
8. Those creepy Calvin Klein commercials? Packwood's idea.
7. Admits to having a schoolgirl crush on Phil Gramm.
6. Woke up naked one morning in the lap of the Abraham Lincoln statue.
5. Once broke into Frank Perdue warehouse and spent entire weekend groping chicken parts.
4. Has recurring dream where he gets to second base with Betsey Ross.

3. Once cold-cocked by Janet Reno.
2. Refers to his tongue as "the ethics probe."
1. Has had more sex on his desk than Newt Gingrich
("Late Show," CBS, 9/8).

===== TV SOUNDBITE =====

"My advice to anybody in the future who is a rational person,
who is a conservative or a moderate, is just don't allow
Gail Sheehy to interview you because you will be savaged."

-- Newt Gingrich, "Meet the Press," NBC, 9/10

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The Republicans came, they preached, they fished for votes. Dole & Gramm catch headlines with a clash over abortion. Buchanan brings the crowd to its feet with his keynote speech, and Gingrich delivers "manna from heaven" but most agree Ralph Reed & the gang were	ISN'T THAT SPECIAL? As the parties maneuver for '96, three sudden resignations on the Hill force 3 special elections. OR: All three Dem House members are already running for Packwood's Senate seat: DEFAZIO (D-04), FURSE (D-

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PoliticsUSA PREVIEW! | to his dad? (#21) |
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===== QUOTE OF THE DAY =====
"People are wondering what Forrest Gump Colin Powell stands for.
Well, they're about to find out."
-- Colin Powell, TIME, 9/18 issue

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WILL THE REAL CAL PLEASE TURN THE LIGHTS OFF WHEN YOU LEAVE

Dick Lugar, to the Christian Coalition conference 9/9: "I am the Cal Ripken candidate. If people are interested in performance, constancy, a person they can trust." Bob Dole, to potential FL straw poll delegates in W. Palm Beach 9/10: "I'm the Cal Ripken of the Republican Party. I've been at it a long time."

===== WHITE HOUSE '96 =====

*1 POWELL: THIRD-PARTY TALK IS STRONGEST YET

In excerpts from his autobio, "My American Journey," published this week by Random House and run in the 9/18 issue of TIME, Colin Powell writes, "The time may be at hand for a third major party to emerge to represent the sensible center of the American political spectrum." Calling himself a "fiscal conservative with a social conscience," Powell wrote "neither of the two major parties ... fits me comfortably in its present state." He is "troubled by the political passion of those on the extreme right who seem to claim divine wisdom on political as well as spiritual matters" and "disturbed by the class and racial undertone beneath the surface of their rhetoric." At the same time, he is "put off by patronizing liberals who claim to know what is best for society but devote little thought to who will eventually pay the bills. ... I distrust rigid ideology from any direction, and I am discovering that many Americans feel just as I do." But he has yet to say whether or not he will run in '96, writing he has no "driving ambition" to be president, and that to be a successful politician requires a calling "that I do not yet hear. ... Nevertheless, I do not unequivocally rule out a political future. ... I would not enter to make a statement, but to win. I understand the battlefield, and I know what winning takes." In a TIME interview, Powell said he will decide about running at the conclusion of his book tour -- and that he is considering running as a Republican. He said if he runs as a GOPer, "then I've got to get started in November"; if he goes as

an independent, then he'd have more time. In the book, Powell also offers a "devastating critique" of the Clinton admin.'s "modus operandi," noting that nat'l security meetings "meandered like graduate-student bull sessions. ... Backbenchers sounded off with the authority of Cabinet officers" (9/18).

"POWELL-MANIA": In the premiere issue of THE WEEKLY STANDARD, Bill Kristol writes, "If I had to bet today on one person for the Republican presidential nomination, I'd put my money on Colin Powell." Kristol writes a "poor showing" by Bob Dole in the 11/17 "Larry King" debate in FL combined with a 3rd-place finish in the FL straw poll would "mark the beginning of the end" for Dole: "By Christmas, Bob Dole could be out of the Presidential race, graciously yielding to the man who will have emerged as leader of the Republican field: Colin Powell" (9/18 issue). Speaker Newt Gingrich, on "Meet the Press," said if Powell ran, "He would immediately become the chief rival to Dole. I think Dole's institutional base is so deep that nobody could automatically displace him as the front runner. But I think that a Colin Powell who decided to enter the New Hampshire primary as a Republican would be a very formidable contender." Gingrich said an ind. candidacy by Powell "would, in fact, be a disaster for this country. ... This country is a party country. You run the House and Senate with parties. You appoint cabinets out of parties. There is no magic independence of people who are just able to stand up and magically produce a government" (NBC, 9/10). TIME's Kramer writes Powell is "charismatic and focused. His thoughts are ordered and formed in complete sentences -- a truly dying art. His entire aspect is commanding and confident" (9/18 issue). Mark Shields: "The American people are looking for leadership, leadership, leadership. Every candidate in the field is trying to prove it, that they have it. ... This guy doesn't have to prove it" ("M/L," PBS, 9/8). Powell's interview with Barbara Walters will air on ABC's "20/20" 9/15. Also appearing on the show is Powell's wife, Alma, who expresses fear for her husband's safety if he runs (see HOTLINE 9/8).

YEAH RIGHT: Powell spokesperson Col. Bill Smullen said the book is "not a platform for anything other than an opportunity to present his book to the American people. It is not a political venue. It is a literary venue" (Goldstein, K.C. STAR, 9/9).

STATE YOUR PARTY: Shields: "I see him as an independent candidate. ... It would be crazy for Colin Powell to run as a Democrat or a Republican, to go into that tar pit with all the other tar babies." Paul Gigot: "It's a long shot because of the way the campaign finance laws are written. Both parties ... have it stacked in their favor. ... He would have to buck 200 years of history to win as a third-party candidate" ("M/L," PBS, 9/8). TIME's Mark Thompson: "People close to Powell acknowledge that if he were to run as a Republican, even for the top spot on the ticket, the infrastructure is there. If he were to do it as an independent, the infrastructure isn't there. They'd have to build it stick by stick. Consequently, I think if Dole continues this sort of meandering, half-hearted effort, that might encourage Powell to run for the top spot on the ticket" ("Late Edition," CNN, 9/10). George Will, on Powell saying the country

is ready for a 3rd party: "I don't know whether he has the political judgment to make that call; maybe he's right about that. He uses a very peculiar phrase. He says neither party fits me completely. ... What makes Colin Powell attractive to people, I gather, is he's supposed to be a manly leader. A manly leader doesn't say if the party doesn't fit me, I'll sit on the sidelines" ("Brinkley," ABC, 9/10). Lamar Alexander, asked if he would welcome a Powell run: "Of course I would ... and I have personally encouraged him to run as a Republican. I hope he does not run as an independent. ... We badly need a majority president going into the next century and the independent candidacy is not the best way to serve his country" ("IP," CNN, 9/8). ABC's Hal Bruno, on why there is so much support for Powell: "It may be that after all these years of angry negative campaigning, we've created an angry electorate and they're looking for something different. And many of them feel that something different is Colin Powell" ("GMA," ABC, 9/11). Dem consultant Kiki Moore: "Every day that he considers [running for pres.] is good news for the Democratic Party because it demonstrates a weakness in the current field of Republican candidates" ("FOX A.M. News," 9/11).

*2 DOLE: IS HE FOR REAL IN GRAMM'S BACK YARD?

Bob Dole brought his campaign to Dallas 9/10 "predicting for the first time that he will beat rival Phil Gramm in his own back yard." Previously, Dole had been to TX "only to raise money," but this time around he "introduced a statewide steering committee designed to battle for votes." TX Dole chair T. Boone Pickens "flatly declared" Dole will carry the TX primary. Pickens cited an August poll that showed the two candidates "running neck and neck." Gramm spokesperson Larry Neal: "In the end it's not going to matter. Phil Gramm is going to win every district and every delegate in the Texas primary" (Stahl, DALLAS MORNING NEWS, 9/11). Thirty-three "key Republican business and political leaders" are on Dole's TX steering cmte (release, 9/10). Dole, on Gramm: "Phil's trying to get some traction. ... He gets a lot of straw, but not much traction. ... I've got a quote I'm going to show him some day, that 'I'll never say anything bad about Bob Dole.' Well, he's apparently forgotten that, but he has a right to go out and attack the front runner, I guess. But it's getting a little personal and, if he wants to continue it, that's up to him. I'm not going to attack him. I'm going to try to beat Bill Clinton. Bill Clinton is my target." Rowland Evans: "It sounds as though Phil Gramm might be getting under your skin." Dole: "No, but he might be" ("Evans & Novak," CNN, 9/9).

PRIMING FOR P3: Dole, in South FL 9/9, "hop-scotched by helicopter and chartered plane" to four counties (Martin, Palm Beach, Broward and Sarasota) choosing straw poll delegates (Fiedler, MIAMI HERALD, 9/10).

COME ON, BOB: NEWSWEEK's Klein challenges Dole to "show us your stuff": Bob Dole is "never offering anything positive, never stretching himself, never daring to distress his party's suffocating special interests. He comes across desperate and uninspired. ... He was better in 1988 ... [But] he was humiliated by a candidate [Bush] who ran very much the way Dole is running

now." But Dole may have learned the wrong lesson from '88. Although the GOP electorate is likely more "Christian" than '88, the biggest change is that "there is a lower tolerance for posturing, for politicians who woo with pledges and pork rinds. ... This isn't likely to be a front-runner friendly year. ... Dole could risk a more compelling candidacy. ... He needn't go squishy; he could begin by telling some hard conservative truths" -- such as privatizing the Veterans Admin. and "weening" farmers off assistance" (9/18). GOP analyst James Pinkerton: "It's a very dangerous thing what Dole's doing. It's a show of weakness. People might wonder: 'Do you [Dole] mean what you say? ... At least Buchanan has been saying stuff like this all along. ... As he pushes for the nomination, he is losing a lot of swing voters" (PHILA. INQUIRER, 9/9). Bob Novak: "The problem with Senator Dole is he doesn't look comfortable singing those songs." Al Hunt: "Who will he pander to next? Will he come out against fluoridated water and rock 'n' roll next week? Who knows with Bob Dole now? He'll do anything now apparently, he's so desperate. ... His fate is in Newt Gingrich's hands because he can't make any deals unless it has Newt Gingrich's blessing and cover" ("Capital Gang," CNN, 9/9). Dole, at the Christian Coalition conference, "The papers will say, 'Oh, there goes Dole to the right again.' Well, I've been there a while already" (PHILA. INQUIRER, 9/10).

NEW YORK REBUFF: NY Gov. George Pataki, a Dole supporter, joined NYC Mayor Rudy Giuliani (R), in saying that Dole "made a mistake" in returning a contribution from the Log Cabin Republicans. Sen. Al D'Amato, Dole's "top" NY backer also said he "viewed the refund as a mistake." The Log Cabin Club gave the returned \$1,000 to Arlen Specter and contributed an additional \$1,000 to Pete Wilson (Finnegan, N.Y. DAILY NEWS, 9/10).

ARIZONA ERROR: ARIZONA REPUBLIC's Sidener reports, although the Dole campaign announced an "impressive list" of Arizonans on its AZ steering cmte last week, they "apparently forgot to ask first" whether some of them were interested in membership. Dole spokesperson Nelson Warfield said it was a "glitch," putting some donors out as steering cmte members: "It sounds like a low-level staff mistake that you don't want repeated. ... These things happen in any campaign." Phoenix Suns pres. Jerry Colangelo was one of "Arizona's top business leaders" incorrectly listed as a steering cmte member. A Colangelo spokesperson: "I talked to Mr. Colangelo, and he did contribute. But as far as he knows, he's not on the steering committee" (9/9). AZ AG Grant Woods heads Dole's AZ campaign. Ex-Sen. Barry Goldwater and Rep. John Rhodes are honorary co-chairs.

HMMMM: NH Gov. Steve Merrill "will spend the entire day" 9/13 in DC with Dole and Newt Gingrich. Merrill "and other governors will talk about the future relationship between the federal and state governments" (Tibbetts, NH SUNDAY NEWS, 9/10).

OKLAHOMA SUPPORT: Gov. Frank Keating endorses Dole today (release, 9/11).

*3 GRAMM: EVEN PACKWOOD SAYS HE GOT IT WRONG IN HIS DIARIES
Phil Gramm's campaign has "hit a sudden patch of turbulence"

over an entry in Bob Packwood's dairies "suggesting the two Republicans worked to "evade federal election law and direct \$100,000 of political 'soft money' towards Packwood's 1992 reelection." The Senate ethics cmte has begun an investigation into the matter (see HOTLINE 9/8). In a letter sent to the ethics cmte, Gramm denied any wrongdoing and said the problem stems from Packwood's "obvious misunderstanding of the election law." Because the use of soft money "represents a huge gray area in the campaign finance system that both parties exploit," unless Gramm can be shown to have "consciously conspiring" to break the law, his actions will be hard to condemn (Farrell, BOSTON GLOBE, 9/9). Gramm said as NRSC chair he oversaw "totally proper and legal" contributions of \$96,500 to the OR GOP for the purpose of party building activities. In his diary, after meeting with Gramm at a Packwood campaign rally, Packwood wrote, "What was said in that room would be enough to convict us all of something. I think that's a felony, I'm not sure." Ex-OR GOP chair Craig Berkman, who was present at the meeting, supported Gramm: "There was nothing to the best of my recollection that even suggested [anything illegal. The meeting] was very general in nature about how the senatorial committee was interested in seeing its incumbents returned to office." Gramm also sent the ethics cmte a copy of the 4/2/93 letter that accompanied the NRSC's \$24,000 contribution to the OR GOP. That letter stated that the money could not legally be used "in any way to influence a federal election" (Feeny/Whittle, DALLAS MORNING NEWS, 9/9). More Berkman: "Packwood must have been smoking peyote when he was writing in those dairies." Gramm: "There was no wink, there was no nod, and it was in writing ... I don't know what Sen. Packwood was doing in his dairies" (James/Dellios, CHICAGO TRIBUNE, 9/9). Bob Packwood, appearing on CBS' "Face the Nation," said he had misunderstood the situation: "That was totally wrong" (9/10).

*4 WILSON: HOPES TO PLACE STATE TAX CUT ON '96 BALLOT

Continuing his effort to "reposition himself as a tax cutter," Pete Wilson proposed placing a 15% state income-tax reduction initiative on the 11/96 ballot in CA. When the Legislature did not pass his proposed tax cut, Wilson decided to take the issue directly to the voters (AP/S.F. CHRONICLE, 9/9). Wilson made his tax cut suggestion 9/8, in a speech to CA business executives who were in Sacramento to push for legislation before the legislature adjourns next weekend (Ayers, N.Y. TIMES, 9/9). Wilson: "It is time to take our case to the people as we have many times before in the past when the Legislature did not act responsibly. The time has come to put this on the ballot. Wilson announced his position after polls last week showed him trailing both Bob Dole and Pres. Clinton in CA. Assembly Dem Leader Willie Brown said Wilson made his proposal "out of desperation, trying to find a way to get his campaign jump-started" (AP/S.F. CHRONICLE, 9/9). Tax-cut talk is not new to Wilson, who in his first term as gov. supported a major tax increase. Since then he has been "urging the state Legislature, without success, to make tax cuts." Wilson "made a big show" in one of his first pres. swings in NH by taking the

pledge not to raise taxes as president. To get the initiative on the CA ballot will require "roughly 600,000" signatures, which Wilson spokesperson Paul Kranhold said would be "a piece of cake" (N.Y. TIMES, 9/9).

FROM ONE GOV TO ANOTHER: Ex-CA Gov. George Deukmejian (R) endorsed Wilson. Deukmejian, who served the two terms before Wilson was elected in '90: "He can be more helpful to California as president of the United States than he can accomplish in the last two years of his term" (AP/S.D. UNION-TRIBUNE, 9/8).

FRESH SQUEEZE IN FLORIDA? MIAMI HERALD's Fiedler writes Wilson's "struggling" campaign found a "ray of hope" last week in a "shaky poll" of FL GOPers that showed him "in strong contention" to challenge Dole in the state. The poll showed Dole in the lead with 33.7% followed by Gramm at 11.7 and Wilson in third at 10.2. The poll surveyed only 205 GOPers which is "barely enough" to keep the margin of error in single digits. Regardless of the small sample size, the Wilson press office was "quick to tout" the results as evidence of the campaign's "competitiveness" (9/10).

*5 CLINTON: FULL STEAM AHEAD

U.S. NEWS' "Washington Whispers" reports that while Pres. Clinton's strategists do not believe he will face a challenge for the Dem nomination, they nevertheless do not "intend to be caught off guard." One senior Clinton strategist: "Within three weeks we could have a national campaign organized in the key states." Aides said that "despite considerable jockeying among the pro-Clinton ideological and political factions, the re-election campaign will be run out of the West Wing, not campaign headquarters in Washington. The likely boss: Deputy White House Chief of Staff Harold Ickes" (9/18 issue).

*6 JACKSON: CLEARS HIS ACCOUNT WITH FEC

Jesse Jackson announced he had raised the \$150,000 he owed the FEC from his '88 pres. campaign, "removing one of the obstacles to a potential return to the presidential trail next year." Had he not paid the settlement, Jackson would not be eligible to receive federal matching campaign funds in future races. Jackson: "All options are live." He outlined three possible political courses of action for himself in '96 -- to stay out of the race, to challenge Clinton in the Dem primaries or to run as an independent. He noted, however, that the second option was "remote" and that he would wait until the spring to decide on an independent run. Jackson said that part of his decision would be based on whether Clinton "embraces an activist agenda" for urban development, education, and health, as well as enforcement of affirmative action laws (Taylor, W. POST, 9/10).

===== CHRISTIAN COALITION CONFERENCE =====

*7 WEEKEND REVIVAL AFFIRMS THE FAITH

"It thundered and shook like an old-fashioned tent revival." Four thousand "keyed-up members" of the Christian

Coalition jammed into a posh Washington hotel over the weekend, "while outside protesters chanted and called them right-tilting extremists." Inside, "the conservative, well-dressed, mostly white and middle-aged Coalition members whooped and jumped to their feet as a Republican Who's Who showed up" to speak to them (Thompson, K.C. STAR, 9/9). CNN's Duvall: "The place crackled with excitement, the approval thunderous when the preaching got going, when God or abortion came up" (9/9). NBC's Ifill: "For every one person in that room, you had a sense that there were twenty more at home like them" ("Wash. Week," PBS, 9/8). At the end of it all, Coalition exec. dir. Ralph Reed declared to his audience, "We have gained what we have always sought -- a place at the table." During the weekend, "the political equivalent of apple polishing was so intense," that some, like Bob Dole, "did not even try to hide" motives (Berke, N.Y. TIMES, 9/9). Dole: "I read in this morning's papers about how all these candidates were coming down here to court all of you. ... Well, maybe we are. What's wrong with that? ... You are the glue that holds America together. ... You've got a lit fire, and you must keep it hot" (PHILA. INQUIRER, 9/9). More Dole: "You're going to have a big, big say about what happens in 96." But, by injecting the "sure-fire issue of abortion," Phil Gramm "made perhaps the most bald plea for coalition members to back him over Dole" for the GOP nomination (N.Y. TIMES, 9/9).

DOLE VS. GRAMM: Waving a copy of Phyllis Schlafly's Republican Nat'l Coalition for Life (RNCL) "pledge" affirming that "the unborn child has a fundamental individual right to life which cannot be infringed," Gramm won "a loud ovation" when he said, "I signed the pledge." Gramm continued, "I understand that my colleague Bob Dole is going to be here. ... He has not signed the pledge. While he is here, I want you to ask him to join us" (Berke, N.Y. TIMES, 9/9). Dole, in response during his speech, "asserted that he had never wavered in speaking out to protect the sanctity of all human life." But when "taunted" by "scattered cries" of "sign the pledge," Dole "seemed stunned at first," then "shot back": "Don't look at pledges. Look at the record" (Kranish, BOSTON GLOBE, 9/9). Dole, also in his speech, "again pushed Hollywood and the record industry to remove excessive sex and violence from their products." Dole "took aim at last week's MTV Music Video Awards show," in which artists, like Madonna, "jabbed at him." Dole: "We have a right to express outrage. ... Do not lose our voice on moral issues. Do not be intimidated by the voice of political correctness" (Feeney, DALLAS MORNING NEWS, 9/9).

BUCHANAN: Pat Buchanan, who delivered the keynote address, brought the participants "to their feet" as he "defended the right to life and called for term limits for federal judges." Buchanan "received the warmest reception of any of the major GOP candidates at the Coalition convention." Buchanan, in his speech, pledged to end the "new world order," and shut down "outcome-based education" along with the Dept. of Education -- "positions he has held for years and that suited his audience just fine." The audience also cheered when he "reminded them he had opposed" Clinton's nomination of Supreme Court Justice Ruth

Bader Ginsburg and noted Sens. Dole, Gramm, Lugar and Specter did not raise objection to the nominations of Ginsburg and Steven Breyer, and by doing so, "helped tip the balance on the court toward pro-choice justices" (Hallow, W. TIMES, 9/10).

GINGRICH: Newt Gingrich's words "came like manna from heaven" to the Coalition members. Gingrich: "It is liberalism which brought a pact with the devil. ... It is their welfare state that has trapped the poor in drug addiction, prostitution, violent crime, ignorance, illiteracy and misery." CNN's Morton: "The loudest cheers went to non-candidate Newt Gingrich, who assured the Coalition he is with them for religion and responsibility. ... Watching Gingrich love it all, watching the crowd, the red, white and blue banners, you had to think he looked a lot like a candidate accepting a nomination" (9/8). Although Gingrich's speech drew a standing ovation from the audience, it also "immediately provoked anger and dismay from some of the liberal targets [he] derided." Interfaith Alliance's Jill Hanauer: "It is shocking and tragic that someone in such a seat of power would speak such uncivil and hateful language to any group." People for the American Way legis. dir. Matt Freeman: "To go into that crowd and to suggest that anyone has drawn a pact with the devil is irresponsible rhetoric. ... Perhaps he think he was kidding, but there is no doubt that some of those participants took it seriously" (Freedberg, S.F. CHRONICLE, 9/9). Gingrich also "defended the Coalition from reporters and editorial writers who routinely-practice Christian-phobia." Gingrich: "Take the last 25 New York Times editorials on the phobias they care about and how passionate they can be about every American's right to be involved. Unless, of course, you believe in prayer. Every American's right to be involved -- unless you believe in family" (N.Y. TIMES, 9/9).

OTHERS: Dick Lugar "was received warmly but without much enthusiasm as he gave a speech warning that cities and states are becoming excessively dependent on gambling revenues, a source of income that he said is undermining families." Lamar Alexander "received a lukewarm reception and gave a standard version of his stump speech, calling for massive transfer of spending and regulatory power from the federal government to the states. Far stronger support was voiced for" Alan Keyes, who, "almost in preacher-like rhetoric, called for a moral revival to assert the importance of two-parent families and the legitimate role of God in public life" (Edsall, W. POST, 9/10). CNN's Duvall, on Lugar: "[He] brought his 'I am the one you can trust campaign' and won some applause on taxes." Duvall, on reaction to Alexander: "Polite and proper" (9/9). Pete Wilson was unable to attend. Arlen Specter was the only major GOP candidate not to be invited. Specter did, however, stage a news conference at the Lincoln Memorial, in which he complained, "The guiding principle of America is the principle of inclusion and the principle of tolerance" (DALLAS MORNING NEWS, 9/9).

*8 WINNERS & LOSERS: A "MAJOR MISTAKE" FOR DOLE ON ABORTION?

BOSTON GLOBE's Kranish reports Bob Dole's retort after being prodded by Phil Gramm to sign the Republican Nat'l Coalition for

Life (RNCL) abortion pledge was what Gramm's campaign had "hoped for" --underscoring Dole's view on abortion and "reminding some" when Dole got angry with George Bush during the '88 campaign and said, "Stop lying about my record." A Gramm aide "acknowledged" the campaign had arranged the protest of Dole. Dole spokesperson Nelson Warfield "criticized" Gramm's "ploy du jour": "Five months ago, Gramm wouldn't say the word abortion. In fact, he proclaimed, 'I'm not running for preacher.'" Dole, unlike Gramm, believes abortion should be allowed in cases of rape and incest. Dole strategists have said he refused to sign the pledge because he does not want to "alienate potential support" in the general election (9/9). But Warfield did say Dole "believes that a Republican platform should retain a pro-life plank in 1996. He supported the platform in '84, '88, and '92 and intends to do so next year" (Hallow, W. TIMES, 9/9). RNCL pol. dir. Sandy Tiller said rumors had circulated before the conference that Dole might sign the pledge during his speech; but Gramm's challenge ended any chance of that. Tiller explained Dole would never "concede" to his rival and that she was "really kind of annoyed" by Gramm's ploy (Pins, DES MOINES REGISTER, 9/9). Gramm, Pat Buchanan, Alan Keyes, Dick Lugar and Bob Dornan have all signed the pledge.

DON'T TELL HIM WHAT TO DO: Dole, on "Evans and Novak": "I don't let Phil Gramm ... determine what I'll do in the campaign.

... I've got a record that's unblemished as far as pro-life is concerned. ... [The pledge is] being promoted by Phyllis Schlafly, who's a big Gramm supporter. ... We'll make our position clear without asking Phil Gramm to call the shots for us" (CNN, 9/9).

JUDGMENT DAY: W. TIMES' Hallow writes Dole, "committed what many GOP political operatives regarded as the fourth major mistake of his campaign this year" by having "refused to sign the pledge or to say explicitly that he would keep the current pro-life plank intact if nominated" (9/10). Christian Coalition founder Pat Robertson: "If there is a winner of this round, Phil Gramm is the one that came out ahead" (NBC, 9/9). However, "without prompting," in a N.Y. TIMES interview, Robertson defended Dole's "conservative bona fides, rejecting what he said was recent criticism that Dole was merely pandering to religious conservatives." Robertson also "made it clear" that he considered Dole "quite acceptable to religious conservatives," although the Coalition has said that "they will not endorse" any of the pres. candidates. Robertson: "I don't think Bob Dole is being some kind of chameleon. ... [He's been a] life long conservative." Robertson praised Gramm as well, but said, "I still think it's Dole's to lose. I don't see right now, any other candidates emerging" (Niebuhr, N.Y. TIMES, 9/11). ABC's Hal Bruno, asked which candidate won the most support at the conference: "It was somewhat divided. Going in, Pat Buchanan and Phil Gramm had the most support among this group because where they stand on the issues is closest to where the conservative Christians are. But Senator Dole has also turned in a very conservative direction, and he has had some appeal with them" ("GMA," ABC, 9/11).

REED REACTS: Coalition exec. dir. Ralph Reed, asked if it

would hurt Dole if he does not sign a pro-life plank pledge: "I don't really know what the outcome of that will be, because it just happened the other day, but I think that Senator Dole has indicated that he may sign it later. He's indicated that he is committed to the pro-life plank" (CNN, 9/10). Reed has tried to "downplay" the abortion issue as of late in order to "broaden" the organization's appeal (Shepard, COX/AUSTIN-AMERICAN STATESMAN, 9/9). More Reed, asked if the GOP nominee must sign a pledge to support a constitutional amendment to ban all abortions: "I don't think any of us really knows what the end game is going to be. But ... if [the GOPers] want to continue that momentum going into '96 it's based on a three legged stool. One leg of that stool is the traditional message of lower taxes and balanced budgets. The second leg of that stool is the Perot message of term limits and political reform. And the third leg of that stool is the pro-life and pro-family stand" (CNN, 9/10).

===== NATIONAL BRIEFING =====

***9 PACKWOOD: HE'S GONE 10/1; ROTH TO HEAD FINANCE**

Sen. Bob Packwood (R-OR), yielding to Dems "incensed by his continued leadership role and even his presence" in Senate matters, said he would leave the Senate by 10/1. He also stepped down as Finance Cmte chair; both decisions were "recommended" by Senate Maj. Leader Bob Dole, whose spokesperson said Packwood would be succeeded as chair by Sen. Bill Roth (R-DE). The fixed date of Packwood's resignation came after Dole started a firestorm by saying that he may need up to 90 days to stay on and finish up his work (see HOTLINE, 9/8). Dems, led by Min. Leader Tom Daschle, said this was unacceptable, and without a firm timetable were talking of forcing a vote on Packwood's expulsion (Chen, L.A. TIMES, 9/10). N.Y. TIMES' Seelye speculates that Dole wanted Packwood to stay on for an assortment of reasons, including (1) Packwood "provides a reliable Republican vote;" (2) the more time that can elapse between the special election and the "sordid revelations" of Packwood's diaries, the "better the Republicans' chances of keeping the seat;" and (3) Dole wanted to keep Packwood on the Finance cmte so there would be no room for Dole rival Sen. Phil Gramm (R-TX), who seeks appointment to the cmte. Dole was "applauded" by members of the Christian Coalition when he announced Packwood's 10/1 departure date, but he "did not mention that he had tried to delay Mr. Packwood's departure by 90 days" (9/9).

THE WORD ON ROTH: The 74-year old Roth is "known as a team player" and is an "ardent tax-cutter who lacks his predecessor's ambivalence about the bold reform agenda championed by conservative House Republicans" (Chandler, W. POST, 9/9). U.S. NEWS' Roberts writes he is a "more timid lawmaker who is far less likely to assert his independence from conservative orthodoxy" (9/18 issue). And SEATTLE POST-INTELLIGENCER's Connelly notes that Roth is "known more for his trademark toupee than the brain beneath it" (9/8).

NIXON PARALLELS: Writing in the NEW YORKER, Alan Brinkley

says that Packwood's resignation "has many similarities to Richard Nixon's tortured departure from the White House" in '74: "Like Nixon, Packwood remained in office long after his reputation was destroyed, and resigned only when his last remaining supporters abandoned him. Like Nixon, he meticulously recorded incriminating information and then tried to suppress and alter it. Like Nixon, he denied his offenses to the end, tried to discredit his accusers, and relied heavily on procedural and legal arguments to avoid facing the substance of the charges against him. Like Nixon, he insisted that he was resigning for the good of the country" (9/18 issue). Also, Packwood first won election to the Senate in '68, the same year Nixon won the presidency.

CLINTON CASE: In a W. TIMES op-ed, Landmark Legal Foundation's Mark Levin writes that while he does "not speak as a special pleader" for Packwood, "there is something amiss when President Clinton is held to a lower ethical standard than" Packwood. "Mr. Clinton insists to a federal court that no less than the United States Constitution stands between him and the sexual harassment charges he faces. The president says he's immune from such bothersome lawsuits, even though the phrase 'presidential immunity' is nowhere to be found in the Constitution. ... Mr. Clinton is charged, in court, of exposing himself and rubbing his hand on the inside of his accuser's leg. ... While Mr. Packwood's accusers were treated with respect and presumed truthful, the young lady who sued Mr. Clinton is portrayed as politically motivated and generally disparaged. ... What about it, Mrs. [Sen. Barbara] Boxer? Why not go to the Senate floor today and demand that the president answer the charges under oath?" (9/8). Christian Action Network Pres. Martin Mawyer: "As Senator Packwood has been forced to resign over allegations almost twenty years old ... then President Clinton should be subject to impeachment hearings over the Paula Jones allegations, which are less than five years old and have standing. This proposal will be met with derision for Bill Clinton's slavish minions in the national media, since they led the witch hunt against Senator Packwood, but the fairness of this argument cannot be denied" (release, 9/7).

*10 PACKWOOD: PUNDITS GET IN THEIR LAST LICKS

Al Hunt: "Packwood's behavior was disgraceful. ... The Senate Ethics Committee ... dragged its feet on this case and they only turned to expulsion when he became a visible political embarrassment. ... This is a decision that's going to come back to haunt them because it was less an act of courage than of expediency." Bob Novak: "God forbid that any of us ... should have their life and their fate in the hands in the Senate Ethics Committee." NATIONAL REVIEW's Kate O'Beirne: "He ultimately did what was really unforgivable which was make his colleagues climb out a branch for him and then he sawed it off. ... They were only forced to act because it became politically embarrassing" ("Cap. Gang," CNN, 9/9). ABC's Julie Johnson: "If you really look at this, in any other work place in America were the behavior to be this that's described in the Packwood diaries, the individual

would have been fired without the benefit of the \$80,000 year pension lifetime benefit" ("Brinkley," ABC, 9/10). Jack Germond: "That scene in the Senate, the emotional scene, is a classic example of the hypocrisy of these clowns at their worst. They were all so mad at him. They were fed up with the guy. ... The Senate is finally going to stumble into the 20th Century." Eleanor Clift: "His behavior has been truly despicable, but the Senate ... basically was acting in their own self-interest" ("McLaughlin Group," 9/9). Mona Charen: "This draconian punishment really has an odor of PC about it." Howard Fineman: "What they really did here was equate sexual misconduct with treason. ... He made them do it. He said, 'You've got to get me out of here or I'm going to ruin the Senate.'" Juan Williams: "People take the message ... that it's something, this larger statement about sexual harassment in society, in fact, it's a statement about the club still protecting itself" ("Cap. Gang Sunday," CNN, 9/10). Barnes, on the level of political damage to the GOP: "Minimal, compared to what it might have been had they had lurid, weeks-long, public hearings on national TV. It would have impede the Republican agenda and blotted out every other story in the country, probably including even the O.J. Simpson trial." Morton Kondracke: "This complicates Dole's life enormously. He's going to have to, in effect, run the Finance committee. ... What this means is that there's more likelihood that there will be a train wreck." Barnes said that Dole "has an opportunity now to step in, he ought to call a time-out in his presidential campaign and say, 'I'm going to spend the next eight weeks in Washington. The agenda there is much more important'" ("McLaughlin Group," 9/9). Lamar Alexander: "He did the right thing to resign and the Senate can get on to what it ought to be doing" ("IP," CNN, 9/8).

*11 HOW'S IT PLAYING: EDITORIALS ON PACKWOOD

ARKANSAS DEMOCRAT GAZETTE: Packwood "did the honorable thing. ... [However,] if it is not fit that the distinguished lout from Oregon remain in the Senate chamber, does the Knight of Chappaquiddick belong there? That is something else for the gentlemen and ethicists of the Senate to consider -- if they can remember who Mary Jo Kopechne was, and might have been" (9/10).

Balto. SUN: "While expulsion would have been excessive if judged solely on the past record, the public now demands much higher standards for performance in public office and behavior in the workplace" (9/8).

BOSTON GLOBE: "Packwood's sordid saga was particularly anguishing for women, many of whom had supported him because it was so rare to have a Republican defender of women's rights. ... Many puzzled how he could publicly respect women while demeaning them with his private acts" (9/8).

BOSTON HERALD header: "Good riddance, Packwood" (9/8).

CHICAGO TRIBUNE: "The larger question is whether the decision by the ethics committee reflects the arrival of a higher moral standard in Congress or just another case of political expediency. The circumstances, unfortunately, suggest the latter. ... The unexpected bomb dropped by the committee suggests

that the Senate leadership simply decided it had to be rid of Packwood before he bled any more on his fellow senators" (9/8).

DAILY ASTORIAN [OR]: "It is absurd to refer to Packwood as a brilliant legislator, as many are. He was, first and foremost, a political blackmailer and a shakedown artist. ... Oregonians -- ill served and embarrassed by this man -- can rightly say: Good riddance" (9/11).

DES MOINES REGISTER, under the header, "Start packing, Senator": "What happened to doing the honorable thing? ... Why is he making his resignation effective on Oct. 1, rather than today? ... If Packwood worked for a corporation, the company guards already would have come to escort him from the building. His continued presence is intolerable" (9/9).

N.Y. DAILY NEWS: "There are those who think that kissing, fondling and groping unwilling women is small stuff on the crime index. But even if you could buy that -- and it would take a leap of faith -- it would be difficult to be as generous in considering Packwood's other offenses. ... He has lost the integrity necessary to make law for law-abiding citizens. If he ever had it" (9/8).

N.Y. POST: "The principal charges against Bob Packwood turn on boorish behavior -- some of which took place more than 25 years ago in an entirely different social and cultural climate. The unhappy reality is that lots of men who drank too much in the 1960s and 1970s conducted themselves as did Packwood. ... It's distressing that the mere allegation of gray-area sexual misconduct has become an automatic knockout punch -- sufficient, in most circumstances, to run men out of public life. The Senate has dishonored itself in its treatment of Bob Packwood" (9/8).

N.Y. TIMES: "Packwood should be given a proper chance to pack his belongings. But that does not require him to remain as a sitting senator for the next three weeks. ... His resignation should be effective immediately. The idea that he will be allowed to participate in Senate debates and cast votes on critical national issues for even another day demeans the institution and insults the public" (9/9).

Portland OREGONIAN: "These glimpses into the mind of one of the nation's most important political figures will further demean the reputation of the Senate among many of the public. But also note this: The diaries came to light only because the Senate's own ethics committee fought for and then released the relevant portions. Future historians may well look back and see the Packwood case as the watershed moment when the Senate came to grips with disgraceful conduct" (9/10).

RICHMOND TIMES-DISPATCH: "Packwood's reputation probably lies beyond public redemption. But at least his resignation spares continuing embarrassment to the Senate, to his party, and to the people of the state whose interests he presumed to serve" (9/9).

SYRACUSE HERALD-JOURNAL: "He is resigning, but the stunning thing is Packwood still doesn't get it. Almost three years after 17 women came forward and articulated the pain he caused them ... Packwood calls what he did 'over-eagerly kissing.' ... [The case] is a lesson to Packwood's current colleagues and those who may

seek office in the future. 'Over-eagerly kissing' is harassment. Harassment is a crime. It will no longer be tolerated or overlooked" (9/8).

USA TODAY: "The Ethics Committee's abrupt call for expulsion after a plodding investigation left open a question: What changed the senators' minds? ... Was the ultimate offense that of violating the clubbiness of the Senate: Thou shalt not embarrass a fellow senator?" (9/8).

W. POST: "Packwood's diary tells us about a lot more than his sexual practices. It is also an indictment of the way elected officials fiddle with, skirt and violate the laws that are supposed to regulate the flow of political money into campaigns. Senators are falling over themselves to argue that the resolution of the Packwood case shows that a new day has come to Capitol Hill in the matter of sexual harassment. They should do the same about the corruption that is now a routine part of elections" (9/10).

*12 HOTLINE ROLODEX: SUING THE STEPHANO-POLICE; THE NEW FANZINES

Peter Papps, Asst. U.S. Atty for NH and a lifelong friend of Senior Clinton Adviser George Stephanopoulos, "said he will file a civil rights complaint" against DC police after witnessing Stephanopoulos' traffic arrest. Stephanopoulos was led away in handcuffs at about 11:45pm 9/7 from a Georgetown street; he was charged with fleeing the scene of an accident and driving with an expired license. Stephanopoulos said the charge of fleeing was ridiculous: "Do you know where my car was when I was supposedly fleeing the scene? In the parking space, stopped." DC police sources told the W. Post the arresting officers were "overzealous and in error" and that the charges would likely be dropped at Stephanopoulos' 9/18 court date. Papps, a self-described "conservative Republican," on the arresting officer: "I'm looking at him thinking, 'Is he a real cop?'" Papps "said he is questioning his own faith in police conduct after the experience" (West, NH SUNDAY NEWS, 9/10).

GEORGE: CNN's "Reliable Sources" had some harsh reviews for GEORGE, JFK Jr.'s new political mag. Ellen Hume: "Just what the world always needed, more political pinups. They should have opened up a restaurant instead." W. POST's Howard Kurtz: "With a couple of exceptions, this was really low-calorie journalism. ... I guess some of this is for people who find People magazine too taxing." U.S. NEWS' Steve Roberts: "It's pretty damn thin." SCRIPPS HOWARD's Martin Schramm: "It's politics for the first-time voter. ... It's a primer in that sense." Bernard Kalb: "Looking through this magazine was like attending a party in the Hamptons. Lots of name dropping" (9/10). NEWSWEEK's Kaplan is much more generous to John Jr. after his press conference performance: "Unlike the exam, this time he cleared the bar on his first attempt" (9/18 issue).

WEEKLY STANDARD: U.S. NEWS' Steve Roberts: "This is a damn good thing that we have this magazine. It's a cause for celebration. ... This is going to be an important magazine. We're all going to have to read it because this is where the energy and the ideas in Washington are." SCRIPPS HOWARD's Martin

Schramm: "This is being run essentially by a White House Republican staff in exile. These guys all want to go back in and run one more president. ... They interview presidential candidates, pick the one they want, and then make them President." Ellen Hume: "The Standard is a serious magazine, and I welcome it, and I plan to subscribe to it. It's actually had a very strong first issue. We learn things from it" ("Reliable Sources," CNN, 9/10).

*13 COVER TO COVER

TIME: Photo: Colin Powell. Text: "Colin Powell: An American Journey" (9/18 issue).

NEWSWEEK: Photo: Elderly woman in wheel chair painfully held aloft by struggling yuppie. Text: "Mediscare. Get Ready to Get Less: The attack on Medicare. Young vs. Old: Who will carry the burden?" (9/18 issue).

U.S. NEWS: "America's Best Colleges: 1996 Annual Guide" (9/18 issue).

WEEKLY STANDARD: Drawing: Newt Gingrich swinging just above scorching flames that seem to have reached the seat of his pants, firing an automatic weapon with a belt of bullets draped about his shoulder and carrying a brief case that's been thrown open releasing a knife, a pen and a series of papers." Text: "Permanent Offense" (9/18 issue).

BUSINESS WEEK: "Management Meccas" (9/18 issue).

===== CAMPAIGNS OF '95 =====

*14 BALTIMORE MAYOR: RACE TIGHTENS; GOTV IS KEY TOMORROW

Balto. SUN/WMAR-TV poll, conducted 9/7-8 by Mason-Dixon PMR, surveyed 620 likely Dem primary voters; margin of error +/- 4% (SUN, 9/10). Tested: Mayor Kurt Schmoke, City Council pres. Mary Pat Clarke, watertaxi driver Kelley Brohawn. Three candidates are also running in the GOP primary. Primary 9/12.

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DEM PRIMARY	ALL	BLK	WHT	ALL	
Schmoke	47%	74%	14%	43%	
Clarke	43	14	78	37	
Brohawn	1	1	1	--	
Undec.	9	11	7	20	

Pollster Brad Coker: "It's a very close, competitive race." Johns Hopkins' Matthew Crenson: "What's going to count is turnout. The candidate who gets his vote to the polls wins." Clarke: "It feels as though we have the momentum here, that people are coming together on wanting change." Schmoke, who is seeking a 3rd term: "It means I'm going to win. Every poll I've seen indicates I'm ahead." About 80% said the endorsements of the Balto. SUN for Clarke and Gov. Parris Glendening (D) for Schmoke would have no effect on their vote (SUN, 9/10). SUN header: "Candidates offer stark contrast in their views of city." Subhead: "Schmoke perceives city as on the rise; Clarke see decline" (9/10).

===== SENATE WATCH =====

***15 COLORADO: STRICKLAND IS IN, SAYS ROMER IS NOT**

Denver atty Tom Strickland (D) filed candidacy papers for the seat of retiring Sen. Hank Brown (R). Strickland, who has not sought elective office before, will make a formal announcement next month. He could face "some tough competition" from ex-Sen. Gary Hart (D), should Hart run, as well as from Gov. Roy Romer (D). But Strickland said Romer had "assured him he will not enter the race." In addition, Romer's son will serve as Strickland's finance chair. Strickland insisted that his "lack of experience in public office won't be a liability" and noted that he has previously chaired the CO Metropolitan Transportation Development Commission and worked as then-Gov. Dick Lamm's (D) policy and research director (Kerwin, ROCKY MOUNTAIN NEWS, 9/8). Other announced candidates: AG Gale Norton (R), Jerry Brown CO campaign manager Phil Perington (D) and state Sen. Paul Weissmann (D). Other possibles/likelies: Denver councilmember Ramona Martinez (D), Univ/CO Law School Dean Gene Nichol (D), Rep. Wayne Allard (R-04), ex-Sec/State Mary Estill Buchanan (R), atty Bill Eggert (R) and state Sen. Charlie Duke (R).

***16 IOWA: TINSMAN JOINS THE GOP FIELD TO CHALLENGE HARKIN**

State Sen. Maggie Tinsman (R) officially entered the race for the GOP nomination on 9/7, joining state Rep. Steve Grubbs (R); the winner faces Sen. Tom Harkin (D) in '96. Tinsman, who is pro-choice and anti-death penalty, "must mobilize the moderate wing of the party to win the GOP nomination;" Grubbs is pro-life and pro-death penalty. Tinsman said that experience is the "key difference" between the her and Grubbs: "He's the minimum age of 30 years old. ... He hasn't had much time to have a lot of experiences" (Kerwin, DES MOINES REGISTER, 9/8). Tinsman, asked if she is out of the GOP mainstream on abortion: "The Republican Party is broad enough to appeal to a variety of people. My appeal is on more critical issues, such as balancing the budget" (Smiley, OMAHA WORLD-HERALD, 9/8). Other possible: Rep. Jim Nussle (R-02).

***17 MICHIGAN: DAVE WILL NOT CAMP OUT IN SENATE RACE**

Rep. Dave Camp (R-04), ending weeks of speculation, said 9/8 he would not seek the GOP Senate nomination. Camp cited his work in the House as the only MI GOPer on Ways and Means: "Achieving our legislative goals this fall is critical. We are involved in some of the most important debates Congress has had in a long time. I want to give my full and undivided attention to these important issues." Camp would have given up a "safe-seat" and a "choice committee assignment" to join an "uphill battle" for the nomination. Talk-show host/'94 Sen. primary cand. Ronna Romney (R) is "better known" in MI and raised more money than Camp in the first half of '95. Camp's decision "leaves the door open for a Western Michigan Republican, such as State Sen. William Van

Regenmorter." Regenmorter, who has "expressed interest" in the race, is not up for re-election and would not have to give up his seat in order to run. He plans to decide "within a week" (Selinger, DETROIT NEWS, 9/9). The Romney campaign contends that Camp's decision will sustain their "momentum" because Camp, like Romney, is "conservative and pro-life." Romney: "I have always had a great deal of respect and admiration for Dave. ... His message of lower taxes, reduced spending, and less government regulation is also my message" (Romney release, 9/8). Sen. Carl Levin (D) is seeking a fourth term. Announced GOPer: Businessman Jim Nicholson. Other possible GOPers: Rep. Peter Hoekstra (R-02) and ex-Rep. Bill Schuette. Dem: Chrysler Corp. exec. Edward Hamilton.

*18 NEW JERSEY: TORRICELLI SENDS A MESSAGE

Rep. Bob Torricelli (D-09) has formed an exploratory cmte in preparation of a bid for the seat of retiring Sen. Bill Bradley (D) in '96. Torricelli, the first Dem to take such action, did so "in a bid to head off a primary fight." The cmte, "a show of organizational strength," includes 48 mayors and other local elected officials. Officials from several counties, including Hudson Co., of which Torricelli represents a portion, did not join the cmte because Rep. Robert Menendez (D-13) also is "considering" a run. Menendez said he has asked Hudson Dems to "hold off making any endorsements;" he will make a decision by the end of the month. Ex-Gov. Jim Florio (D), also considering a run, "said he will use speaking engagements, radio appearances and newspaper columns to 'generate ideas and discussions' that could lay the foundation for a race." Florio also would like to see the results of a poll conducted by Rutgers' Eagleton Inst. of Politics. The poll will show if the "anti-Florio sentiment triggered by his \$2.8 billion tax hike has died down." Torricelli, who has "made it clear" he will run, used the exploratory event to "portray the race as a clear choice between him and his likely opponent," Rep. Dick Zimmer (R-12). Torricelli "painted himself as a moderate in step with New Jersey voters and Zimmer in the mold" of Speaker Newt Gingrich. Zimmer then accused Torricelli of "engaging in politics of smear" (Kiely, Bergen RECORD, 9/7). Other announced cand.: Passaic Co. Freeholder Richard DuHaime (R). Other possible GOPers: state Sen. Richard LaRossa (R), Rep. Marge Roukema (R-05) and state Sen. Bill Gormley (R). Other possible Dems: Rep. Rob Andrews (D-09), Cherry Hill Mayor Susan Bass Levin (D), state Sen. John Lynch (D), state Sen. John Adler (D), Assemblyman Neil Cohen (D) and Morris Co. prosecutor Michael Murphy (D).

*19 OREGON: IS ANYONE NOT RUNNING?

The first open Senate race here in 29 years has raised the possibility that all five members of the state's House delegation may run for Bob Packwood's (R) soon-to-be-vacated seat. It is, of course, a risk-free proposition -- they don't have to give up their House seats to make the race -- and thus all five have either declared or are "considering" a candidacy. The first House member to announce was five-term Rep. Peter DeFazio (D-04)

(see HOTLINE, 9/8); he was followed by two-term "liberal" Rep. Elizabeth Furse (D-01) on 9/8 and eight-term "veteran liberal" Rep. Ron Wyden (D-03) on 9/10. Furse has "already drawn the attention of national women's groups." If Gov. John Kitzhaber (D) sets the election date more than 80 days after Packwood's 10/1 resignation date, there will be primaries to pick the Dem and GOP nominees. If the special election is within 80 days, the party central cmtes will choose their nominees. Sellwood, OR Dem precinct captain Peggy Roth: "If it's a primary process, I think Ron Wyden has the name recognition and the money to give anyone a run for their money. If it's an internal committee process, it will be a more even playing field." Other possible Dems include businessman Harry Lonsdale and ex-Gov. Barbara Roberts. Lonsdale, a strong environmentalist who lost to Sen. Mark Hatfield (R) in '90 and narrowly lost the '92 Dem primary, had earlier declared his candidacy against Hatfield for '96. On the GOP side, there is evidence the field "could narrow this week." Frosh Rep. Jim Bunn (R-05), a "conservative" who was expected to announce his decision on 9/11, said "he needed more time to decide." Camille Hukari, the chair of the "powerful" AG-PAC agricultural group, "pleaded" with another possible "conservative" GOPer, frosh Rep. Wes Cooley (R-02), to stay in the House rather than run for the Senate. She said Cooley is doing a "fine job" but predicted the GOP nominee will be "conservative" state Senate Pres. Gordon Smith, "hands down." Hukari "said conservatives didn't want to see a repeat of the last gubernatorial campaign, in which the Republicans fielded conservative [ex-Rep.] Denny Smith -- who couldn't pick up needed Portland-metro area votes" and lost badly to Kitzhaber. Hukari: "We have to consider who can win. You've got to have statewide appeal. Gordon has statewide appeal. ... He would be able to beat the Democrat. He's got charisma, he's got the experience, he's got the farming background" (Suo, Portland OREGONIAN, 9/10). Earlier, Cooley said he would run, but only if the nominee was to be chosen by the GOP cmte, not in a primary. As for Bunn, he said he continues to be "extremely interested in joining this race," but that he feels he needs "more time to carefully consider all the issues involved" (Bunn release, 9/9). Other possible GOPers: Denny Smith, state Schools Supt./'86 gov. nominee Norma Paulus, '94 CD-01 cand. Bill Witt, state Labor Commis. Jack Roberts, and real estate broker Ron Sunseri.

DEMS THE WORD: Furse, a co-founder of the Oregon Peace Institute and a "champion" of abortion rights, "played up her relative inexperience": "I am not a career politician. I never have been a never wanted to be." Her '92 win was her first elected office; she won re-election in '94 by 301 votes over Witt. Wyden, pushing for a primary, said "that Oregonians wouldn't like the nominees chosen in the political backrooms." Roberts, who declined to seek re-election in '94, said she would decide this week; she'd be "more inclined to run" if there was a primary election: "I have won three general elections in the state. Of the field of announced candidates, none have won a statewide race." At least three prominent Dems said they are staying out of the race -- Kitzhaber, ex-Gov. Neil Goldschmidt

and Portland Mayor Vera Katz (Mapes, OREGONIAN, 9/9).

===== ON THE HOUSE =====

***20 CA 15: MINETA TO QUIT CONGRESS FOR LOCKHEED JOB**

Rep. Norm Mineta (D), "one of the nation's most powerful Asian-American leaders," will announce his resignation today, effective 10/10, in order to take a VP post with Lockheed Martin Corp. His departure is "certain to touch off a free-for-all" for his seat; it will be a "fierce battleground as Republicans salivate over their first clear shot at a district redrawn twice since Mineta won it [in '74] and easily held it for two decades." Gov. Pete Wilson (R) has 14 days to call for a special election. The primary is likely to be held sometime in 1/96 and the special election probably coinciding with the 3/26/96 pres. primary. The CD is 46% Dem, 38% GOP. For his part, Mineta "insisted he's not scurrying from a sinking ship": "I think the Democrats are in a very good position because the overreach of what the Republicans are doing is going to be felt by the public. ... But is there going to be a reversal [from the '94 results] in the 1996 elections? I don't think so." Even before Mineta's surprise decision, Karla Dowdy (R), a West Valley-Mission College District Board member who lost a '94 state Assembly race, said she was running. Possible Dems: Santa Clara Co. Supervisors Mike Honda & Jim Beall and ex-Supervisor Rod Diridon. Potential GOPer: Assemblyman Jim Cunneen (Parragher, SAN JOSE MERCURY NEWS, 9/11).

***21 IL 02: THE SON ALSO ANNOUNCES**

Rainbow Coalition national field dir. Jesse Jackson Jr. formally announced his bid for the "soon-to-be-vacated" seat of Rep. Mel Reynolds (D). "As if there was any doubt whose reputation he would be riding," Jackson entered the Salem Baptist Church to the "strains of a new song: 'Jesse Jackson Jr., he's the one, the reverend's son, to be a congressman.'" After a 75-minute introduction that included two songs from his sister, Santita, and comments from his father, the younger Jackson spoke of "restoring the tarnished image" of the second district (Grumman, CHICAGO TRIBUNE, 9/10). While he "welcomed his father's support," Jackson said he expects to be elected on his own merits: "God has blessed me with a good name, a good name whose good works I intend to extend. But I neither seek nor expect any 'gimmies.' ... This is a democracy, not a royal lineage. I intend to work and earn your trust." Jackson said he will work for an "urban policy with incentives to reinvest in America, to put America back to work at livable wages" (AP/Balto. SUN, 9/10).

SPECIAL ELECTION DATE: Gov. Jim Edgar (R) is expected to announce the date of the special election by 9/13. By law he must establish a primary date at least 72 days after Reynolds leaves office on 10/1; a special general election must be held before 1/1 (Hardy, CHICAGO TRIBUNE, 9/10).

LABOR LIKES PALMER: The Service Employees International Union (SEIU) Joint Council #1, which represents 75,000 workers in IL, endorsed state Sen. Alice Palmer and gave her campaign \$5,000 (release, 9/9). Other Dems: state Sen. Min. Leader Emil Jones,

state Sen. Bill Shaw and state Rep. Monique Davis.

===== TV MONITOR =====

*22 THIS MORNING: ABC's "GMA" hosted ABC political dir. Hal Bruno. "FOX Morning News" hosted ex-RNC chair Frank Fahrenkopf, Dem consultant Kiki Moore and W. TIMES' Donald Lambro.

SUNDAY: NBC's "Meet the Press" hosted Speaker Newt Gingrich. CBS' "Face the Nation" hosted Bob Packwood, Sen. Maj. Whip Trent Lott and Christian Coalition exec. dir. Ralph Reed. CNN's "Late Edition" hosted Lott and Sen. Chris Dodd (D-CT). CNN's "Crossfire Sunday" hosted CO Gov. Roy Romer (D) and Dole co-chair/ex-MN Rep. Vin Weber. C-SPAN's "Sunday Journal" hosted THE WEEKLY STANDARD's Bill Kristol and ex-DNC Chair David Wilhelm.

PREDICTIONS: Fred Barnes: "If Colin Powell runs for President, he'll do it as a Republican." Eleanor Clift: "His book tour is going to be a primary tour and he's going to be really pressed to say what he believes in. We may find out that he doesn't have any strong beliefs." Jack Germond: "Packwood's gone by Monday." Morton Kondrake: "Colin Powell will run for President as an Independent." John McLaughlin: "The dismissed indictment of Arkansas Governor Jim Guy Tucker will be reinstated" ("McLaughlin Group," 9/9).

LAUGHS: Jay Leno, on the possibility Bob Packwood would remain in office for 90 days: "He figures it will take him that long to go around and kiss everyone goodbye." Leno, on George Stephanopoulos' arrest: "Police said right away they knew it was a member of the Clinton White House. The car was in the far left lane, it kept going around in circles, and it ended up in the same place where it left" ("Tonight Show," NBC, 9/8).

TOP TEN SURPRISES IN THE PACKWOOD DIARIES

10. Often writes letters to "Penthouse" signed "Packing Wood in Washington."
9. Had a brief sexual encounter with the Liberty Bell.
8. Those creepy Calvin Klein commercials? Packwood's idea.
7. Admits to having a schoolgirl crush on Phil Gramm.
6. Woke up naked one morning in the lap of the Abraham Lincoln statue.
5. Once broke into Frank Perdue warehouse and spent entire weekend groping chicken parts.
4. Has recurring dream where he gets to second base with Betsey Ross.
3. Once cold-cocked by Janet Reno.
2. Refers to his tongue as "the ethics probe."
1. Has had more sex on his desk than Newt Gingrich ("Late Show," CBS, 9/8).

===== TV SOUNDBITE =====

"My advice to anybody in the future who is a rational person, who is a conservative or a moderate, is just don't allow Gail Sheehy to interview you because you will be savaged."

-- Newt Gingrich, "Meet the Press," NBC, 9/10

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