

Opposition denounces government's welcoming of Iraq council's visit

Sanaa, August 26 - In a statement to Yemen Times, Islah and other opposition parties have denounced the government's decision to welcome the visit of the Iraqi interim governing council, which is to hold talks with Yemen's government in an effort to convince it to recognize the council as the official governing body of Iraq in the Arab League and in bilateral relations.

Mr. Abdulwahhab Al-Anisi, General Secretary of the Islah opposition party expressed his disappointment at the approval to receive the delegation stressing that the council is still, a mere puppet of the occupying forces and any recognition of it would be considered recognition of the occupation. "As a political party, Islah had said in the last Shura Council meeting that unless occupation is gone, Iraqi resistance is the only option for the Iraqi people," he told Yemen Times.

"There was no justification to welcome the council's request to visit Yemen, as this request is basically American. It is obvious that the occupation is behind what is going on in Iraq and bear the sole responsibility."

Al-Anisi said that the current ongoing plans in Iraq concerning the council and the drafting of a new constitu-

tion are only to serve USA's interest to change the region's map, and there was no reason to have Yemen involve in such steps, which may somewhat relieve the US administration of its responsibilities.

The opposition believes that the government is under pressure to recognize the council, and if it does so, it would contradict its initial stance that no entity could be recognized at the Arab League unless it is elected by the people of Iraq.

This comes in a time Prime Minister Abdulqadir ba Jammal has openly welcomed the delegation's visit in an interview to Al-Arabiya Channel, confirming that it only comes in favor of the Iraqi people's interest, and does not necessarily indicate Yemen's recognition of the council as the representative of Iraq.

He also said that the delay in the visit, which was supposed to start on Monday, was due to circumstances related to the delegation's itself.

"We, as Arabs, need to have a unified, clear, and transparent stance concerning Iraq. We need to deal with this issue realistically and with responsibility because the issue concerns our principles and should not be left to our emotions and tempers," he said.



Ibrahim al-Jaafari, head of Iraqi Council

Members of Iraqi governing interim council, a delegation representing council is currently on a tour of Arab countries including Yemen. (File photo/Reuters)

Yemen-bound refugees survive to tell of nightmare at sea

Aden, August 26 (UNHCR) - Eighteen Somali and Ethiopian refugees are currently being treated in southern Yemen after they were forced to jump off a boat into the Gulf of Aden. At least 12 others are believed to have drowned in the incident, which UNHCR has called "an act of barbarity at sea".

According to the 18 survivors, they had set sail last week from Marer, a village near Bossaso in north-eastern Somalia, on a boat bound for Yemen with more than 80 people on board. Before they reached their destination, the boat's captain and crew beat them and forced them at gunpoint to jump into the sea. At least 30 people obeyed, though many reportedly could not

swim.

Those who survived were found on the beach at the Mayfa'a Hajer coast in Hadhramout governorate, southern Yemen, last Tuesday. They were taken to the UN refugee agency's reception centre at Mayfa'a before being moved to Aden.

The plight of the 50 others who refused to jump ship remains unknown. They could have been taken back to Somalia or forced into the sea elsewhere along Yemen's coast.

The survivors told UNHCR that there are more than 1,500 people, many of them Ethiopians, waiting in north-eastern Somalia for boats to take them to Yemen.

Since the fall of Somalia's central government in 1991, thousands of asylum seekers and migrants have sought to leave the country every year for a better life in Yemen, which grants prima facie refugee status to all Somali refugees. Along the way, these desperate people often fall prey to unscrupulous boat captains who force them into the sea while still far offshore, so as to evade Yemeni coast guards.

Other boats set sail without adequate equipment and supplies of food, water and fuel. In February this year, a Somali boat carrying some 130 people sank near the Mayfa'a coast; leaving only 84 confirmed survivors. Just a few weeks before, more than 80 people had died

when their boat's engine exploded, forcing the passengers to jump into the sea to escape the fire.

The Yemeni government estimates that up to 10,000 Somalis arrive every year. Most of them live in urban areas, where they are self-supporting. Some 10,000 are being cared for in UNHCR's Al Kharaz camp near Aden.

Yemen hosts the Arab world's largest population of non-Palestinian refugees. UNHCR estimates that there are more than 70,000 refugees in the country, but government figures put it at more than 165,000 refugees. The Somalis make up the majority - numbering some 64,000 - but there are 11 other nationalities among the refugee population.

Death sentence to Yahar mosque attacker

Yemen Times Staff

Sanaa, August 26 - The Yahar Primary Court in Lahj sentenced Monday the attacker of Yahar mosque to death, a legal source said. In its session held Monday, the court judge Nasir Abdan passed the death penalty verdict against the killer Mohsen Yahia Munassar for killing seven students and their teacher late July when he shot them while attending a summer course on holy Quran teachings. The verdict also states that he should be fined YR 325,275 as a compensation for

two wounded students; Nabeel Abdulrab and Mujahid Thabet. After hearing the verdict, the killer refused it and appealed the verdict.

The last similar attack on a mosque took place last Friday when Marish al-Akhrum blew up a grenade at prayers killing 2 and injuring 34 others in Amran province. Preliminary investigations reveal that the attacker has some personal problems with some people in the area. It is expected that he would appear before court for immediate trial in a couple of days.

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Human Rights challenges in Arab countries discussed

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The Human Rights Information and Training Center (HRITC) and Sisters Arabic Forum for Human Rights (SAF) organized last Sunday a round-table discussion on the challenges of human

rights in the Arab countries. The two NGOs hosted Dr. Elobaid Ahmad Elobaid from McGill University in Canada to deliver a speech on such challenges. He figured out some these challenges like conception of national sovereignty, the type of governance in the Arab countries where the people are

being robbed of their rights, freedom and rights of political participation. He said that human rights has become a means used by some powerful countries to manipulate and blackmail smaller countries, interfering with their internal affairs under the pretext of defending human rights. Mr. Elobaid pointed out that such a situation has put human rights activists in the Arab countries in a fix because of the image of human rights in Western countries which backslided. He pointed out that some Arab countries adopted such norms of human rights and even set up ministries for human rights just to decorate and market themselves outside.

On his part, Mr. Eiz Eddin al-Asbahi, General Manager of HRITC said that lack of finance is one of the main challenges of human rights NGOs in Arab countries and that they are suffering some kind of legitimacy crisis as well as institutionalized work. Miss Amal Basha, head of SAF said it is difficult to talk about human rights movement in these countries as these NGOs are working separately and that they are looked at as conflicting institutions.

Mohammed Kahtan, head of politi-



Chief guests during round-table discussion on human rights

cal department at Islah party, called for a differentiation between the political Islam and what is labeled as armed Islam, stressing that political Islam should be supported as it admits difference of opinion and views as well as dialogue with the other part. He said that the control of state on everything

in Arab countries has not allowed human rights NGOs to operate well. He said that human rights activists are still coward unable to deal with major challenges and issues facing these countries. Other university professors and human rights activities took part in the event.

14-year old boy still in custody

Mr. Hassan al-Zaidi has appealed to human rights international organization for an immediate interference to set free his 14-year younger brother, Mohammed Saeed al-Zaidi.

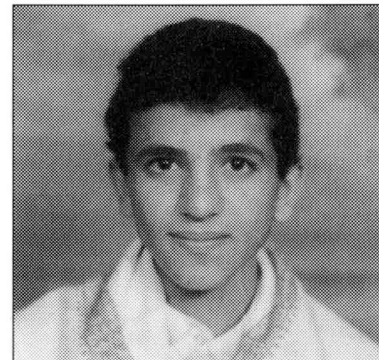
His brother has been held in custody at the Elaya police stations in Sana'a since August 6.

He was detained by 7 armed men in front of the house of his brother. "My brother's detention is a fla-

grant violations against valid constitutions and laws, human rights, freedoms, and international child human rights charters," he said.

An official said that the interior minister had refused to set his brother free and that his press coverage had irritated the security.

On their part, some local as well as international organizations have condemned Hassan brother's detention considering it as an illegal.



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ernorate.

Most of those students depend basically on their bare necessities of life on donations and alms offered by some Yemeni benefactors of charities and other charitable societies. "We are in dire need of our money to be returned. We appeal to the president of the republic and those who have the ability to help us returning their rights."

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Rally on Aqsa burning anniversary

Sana'a, August 24 (jihadunspun)- The Palestine Scholars League - Yemen branch has organized a rally in Sana'a on Thursday under the auspices of the Yemeni parliament speaker Sheikh Abdullah bin Hussein Al-Ahmar on the 34th anniversary of burning of the Aqsa Mosque.

Dr. Mohammed Siyam, chairman of the PSL branch delivered a statement recalling past achievements of religious scholars and their role in guiding

the masses.

Prominent Islamic Yemeni scholar Ahmed Al-Akwa delivered another speech in the name of the Yemeni Scholars League recalling the sad memory and advocated an Islamic renaissance to confront Israeli crimes.

Omar Abu Obeid, director of Hamas office in Yemen, reminded the audience that weakness of the Muslim nation had led to the fall of the Aqsa Mosque in the hands of Jews and dared

them try and burn the holy shrine in a bid to destroy it and build their alleged temple on its place.

Sheikh Abdel Meguid Al-Zindani of the Islah Party, delivered a statement on behalf of Sheikh Ahmar, affirming that the Israeli enemy was targeting the Muslim nation's wealth, religion, lands, shrines and future.

He emphasized that rights were only grabbed by force and not through negotiations and "peace" agreements.



Remote sensing & its applications in electricity

Sana'a_ Organized by the General Electricity Corporation, a workshop on geographical data and remote sensing and its applications on electricity was held here on August 25.

A number of participants took part in the workshop such as, managers, engineers, technicians, representatives from the generation sector and distribution, executive unit for electricity projects,

and a host of others.

The workshop aimed basically at informing the participants of the new electricity applications applied in a number of the European and Arab countries.

This includes the preparations for a database which relies completely on digital maps linked to computers, analyzing ways of displaying geographical information and making use of those infor-

mation in implementing and maintaining electricity projects.

A speech delivered by the deputy electricity ministry, Eng. Ahmed al-Aayni putting a great stress on the great significance to bring such highly sophisticated methods which will in turn greatly be timesaving applications as well as reducing the material costs related to electrical defects.

Fulbright graduates FAAAY inaugurated



The Fulbright and Alumni Yemeni association for Fulbright graduates held on Sunday 24th August a press conference at Sheraton Hotel in Sana'a in which the members talked about the impediments and difficulties the association had faced since its establishment.

Responding to Yemen Times question about the reasons that hindered the association from practicing its tasks and the number of Yemeni students who graduated in past years from America, Dr. Ali Abdulrahman al-Bahri, said "because of the death of one of the prominent founders of the association Dr. Abdul-Alziz al-Saqqaf and other reasons, the association stopped its activities up to now. Now it is the time to work again. There are 150 US-graduates who have decided to restart the association activities and bring life again to the association. It is open to Fulbright graduates regardless if they had studied on their own expense or on USA. The members have decided to amend the FAAAY bylaws to include all Yemeni Alumni

who had at least completed one academic year at an American institution of higher studies."

They also amend the name of the association to be Fulbright and American Alumni Association of Yemen (FAAAY).

The members then elected its new executive board for the next two years as follows:

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In a statement to Yemen Times, John Balain, public Affairs section US embassy, said, "This is an association of American graduates. People went to United States and got bachelors, masters and Phds degrees then they came back more experienced and better people try to help their society for the people who study in USA have American experience and Yemeni experience as well. They are a bridge between Yemen and America. Their organization tries to tighten the relationship between the two countries by sharing the experiences and making changing here to make Yemen better."



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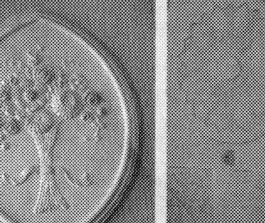
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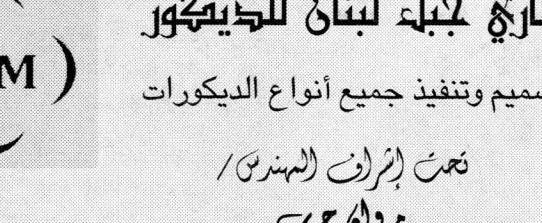
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In Ibb, the history & civilization,

First Tourist Festival Activities

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The first Tourist Festival in Ibb governorate was inaugurated in, Ba'dan, and Hab Fort in August 14, which is nominated to be a provincial future tourist capital.

This comes out of a belief that Ibb had been covered with a green carpet from time immemorial and had hosted one of the great human civilizations possessing various kinds of wealth and treasures. Ibb was one of the governorates in which the ancient Yemeni civilization had thrived. The city of Ibb is distinguished by its antique tourism location and cultural wealth.

At the gate of Hab fort, an interview with Mr. Khaled Ali al Anisi, general manager of antiquities and museums in Ibb was conducted.

Q: Would you tell us about Ibb as a historical tourist site?

A: Ancient Yemeni man had left behind a valuable heritage of historical places which cast light on how the way human life was throughout different ages. Ibb is really distinguished by its architecture, mosques, water canals and dams, antiquities and ornaments and above all the fertility of its land. Ibb visitor can enjoy a journey into the his-



A panorama of Ibb city

tory and civilization, historical sites, museums and the beautiful city of Jibla. He can view the valleys and mountains covered with a green carpet all over the year.

Q: How do you prove the existence of the Stone Age in the city?

A: Ibb opens a history page dating back to the modern Stone Age. The Stone Age (3000-6000 century BC) was famous for growing plants and breeding animals and some traces were found of the old activities of mankind during the Stone Age e.g. the different sizes and forms of tools, fishing tools, small hammers and beads made of stones.

The American archaeological research team found traces of the Stone Age in some areas of al Sada and Hazm al Udain districts. They found small-sized arrows with sharp points made in

a skilled way in al Ud Mountain.

In the Bronze Age (2000-3000 BC) the high lands were supplied with water from rains and it was in this age the inhabitants used pottery substances in the areas of valleys in the governorate.

Q: How do you value the archaeological discoveries made by the German team?

A: Al Ud Mountain is dated to the Qatabani period. An old inhabitation was also discovered that happened to be ruined and burned in the 3rd century BC.

Traces of the inhabitation had provided historical information about the bilateral trade relations between Yemen and the Mediterranean Sea countries and their influence on Yemeni arts.

Q: What is the role of Ibb in the historical events of the first Yemen Islamic country?

A: The fall of the Himiarite city in the 6th century BC did not block the way of the Yemeni human ambitions in Ibb. And in the Islamic era, the role of the Yemenis was prominent in forming the historical events. They participated in the Islamic conquests in the east and west among which was Thoraen tribe.

In the 9th century A.D., Ibb witnessed the establishment of

constituted a strategic location connecting the power headquarter with the west and south districts of the state. Hab fortification was a treasury of the Sultan A'mer bin Abdulwahab properties.

In the modern history, Ibb people contributed effectively to the fight against the Ottoman occupation, building fortifications and castles to block the enemy advance.

Q: Recently, the random diggings in al Udain have resulted in the discovery of antiques treasure, would you explain?

A: The farmers in al Akhmas area, al Udain in Ibb have made the discovery of old silver coins dated back to the 8th century A.D., specially in the era of sultan, al Malik al Abbas bin al Mujahid Ali. The national museum in Ibb keeps only 4 coins and we have instructed to search for the rest of the coins found in possession of the inhabitants.



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Israeli air strike in Gaza kills one, injures 20

GAZA, Aug 26 (Reuters) - Israeli helicopter gunships killed at least one person and injured 20 in a Gaza Strip refugee camp on Tuesday, keeping up the pressure on Palestinian militant strongholds after the collapse of a ceasefire.

Witnesses said helicopters fired three or four missiles at a car in the Jabalya refugee camp carrying a member of Hamas's military wing, who survived the air strike. They said the man killed in the attack appeared to be an elderly bystander.

Minutes after the strike, Palestinian youths jumped atop the battered, white Renault, flashing V-for-victory signs and chanting anti-Israel slogans. Angry crowds gathered outside the hospital where the injured were taken.

The Israeli attack was carried out just days after Israel assassinated a senior Hamas leader last week and killed four militants from its military wing in response to a suicide bomb attack on a Jerusalem bus that killed 21 people.

Israel has said it will continue hunting down Hamas leaders, many of whom have gone into hiding following the Israeli threat. Hamas has vowed revenge attacks.

Earlier on Tuesday, Israeli troops snatched two injured militant fighters from their hospital beds in the West Bank city of Nablus.

Reformist Palestinian Prime Minister Mahmoud Abbas, vying with President Yasser Arafat for control of security forces key to meeting U.S. demands for a crackdown on militants, planned to convene parliament next week to discuss his government's future.

A moderate and proponent of a U.S.-backed Middle East peace plan, Abbas has been weakened by the collapse of a truce he brokered, a surge in Israeli-Palestinian violence and moves by Arafat widely seen as attempts to undermine his authority.

The legislative session, which a senior Palestinian official said could lead



Palestinians gather around a donkey killed by an Israeli helicopter missile strike in Gaza City on August 26. Israeli helicopter gunships killed at least one person and injured 20 in a Gaza Strip refugee camp on Tuesday, keeping up the pressure on Palestinian militant strongholds after the collapse of a ceasefire. REUTERS

to a vote of confidence, would give Abbas an opportunity to shore up support some 100 days after Arafat reluctantly appointed him under U.S. and Israeli pressure.

Snatched from hospital beds

In the West Bank city of Nablus, plainclothes Israelis, followed by soldiers with dogs, burst into a hospital and took away the two injured militants, one of whom was hooked to a respirator in intensive care, hospital officials said.

Israeli military sources said both men, wanted for involvement in organising an August 12 suicide bombing that killed one Israeli, were conscious at the time of arrest and transferred to hospital in Israel.

Both were injured in a shoot-out last week with Israeli troops who surrounded the Rafidiya hospital in Nablus after discovering three wanted militants

were sheltering inside. The third militant was killed in the gunfight.

All belonged to the al-Aqsa Martyrs Brigades, an armed offshoot of Arafat's mainstream Fatah movement.

Israeli forces intensified sweeps for militants in Nablus and other occupied West Bank areas after the August 19 bus bombing in Jerusalem, which shattered a ceasefire underpinning the peace "road map".

Leaders and fighters in Hamas retreated into the shadows following the killings of deputy political chief Ismail Abu Shanab and four other members in Israeli helicopter missile strikes in Gaza in the past week.

Israeli army chief Moshe Yaalon said top militants faced "liquidation" after they called off the truce last week in the wake of Abu Shanab's death, which followed the Jerusalem bus bombing that Hamas called revenge for army raids.

Tensions rise over flashpoint Jerusalem shrine

JERUSALEM, Aug 26 (Reuters) - Palestinian Prime Minister Mahmoud Abbas accused Israel on Tuesday of allowing Jewish extremists to visit a flashpoint shrine, after three Palestinians were arrested for trying to keep out non-Muslims.

The arrests underscored the volatile politics of the site in Jerusalem's walled Old City known to Jews as Temple Mount and to Muslims as al-Haram al-Sharif (Noble Sanctuary).

Police spokesman Shmuel Ben-Ruby said three officials from the Islamic religious trust that administers the site prayed at its entrance on Monday along with a dozen other Muslims to try to block visits by non-Muslims.

Scuffles broke out and the three Islamic trust men were arrested. On Tuesday, an Israeli judge freed two of them on bail of 5,000 shekels (\$1,120) each and ordered them to stay away from the plaza for two months. The third remained in custody.

"...we asked to distance them from the site for two months for incitement and their attempts to cause civil disorder," Israeli national police spokesman Gil Kleiman told Reuters.

Tensions have risen since Israel reopened the plaza, which contains the 1,300-year-old al-Aqsa and Dome of the Rock mosques, to visits by Jews and Christians several months ago. The al-Aqsa mosque is Islam's third holiest shrine.

The tours were suspended after the



An Israeli soldier takes position behind an armored personal carrier during an Israeli army operation in the West Bank city of Nablus August 26. Israel kept up pressure on Palestinian militants on Tuesday, snatching two wounded fighters from their hospital beds in Nablus as members of the Islamic group Hamas went underground to evade Israeli helicopter attacks. REUTERS

start of the Palestinian uprising for statehood in September 2000 after a visit by then-Israeli opposition leader Ariel Sharon.

Israel's rightist public security minister, Tsahi Hanegbi, has promoted the visits, saying Jews have a right to tour the site of the two Jewish temples destroyed in biblical times.

Abbas accused Israel of permitting visits to the site by Jewish extremists. "This inciteful Israeli policy is a recipe for friction and violence," he said in a statement.

Police denied the accusation and said officers stationed on the plaza overlooking Judaism's holy Western Wall do not allow non-Muslims to enter the mosques themselves.

"Any (non-Muslim) making any outward attempt to pray will be escorted out," Kleiman said.

Adnan al-Husseini, who heads the Islamic religious trust, said the renewed visits were "an unjust and illegal procedure" motivated by an Israeli desire to impose control over the al-Aqsa mosque.

Judges accused in Moroccan drug crackdown

RABAT, Aug 26 (Reuters) - A drug lord, five judges and police officers are among nearly 50 people facing prosecution in a major drug-trafficking case in northern Morocco, Justice Minister Mohamed Bouzoubaa said on Tuesday.

Drugs boss Mounir Erramach, 30, graduated from smuggling cigarettes to heading a powerful drug-trafficking network around Tetouan, 240 km (150 miles) north of the capital Rabat, Bouzoubaa told a news conference.

His network bribed judges and police to protect it from the law as it smuggled hashish produced in Morocco's Rif mountains across the

Mediterranean to Europe.

Following suicide bombings by Islamists which killed 45 people in Casablanca in May, the government is keen to be seen asserting control over the region around Tetouan and Tangiers.

Routes for smuggling people, drugs and other contraband converge there. The Rif mountains to the east have historically been an area where central government control is weak.

Erramach was among 18 people charged earlier this month in Tetouan with drug-smuggling, criminal conspiracy, attempted homicide and possession of firearms, the minister said.

In the same investigation, another 27 people, including five judges from the Tetouan Appeals court and senior police and gendarmerie officers, are being brought before the Special Court of Justice in Rabat, which specialises in corruption cases.

According to Moroccan press reports, drug money has influenced the results of elections in the region.

Ahead of local elections throughout the country on September 12, Bouzoubaa said that in the interests of "clean, transparent elections" it had been suggested to a number of figures in Tangiers they should not stand as candidates for local government posts.

New Iraq tape threatens death to council-Arab TV

DUBAI, Aug 26 (Reuters) - An Arabic television station aired a videotaped warning from previously unheard-of Islamic groups in Iraq on Tuesday threatening death to members of a U.S.-formed council and Iraqis who cooperate with U.S. troops.

"They formed this council to hurt the resistance (to occupation) and Iraqis. More than nine of its members do not have Iraqi nationality. Death to the spies and traitors, before the Americans," a masked man said on the tape, broadcast on Dubai-based Al Arabiya TV.

"Unfortunately, many Iraqis have got involved with them. We'll kill them first before we kill the Americans," he said, speaking in the name of three Iraqi groups: Islamic

Jihad, Muslim Youth and the Iraqi Liberation Organisation.

The U.S. administration in Iraq appointed an interim Governing Council after a U.S.-led war ousted former President Saddam Hussein in April.

The 25-member council began its work in July.

The man, standing surrounded by Kalashnikovs and rocket launchers, said the U.N. headquarters in Baghdad were bombed last week because of the world body's cooperation with Washington.

"What happened to the United Nations headquarters was because of U.N. policies which are loyal to the occupation forces sent to Iraq," he said, without claiming responsibility for the truck bombing, which killed at

least 23 people.

Persistent guerrilla ambushes have led to calls for a wider U.N. role and more troops on the ground. The man on the tape urged the rest of the world not to send troops.

The man in the videotape also said an apparent assassination attempt on a leading Shi'ite cleric this week was a "terrorist attack" backed by the United States and its regional ally Israel which aimed to provoke sectarian strife among Iraqis.

In the holy city of Najaf, a bomb attack on Sunday killed three bodyguards and wounded Ayatollah Mohammed Saeed al-Hakim, the uncle of the leader of the Supreme Council for the Islamic Revolution in Iraq (SCIRI), one of Iraq's main Shi'ite groups.

U.S. launches new mission to hunt Iraq guerrillas

TIKRIT, Iraq, Aug 26 (Reuters) - Hundreds of U.S. troops backed by tanks and helicopters raided suspected guerrilla hideouts in Iraq on Tuesday on the first day of a new operation against those attacking American soldiers, U.S. officers said.

Twenty-four Iraqis were detained in raids around the small town of Khalis, 60 km (40 miles) north of Baghdad, seven of them specific targets suspected of carrying out attacks, said Major Josslyn Aberle of the U.S. Army's 4th Infantry

Division.

Operation Ivy Needle is aimed at hunting down suspected guerrillas loyal to Saddam Hussein hiding in remote areas across three provinces north of the capital, Aberle said.

"What we are doing is surgical strikes on more remote areas where we have not had a very large or enduring military presence," she told reporters at the 4th Infantry Division's headquarters in Saddam's hometown of Tikrit.

Sixty-five American soldiers have

been killed in guerrilla attacks since major combat was declared over on May 1 following the war which toppled Saddam. Washington has blamed the attacks on fighters still loyal to the fugitive president.

Aberle said the operation would go on for several days.

U.S. forces have launched a string of such operations to crack down on guerrilla activity in volatile areas north of Baghdad, the heartland of support for Saddam, where resistance to U.S. occupation has been strongest.

Saudi uncovers arms caches after militant clashes

RIYADH, Aug 26 (Reuters) - Saudi Arabia said on Tuesday police had found big caches of explosives and weapons in raids following shootouts this month with suspected Muslim militants.

An Interior Ministry statement, read out on Saudi state television, said police found large caches of explosives, rocket-propelled grenades, hand grenades, ammunition and machineguns left behind by militants after the gun battles with police on August 11 and 12 in the capital Riyadh.

Saudi Arabia has launched a series of raids in recent months on militants

suspected of links to Saudi-born Osama bin Laden's al Qaeda network since suicide bombings at housing compounds in Riyadh in May killed 35 people, including nine Americans.

"It was proven through investigations that behind those criminal acts was a terrorist cell whose members have been identified and who are still being sought," the ministry said in its statement referring to the police firefights with militants two weeks ago.

Separate raids on suspected hideouts in the holy city of Mecca and in the southern Jizan province earlier in August had also uncovered caches of

explosives and weapons, it said.

"In these operations, some people were arrested and investigations are still going on," the statement said, without giving further details.

Riyadh has come under intense U.S. pressure to clamp down on militants after the September 11, 2001, attacks on U.S. cities, carried out by mainly Saudi hijackers loyal to bin Laden.

This pressure intensified after the May bombings, which are also blamed on al Qaeda, and since then the kingdom has cracked down on Islamists, arresting more than 200 suspects.

Rwanda commission says Kagame wins 95 pct of vote

KIGALI, Aug 26 (Reuters) - Rwanda's incumbent President Paul Kagame won 95.05 percent of the vote in the first presidential polls since the 1994 genocide, according to provisional results released by the election commission on Tuesday.

The candidate regarded as Kagame's strongest challenger, Faustin Twagiramungu, won 3.62 percent and a third candidate, Jean Nepomuscene Nayinzira, had 1.33 percent.

"Our victory should serve as a lesson to the outside world, that Rwanda is on the right path," Kagame told a rally earlier. "Our victory means that even our opponents should join us in building our country."

Twagiramungu said he could not accept the scale of victory already indicated for Kagame by earlier partial provisional results.

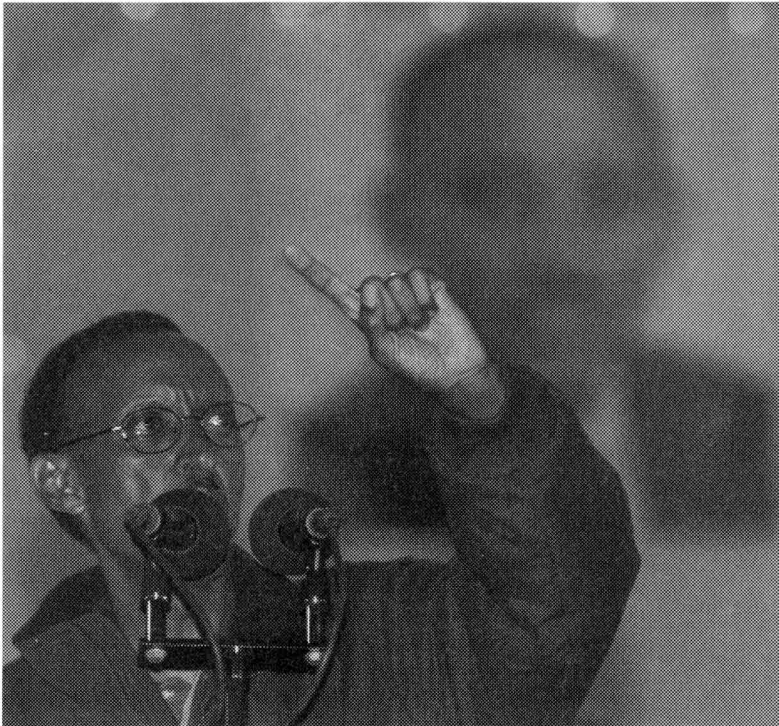
"I do not accept this election... That's not democracy. They are trying to have a Stalinist style one-party system. Almost 100 percent? That's not possible. I will write a letter to the Supreme Court."

Both Twagiramungu and Nayinzira have said their supporters have been harassed by Kagame's agents and voters were intimidated into choosing him.

Police say they are probing all complaints of harassment that they have received but have not found any evidence so far of such action by Kagame's Rwandan Patriotic Front (RPF).

Kagame denies harassment and says Twagiramungu has used ethnic propaganda to win votes. Twagiramungu denies that charge.

Analysts and human rights groups



Rwandan President Paul Kagame and leader of the Rwandan Patriotic Front (RPF) addresses the nation early August 26, after the first presidential elections since the country's 1994 genocide in which 800,000 people were killed. Electoral commission officials said counting was still underway, although with about half the votes accounted for it appeared that the former guerrilla leader had won an unassailable lead in Monday's poll. Electoral Commission President Chrysologue Karangwa said that no official result had been declared, but he expected counting in the tiny country of eight million to be complete by midday Tuesday (1000 GMT).

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say that while Kagame supporters are happy to voice their opinions, others are too nervous to speak freely.

Kagame has described the election as a big democratic step for the central African country, still recovering from the genocide in which extremists from the Hutu majority butchered 800,000 minority Tutsis and Hutu moderates in 100 days.

A Tutsi, Kagame has been the

central figure in Rwandan politics since leading the rebel army that ended the genocide and seized the capital Kigali in July, 1994.

Supporters say he has worked to promote reconciliation between the Hutu and Tutsi communities and rebuild the economy. Critics accuse him of repressing opponents and deny his involvement in war in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

U.S. and Afghan forces hunt for Taliban after clashes

KABUL/SPIN BOLDAK, Aug 26 (Reuters) - U.S. and Afghan troops searched villages and caves for Taliban fugitives in the southern province of Zabul on Tuesday after up to 50 fighters were killed in a chase involving U.S. jets, a police official said.

Small groups of U.S. special forces and 450 Afghan troops launched a joint operation in the Dai Chopan district on Monday after officials said about 600 Taliban were in the area, the biggest concentration since the regime's fall in 2001.

"There is occasional sporadic shelling today," Juma Khan, police chief of Dai Chopan, told Reuters. "The fighting has come to an end and we are conducting house-to-house, village-to-village and cave-to-cave searches for Taliban."

He believed the majority of Taliban fighters had fled into neighbouring districts. U.S. fighter jets were in the air supporting the sweep, he added.

Officials said the Taliban had lost up to 50 fighters in the action, but Khalid Pashtun, director of foreign affairs in the southwest of the country, said the death toll was only 15.

Dozens of Taliban were also

arrested and weapons confiscated, Pashtun added.

In a statement issued late on Monday, the U.S. military said at least 14 enemy died, and that U.S. aircraft used laser-guided ammunition. It referred to clashes in Kandahar province, which borders Zabul, but appeared to be referring to the same battle.

Mullah Abdul Jabar, appointed by the Taliban as its own governor of Zabul province, said only four Taliban fighters were killed in the region on Monday.

He told Reuters by satellite telephone on Monday night from an undisclosed location that more than 25 enemy and "U.S. agents" were killed in the fighting. The U.S. military reported no casualties among special forces troops involved.

Taliban in control

According to Jabar, the Taliban were still in control of Dai Chopan district. He said around 1,000 Taliban took part in the fighting and they were led by Mullah Abdul Razzaq Nafees, a member of 10-member Taliban leadership shura, or council.

He added that renowned Taliban

commander Mullah Dadullah also took part.

"I am the real governor of Zabul because Mullah Omar is the real ruler of Afghanistan," Jabar said, referring to the one-eyed supreme leader of the Taliban who has evaded U.S. capture.

Jabar added that U.S.-backed President Hamid Karzai did not enjoy the support of the Afghan people and that the Taliban would soon return to power.

The hardline Islamic regime, toppled in 2001 by a U.S.-led war against it and the al Qaeda network it sheltered, has declared a "jihad", or holy war against foreign troops and their allies in Afghanistan.

Worsening violence across parts of the south, southeast and east of the country has been blamed mainly on remnants of the militia who are operating in increasingly large numbers.

While most Afghans appear opposed to the Taliban, officials and aid workers are concerned that the ongoing lack of security and stalled reconstruction programmes could turn the people against the international community in the country.

(will) continue and yield peace," the official Xinhua news agency quoted Chinese Vice-Foreign Minister Wang Yi as saying.

"China hopes all parties will...show sincerity to solve the issue, adopt a

calm and patient attitude, respect each other, conduct consultations on an equal footing, seek common ground and reduce disputes so as to ensure the talks continue and yield peace," Wang said.

India braces for backlash as bomb victims cremated

BOMBAY, Aug 26 (Reuters) - India stepped up security nationwide on Tuesday to head off any Hindu-Muslim violence as grieving families of the victims of twin car bombings in the financial capital Bombay prepared to cremate their dead.

Police have blamed the bombings, which killed 48 people, on an outlawed Muslim students group, acting along with a Pakistan-based Kashmiri separatists.

Among the victims were eight people from western Gujarat state, where at least 1,000 people, most of them Muslims, died last year in revenge killings following an attack on a train carrying Hindu pilgrims from the northern holy town of Ayodhya.

The eight Gujaratis, whose bodies were being taken back on Tuesday to their home town of Surendranagar, had been on a pilgrimage to a Hindu festival and were in Bombay on holiday.

K. Chakravarthy, Director-General of the Gujarat police, said authorities had posted police along the route where the bodies of the eight Gujaratis would be returned for cremation.

In Bombay, police raided slums and picked up people for questioning about Monday's bombs, which were planted in two taxis.

Bloodstained footpaths, broken glass and debris marked the blast sites, one at a crowded gold and jewellery market, the other near the Gateway of India, a huge waterfront arch built by India's former British rulers.

But the city opened for a normal working day with its usual heavy traffic and packed trains.

"Every moment, I feel there is danger in Bombay. But still, I have to put my life on the line and go out to work today," said Sheikh Abdul Sheikh, a 32-year-old tailor waiting at a bus stop.

Financial markets rallied, shrugging off the blasts. The key 30-share index <BSESN> was up 2.14 percent in late morning trading after closing down 2.92 percent on Monday. Currency and bond markets also recovered.

Deputy Prime Minister Lal Krishna Advani was to fly to Bombay to visit some of the 150 injured in the attacks.

Police said they suspected the outlawed Students Islamic Movement of India (SIMI), working with the Pakistan-based Kashmiri separatist



Indian police officials examine the spot where a powerful bomb exploded in Bombay's financial district, August 25. Two bombs exploded in the heart of Bombay killing at least 40 people and wounding more than 100, police said. It was not immediately clear who planted the bombs but previous attacks in India have been blamed on Muslim militants.

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organisation Lashkar-e-Taiba.

No one has claimed responsibility. Police are questioning the owner of one of the taxis used in the blasts about a couple who hired him on Sunday for a tour.

Worst since 1993

Pakistan on Monday condemned the bombings.

India, which came close to war last year with its nuclear-armed neighbour, has traditionally blamed Pakistan for bombings and other attacks in disputed Kashmir and elsewhere.

But Monday's bombings coincided with a thaw in relations between the two countries.

The explosions were the worst in Bombay since 1993, when a series of bombs killed at least 260 in what was seen as retaliation for the deaths of minority Muslims after Hindu-Muslim riots.

Those riots were triggered after Hindu zealots demolished a 16th

century mosque in the town of Ayodhya which they said had been built by Muslim Mughal invaders on top of a Hindu temple.

Police have long feared a major attack or communal clashes in Bombay after the 2002 riots in the nearby state of Gujarat.

Coincidentally, Indian archaeologists on Monday released a court-ordered report saying they had found evidence of a Hindu temple under the ruins of the demolished mosque.

Hindus in Ayodhya, in the northern state of Uttar Pradesh, burst crackers and lit up their homes with candles and earthen lamps overnight to celebrate the report.

Police also tightened security across Uttar Pradesh, a traditional stronghold of the SIMI group.

The tensions came at a sensitive time for the state, plunged into political upheaval after its Chief Minister Mayawati, who uses only one name, said on Monday she planned to quit.

Zambia's 120,000 civil servants go on strike

LUSAKA, Aug 26 (Reuters) - Government operations in Zambia came to a virtual standstill on Tuesday as the 120,000-strong civil servants' union called an indefinite strike to press for the payment of housing allowances. Civil Servants and Allied Workers Union of Zambia (CSAWUZ) general secretary Darison Chaala said civil servants and public workers had started their strike to force the government to pay them housing allowance arrears, unpaid for the past 14 months.

"The strike is now full-blast and it is indefinite...the workers are fully charged and will not go back to work until they are paid their housing allowances," Chaala told Reuters.

The strike, which follows a three-day work stoppage earlier this month, began as President Levy Mwanawasa directed cabinet ministers to go on a nationwide tour to explain to government workers why the housing allowances had stopped.

Secretary to the Cabinet Lesley Mbula told journalists that the strike was illegal and that the government would withhold salaries for striking workers.

"Their action is illegal because as far as the government is concerned, we are still negotiating with the unions...I have since instructed all permanent secretaries to (temporarily) remove from the payroll all workers who will stay away from work," Mbula said.

A Treasury official said the government would not pay the allowances because it would contribute to a widening budget deficit, expected to reach three percent

of GDP from a previous forecast of 1.55 percent.

The government said in June its projected budget over-expenditure would be 600 billion kwacha (\$125 million) by December 2003, prompting the

International Monetary Fund (IMF) and other donors to withhold a total of \$173 million balance of payments support.

The IMF wants the government to deal with the anticipated widening budget deficit before it can resume funding.

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China calls for patience, peace at North Korea talks

BEIJING, Aug 26 (Reuters) - China on Tuesday called for patience in talks aimed at solving North Korea's nuclear crisis and said it hoped the discussions would lead to a peaceful resolution.

"China hopes the six-party talks

Postwar U.S. Iraq deaths exceed toll during war

WASHINGTON, Aug 26 (Reuters) - More American troops have died since U.S. President George W. Bush declared major combat operations over on May 1 than during the actual war, the Pentagon said on Tuesday.

U.S. Central Command said a U.S. soldier was killed on Tuesday in an attack with an improvised bomb on a military convoy near the town of Hamariyah.

That brought to 139 the total number

of American troops killed since May 1, including 62 from hostile fire and another 77 in non-hostile circumstances such as vehicle crashes and other types of accidents, the Pentagon said.

A total of 138 U.S. troops died from the start of the war in March until May 1. Since the beginning of the operation, 277 U.S. troops have died — 178 in hostile fire and 99 in non-hostile incidents, the Pentagon said.

UK intelligence chief backs Iraq weapons claims

LONDON, Aug 26 (Reuters) - A top British intelligence officer stepped out of the shadows on Tuesday to defend the dossier on which Prime Minister Tony Blair based his case for war with Iraq.

Blair faces the toughest test of his premiership later this week when he testifies to an inquiry into the suicide of an Iraq weapons expert as his public ratings are plummeting.

Weapons expert David Kelly slashed his wrist last month after being named as the suspected source for a BBC reporter's claim that the government "sexed up" its September 2002 dossier.

John Scarlett, a former chief of the British intelligence service's Moscow station, told the inquiry on Tuesday that Blair's team did not inflate intelligence about banned Iraqi weapons to make a case for war which most Britons opposed.

"It was completely untrue," Scarlett, head of the government Joint Intelligence Committee, told the inquiry led by judge Lord Hutton. "Nobody was in a better position than I to know that."

Kelly's name became public as Blair's communications chief, Alastair Campbell, conducted a furious row with the BBC over a claim that Campbell had added to the dossier the assertion that Saddam Hussein could launch weapons of mass destruction at 45 minutes' notice.

Scarlett was in charge of drafting Blair's dossier but admitted that Campbell asked him a number of times to harden up sections of language.



John Scarlett, Chairman of Britain's Joint Intelligence Committee arrives to give evidence to the Hutton Inquiry into the death of government weapons expert Dr David Kelly at the Royal Courts of Justice in London, August 26. REUTERS

He said he only accepted those suggestions that could be justified by the intelligence, rejecting any others.

But an e-mail between officials — one of thousands released to the inquiry which has shone a rare light on the inner workings of government — showed there was a scramble for intelligence tit-bits to help beef up the document.

"Number 10 (Blair's office)...want the document to be as strong as possible within the bounds of the available intelligence," said the e-mail from an unnamed official. "This is therefore a last call for any items of intelligence that the agencies think can and should be included."

NATO peacekeepers ring home of Karadzic daughter

PALE, Bosnia, Aug 26 (Reuters) - United States and Italian peacekeepers took up positions on Tuesday around buildings belonging to the family of former Serb leader Radovan Karadzic, Bosnia's most wanted war crimes suspect.

A Reuters cameraman in the Bosnian Serb wartime stronghold of Pale, 16 km (10 miles) southeast of the capital Sarajevo, said U.S. soldiers and Italian paramilitary carabinieri of the NATO-led peacekeeping mission were deployed outside the home of Karadzic's daughter.

A spokesman for the Stabilisation Force (SFOR) confirmed that an operation was under way but gave no details.

"We are currently conducting an operation in that region," spokesman Dale MacEahern told Reuters. "These are regular patrols necessary to disrupt individuals conducting anti-Dayton activities."

The 1995 Dayton peace accord ended the war in Bosnia between Muslims and Serbs.

Some 50 soldiers were deployed at six locations in the mountain village, including the police station and houses believed to belong to the Karadzic family and supporters.

Earlier this month, SFOR failed to find Karadzic's fugitive wartime military chief, Ratko Mladic, during a raid on his mother's house after she died.

Mladic and Karadzic are indicted on charges of



Forensic experts unearth bodily remains found in a mass grave near Zvornik in Bosnia's Serb republic August 26. More than 170 remains of what are believed to be Muslim victims were found in the Crni Vrh (Black Peak) mass grave which the experts said might be one of the biggest from the Balkan country's 1992-5 war. REUTERS

genocide by the U.N. war crimes tribunal in The Hague for the siege of Sarajevo and the 1995 massacre of up to 8,000 Muslims in Srebrenica. Both have been on the run for years.

The international community stepped up pressure against Karadzic this year by freezing bank accounts and introducing visa bans on individuals seen as his support network.

Dean campaign raises money goal, buys TV ads

CHICAGO, Aug 26 (Reuters) - Howard Dean's insurgent campaign for the Democratic presidential nomination on Tuesday raised the bar for third quarter fund raising to \$10.3 million and announced it would run television ads in six states starting this week.

Momentum and a surprise windfall of \$7.6 million in the April, May and June, has forced the former Vermont governor's one-time small-budget operation to move into higher gear. Recent polls show Dean leading in Iowa and New Hampshire, sites of the 2004 election's first caucus and primary votes in January.

"Based on what's coming in at events and online, we now believe we're on pace to set a goal of \$10.3 million," campaign manager Joe Trippi told reporters at the second-to-last stop on a four-day, 10-city tour.

He said the last Democrat to raise that much in a single quarter in an off year was Bill Clinton in 1995, when he was president.

Dean took in more money in the second quarter than any of his eight Democratic rivals, giving him a campaign war chest equal to that of more established candidates like Massachusetts Sen. John Kerry and

Rep. Dick Gephardt of Missouri.

Trippi said the campaign would begin running television spots later this week in selected markets in Arizona, New Mexico, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Washington State and Wisconsin on Friday. He expected the cost to be around \$1 million.

The ad, which will run for two weeks, takes aim at President George W. Bush's tax cut as well as the invasion of Iraq and the Democrats who backed it.

"I opposed the war with Iraq when too many Democrats supported it because I want a foreign policy consistent with American values," Dean says.

Democratic rivals for the nomination who voted in favor of the U.S.-led attack to oust Saddam Hussein believe Dean's anti-war rhetoric makes him too dovish for an electorate that largely supported the war.

Dean dismissed the criticism as carping from opponents who "are so darned scared that I'm going to beat them."

Dean's campaign has so far focused on Iowa and New Hampshire, the Internet and fund raising.

"We have to expand out of that," Trippi said. "That's what this tour, this TV buy is about."

Ivory Coast rebels kill two French soldiers

ABIDJAN, Aug 26 (Reuters) - Ivory Coast rebels killed two French soldiers and wounded a third in a firefight, the first French combat fatalities since Paris sent troops to restore peace in its former colony last year, officials said on Tuesday.

French military officials said 15-20 apparently drunk fighters from the rebel New Forces attacked a patrol of around 25 French soldiers on Monday afternoon by Lake Kossou, near the West African state's central town of Sakassou.

Gen. Pierre-Michel Joana, head of France's Operation Unicorn, said heavily armed rebels roared up in several pickups as the French soldiers talked to villagers. A fiery hour-long argument erupted, with the rebels demanding the French leave.

Then suddenly, one rebel fighter opened fire.

"The situation turned ugly and everyone started shooting," Joana told reporters in Ivory Coast's main city Abidjan.

Two French soldiers were killed. One was a corporal with a 10-month-old daughter. A third was shot in the foot.

The gun battle exploded in a demilitarised zone where neither government nor rebel troops are allowed guns. Joana said there were probably also casualties on the rebel side.

Thousands of people died in months of civil war sparked by a failed coup in September 2002. The world's top cocoa grower is now split between the government in the south and rebels in the north, with French and regional peacekeepers guarding the front.

France has kept a military base in Ivory Coast since its independence in 1960. It beefed up its presence when war broke out and now has around 4,000 soldiers there.

Fears of fresh fighting

Elite Foreign Legionnaires fought fierce battles with rebels last year in Ivory Coast's west, killing dozens of insurgents after drugged-up fighters from Liberia joined Ivorian rebels.

A spokesman for the rebel New Forces said they were investigating. Guillaume Soro, a top rebel official and communications minister in a national unity government, was due to hold a news conference later on Tuesday in Abidjan.

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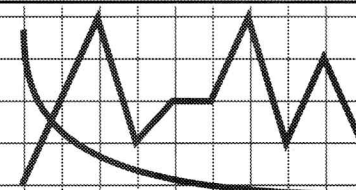
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To attain the goal of rendering Sana'a a tourist & cultural capital

Tourist promotional studies, private sector involvement, wanted

BY YEMEN TIMES STAFF

The capital mayorality, the local council and the ministry of culture bear the responsibility for preparing the program of 'Sana'a, Capital for Culture'. What we would like to see in 2004 is that the programs should be full of tourist promotion and the official parties have to present studies if economic feasibility on investment projects to be promoted for as part of the next year activities.

From the economic viewpoint the attention paid to the capital has to be steered to the protection of civil cultural heritage and the work for marketing it according to studied programs.

What draws the attention is that the capital mayorality has concentrated on the formalities of the matter and till now the concerned parties did not draw up the necessary tourist programs and did not engage the private sector in the campaign and the preparation for Sana'a a capital of culture and tourism in 2004.

The concerned bodies have the capability of carrying out tourist promotion campaigns before the date of the cultural capital in order to attract the largest possible number of Arab and foreign tourists who are supposed to visit the tourist-cultural accomplishment and take part in the promotion for it in future.

The tourist is not very much concerned about and interested in electric arches or trees planted on the

sidewalks here and there in a random way. He is not much interested in the main streets being empty of peddlers or the begging children. These scenes are part of a culture and habits showing tourists that the people are living in a developing country where job opportunities are little but these people do possess vital and rare folklore heritage.

The first thing to be taken care of is the planning for protecting the civil cultural heritage in old Sana'a not the modern quarters. Those are areas having no meaning in the economic value of the heritage. The tourist is interested in seeing the various stages of the history blended with artistic expressionist scenes and folkloric handicrafts. We are in fact approaching the event of Sana'a as a capital of Arab culture but still we do not know about what the promoters for investment tourist opportunities have in mind, not only in old Sana'a but also in all the cities rich with civilized heritage, in order to marketing them via the visitors from the Arab and foreigners. The essential question here is why the concerned sides do focus regarding preparation for Sana'a, capital of culture, on taking care of outwardly matters to an extent harming the interests of the people in general, whereas they are supposed to pay attention to the economic and tourist feasibility of this cultural demonstration characterized by tourist promotion.

Opportunities for marketing Yemeni tourist matters by having interest in civilized cultural heritage

and handicraft and working for increasing their production which represents something deserving support and encouragement and expansion in holding exhibitions displaying them inside old Sana'a. These are considered of economic value securing life for thousands of families producing them.

It is hoped that the local council and the capital mayorality would set aside part of their revenues for supporting handicraft and adoption of projects to qualify the unemployed in the area of developing handicraft and revival of folkloric works such as smoothing junbias and silversmith works, in addition to inscriptions and adornment and manufacturing onyx and historical statues and tourist landmarks.

The mayorality and the local council have to devote their efforts on whatever makes Sana'a a capital for tourist promotion in 2004. They should help the poor for gaining job opportunities that would develop their income and engage them in the protection of the cultural and civilization heritage of old Sana'a as it is considered a capital for culture and tourist promotion.

Finally we confirm the importance of engaging the local private sector in working out for campaigns of tourist promotion and to allow it presenting its perception as well as activation of its potentials so that Sana'a becomes in 2004 the capital of tourism and culture and this in consequence would double the gross product of the tourist sector revenues.



Sana'a old city

Hertz Yemen honors

"Show Your Card"

By Yemen Times Staff

Hertz Rent a Car in Yemen accepts and offers special discounts on vehicles rentals on producing "Show your Card" - a club membership card issued by all Automobile Associations worldwide which carries "Show your card" logo.

Automobile Associations affiliated to AT/FIA issue "Show your Card" to all of its members to show and save money on different services, as a gesture of good will.

Hertz Europe joins hand in hand with American Automobile Association, Automobile Association of Great Britain and other leading Auto Clubs globally to offer special discounts to members who produce the above card.

Saleem Sheikh Salai, the General Manager of Hertz Yemen informed that "we spare no efforts to introduce all Hertz services that are offered globally. My recent training in Hertz Europe opened the door to introduce many hertz international services in Yemen. Hertz Europe eyes on materializing the Middle Eastern

market potential and to start with, an Arabic Web Site is being developed and will be introduced very soon for easy access and reservation by Arabic clients."

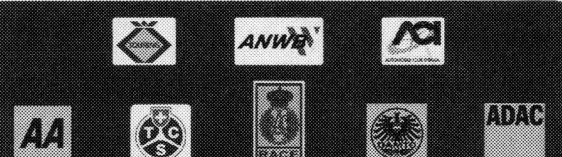
Saleem added "We are negotiating with our national carrier Yemenia to join in their Frequent Fliers program and Hertz Yemen is already accepting and awarding bonus miles to other airlines frequent flier program which are recognized by Hertz Europe. Yemenia is already hosting Hertz Rent a Car in their web site for which I thank Yemenia management, on behalf of Hertz."

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The poor in the capital,

Suffer from drop in food & income

By MAHYOUB AL-KAMALI
YEMEN TIMES STAFF

Cases of poverty, food poverty and very low levels of income are on the increase in the capital Sana'a because of the aggravated rates of unemployment although the government has embarked on implementation of the strategy of combating poverty since the beginning of this year.

In a field reportage on the number of the poor in the capital it has been found that there are elements aggravating the social problems and pushing segments from the middle class to precipitate towards acute poverty and the drop in the levels of income to the lowest.

Rami Abdulla working in selling used goods in the Hasaba area mentions that every time the government announces about a plan for fighting poverty and providing work opportunities, the tragedies of poverty increase because of the persons who employ foreign assistance for their personal purposes and gain the fruit of economic and financial reforms under the justification of leading the change. Another citizen Hassan Ali al-Matari

at workers market in Mazda area tell of very amazing stories on nonexistence of job opportunities in the capital saying, "Every morning we come to the market looking for a job where we find an opportunity for one day work with wages that do not meet expenses of a family for two days." He bitterly speaks about the huge budget for fighting poverty but what are seen regrettably are cases of vagrant children and unemployed workers. The state allocate large sums of money in the name of the poor then are given to those entrusted with executing the national strategy on fighting poverty.

In Safia area in the capital one would find long queues of persons looking for a job since the early hours of the day with rather in vain. Mohammed Sarhan al-Ba'dni says everyday I look here for a job but we do not find it with the government or the private sector, except for some work offered by individuals. Al-Ba'dni says during the month of August he has worked only for three times, wondering where and how he can manage spending on his 5-member family at a time the state says it is fighting poverty then attacks houses of limited income people in the outskirts of the capital city and destroys them

and thus doubling the tragedies of the poor.

Ali Farhan al-Shareef says the problem of unemployment is aggravating and its rates increased to exceed the 37% percent of the workforce and the official measures did not realize

growth rates providing job opportunities for the unemployed.

It is important to point out that poverty in Yemen is growing and getting bigger despite the official efforts for curbing it and realizing sustainable growth in the country.

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OUR OPINION

Tribesmen are fed up too

"Do you think we carry arms just because we like to? We only do so because we know that the state is helpless and cannot protect us," said one of the tribesmen in Mareb, told me the other day during the campaign of the active NGO, the Social Organization of House of Peace (SOHP), which aimed at raising awareness among villagers and tribesmen about the hazards of carrying and using weapons.

The campaign was received warmly by all sectors of the community. The tribesmen who met the NGO's campaigners have openly expressed delight and happiness for having such an initiative that would try to give a glimpse about the dangers of using and carrying of weapons, especially when used in tribal revenge and fighting.

The interesting conclusion that came out of the campaign is the eagerness of tribesmen to rid themselves from weapons and their efforts to explain that they are not fond of carrying and using weapons just because they are 'cool' or because they resemble manhood. There is a reason for that, and that reason is somewhat quite convincing.

If the state cannot protect a person from robbery, assault, murder, or any other crime, then those tribes need to use their weapons. Similarly, when not every tribe is disarmed equally, then some tribes will definitely refuse to be disarmed fearing that the rest would be more superior, leading to possible oppression against them.

But nowadays tribesmen want change. You can see it in their eyes. Many want to live in a civilized country where children go to school, study and enroll in universities. They want to live a life without fear of being attacked, and with no risk of having tribal vengeance and violence.

They have come to see that the world is passing them by and they get nothing. Their economic conditions have gone from bad to worse. There are barely any sources of income except for income from selling qat or other small-scale trade. Expenses have become enormous, especially when taking into account the fact that there is a high population growth leading to a large number of children per family.

Furthermore, salaries paid to tribesmen who are enrolled in the army are simply not enough any more. In fact, the government is in a stage that demonstrates inability to cover the extra expenses of the huge Yemeni army, which is composed of tribesmen as well.

All in all, tribesmen, as well as all citizens, are fed up of arms. They want to have a new start towards a better life full of prosperity. But this cannot be achieved unless the government comes into the picture by providing security and peace to tribal areas. The government should come strong in proving that it can and will protect the vulnerable and the unarmed and serve justice for all. If tribesmen will be disarmed, then all tribes, including those close to the presidency, need to be disarmed fully.

Tribesmen just want to ensure that they will live in peace once they give up their arms and want to ensure that everyone else would be disarmed as well. Unless the government gives guarantees in this respect, tribesmen will continue to carry their arms and the tribal fighting, vengeance, conflict, and insecurity will continue.

It is such an easy-to-apply formula, but there needs to be enough guts, courage, and willingness to do it.

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Journalists and the heartbreaking trade



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Throughout the years, Journalism has been given many names and titles describing its value and power in societies. Ironically, others call it "her majesty" and the "Fourth Estate" whereas those involved—being the journalists—call it "Troubles Job" and their life as being on the hot-wire always in risk.

Whatever the description may be, it is an agreed fact that behind every issue of any newspaper or magazine there are giant efforts by a team of journalists and media workers behind the scene. Ancient philosophers used to say: "A journalist is the historian of the moment". Quite truly especially that journalists integrate with societies and bring out their worries and concerns as well as to inform and educate them. This is because a journalist is considered the linking point between people and leaderships and the agent

of change that would influence public's opinions.

However, a dreadful thing that happens to most journalists and kills their enthusiasm and eagerness to deliver is the routine and the bureaucratic procedures that he has to go through every day. Yet all vanishes when the outcome of an effort is seen and felt through the feedback and response of the readers. Because that means at the end of the day, he managed to reach out for the people and succeeded in delivering a message. Perhaps the best joy of a journalist is when he sees his articles being discussed and debated by readers. It gives a massive drive to journalists that someone is reading, thinking about and anticipating what they write.

But if a comparison is made regarding a journalist's life in our country and that in the developed world we would see how oppressed a journalist is here. Not only that they hardly make both ends meet and struggling to live with all those bills to pay but also the oppression career wise and very little respect he receives. Even those who are famous and have become popular among readers, because at the end of

the day you can't eat praises and you can't pay your bills with readers applaud.

Journalists have to live in better circumstances, it is vital that they receive better treatment because of the importance and significance of their job. The journalists syndicate and the ministry of information and all concerned authorities should do something about this if they really want this country to develop. Otherwise you would find many of the active and honest journalists switch to another industry or find twisted means of earning a living in their own jobs through weightless and unconstructive writings.

Journalism is a special trade that combines art, science, creativity and hard work together. If the a suitable environment is not provided then all this would become a mess and a journalist would lose track in his career while in search for something to eat instead of something to deliver. Take care of yourselves by taking care of your journalism, and as they say: "if you want to see how a country is doing, take a look at how their media are".

Letters to the Editor

SOS call from students in India

I would like to inform you that I'm one of the Yemeni scholars studying in India. I would like to mention some of the problems that the Yemeni scholars in India are suffering from.

First and most important of all is the fact that the Yemeni ambassador to New Delhi, Mohamed Saad, seems to be discriminating between students based on their origin in Yemen.

This fact is clearly demonstrated by the way he warmly welcomes and assists Yemeni students coming from certain areas, even if their visit was so insignificant (e.g., having a cup of tea, etc.). While on the other hand, Yemeni students from other regions are not allowed to enter the embassy and have to wait at the gate for hours.

This is only one example and due to lack of space and time, I will be glad to send an even greater and more comprehensive letter explaining our problems with the embassy here in India.

Secondly, the cultural consul of the embassy does not go to his office regularly and makes students who are in need for a document or official paper wait for days so as he can take the time to sign them.

Furthermore, fifty US dollars need to be paid for having documents stamped. Furthermore, the cultural counselor was summoned to Baruch Goldstein's 26 February 1994 killings of Muslim worshippers in Jerusalem. I remember his strong condemnation and critique of the Israeli, American, and the whole Western world on how they "failed to call Baruch a 'Terrorist'" as if the "word is reserved for Arabs".

For the last few weeks and after two massacres of Muslim worshippers in Yemen by a Yemeni, I am still waiting for any article by Hassan or any other YT staff condemning or critiquing these horrendous acts. Moreover, I am waiting for any Yemeni official (or Arab) to call these murderers "Terrorists". Rather, the words used by YT were "troubled" and "stressed" individual!

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solve the problem. The problem's solution is simple: more cooperation between Arab nations and US to set up the following points: Withdrawal of occupying coalition from Iraq, sending troops from the Arab world to secure and help Iraqis establish their own security, and setting up a plan for Iraq in cooperation with a legitimate Iraqi government—not the current council.

The US and UK Governments must be included in plan to rebuild Iraq.

With good will, trouble could be averted, but otherwise, the answer to your question is definitely a "yes".

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Proud of what SOHP has done

I read the news about the initiative to have Yemeni tribesmen turn in arms in Dhamar. I would like to say "Bravo" to the tribesmen who turned in their light arms and 'Hooray' to the SOHP, an organization that I'm proud of.

This is truly great news. For the first time in my life, I'm proud to be Yemeni.

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To Al-Haifi

I still remember Hassan's long and critical articles written in 1994 in response to Baruch Goldstein's 26 February 1994 killings of Muslim worshippers in Jerusalem. I remember his strong condemnation and critique of the Israeli, American, and the whole Western world on how they "failed to call Baruch a 'Terrorist'" as if the "word is reserved for Arabs".

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own deranged Muslim brothers in a negative sense!!

How dare we even think of talking and analyzing and researching on other problems outside Yemen (be it Iraq, Palestine, or any place) when Yemenis are killing fellow Yemenis in mosques?? How dare we? We (YT) have become like that house owner who gives charities to outsiders while he allows his own family to die of starvation!

It well about time we put our own house in order!

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Great disarmament initiative

I really appreciate the NGO that launched the recent arms awareness campaign and also to the tribesmen in Dhamar who have given their arms voluntarily. I feel that this is coming from a very brave tribe who has given up its arms in such an easy manner, and I hope that all Yemenis will follow suit.

Now comes the role of the government to exert the maximum effort and support such initiatives and also encourage tribes to disarm peacefully.

The government should hence increase stability and security and make tribesmen feel safe and secure when it comes to conflicts or fighting.

If the tribesmen who gave up their arms go into renewed tribal disputes and lose because of inability of the state to protect them, then they will definitely feel sorry for giving away their arms. The situation is hence critical and the government's role is instrumental to achieve positive results and avoid an even more devastating situation, in which tribesmen will never again give up their arms voluntarily.

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Harsh words about Bush & Sharon

The so-called "peace process" was a fraud from the very beginning and George W. Bush and Ariel Sharon are using its demise to rationalize stealing the financial assets of legitimate Palestinian charities. Ariel Sharon never intended to give back any stolen land, never stopped building illegal Jewish settlements, and never stopped his policy of assassinating Palestinian leaders. Can you imagine the

United States honoring a cease fire with any nation that continues to steal its property and assassinate its leaders? Palestinians have responded to this illegal attack in the only way they can as they do not get free F-16s and helicopters from the USA. Israeli Jews commit the crimes, but the crimes are funded by fanatical American fundamentalist Christians who think God is a real estate agent that loves Jews and hates Moslems.

George W. Bush does not care if his support for Israel leads to the end of the world. Radical Christians believe the apocalypse will cause Jesus to arise from the grave and take all good Christian with him to heaven.

The USA can end this conflict any time it wants by threatening Israel with a full trade embargo unless Israel retreats to its 1967 borders as demanded by the United Nations and international law. But the lawless USA is run by the Israeli lobby and we are not a free people at all! America is not a real democracy! No matter who we vote for, the Zionists will always be in charge. The USA has become the biggest threat to world peace.

The almost totally defenseless Palestinian people have been abused by America's corrupt foreign policy for over half a century and it is time that all Moslem states unify in support of the Palestinian cause and not let themselves be intimidated by American's immoral form of Zionist fascism. America has become the Jewish Hitler of the 21st Century.

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Note about toilets in Yemen

I have recently paid a visit to the Republic of Yemen. On arrival at Sanaa international airport, it was the time of Fajr (dawn) Prayer. I found out that the place for taking ablution is inside the toilet and improper for any women to prepare for prayers, especially as it was shared with men.

On my way to Seiyun, 9 hours journey by bus, I couldn't find a proper toilet at all, let alone a separate one for women. This is a bit uncivilized. I hope the authority do something about it.

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COMMON SENSE



By Hassan Al-Haifi

The Trojan horse in modern Islam

Any enlightened Moslem, following up on current events in the world at large, in general, and in the Moslem World in particular, is bound to take note of the systematic increase in violent attacks carried out by individuals or groups purportedly tied to fundamental "Islamic" activists. With the exception of the 9/11 attacks on the World Trade Center, in New York and the US Pentagon (Department of Defense) in Washington D.C., the investigation of which needs to be completed and fully made public, most of these attacks have taken place in Moslem countries or countries with significantly large Moslem minorities. Accordingly one would view these attacks as being self defeating and their tolls are largely innocent civilians. Very seldom do they target any military or strategic objective that would serve the cause of Islam. In fact, there are many attacks, which actually are targeted against Moslems, some of which become publicly known and others may not reach the public domain. On the other hand many of these attacks are supposedly meant to be tied to a genuine struggle for liberation or for the defense of Islamic interests or causes, not to mention a continuation of the defense of Islam "against the continued Western Crusade" against Islam. Notwithstanding the genuine causes behind some of these issues (Palestine, Chechnya, Iraq and Kashmir, just to name a few), these attacks, in general, have been out of tune with Islam and out of context with the causes they purportedly claim to uphold. Moreover, many of the attacks have been launched against Moslem faithful carrying out their prayers or Islamic studies in Mosques or traditional Moslem institutes on a continuing basis in places like Pakistan, Afghanistan and more recently even in Yemen. These states are renowned for their strong Moslem presence in every facet of their society and therefore one is at a loss in finding out why these so called "Moslem activists" would want to disrupt the peace of these faithful as they are carrying out their rites of worship or their Islamic scholastic endeavors.

Many Moslems are ready to suggest that these activists are the product of a systematic effort promoted by clandestine operations promoted by certain Western interests and their Moslem henchmen, who claim to be Islamic reformists. These activities go back to the days when the British Empire was in its burgeoning stages. This observer has come across books that go back some eighty years, which detail the activities of these self proclaimed reformists in Islam and warn of the eminent threat to the Moslem nation posed by these groups. Mind you, this was when such heretical movements were still confined to the Northern Arabian deserts where they originated from and were just beginning their encroachment in the rest of the hinterland of the Arabian Peninsula.

As time progressed and this radical deviation from generally accepted Moslem advocacy was able to obtain generous funding from the petrodollars generated by the rich oil basin the movement and its tribal allies was sitting on, this movement was able to expand internationally thanks to the efforts of some of the institutions it set up specifically for this purpose. Under the guise of teaching Moslem children the Koran and the "original religious dictates of the Prophet Mohammed (PAUH) and his followers, Koranic schools and "scholastic institutes" were set up in Moslem countries and even in non-Moslem countries. These well funded institutes went on to recruit mainly very young children, who were scientifically reared in becoming unquestionable loyalists to the new radical movement. The institutes were to be found in mostly remote and discreet locations, where there was no chance of widespread public awareness of their spreading venom corrupting Moslem societies everywhere. In the meantime, traditional Moslem institutions throughout the Moslem World were being marginalized by the very political regimes that held sway in most of the Moslem World, with prodding by the financiers behind these movements or for political reasons that turned out to be unwarranted. This gave this radical rendition of Islam a free vacuum in which to grow and spread like a cancer. Moreover, this movement was even allowed to set up paramilitary training camps in many countries, with the political establishment closing its eyes to such operations, for political, economic or financial reasons. Whatever the case, these radical movements (all of which originate from the same point of origin) have become so embedded in Islamic societies and even outside the Moslem World that they were able to become more aggressive and less discreet, as they sought to monopolize all religious activity in the Moslem countries where they have established a firm foothold. Accordingly, by the turn of the Century, they began to forcefully take over Moslem Mosques and sanctuaries, driving out the traditional overseers of these Mosques or institutes.

The point to be made here is that this radical movement has become a serious threat to the Moslem World and to Moslem populations everywhere, especially those Moslems, who insist on sticking to the tolerance, true piety and humility that Islam calls for, as well as the mercy that Islam has been well known for 1500 years, before this movement even had any semblance of a presence in its midst. Therefore, Moslems must now to really begin to shoulder the responsibility of bringing these dubious fanatics back into the mainstream of the faithful Moslems and to control them from carrying out ungodly acts against Moslems and non-Moslems alike. Otherwise, we as a nation are in for some dangerous tidings in the future with thousands of innocent Moslems and non Moslems needlessly being slaughtered just to quench the blood thirst of the advocates of this demonic sect. This will also be more of service to the interests of the enemies of Islam than these enemies could ever dream of achieving by themselves.

Recall congress!

BY WILLIAM HUGHES
FOR THE PALESTINE CHRONICLE

On Aug. 16, 2003, at a rural intersection near Sioux Falls, SD, Rep. Bill Janklow (R-SD), ran a stop sign with his Cadillac sedan and collided with a motorcycle, killing its driver, Randolph E. Scott, age 55. A preliminary investigation by prosecutors indicates that Janklow was exceeding the speed limit.

Rev. Janklow's car traveled at least 300 feet past the point of impact, according to the accounts of eye witnesses. The local D.A. is considering vehicular homicide charges against the congressman, who is also a former four-term South Dakota governor. The victim, Scott, was known as a "very nice man."

Receiving speeding tickets over the last decade has been a Janklow habit. In a way, his predicament, his apparent indifference to the state's traffic laws, and also to human life itself, is a metaphor for the state of the Congress. It, too, is out of control.

Janklow is a knee jerk supporter of George W. Bush's Iraq War policies. He called that conflict, "the grandest military success in the history of the country" (AberdeenNews.com, 05/02/03).

Early this year, the Congress gave the White House a green light to invade Iraq. Despite a clear Constitutional obligation that granted to it, and to it alone, the power "to declare war," the Congress took the easy way out. It delegated its awesome war making power to a president, who is dominated by War

Hawks; like Paul Wolfowitz, Donald Rumsfeld and Richard Perle.

This is the same Congress that passed in 2002, in the middle of the night, the draconian USA Patriot Act. These same members, too, gave President Bush a free pass, when he urged the adoption of the Homeland Security Law, an Orwellian measure that is slowly turning America into a caricature of a "Banana Republic."

On March 20, 2003, Bush, relying on "cooked" intelligence, ordered the invasion of Iraq. By any definition, the invasion, and the ongoing occupation, have been unmitigated disasters. It may cost the taxpayers over \$600 billion (Fairandbalanced.org).

The price in human terms of the invasion has been tragic, too. Try 37,137 Iraqis dead (TWF.org)!

More of our courageous troops are, daily, coming home in body bags. There is no end in sight to the guerrilla war that is now emerging in that land. There never were any WMD in Iraq. And, sadly, the U.S. never had any exit strategy either.

Congress helped to put this nation in the Iraqi quagmire, which will also undoubtedly make us additional enemies in the Islamic World. More 9/11-like attacks on the U.S. can be expected.

The Congress allowed rabid warmongers and Israel Firsters, like: Rep. Tom Lantos (D-CA), Rep. Tom DeLay (R-TX), Sen. Joseph I. Lieberman (D-CT), Sen. Trent Lott (R-MS) and Sen. Arlen "Magic Bullet" Specter (R-PA), to recklessly lead it astray. Now, it is the taxpayers, and our brave military per-

sonnel, who must pay for the hubris of these pro Iraq war agitators and their legislative lackeys.

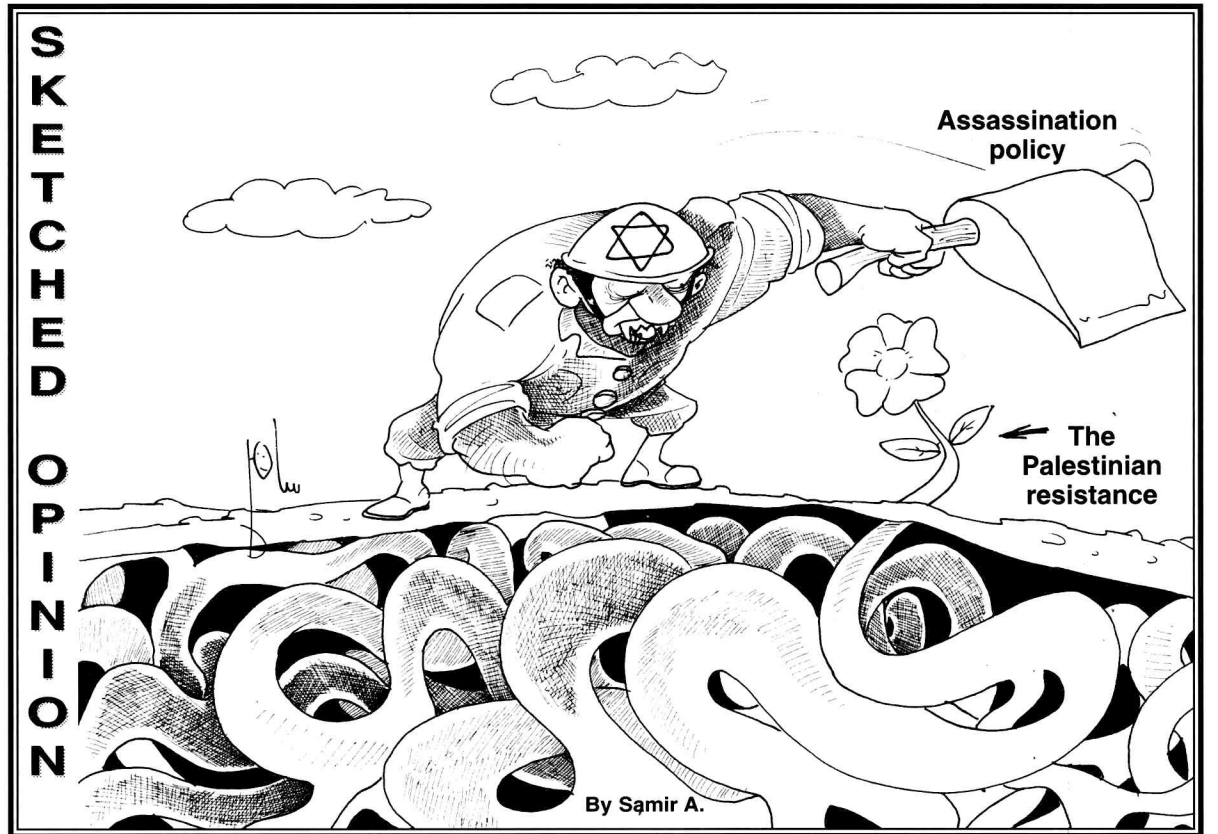
Meanwhile, the national debt stands at a staggering \$6.7 trillion. The interest payment alone ran to \$332 billion last year, while the deficit for this fiscal year could easily hit \$600 billion.

The recent "Grid Black Out" that brought a huge section of the country, from New York City to Detroit, to a standstill is symbolic of even deeper problems with our aging infrastructures. Our cities are in particularly desperate shape when it comes to needed repairs and rebuilding of their antiquated water and sewage facilities and also their streets and bridges.

So many of our major roadways, such as the New Jersey Turnpike, (built in 1951), can't adequately handle today's rising traffic load. The total deficits now facing some of our most important states, including bankrupt California, is over \$100 billion. The future is looking bleak for many local and state governments.

Our manufacturing base continues to shrink, while 3 million people have joined the ranks of the unemployed in the private sector since 2001. However, the richest 1 percent of U.S. taxpayers will, on average, each receive \$96,634 in tax cuts over the next four years (AFSME's "Public Employee," Sept./Oct., 2003).

On the environmental front, our primary streams, rivers and bays, are in serious decline. Pollution is slowly killing, for example, the Chesapeake Bay, that borders on Maryland and Virginia. 40% of that once pristine body



of water is arrested, a dead zone, with too little oxygen "to support aquatic life" ("Baltimore Sun," 08/22/03).

Unfortunately, building new prisons is one of our growth industries. America, today, has the highest incarceration rate of any country in the Western World. Possession of modest amounts of an illegal drug by an individual can lead to a stiff jail sentence, while white collar criminals that have looted major corporations, like Enron and ImClone, usually get off with a slap on the wrist.

Our health care system is on life support. The average person can't afford to get sick.

Many of our schools use WWII-era trailers as class rooms, while over \$100 billion in freebies has gone to an ungrateful, repressive and militant Israel, since 1948 (See "WRMEA," 05/03). Today, the Israeli Right Winger, Ariel Sharon, the Lazar Kaganovich of the International Zionist Cartel, is the main recipient of U.S. largess. How is the public good being served by this insanity?

In conclusion, almost every single member of the Congress stands in contempt of his (or her) oath of office. They have failed, miserably, to put the interest of this Republic, before the special interests of the cunning globalists.

Shame on them!

Keep in mind, too, that last year, in the U.S., 400 people, many residing in luxurious gated community and in high rise condos, like the ones that look out over Central Park in midtown Manhattan, raked in a mind-boggling \$70 billion in income.

Finally, like the accused Rep. Janklow, Congress, too, is out of control. Forget about California's Governor Gray Davis. Unless stopped by outraged voters, Congress will continue to take the country on a dangerous ride that will lead it directly down the path to perdition.

Perhaps, we should recall Congress!

'America, where are you leading?'

BY DOREEN MILLER
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The late President Harry S Truman was known for keeping a plaque on his desk that read, "The buck stops here." This was in reference to the idiomatic expression "passing the buck" which describes a shoving off of responsibility onto someone else. As head of the nation, Truman understood that leadership entails accepting ultimate responsibility for those events and developments that transpired under his watch.

My, how times have changed! It seems America has evolved into a society that refuses to admit even partial responsibility for its actions and policies around the world. Not only does this present administration refuse to accept any responsibility for its failure to protect American and foreign citizens from the terror of 9-11, but it refuses to acknowledge any connections whatsoever between our country's policies and the state of the world at large.

Our leaders love to claim the moral high ground preaching to the rest of the world about such things as democracy, justice and peace. Yet, do we, in fact, practice what we preach? Our leaders have become so arrogantly self-serving that they no longer even pretend to try to uphold the democratic principles so clearly outlined in our Constitution. Instead, they continually look for ways to circumvent the burdensome processes of a functioning democracy.

Today, Americans are slowly waking up to some very unpleasant facts: secret, very undemocratic departments unaccountable to public scrutiny are being created by this administration. First, there was the unelected shadow government that had been set up by Bush shortly after September 11 allegedly in the event that Washington was ever destroyed in a terrorist attack. Now, word is slowly beginning to seep out about the fairly recently created Office of Special Plans whose fingerprints appear to be all over Bush's State of the Union lie concerning Iraq's supposed massive stash of weapons of mass destruction.

The Office of Special Plans was created by Donald Rumsfeld and Paul Wolfowitz for the purpose of investigating terrorist links without having to deal with the oversight of the CIA and FBI. Air Force Lt. Col. Karen Kwiatkowski aptly criticizes the unaccountability of this select group of individuals as "a subversion of constitutional limits on executive power and a co-optation through deceit of a large segment of the Congress." Indeed, this group engages

primarily in closed-loop practices of "groupthink," a process characterized by the exclusion of outside professional and independent views leading to an overwhelmingly uncritical acceptance of the prevailing viewpoint. Certainly, no true democratic processes are tolerated here.

The U.S. speaks of justice, yet fails to follow through with the law in pursuing and bringing to justice so-called terrorists and "enemies of the state." Instead, our leaders opt to bomb poor, third world countries that have no chance of defending themselves against the most technologically equipped military power the world has ever seen. Is there really a rightful cause to be so smug about our lightning-speed military victories against such countries as Afghanistan and Iraq?

Then, of course, there's the untidy problem of the many detainees in Guantanamo Bay, most of whom have never been linked to terrorism or officially charged with any crime. Nonetheless, these men, of mostly Middle Eastern origin, continue to live for months on end in a sort of sadistic limbo with little or no contact with family members and loved ones. Not only are they often denied basic legal rights such as the right to a lawyer, the right to face their accuser and the right to a fair, open and speedy trial, but now they face the very real threat of death by mock trials conducted by closed military tribunals using secret "evidence" against them. They essentially live with the sword of Damocles hanging over them in a macabre game of life and death. Does this truly espouse the American ideal of justice? Is this the kind of justice America would like to see emulated across the globe?

Finally, the area in which the United States is most hypocritical is that of its empty promises of peace. How can we profess to be the leaders in creating world peace when we carry such violence and war in our collective heart? Much of the U.S. economy depends on profitable war industries and the military. We are the number one worldwide exporter of death, prostituting military equipment, technology, weapons and bombs across the face of the Earth, in essence, giving a wink and a nod to the violence and destruction we see all over the world. We also lead the world in researching new, even more destructive, weapon technologies ultimately to be used against human beings in whatever countries we wish to demonize over time.

The U.S.A. demands that other countries dismantle their nuclear arsenals, yet it is the U.S. that has the largest nuclear arsenal in the world, that has the

dubious distinction as being the only nation to have dropped nuclear bombs in wartime over populous civilian cities, and that currently refuses to ratify the Nuclear Test Ban Pact. It is the U.S. that is pushing for renewed research into so-called usable "mini-nukes," as if using the word "mini" makes the deadly radiation emitted by such bombs any less dangerous to humankind. It is the U.S. that has already deployed nuclear weapons on the battlefields in Yugoslavia and in two wars in Iraq in the form of very deadly depleted uranium weaponry, whose radioactive effects will continue to sicken and kill many innocent people ad infinitum, as the half-life of the uranium-238 released on impact is 4.5 billion years! It goes with-

out saying, the use of this latest U.S. military invention, DU weaponry, constitutes a serious crime against all of humanity.

To paraphrase Einstein, how dare we speak of peace when we continually and obsessively prepare for war. If we were truly serious about creating world peace, then we would actively engage in dismantling the military insanity that currently grips this world. We would work towards eliminating all weapons of war and destruction throughout the world, including those located and manufactured right within our own borders. Across the board, we would join the world community in outlawing research into and the development of weapons of destruction (and their delivery systems),

conventional, nuclear, chemical or otherwise. We would open our borders to international inspections to assure other nations that we, too, are in compliance with the non-proliferation of weapons of war. We would become true advocates of human rights and leaders of peace not by threatening violence or force, but by courageously "beating our swords into plowshares" and by re-allocating our obscenely huge, military budget towards peaceful, constructive, life-affirming projects both at home and abroad.

The militaristic road the U.S. government is currently traveling will, in all certainty, lead us further away from peace and toward more mutually afflicted suffering, destruction, death, and, plausibly, the complete annihilation of

humankind. We are at a crucial crossroads. At our own peril, we ignore the essential spiritual lesson handed down to us throughout the ages: like begets like. War begets war. It does not bring real, lasting peace; it only feeds into its own perverted logic of revenge and self-righteousness, quietly lying in wait to resurface at some unfortunate time in the future.

It's time to say, "The buck stops here." It's time to accept responsibility and to acknowledge the part we are playing in enabling the violence we see around the world. Indeed, if we want peace, we must tirelessly work for the peace we wish to see in the world. The time to take the first steps towards peace is now.

Healing the wounds of war

BY JOSEPH L. GALLOWAY
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You don't hear much about them or see their faces very often, but you should. Planes land at Andrews Air Force Base outside Washington every night bringing these American soldiers home from Iraq the hard way.

Ambulances ferry them to Walter Reed Army Medical Center, where doctors and nurses stand ready to rush them into the operating rooms.

Maj. Gen. Kevin C. Kiley, the commander of Walter Reed and a medical doctor, said that since the beginning of July, two months after the official end of major combat operations, there had been only two days when his hospital hadn't received soldier casualties.

More than 1,000 injured American soldiers have flowed through Walter Reed since the war in Iraq began, and another 300 have arrived from the continuing conflict in Afghanistan since it began in October 2001.

"We are in this for the long haul," Kiley said. "This is going to continue for a long, long time."

They come with terrible shrapnel wounds, missing limbs and often with blood infections. But out of the 1,300 who have passed through Walter Reed, only one has died.

"Each day, eight to 10 patients are leaving to go home or to facilities nearer their homes, even as new casualties are arriving," Kiley said.

Walter Reed's staff of 3,800 includes 600 doctors, 300 Army registered nurses, 1,400 civilian employees, 700 contract employees including nurses and 700

enlisted personnel. There are 256 beds - that number can rise to 700 beds in a mass-casualty situation - and a large outpatient-care network. Walter Reed also trains doctors, nurses and specialists.

The patients in Ward 57, the orthopedic ward, tug at everyone's hearts. President Bush has visited there twice. So have Hulk Hogan and the Redskins cheerleaders. The country band Alabama is expected next week.

On this ward are soldiers with lost limbs.

Spc. Robert Acosta, 20, of Santa Ana, Calif., was assigned to Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion 501st Regiment, 1st Armored Division, at Baghdad International Airport. Acosta and a buddy drove off base in a Humvee on July 13 to buy a few cans of soda from peddlers on the street.

"A hand grenade came through the window and landed on the radio between me and my buddy who was driving," Acosta said. "I could see the spoon (the handle) was gone and a little smoke was coming out the top. Just as I grabbed for it, my buddy hit the gas and rammed the truck in front of us, trying to get out of that area. The grenade fell between my legs on the floor. I grabbed for it again and had it maybe 6 inches off the floor when it exploded."

The blast took off Acosta's right arm. It smashed his left ankle and foot. "I told my buddy, 'I'm going to die; tell my Mom and Dad I love them.' He hollered: 'Shut up! You ain't dying. Tell them yourself!'" I was more scared than hurt."

He added: "All I want to do is be able to run again." Acosta said he would leave the Army because he was afraid he'd end up behind a desk, "and I couldn't stand that. I would rather be out there with my

buddies."

Acosta said he heard that intelligence sources reported that it was a 13-year-old Iraqi boy who tossed the grenade into that Humvee and changed the course of his life.

Sgt. Jason Bill, 30, of Douglasville, Ga., had a grin on his face. He was leaving in a wheelchair headed home. He was with Company H, 121st Long-Range Surveillance Battalion of the Georgia National Guard. He was called to active duty Feb. 7. He has 12 years service in both the active Army and the Guard, and "if they'll let me I plan to stay in."

Bill and two other men were riding in a Humvee a month ago in Baghdad. The vehicle crashed or rolled - Bill doesn't know or remember. Both his lower legs were crushed and his lower left arm was broken and his left elbow was dislocated. One soldier was killed and another was hospitalized with Bill in that accident.

He's heading home, but one leg is in an intricate contraption of metal rods, which is a substitute for a plaster cast for 16 weeks while the shattered bones heal.

Sgt. Robert Armstrong, 38, of Fort Hood, Texas, was assigned to Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 67th Armor of the 4th Division. He was guarding the children's hospital in Baghdad with his buddies July 26. There had been rumors that a rocket-propelled grenade attack was about to happen. "We pulled our vehicles back closer to the hospital building, behind a wall," Armstrong said.

The danger was not from the outside, but inside the hospital. "Someone dropped a hand grenade off a balcony of the hospital and it blew me up," Armstrong said. He lost his right leg and

his left eye.

His wife, Esther, said she was told that he nearly died twice. They have two children, Scott, 17, who already has signed up for a program for high school seniors to enlist in the Marines, and Mary, 15.

"Scott's going to be a Marine and guard the president. Mary is going to be a war protester and go to Berkeley," Armstrong said with a grin. "I wrote Scott letters about the military situation; I wrote Mary letters about me. We had a deal."

Sgt. Matthew Dewitt, 26, of Hillsboro, N.H., sat on the edge of his hospital bed, exhausted by a session of tough physical therapy. He looked a little dazed and disbelieving, as well he might: A rocket-propelled grenade explosion July 22 ripped off both his hands as he sat in the gun position atop a Humvee. "I don't know what I'll do," he said. "I don't know what's there for me to do now."

Sgt. Michael Cain, 22, of Berlin, Wis., was with Delta Company 4th Fire Support Battalion, 4th Division. His vehicle hit a mine Aug. 10, and he lost his right leg just below the knee and sustained a broken arm and broken ankle.

He had been at Walter Reed for five days. He was in the operating room for seven hours of surgery the day before he was interviewed. He would go back the next day for two or three more hours.

"I'm going to be all right, sir," Cain said from his hospital bed. As a visitor said goodbye, Cain beckoned him to his bedside and pulled him down for a tight cheek-to-cheek hug. He whispered, "I'm going to be OK."

An afternoon spent on Ward 57, Walter Reed hospital, is a stark reminder of the true cost of war, and who pays the price.

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Converting strangers into friends

Hot springs

Hadhramout enjoys many natural resources for treatment tourism through the availability of various hot springs, the most important of which are: Al-Harshiyat: An agricultural village, 5 km north of Mukalla.

Tabala: lies on a highland, 7 km north of Shihir.

Al-Hami: A coast area 22-km from Shihir.

Thawban and Suwiaber: two small villages 5 km west of al-Dees.

Ghayl Bawazir

Ghayl means the under ground water. It is some 35 area. It was a station along caravan route and a connection point between the Wadi and the coast of Hadhramout. Al-Ghayl is famous of growing the best quality of Yemeni tobacco, has various water springs which water large areas of fertile lands. Yemeni tobacco has various water springs, which water large areas of fertile lands.

Shihir

This small fishing port, 60 km east of Mukalla, is a very old settlement. The town also was named "Al-Asaa". It was a commercial outlet for the frankincense brought by land from the far east of Mukalla to Shibam then to Shihir from there, it is exported to outside world. Shihir was also one of the pre-Islamic Arab seasonal markets, which was called "Souk of Shihir Mahra" it was also a meeting point of commercial exchange between India, Arab Gulf, Egypt and East Africa, on one hand, and Yemen, on the other. The most important historical sights of Shihir include Bin Ayash fortress and the town wall the

wall has two gates; "Al-Aidarous" and "Al-Khour".

Shibam

The town of Shibam lies in the middle of Wadi Hadhramout, at its narrowest point. It is 19km from Say'un. It was one of most important souks in these regions. Shibam is a tight collection of some 500 skyscrapers, seven to eight-story high, crammed into an area of only half a sq. km. The city seems as a fortified castles one a hill of almost 30 meters from the Wadi bed. Shibam is a very old city. It was also the capital of the Hadhramout region for some period. The citadel of Shibam was the residence of the governor, dating from the 13th century A.D the biggest of the six mosques of the city is Shibam Mosque, built in the 8th century A.D at the time of Caliph, Harun ar-Rashid. The number of houses is a little more than 500. Most of the houses having four to seven stories. Because the town is built so low, it is vulnerable to floods and was partly destroyed by floods in 1532 AD. Starting 1980, Shibam was declared by a UNESCO as a world monument and initiated a program to safeguard its cultural heritage. It is sometimes known as "Manhattan of Desert".

Sayoun

It was the capital of Kathiri Sultanate for the period between 1400 and 1967 AD. It is the current administrative center of Wadi Hadhramout and the largest city there Say'un is 320km north of Mukalla. Its economy was greatly boosted in the 15th century AD, when Sultan Badr Abu Tuwairiq (982AH-16th century AD) made it a capital of his state. Say'un Grand Mosque; dates back

to the 11th century AH (17th century AD). The Palace of Sultan Al-Kathiri; is the most important tourist and historical site there. It was built of clay brick and decorated with gypsum. It is characterized by beautiful artistic elements reflecting the Arab Islamic and Far East architectural elements. The museum occupies part of this palace, whereas the other part is occupied by a public library. Among the sights of Say'un is the market of traditional and handmade products. Say'un is surrounded by of palm groves and several gardens.

Tarim

Tarim is situated on the east bank of Wadi Hadhramout some 35km to the northeast of Say'un. It has received much attention in the historical narratives for the importance of its role throughout the ages. The town was a capital of Kinda Kings for a period of time. After Islam, it became one of the religious centers. Until recently, it was a town of knowledge and one of the most important teaching centers in Yemen. Tarim was the capital of Kathiri Sultanate. A lot of its inhabitants immigrated to the western coast of India and established commercial settlements in Singapore and Indonesia since 1220AD. Many of the immigrated used to return to Tarim, and build a mosque "Thanks to God for safe return". Then the immigrated starts to build a luxurious house reflecting the volume of wealth he had earned. Thus, the architectural movement developed and many houses and palaces were built. They introduced new styles mixing between Southeast Asian character and local design. Tarim's houses are beautiful surrounded by palm trees. Tarim Citadel is an important historical site of the town. There are also a number of old fortifications and castles, the most important of which are Al-U'rr fortress (Husn) Al-Muhdar Mosque (1915AD), its 125-foot-high square minaret, and Al-Ahqaf library which is one of the most important Yemeni houses of manuscripts.

A'inat

It is 8km east of Tarim. It is a beautiful village dates back to the 16th century. It has a distinguished design of religious tombs and shrines in addition to some unique architectural structures.

Religious Sites

Hadhramout is a land of Prophets and messengers. There lie the tombs of the Prophet HUD and the Prophet Saleh (peace be upon them). There are also the seasonal festivals of religious nature at specific sites near some famous tombs. Among these sites is the tomb of the Prophet HUD (peace is upon him) which is 90km east of Tarim. The date of the pilgrimage is from 6th until 12th of the month of Shaa'ban, every year. A seasonal market is held on the occasion of the pilgrimage. There are also a number of tombs like the tomb of the Prophet Saleh (peace is upon him), the



Al-Kathiri palace

tomb of the holy man Ahmed Ibn Isa Al-Muhajir and the tombs of Mashhd on the way to Al-Hajarayn.

Al-Mashhd

It is some 90km from Say'un. Mashhd is a small village with some fine tombs. The tomb of Sheikh Ali Ibn Hassan Al-Attas, died in 1127AH. (18th century AD) was reputedly rebuilt in the 1830s. The tomb is annually visited during the period (8-16) of the month Rabia Al-Awal every year. Here, also a local market is held at the same time.

Raybun

It is 94km from Say'un near the outlet of Wadi Dawa'an into Wadi Hadhramout. It is one of the most important archeological sites dates back to the 10th century BC. Not much of it remains today but only few ruins of old temples, a part of the old city, and an old irrigation network.

Wadi Dawa'an

There are a number of tributaries for Wadi Hadhramout including Wadi Dawa'an, Wadi A'ian, Wadi Amad and Wadi Sar. Wadi Dawa'an is considered the most important and famous one along the valley a number of beautiful villages are spreading, representing the majesty of Yemeni architecture. Wadi Dawa'an is also well reputed for the production of super quality of honey which made it famous every where.

Al-Hajarayn

Al-Hajarayn literally means "the two cities" in the old Yemeni language. It is one of the most beautiful villages in Yemen, in general, and in Wadi Hadhramout, in particular. It is a remarkable stone village atop a rocky slope of Wadi Hajarayn over-looking a forest of palm trees. It is one of the most ancient villages in Wadi Hadhramout. There are a lot of beautiful villages at the two banks of Wadi like Seef, Budha,

Rashid and Al-Khuraiba.

Incense Route of Hadhramout

It was one of sub-routes of Frankincense Road. It starts in the land of Mahra and Dhafar, and passes through Sayun. Then it takes its path in the direction of Abr, Gudran, and Kanais up to Jauf region. From there, the caravans journey is resumed via Najran northwards to Gaza at the Mediterranean coast. Today, there are regular tourist trips starting from Hadhramout valley via Al-Abr area to Marib. There are also other trips starting from Hadhramout valley via the old city of Shabwa to Marib. It is considered among the most amazing tourist roads.

Folklore and Traditions

The folklore of Hadhramout is rich. In music and singing the region is famous for Dan ensemble. Folklore dancing is diverse of which Shabuni Zarbadi and Iddah are well known among the people. The people of Hadhramout enjoyed good and noble qualities, the most important of which:-

Love of guests
Love of sea
Working in trade
Love of travel. They spread Islam in southeast. Asia.

Climate

The climate of Hadhramout is equatorial and hot. In summer, the daily temperatures exceed 40 C; coastal areas are very humid. In winter, temperatures tend to be moderate. They are 20-24 C in coastal areas and 17-20 C Inland areas.

How to reach Wadi Hadhramout

You can travel to Say'un;
Via the Yemeni Airlines flights from Sana'a, Aden, Mukalla and other local airports. Via the asphalted land road network connecting Mukalla and Wadi Hadhramout. Via the desert road Marib-Safer- Wadi Hadhramout or the road of Marib n Harib n Shabwa n Wadi Hadhramout
By sea to Mukalla seaport and then to Wadi Hadhramout.

* General Authority of Tourism



A tourist rides donkey



Old transportation has been still used in Hadhramout

Early marriage problems

BY NAWAL ZAYD
FOR THE YEMEN TIMES

Early marriage which has become a norm in our society, has led to detrimental inevitable consequences on motherhood and childhood. It constitutes a big burden for our country's economy.

During the early marriage, the mother is exposed to a pregnancy at an early age which in turn threatens the life of the newborn infant. Mothers are also exposed to several diseases such as, deficiency diseases that in most cases lead to death.

In rural areas, for instance, the husband prefers to have a lot of children heedless of his wife's diseases resulting from reproduction and un mindful of responsibilities as a true father.

In order to please her husband of having more children, she is exposed to a repeated pregnancy without even recommending more frequent parental check-ups.

A much greater level of understanding is required between couples. In a society like Yemen, husbands are unaware of problems suffered by their wives. Some husbands in society like

Yemen can be termed as pleasure seekers and they have different outlook towards women as means of gratification as well as satisfying their desires.

She can be a victim to having miscarriage and she may die in labour.

Another teething problem is the lack of maternity care as well as the husband's ignorance towards bringing his children up and educating them in a proper manner.

It is difficult for parents to provide their children with the bare necessities of life.

It is also difficult for them to educate their children in schools and closely follow up their homework.

This is not only enough; children are exposed to deviation and unknown future.

They are brought as vagabonds and vagrants.

The more children the parents have, the more problems they face...

Consequently, parents are unable to control their children and teach them good morals and principles. Parents when giving their children carte blanche, then they tend to become more destructive, stubborn, and intractable.

Parents when seeing a large number of children, they tend to become inac-

tive, ignorant and inconsiderate to bring their children up in a good and appropriate manner. They also get frustrated and are incapable of providing all the bare necessities of life to their children.

Solutions needed

Consequences of having more children have increased day by day in the Yemeni society. For well-educated and prosperous family, the following solutions needed:

- Putting an end to an early marriage. It should be after the age of 20. This will pave the way for the mother to have healthy babies, and better delivery.
- Raising awareness of the great significance of birth control. This can be achieved through disseminating awareness health campaigns through media. The role of the health ministry in this regard is indispensable.
- Launching health campaigns on the great significance of the natural breast-feeding.
- Prolonging intervals between pregnancies in order to reach at least 3 or 4 years.
- Paying a special attention to rural

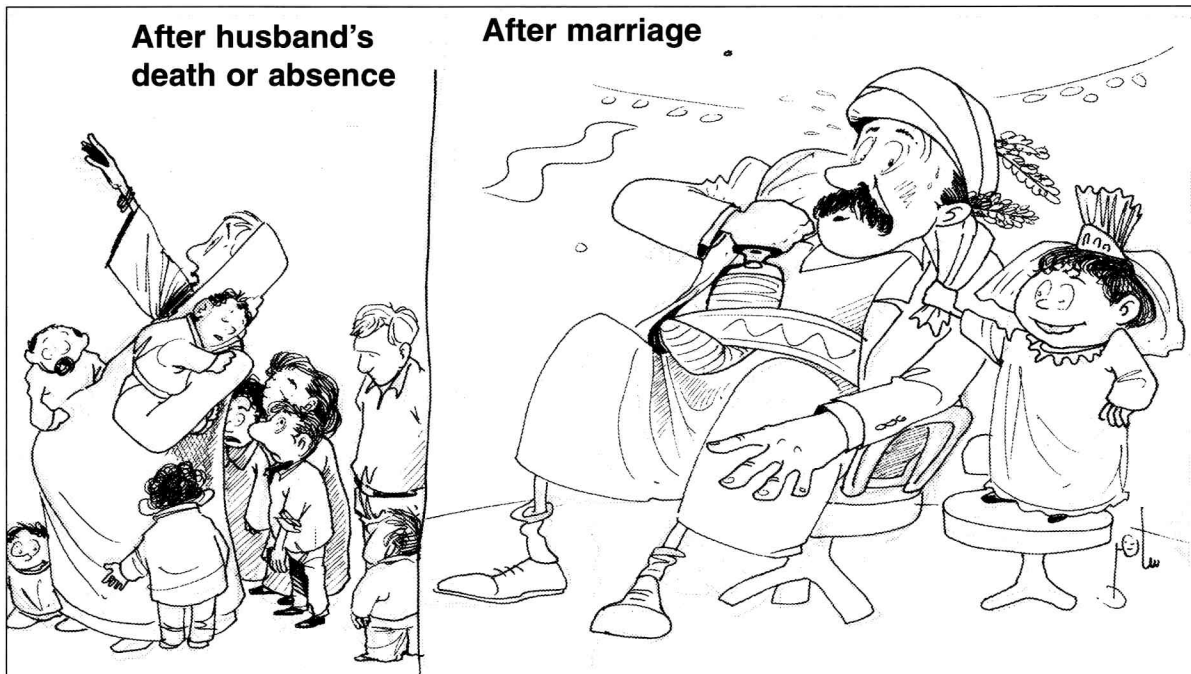
women, because they are exposed to reproductive diseases more than urban women. Women in rural areas are in need of frequent health and family control.

- Conducting reproductive health

studies and researches comparing and analyzing them for future use.

The above-mentioned solutions in my point of view will help a lot to reduce reproductive problems. Despite of launching nationwide health cam-

paigns on reproduction health aspects, yet people have been still unaware and in need of consequent of non-stop awareness campaigns. The responsibility should be held by the health ministry and other health bodies.



Al-Kamali breathes hope into people's life

BY MOHAMMED AL-QADHI
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It is a wonderful job the man is doing to get people relieved, breathing hope into their lives. He has succeeded in many operations of neurosurgery. He has treated 800 cases of disc prolapsed in Yemen, 225 in Egypt; 186 in brain tumors in Yemen, 150 brain gun shot cases, 130 cases of spine T.B., lots of cases of head injuries and many others.

Among such cases is that of Hana Mohammed Saleh, 17 years old. This girl was suffering from paraplegia. She could not move at all; no sensation at both lower limb. "Clinical and radiological investigations revealed the presence of spinal cord tumor," Dr. Amin al-Kamali told Yemen Times, adding, "We have run an operation and could remove the tumor completely. She has improved rapidly and markedly." You can see her now standing behind her doctor, walking and having full sensation. "We have done forty five cases of spinal tumor, forty three out of them improved", Professor Kamali pointed out. "Patients take time to improve but this case of Hana is exceptional because she improved very quickly and in five days only," he said.

It was impossible to carry out such operations in the past few years in Yemen.

Hana's father could not express his happiness to see his paralyzed daughter walking again. "I am happy; she is walking now. She was totally paralyzed and could never move for over two months," Mohammed Saleh told Yemen Times. He said that Hana caught fire and her body was burnt while she was one and half year old. He said that she was attended by many doctors who did 35 operations in her thin body. She improved but two months ago she went paralyzed. Her father sought the help of some doctors but to no avail. He was advised to seek the help of al-Kamali who could bring her hope in life again after she went desperate. Her father is a poor man and such an operation costs a lot but al-Kamali with his kind heart did the operation at a minimum cost for the man is not practicing medicine for business as he was offered good jobs with handsome salary outside Yemen.

Another case is that of Abdullah Mohammed Su'ar, 54 years old. He was suffering from left side hemiplegia; he could not move his upper and lower limbs which were completely paralyzed. He was brought from Haja the second day of the brain affection.

Radiological investigations showed his right side brain was infarcted. "He has been treated conservatively and improved; he started to move his upper limb, then the lower limb. He is now walking after seven days of treatment," Dr. Kamali said.

Such cases are common due to cardiac impairment, diabetes mellitus, hypertension and others. Brain insult or affection represents the forth cause of death all over the world. "In such cases if patients are treated correctly and rapidly, they improve, otherwise they become handicapped," the doctor said. He pointed out that the most common cases of neurological diseases in Yemen are disc prolapse, epileptic fits, and C.V.A.

Disc prolapse (back pain) is caused by hard work, carrying of heavy objects, and bad habits in Yemen like the way of sitting while chewing qat. "This represents 40% out of the cases seeking doctors' clinic for treatment for neurosurgical diseases," Kamali said.

The third important case is that of a 9-year old Tawfeek Awadh. He was suffering from coma for 4 days and after investigations it was shown that he had hydrocephalus. After the operation conducted by al-Kamali, the child

resumed his conscious, started speaking and walking. "This condition may result from inflammatory cognital or due to brain tumors. It is one of the common spread ceases in Yemen," the doctor said.

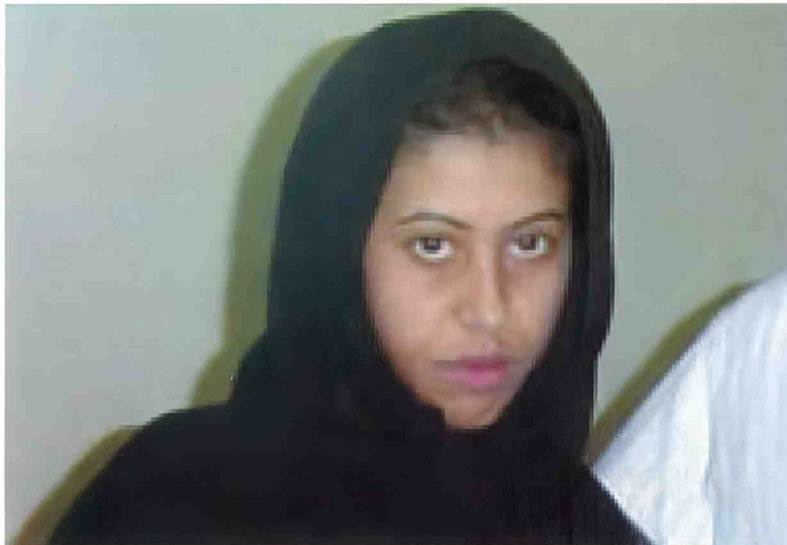
Dr. Amin al-Kamali, first Yemeni M.D. holder in neurosurgery, has been doing a marvelous and laudable work. For this, he is working very hard and is busy all the time moving from one hospital to another, beside his work in his clinic till late midnight to help the patients seeking his help from all over the country having heard of his extraordinary success in making very serious operations and curing very difficult cases in neurosurgical diseases. He is also working as an assistant professor of neurosurgery at Sana'a University. Al-Kamali is a consultant of spine neurosurgery and visiting Dr. at Ain Shams University in Egypt for 10 years. He is a member of many societies like Pan Arab Neurosurgery and Spine Neurosurgery, Egypt Society for Neurosurgery, and World Federation of Neurosurgery Society. He has taken courses in pediatric neurosurgery, stereo tactic surgery, pituitary surgery, 3 spine surgery, endoscopic disc surgery, microscopic surgery and others fields.



Dr. Amin al-Kamali

Dr. Kamali has been recently selected as one of the main speakers in the coming conference of World Federation Neurosurgical Society. The event will be held in Morocco 2005 as

it is run every 5 years. It is the first time that such an important medical event will be held in Africa and Arab World, and has never been run in any country in Asia.



Hana Mohammed Saleh



Child Tawfeek Awadh



Dr. kamali with Mr. Abdullah Saleh



The Republic of Yemen is receiving a grant from the global fund in support of NMCP. The MOPHP / NMCP therefore invite qualified applicants to apply for the following:

1. Information Technology Specialist

Duties & Responsibilities

1. Maintains computer server, network, operating system, etc. to work efficiently by proving managerial and technical.
2. Troubleshoots and solves any software-related problems related to the e-mail server and the internet connection.
3. Provides computer technical assistance, support, and orientation to end users.
4. Provides technical support on the operating system when necessary.
5. Processes and operates required software applications that are needed. This includes installing, configuring, and optimizing applications in order to access and facilitate work implementation.
6. Updates and keeps track of any software upgrades.
7. Develops and applies policies for deploying end-user operating system and applications.
8. Provides managerial and technical input and works closely with the office management for services related to computer equipment, internet services, and LAN management, etc.
9. Tracks all computer and network equipment and supplies including desktops, laptops, data show projectors, and digital cameras and maintains inventory records for both hardware and software.
10. Arranges for the maintenance and repairs of IT resources.
11. Assists in the procurement process for computer-related purchases (software/hardware purchases) and provides technical

recommendations as required.

Qualifications

- University Degree in Engineering or Computer Science.
- 5 years experience in the field of network administration and software/hardware support.
- Familiar with network, hardware, and software policies.
- Previous contact and communication with end-users requirements and orientation.

Skills

- Good communication and interpersonal skills.
- Very good analytical skills.
- Experience with Microsoft Office applications (English & Arabic).
- Good command of English.

2. Human Resources Manager

Duties & Responsibilities

1. Prepares the overall plan and budget for the human resources function.
2. Formulates and periodically reviews and updates HR policies and procedures covering recruitment, salary scales, compensation and benefits, promotions, disciplining, counseling, coaching, government regulations and labor legislation.
3. Monitor the proper communication and implementation of the developed HR policies and procedures, and takes the necessary corrective actions.
4. Maintains personnel records, including incentives, penalties, health insurance, social insurance.
5. Maintains records for annual leave balances.
6. Prepares career development plans for employees, with input from the functional managers.

7. Ensures the undertaking of performance evaluation session for all employees by their relevant managers in their due time and compiles and analyses records for staff performance for the purpose of recommending salary increases, promotions and training needs.
8. Conducts training needs assessment and prepares the yearly training plan for various positions.
9. Revises the job descriptions on a yearly basis, ensuring that the roles and responsibilities for each position, still reflect the business requirements.
10. Supervises the recruitment and interviewing process of candidates and participates in the final selection decision.

Qualifications

- Advance human recesses.
- At least 7 years experience, with 3 years of experience in a human resources management position.

Skills

- Strong organizational and planning skills.
- Strong communication and interpersonal skills.
- Strong people management skills.
- Good command of the English language.
- Good computer skills.

3. Finance Manager

Duties & Responsibilities

1. Manages the accounts receivables (A/R) and accounts payables (A/P) transactions, and supervises entries to the financial system.
2. Develops detailed annual budgets for the program in coordination with the Deputy Program Manager and sets specific time frames for the achievement of the budget.
3. Prepares monthly and quarterly financial statements.

4. Supervises the preparation of quarterly financial reports stating the financial balances and expense details of the donor funds.
5. Monitors the bank donor balances, ensuring that all disbursements are as planned.
6. Responds to Central Organization for Control and Auditing (COCA) reports in coordination with the Accounting Manager on the project.
7. Liaises with the representative of the Ministry of Finance.
8. Oversees the cash affairs, ensuring the accuracy of transactions and recording.
9. Conducts monthly bank reconciliation.
10. Prepares the payroll calculations on monthly basis in coordination with the HR Manager.
11. Performs detailed analysis on individual budget components to identify deviation from plan and report for G.F.
12. Liaises with external auditors.
13. Maintains the legal statutory reports.
14. Prepares the procurement plan and costing for program activities.
15. Suggests means to optimize the maximum use of the grant properly.
16. Maintains the records keeping.
17. Prepares and comprises the procurement plan of the program.

Qualifications

- Preferably an advanced finance degree.
- 5-7 years of professional experience in the finance field.
- Experience with international donors is preferred and knowledge of donor compliance requirements and standards.

Skills

- Strong organizational and planning skills.
- Strong supervisory skills.
- Strong analytical skills.
- Good command of the English language.
- Good computer skills.

Applicants are required to send their applications and detailed Curriculum Vitae in sealed envelopes by 10 September 2003.

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Local Press

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Al-Mihaq weekly, organ of the GPC 25 August 2003.

Main headlines:

- Nationalization committee at the land transportation establishment evaluates its possessions
- Shuja'auldin: Development of electoral system does not include constituencies closed for women
- Shunaif: Importers monopolized the cement and raised prices
- Academic year begins 6 September

Columnist Iskandar al-Asbahi says in an article that some Arab circles think that the United States proceeds in its dealing with the Arab-Zionist conflict from a bad idea about the Arabs indicating their being able to accept deceit and maneuvers and that urges it to repeat its political offers more than once. The road map is merely a recall of this bad idea. The road map which is the American vision of the final settlement of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, has linked it to three stages. The first stage dictates the stoppage of the Palestinian operations, implementation of internal reforms and withdrawal of the Israeli army from the region "A" that is under the Palestinian authority and freezing settlements operations. Those who have seen the road map as just traps and deceit are quite right and the moment it is being implemented the conflict as a whole would be back to the point zero. All the Arabs have to rectify the American mistaken idea about them and have to be serious to follow a new Arab road preserving their stature and their threatened existence.

Al-Shoura weekly, organ of the Yemeni Union of People's Forces, 24 August 2003.

Main headlines:

- Politicians: Inability to reform the internal situations behind the several Yemeni initiatives to reform the Arab League
- Fadhlallah: Bush has given the green light to exterminate the Palestinian mujahideen
- Constitutional amendment accom-

panies amendment of elections law

- Yemen takes part in meetings of the first American-Arab forum
- Agreement on dividing Iraq into four provinces

Columnist Ali Mohammed al-Surari says in his article that the ways of struggle for liberation and independence are many and varied. None of the could be sacred and obligatory so as without it the liberationist struggle would not be so without it. Glorifying and praising the spirit of martyrdom should not make us forget that the liberationist struggle goes according to certain strategies and designed targets and results studied beforehand.

What is fit and suitable at certain time may not be so at another. Thus the Palestinian factions should behave on a basis of the criteria of benefit and loss. The important thing is that the struggle should lead to two results: the first is preventing the Palestinian-Palestinian confrontation and the second is to expose the enemy and isolate it internationally.

Al-Isbou weekly, 21 August 2003.

Main headlines:

- Committee for evaluation of ports ends assignment in Aden
- Head of expatriates community in Russia: Expatriates ministry should take more care for the expatriates

Columnist Jalal al-Sharabi in an article on committees of inspection and auditing comments that visiting of the committees to the institutions and ministries with the aim of sending corrupts to the court of public property has become as if a propaganda for hiding the face of corruption. Perhaps there are many indications. There are many issues of officials corruption sent to the property prosecution, especially after they had instigated attention of the public opinion and made it feel enmity against them and believes that the season of accountability against the corrupt had come. Soon those change into a political tempest and the accused are immune against punishment. The

Main headlines

- **Armed robbery gang commits its crimes at night in the capital**
- **Oil trade union calls for strike beginning of next month**
- **Mosques madmen, most dangerous killers**
- **Presidential committees to investigate into ministers and officials excesses**
- **Al-l'esaie: Local investors hinder investments coming from abroad**
- **Evidence, confessions in Cole, Limburg explosions**
- **Iraqi Governing council delegation to visit Yemen**
- **Intelligence warnings, arrests of extremist Islamists**
- **American refusal to allow Yemeni airways trips to Iraq**
- **125 YEMENI detainees in Guantanamo, Washington: al-Qaeda seeks to organize its ranks in Yemen**
- **PM Bajammal: Dealing with the situation in Iraq should be according to what serves its people**
- **Agriculture ministry denies any pollution in Yemeni agricultural products**
- **President Saleh: We welcome any party cooperating with the GPC, no political dispute with any political forces**

result would be a decision of appointing him in a new position.

The columnist adds that the fighting of the corrupt is no longer in need of evidence. The decision-makers possess in their hands all information and scandals. Even the ordinary citizen has become capable of proving the corruption of this official or that in a simple way. It is not difficult to turn over the pages of the corrupt files but the tragedy is that corruption could be liable for political investment when it

is needed.

Al-Tagamou weekly, organ of the Yemeni Assemblage Unionist Party, 25 August 2003.

Main headlines:

- Because of corruption lords, Oil trade union to stage strike on September 6
- Trial of Amran killer begin next week
- Gpc decides elections of Aden

Women Union

The political editor writes that the society has not yet digested and awaked from the incident of Lahj mosque in which eight students were killed, when the incident was repeated at Amran mosque and the victims had been three persons killed and 50 others injured. The two incidents represent a new form of incidents in Yemen that exceeded all social norms and traditions let alone the laws. The eye-catching thing is that both perpetrators are mentally ill, according to security statements that usually come ahead of investigations, forming an early judgment contravening the simplest rules of logic and reason and the law.

In one month two incidents took place at mosques nevertheless the official, partisan and popular dealing did not shake up and did not join forces to stand against this phenomenon and to understand its causes. Until the mosques change into areas for settling accounts and losses increase then all would be attentive and begin to discuss the issue but then it would be too late.

To cover up means helping in the wrongdoing. The question is bigger than mental disorder that the security apparatus seeks to make as a curtain hiding the facts behind. All of us as parties and society have to bear the responsibility for disclosing the facts and facing them.

26 September weekly, organ of the Yemen Armed Forces, 21 August 2003.

Main headlines:

- The president: No one accepts dividing Iraq, we are with the Iraqis choice and will
- FM visits Cairo in September
- \$ 29 million for combating malaria

The newspaper's editorial says that by its initiative for overcoming the situation the Arab joint action has reached proceeds from a national vision, realizing the necessities of moving the Arab solidarity and unity of the ranks to possessing the ability for action embodying its power and affect. What should be understood that Yemen does not aim at realizing a cer-

tain presence and to acquit itself of what would happen to the Arabs. The Yemeni initiative came to express the responsible awareness that is keen to do what its national conscience dictates on it to do to take the Arab order from its crisis This could not be accomplished but by upgrading the Arab collective comprehension and the high sense of responsibility towards what is going on.

Hence come the various Arab initiatives and variety of opinions aimed at rescuing the Arab order from its crisis. They are aimed at inspiring hope to the return of the spirit of solidarity and Arab joint action.

Annas weekly, 25 August 2003.

Main headlines:

- Abdulkareem al-Shaif: What has been published does not express the leadership of the GPC
- American state department warns it nationals in Yemen, Irresponsible political address drawing a terrorist picture on Yemen
- Interior ministry sets up a security plan to fight terror
- Amran inhabitants demand speedy trial to Marsh al-Akhram
- Political crisis impedes holding pharmacists conference

Columnist Shaker al-Shara'abi wrote in a report saying that a number of politicians and researchers have aroused in a seminar last week issues of demanding constitutional amendments preceding amendments on the elections law scheduled to be conducted in the coming period.

they indicated the necessity that the amendment should includes either the adoption of the quota system or the increase of the parliamentary seats to exceed 301. And on the woman participation in elections accusations were exchanged by representatives of the parties but al;most all of them confirmed that the dual policy towards the woman participation as an elector and candidate was the trait dominating the stands of the political parties.

World Press

Major news items in leading international newspapers *Provided by Xinhua*

Egypt

Al Ahram

The US occupation forces in Iraq postponed the handing of the bodies of Nadia Younis and Jame Kanaan, two Egyptian officials working in United Nations and were among the 23 people killed when a truck slammed into the UN headquarters in Baghdad.

The Egyptian Gazette

President Hosni Mubarak and United Arab Emirates Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al-Nahayan exchanged view on latest developments in the region in a telephone conversation on Monday.

The two leaders also discussed

bilateral relations.

Al Gomhuria

Iraq's Interim Governing Council delegation left Cairo for Kuwait on Monday, winding up a three-day visit.

The delegation held talks in Cairo with Prime Minister Atef Ebeid, Foreign Minister Ahmed Maher and Arab League Secretary General Amr Moussa.

Al Akhbar

Italian Foreign Minister Franco Frattini on Monday said that a veritable peace in the Middle East could not be achieved without Egypt's political and diplomatic efforts.

U.S.A

The Washington Post

Saudi Arabia and the United States have for the first time agreed to set up a joint task force that will station US law enforcement officials in the desert kingdom to target individuals suspected of funneling millions of dollars to al Qaida and other terrorist organizations, officials from both countries said Monday.

President George W. Bush's advisers launched a campaign on Monday to build public patience for the administrations' Iraq policies, responding to mounting criticism by arguing that there is no need for more troops to counter swelling violence in the US-occupied country.

The New York Times

President Bush is running for reelection as a "compassionate conservative" who has sought to bring a new Republican approach to poverty and other social ills. But supporters, some administration officials among them,

acknowledged that Mr. Bush's "compassionate conservative" agenda has fallen so far short of its ambitious goals, in a number of cases undercut by pressure from his conservative backers, that they fear he will be politically vulnerable on the issue in 2004.

The nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office is likely to forecast a federal budget deficit for next year that is even larger than the Bush administration has predicted, Congressional officials said Monday. Analysts suggested that next year's shortfall could easily exceed 500 billion dollars.

The Wall Street Journal

Facing a funding crunch for reconstruction in Iraq and uncertain of foreign contributions, the White House is leaning heavily toward asking Congress for as much as 3 billion dollars to tide over civil authorities in Baghdad until a larger budget bill is introduced in November.

France

Le Figaro

Opinion polls found that 60 percent of the French felt "unjustified" to blame the summer heat wave crisis on the government. The 35-hour work week system at hospitals and the isolated life of the elderly are listed as two major factors that caused thousands of victims in three weeks of record-breaking temperatures.

Le Monde

The United States failed in its war against terrorism, which brought about negative consequences, according to a report by the United Nations experts.

India

The Hindustan Times

bomb blasts in Mumbai killed over 47 people and injured another 150 on Monday afternoon. The bombs were set off within minutes of each other at the Gateway of India and Zaveri Bazaar. Both were car bombs, left in taxis by terrorists.

The Times of India

Following reports of the Mumbai Blasts, Delhi's police patrol parties were deployed on the roads to conduct surprise checks in moving buses. A wireless message outlining the security measures to be put into force was sent across Delhi within minutes.

The Hindu

Prime Minister A.B. Vajpayee on Monday condemned the blasts in different parts of Mumbai and said they were caused by terrorists. He conveyed his heartfelt condolences to the families of those who lost their loved ones.

Liberation

The elderly, who constituted a majority of the summer heat wave victims, lived so isolated and without assistance.

Prime Minister Jean-Pierre Raffarin is to receive concerned organizations on Tuesday, urging them to better handle the problem.

Le Parisien

Hundreds of corpses of the summer heat wave victims were left unclaimed in morgues. The French forget their old-aged father, mother and grandparents when they enjoy their holidays.

Philippines

Philippine Daily Inquirer

President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo's chances of victory in elections in May 2004, assuming she decides to run for election, have considerably improved in the aftermath of the July 27 failed coup, according to a recent survey by the Pulse Asia poll firm. Arroyo jumped to second place in the survey done nationwide from July 26 to Aug. 6.

Manila Bulletin

President Arroyo on Monday absolved 30 military men who were reportedly misled by the leaders of the July 27 mutiny and directed them to report for duty immediately. She ordered the dropping of charges against 28 members of the Philippine Navy and two from the Philippine Army.

Philippine Star

Strong corporate demand for the dollar coupled with continuing political concerns pushed the peso to a new record closing low of 55.420 to the greenback on Monday.

Germany

Die Welt

German trade unions fear that pensions will be reduced if recommendations by the Ruerup commission are enforced.

Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung

Berlin will decide in the week after

next if German peace keeping mission will be extended to the Afghan city of Kundus.

Handelsblatt

A compromise is in sight to solve the dispute between Berlin and Brussels over Germany's planned toll on heavy trucks.

Japan

Nihon Keizai

Japan's farm ministry will post product data on Website by 2006.

Mainichi

Prime Minister Junichiro Koizumi is likely to be reelected as LDP pres-

ident.

Asahi, Mainichi, Yomiuri, Nihon Keizai

Japan's ruling Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) is to formulate Constitution revision draft by 2005.

Kenya

East African Standard

The Kenyan Shoe and Leather Workers Union on Monday appealed to the government to ban the export of hides and skins from the country to help revive collapsed tanneries and create jobs.

Kenya Times

Sexual abuse and rape by teachers are the most serious factors affecting girls' education in Kenya, a teachers' workshop was told on Monday.

Daily Nation

Sweden is seeking to promote trade with Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania and other east African countries, a representative of the Council of Swedish Industry said here on Monday.

Pakistan

Dawn

Pakistani Foreign Office spokesman on Monday condemned the bomb blasts in Mumbai that reportedly left at least 46 people dead and scores of others wounded, saying "we condemn all acts of terrorism."

The News

Pakistan and Saudi Arabia have contemplated to undertake a joint strategy to combat the menace of terrorism, Prime Minister Zafarullah Jamali told reporters in Karachi Monday.

The Nation

President Pervez Musharraf on Monday approved the formation of two committees to resolve the water issues and construction of water reservoirs in the country.

An introduction to the Internet

Advanced HTML (2)



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Referring to last week's lesson, the "method" attribute in the HTML form tag is used to determine the method through which the form's data is sent. The two methods available are "POST" and "GET".

POST sends the data to the application program using standard input. This is the standard way in which a stream of data (a file) can be sent to a program as input. Since the stream of data is treated as a file, there is no practical limit to the amount of form data which is sent.

GET sends data to the application program through environment variables. In this method the browser sends the data to the web server as a simple string appended to the URL. The web server then sets up the variables to be ready for the application program. This method is easy to use for beginner programmers, but it does limit the amount of data that can be handled.

ENCTYPE Attribute

The last important attribute of the form tag is ENCTYPE (encoding type). This further defines how the data is returned when the POST method is used. There are two basic types of encoding:

- application/x-www-form-urlencoded
- multipart/form-data

The default is application/x-www-form-urlencoded

INPUT Tag

Every input text field is defined by an INPUT tag

<INPUT TYPE="type"
NAME="name" SIZE=size>

There are many different types of input tags, all specified by the TYPE attribute.

Every INPUT should have a NAME. This is critically important because the browser returns the form data as a series of field names and values. Every NAME should be different. If not, there will be ambiguity in the decoding of the form data.

SIZE can be specified; it defines the size of the field as displayed on the form. If more data is entered than the width of the field, the field will scroll. It is useful to specify the size as part of the form design.

INPUT Attributes

- VALUE="value"

A field can be given a default value. This will be displayed by the browser and if no other entry is made will be returned to the web server.

- MAXLENGTH=length

This defines the maximum length of input that the user can provide. The

default is no limit.

- CHECKED

This attribute is used with radio buttons or checkboxes. It specifies that the button or checkbox should be selected or checked as default. This means that if the user makes no other selection, the checked state will be returned for that field.

- SRC=URL

It is possible to associate a graphical image with the button. In this way, the web site designer can use an icon instead of button text. The graphical image does not have to be on the same server.

Input types

The type attribute is used to define the style and behavior of the field. The TYPE is defined by the following keywords.

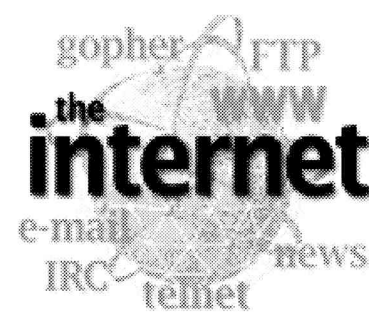
- TYPE="text": defines a single line, plain text field.

- TYPE="password": defines a password data entry field. The choice of the character is made by the browser. This type of protection provides very little security, since the data entered by the user is transmitted in a plain text form.

- TYPE="hidden": this type of field will not display on the user's screen. It is however very useful. The web server can give a VALUE to a hidden field. This field will not display, but the NAME and VALUE will be returned when the form data is sent back to the web server.

- TYPE="submit" VALUE="submit the form":

There are a number of buttons that have predetermined functions and will be included in almost all HTML forms. The submit button type is recognized by the browser as the signal to put together



all the data from the form, and reset any fields with default VALUES to their default values. Most forms should also provide this button since it provides an easy way for users to start again after making a major error in data entry. No data is sent to the web server when this button is clicked.

- TYPE="checkbox":

Checkboxes are represented by the browser as a small rectangular area which the user can click on to select a choice. Checkboxes normally have an associated textual label. If a VALUE is supplied for the checkbox, this will be returned if the checkbox is selected. If the checkbox is not selected, the checkbox will return the value "off". If no VALUE is specified and the checkbox is selected, it will return "on".

- TYPE="radio"

NAME="name_of_group"
VALUE="value_of_button":

Radio buttons are always grouped together. When one button is selected, any other previously selected button in the group is de-selected. The group behavior must be managed by the form designer. All the buttons in the group must have the same NAME and different VALUE. If a common NAME is not used, the browser will not select buttons correctly. We should also group the controls physically so that the meaning

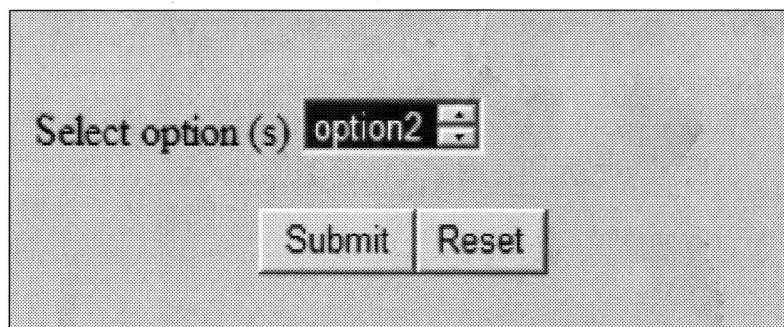


Fig. 1

er the field data in the correct format as defined by the METHOD and ENCTYPE attributes and send it back to the web server and the program defined by ACTION using HTTP. All forms must have this button in order to return data. The submit button can be given a VALUE which will appear as text labeling the button. If no VALUE is given, a default label of "Submit" will be used. There can be several different submit buttons in an HTML form. All will return the form data.

- TYPE="reset" VALUE="clear data":

When clicked, this button will clear

is clear to the user.

Menus and Scrolling Lists

Menus are single line fields within which a series of different options can be displayed allowing the user to make a selection. They are similar to a drop-down list in Windows. The scrolling list displays more than one item at a time. It is possible for the user to select multiple choices from the scrolling list. The tags to create a scrolling list are as follow:

<SELECT NAME =
"Menu_name" SIZE=size MULTIPLE> <SELECT>

This scrolling list is empty. We have to add the items by adding the following tags in between of the SELECT tags:

<option> option 1 </option>
<option selected> option 2
</option>

Our scrolling list now has only two options where option 2 is the default as we can see in Fig1

Notice that MULTIPLE attribute was used to make the selection of multiple options possible.

If you have any questions about the lessons please send me an e-mail to ayatharazi@hotmail.com.

Next week: More in **Advanced HTML**

Omission of information

A study of Ellipsis in English



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This paper attempts to shed light on omission of redundant information in English through an ever-dominating process known as ellipsis. It pinpoints the reasons behind this process and the effect it has on conveying a message from an addresser to an addressee.

Ellipsis is a linguistic phenomenon that, to the best of my knowledge, exists in all languages. In ellipting some linguistic item(s) from a sentence, a speaker leaves out a part of an utterance for the listener to retrieve from the linguistic context, i.e., the elements surrounding the ellipted part. This can be illustrated by the following examples from English, the language under study in this paper.

People who find such repetitions unnecessary or boring apply ellipsis where possible to achieve a more appropriate economy of statement. Besides reducing length and complexity, ellipsis helps to connect one part of a sentence or text to another. Accordingly, this sort of reduction helps us to save energy and be economical. The maxim concerning ellipsis, is that 'reduce as much as possible' without loss of identity from the context. To put it differently, all other things, being equal, better make use of ellipsis.

It is part of the tendency of ellipsis that it should be absolutely noticeable what the deleted words are. If it is not crystal clear what has been omitted, we can not call a sentence elliptical. Taking a rapid look at

A: Have another biscuit.

B: Thanks.

We can notice the latter can not be called an elliptical sentence simply because it is not 'short' for a longer sentence for the simple reason that there are many potentials, and it is not possible to choose between them: For example, 'I give you thanks', 'my thanks are due to you', 'I owe you thanks for this biscuit', 'this person thanks you for the biscuit', and so on. We only omit elements reasonably interpretable from the preceding context. The following statement along with six possible responses pinpoint the idea:

This country must economize if it is going to increase its prosperity.

- a) I agree
- b) Absolutely
- c) Certainly not
- d) Nonsense
- e) True enough, but the problem is how to economize
- f) And the only way to do it is by greater taxation

All these responses in some way are incomplete sentences but are quite usual in communication.

In addition, not only words or phrases but also whole clauses are subject to deletion. Elliptical sentences are as answers to WH-questions beginning with wh-words such as 'who', 'when' in addition to yes/no questions. In answers to such questions, often a whole part of the question sentence (which would otherwise be repeated) is cleared up.

Q: When did the coach arrive?
A: Late last night.
(Ellipsis of the coach arrived)

Q: Where is my agenda?
A: On the shelf
(Ellipsis of your agenda is)

Q: What is happening?
A: Nothing/not much
(Ellipsis of 'is happening')

Q: What would like for breakfast?
A: A kipper
(Ellipsis of I would like for breakfast)

Q: Have you finished your work?
A: Not entirely

Q: Are there any scholarship for oversea students?
A: Not many

Despite this, not just any part of a sentence can be removed. Ellipsis affects specific kinds of words in quite particular positions. In English, it is the major or lexical word classes, and the

phrases around these, that are essentially prone to this phenomenon, particularly when modified by some more marginal word classes such as a demonstrative, numeral, auxiliary, or an intensifier (a word like 'very' or somewhat).

Let's now look critically at the following imaginary dialogue:

Q: Which peaches do you want? I want those. (Ellipsis of a noun, 'peaches', after a demonstrative)

Q: How many hotels do you want? I want three (Ellipsis of a noun, 'hotel', after a numeral)

Q: will you come and see me at home? Yes I will. (Ellipsis of a verb phrase, 'come and see', after an auxiliary)

Q: Hot, isn't it? Very. (Ellipsis of an adjective, 'hot', after and intensifier)

Ellipsis differs from contraction or shortening as can be seen in function words such as 'can't', 'won't', 'shan't', 'I'm'. Unlike such contraction, ellipsis involves disappearances of whole words or phrases. Linguists differ in their opinion about how to apply the term 'ellipsis', but most would predict elements depending on the context in a specific conversation or text for their 'filling in'. For example, the regularly understood, but absent, 'you' in imperative sentence; like keep calm/go ahead, wouldn't normally be called a case of ellipsis.

Similarly, the omission of articles and some other little words in newspaper headlines, faxes or e-mails as MOB ATTACKS POLICE AT STADIUM. Will not be strictly counted as cases of ellipsis, because it is the reader's knowledge of English grammar, rather than the specific context of the headline or e-mail that allows him or her to reconstruct what was intended.

Ellipsis is not the same as 'pro-forms' replacement of elements which would otherwise be repeated as in 'I sold my old car and brought a new one', where one is a pronoun substituted for car. With pro-forms, substitution, not omission, is involved.

There are basically two types of ellipsis, textual and situational. For the former, looking at the rest of the text, the full form of sentences can be pointed out.

Look at the following:

1) In short tag answers beginning with so, neither, nor.

-He didn't see Ann, and neither did I.
-I've visited Rome, and so has she.
-He wouldn't like to go to the meeting, and nor would I.

2) After an auxiliary or a modal, you can leave out the verb phrase. If there is no aux, use do/does/did.

- All my colleagues had chances, but I hadn't.
- He can't swim, but I can.

3) In short answers.

-How old are you? 25
-Have you seen the film? Already.
OR not yet.

4) With the genitive.
- My car is faster than Ali's

5) In sentences where the verb should be repeated in the infinitive form.
- I never play tennis now, but I used to.

6) With parallel comparatives.
-The deeper the water, the greater the pressure.

For the latter, the choice of the missing elements would be evident from the people present.

-Beg your pardon. (I.....)
-Serves you right. (It.....)
-See you later. (I will)

-Want a drink? (Do you.....)
-Pleased to meet you. (I am.....)
-Any thing special? (Is there.....)
-Hungry? (Are you.....)
-Hope so. (I.....)

-Want to sell your mobile? (Do you.....)
-Doing anything tonight? (Are you.....)

Likewise, notice that words are omitted in public notices, headings, etc, and a noun phrase, a nominal clause or an adjective phrase stands on its own. Look at the following examples:

-EXIT
-ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

Poetry Corner

Lia, My Friend



BY DR. N.
RAMACHANDRAN NAIR

Ah! The invisible bond of love's grip
That implants one in the bower of
friendship!

A shakehand, a not, or a smile
transforms
Casual contacts to inviolable ties.

Friendship knows no language.
All barriers break when friends
engage

In a tete-a-tete or give and take
To make an everlasting bridge.

Sheathed in love, steeped in
selflessness,

My lanky friend, Lia, grows in
stature

Through his acts of service, selfless
Brimming with 'gives' and no
'takes'.

Lia, the besmiling tireless worker
Strives to learn and earn without a
murmur

He tries to keep time

He caresses his 'Cressida' to ride.

His snow-white seven angels, active,
Coupled with his besmiling wife
Make him a blessed empor
In the 'Moghul' corridors of power.

Lia's philosophy of life,
Rest on 'connecting people' all
around.

In him the concept of 'one world'
Through Yemen and India becomes
'live'.

Lia, with a difference, in 'a worker',
His avowed mission is to foster
Fraternal bonds for living
Through meetings and sharing ever
abiding.

Ah! The future of this brave new
World

Honestly, if one thinks, is bound
To such 'rare specimens' turned
To precious human gems like, Lia,
my friend.

-WHERE TO EAT IN LONDON
-FRESH TODAY

Public notice, prohibitions are often put in the form of a nominal phrase:
NO SMOKING,
NO ENTRY, NO PARKING, etc.

In some broadcasting situations, such as sports commentaries, a great deal of grammatical structure is omitted. This extract could be from a televisi on football commentary:

Cruyff to Neskens; a brilliant Pass, that. And the score still: Holland 1, West Germany 0.

In other circumstances, it is the situation outside language, which makes certain information negligible. Examples are the brief 'incomplete' or formulaic utterances one may hear in various situations:

Commands: Off with the lid! Out with it! Faster! Not so fast!

Questions: More coffee? How about joining us?

Slogans: Republicans out; Republicans for ever.

Exclamations: Marvellous! Superb! Goal! Good! Shame! (What a) pity! You lucky boy! Poor Muna! Alarm Calls: Help! Fire!

To conclude, ellipsis is a fundamental feature which helps the speaker dispense with redundant linguistic items, thus avoiding being boring or over explicit. The more ellipsis one uses, the less energy and time one wastes and the more concise the message becomes.

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Sampras bids final farewell

BY OSSIAN SHINE

NEW YORK (Reuters) - For one final time Pete Sampras held a Centre Court crowd spellbound as he finally walked away from the sport which turned him into one of America's all-time greats.

Blinding banks of camera flashes bathed the Flushing Meadows centre court in a suitably surreal light as more than 20,000 fans bade an emotional farewell on Monday to the man who won more grand slams than anyone else in history.

That same centre court had been the scene of his first grand slam triumph 13 years ago and it was also the stage for his 14th and final one last year.

Perhaps only Wimbledon's magical turf which Sampras ruled for the best part of a decade would have provided a more fitting backdrop for his departure from tennis.

But Sampras saved his farewell for his own people on his home arena.

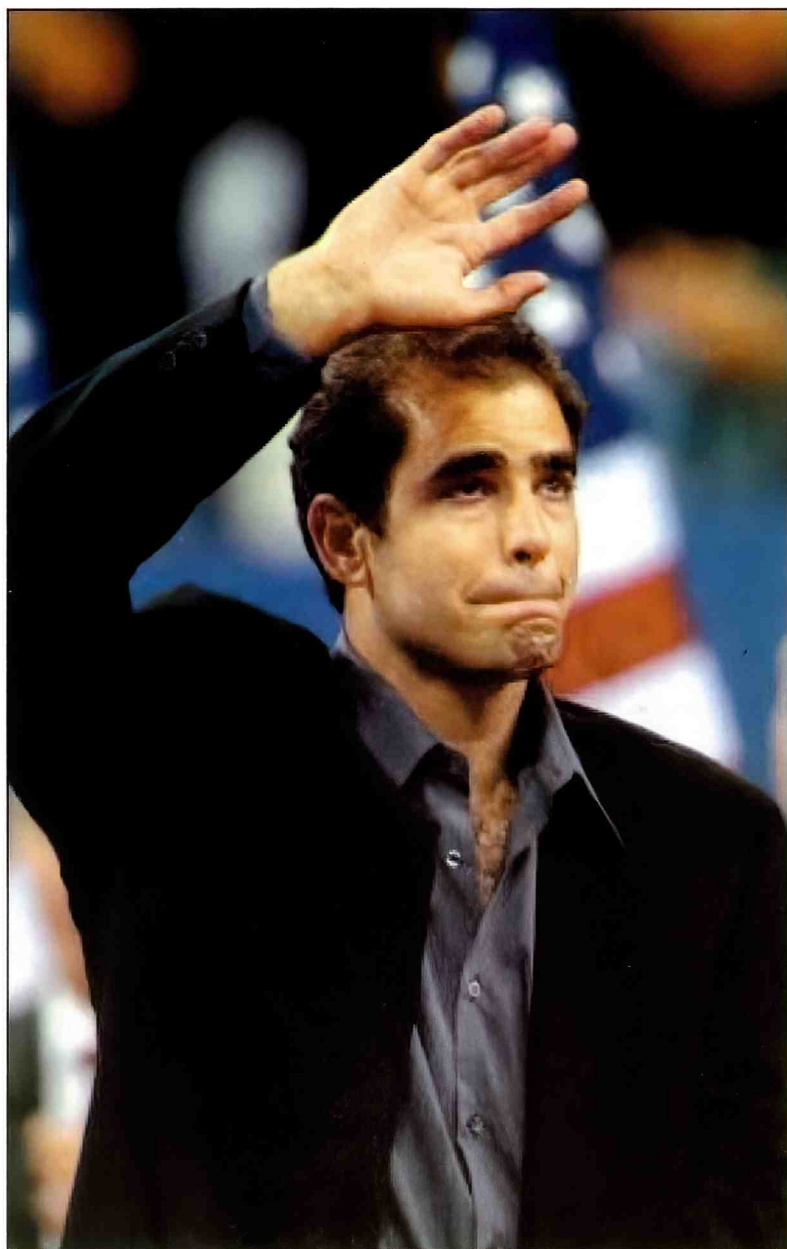
"Wow, this is the last time I'm going to be here. It is hard to say goodbye but I know it is time," he told the centre court crowd, tears glistening in his eyes.

"I am going to miss playing here. I love playing in New York, in front of you guys but I know in my heart it is time to say goodbye," he added as calls of 'we love you Pete' rang out around the arena.

No surprise

Twelve months ago Sampras took apart his great rival Andre Agassi for a final time in a championship match which encapsulated Sampras's style and his mastery of the serve-and-volley game.

He had not played competitively since that landmark match and the



Pete Sampras of the United States fights back tears at a ceremony commemorating his tennis career at the 2003 U.S. Open in Flushing on Monday. Blinding banks of camera flashes bathed the Flushing Meadows centre court in a suitably surreal light as more than 20,000 fans bade an emotional farewell on Monday to the man who won more grand slams than anyone else in history. REUTERS/Carlos Barria

32-year-old's decision to turn his back on professional tennis came as no surprise.

Still, though, the formal stamp on his decision to retire marked an emotional and poignant end of an era.

Since winning his first major title here in 1990, Sampras has ruled the world of tennis with a style and modesty seldom seen on the sporting stage.

His collection of grand slam crowns tell only part of the Sampras story and his career of records and milestones which make the \$43 million (27.4 million pounds) of prize money amassed seem a mere footnote to his success.

Much more than the seven Wimbledon crowns, five U.S. Opens and two Australian Open titles he won, the manner of his victories and the memories and legacy he leaves behind will last in the memory.

Never one for histrionics or on-court emotion, Sampras's mask slipped only briefly during his career.

But on those few occasions it did, the world was treated to a fascinating insight into the mind of one of the most dominant sportsmen of all time.

Behind the laid back and gentlemanly demeanour, Sampras was tigerishly competitive and ravenous for success.

The evening he clinched his seventh Wimbledon crown in 2000 brought rare tears to his eyes as he held the trophy aloft in the dank London dusk on a Centre Court sparkling with flashlights.

It was the evening he etched his name into the record books, matching a 19th century record for Wimbledon men's singles titles and clinching a record 13th grand slam crown.

"This is one of my best moments," he said after beating Pat Rafter in a match which lasted almost six hours due to rain delays. "I'm still spinning, it's amazing."

"I love Wimbledon and I love the people here...this court is the best in the world."

Two barren years later, without a title of any description in between, Sampras was given cause to re-evaluate his choice of favourite stage.

He defied his growing band of critics during a magical New York fortnight which culminated in that memorable final against Agassi.

When giants of the stature of Sampras and Agassi collide, the court-side glow is dazzling. That final one year ago did not disappoint.

"This might take the cake ... this might be my biggest achievement of all," Sampras said after his near-perfect triumph, instantly sparking rumours of an imminent retirement.

He refused to speculate, but as time wore on and his wife Brigitte gave birth to the pair's first child, a son named Christian, the road back looked ever longer.

After winning more grand slams than anyone else, finishing a record six years as world number one and holding top spot in the rankings for a record 286 weeks, Sampras finally found he had nothing left to prove.

After more than a decade of thrilling tennis fans the world over, the fans on Monday gave something back with rapturous applause for a master of his trade.

It was a heartwarming show of emotion and one which caused another rare tear to well up in the Sampras eye.

Injured Contra to miss Romania's Euro qualifiers

BUCHAREST, Aug 26 (Reuters) - Romania defender Cosmin Contra will miss both of his side's Euro 2004 qualifiers against Luxembourg and Denmark next month because he needs to undergo ankle surgery, a national team official said on Tuesday.

Athletico Madrid's Contra injured his ankle during a friendly match against AS Roma in Mexico earlier this month with doctors saying he would need at least three weeks to recover.

"Contra's injury is more serious than initially believed," team doctor Pompiliu Popescu told Reuters. "Now he needs to undergo a surgery, which will keep him on the sidelines for more than two months."

Romania named Contra in their 16-man foreign-based squad, which will be supplemented by players from the domestic league after this weekend's matches, three days ago. Romania, third in Group Two with 10 points, hosts Luxembourg on September 6, before travelling to face group leaders Denmark, who have 13 points, four days later. Norway is second with 11 points.

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NONE WERE SPARED FROM THE COURT, NO CONNECTION TOO SMALL, THE WHOLE TOWN SHARING THE BLAME FOR THE IRRESPONSIBLE FALL.

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THE LAST WORD IN ASTROLOGY BY Eugenia

Aries (Mar 21 - Apr 19)
Concerns about health should lead to lifestyle changes. A better diet and exercise should be incorporated. The stronger you become, the better you will do both at work and at play.

Taurus (Apr 20 - May 20)
You will learn so much today if you get out and travel. The information you pick up will contribute to your future goals. Inspiration will help to mold your ideas.

Gemini (May 21 - Jun 20)
This is not the day to start an argument with loved ones. Home-improvement projects will go well if you delegate work. Organization will be the key. Use your ingenuity.

Cancer (Jun 21 - Jul 22)
Spend time with someone who sparks your curiosity and find out all you can about this person. Your outgoing nature will take this person by surprise and result in a better connection.

Leo (Jul 23 - Aug 22)
Don't jump too quickly if someone tries to make you join in on a crusade, especially if money is involved. Take a second look. Protect yourself and your interests.

Virgo (Aug 23 - Sep 22)
You must not allow your personal opinions to interfere with your decision about a cash venture. You are likely to make a mistake if you don't keep a clear head. Paying for others will make you feel uncomfortable.

Libra (Sept 23 - Oct 22)
Someone may be keeping some important information from you today. Let go of the things that happened in the past. Rethink your motives.

Scorpio (Oct 23 - Nov 21)
People will listen to what you have to say and will grant you favors if you need help fulfilling your goals. Entertain the people most likely to provide you with inspiration.

Sagittarius (Nov 22 - Dec 21)
This is not the time to exaggerate or gossip. Be fair, not colorful. Spare yourself the grief that goes along with making assumptions that aren't valid.

Capricorn (Dec 22 - Jan 19)
Make changes that will heighten your appeal both mentally and physically. Do things because you want to do them. This is a great day to socialize.

Aquarius (Jan 20 - Feb 18)
Your creative talent will prove to be auspicious, so put your ideas into play. This is a perfect day to show others what you have done. Someone will offer help and suggestions.

Pisces (Feb 19-Mar 20)
You may be feeling very romantic today. You will have the opportunity to take your relationship to the next level. If you are single, you can meet someone very special. You will be viewed as a sensitive, compassionate individual.

Shuttle report slams NASA management

WASHINGTON (Reuters) - NASA's self-protective culture and its reluctance to tackle safety problems head-on contributed to the fatal breakup of shuttle Columbia, just as technical factors tore the ship apart, independent investigators have reported.

The Columbia Accident Investigation Board, set up after the February 1 tragedy that killed seven astronauts, said in its final report that NASA needs to set up separate safety agencies that will be able to get the attention of top space officials when things go wrong.

The board found that NASA engineers raised questions soon after Columbia's launch on January 16 about a piece of foam insulation that was seen falling from the ship's massive external tank about 81 seconds after liftoff.

Engineers asked three times during the 16-day mission for satellite images of Columbia in orbit to check on whether the foam struck and damaged the ship, but such images were never obtained.



The space shuttle Atlantis hangs in the Vehicle Assembly Building after under going testing at the Kennedy Space Center in this March 14, 2003 file photo. Reuters

The board's report said NASA officials missed eight opportunities to address concerns about the falling foam, which was ultimately found to be the accident's most probable cause.

"From the beginning, the board witnessed a consistent lack of concern about the debris strike on Columbia," the report said. "NASA managers told the board 'there was no safety-of-flight issue' and 'we couldn't have done anything about it anyway.'"

The report drew parallels between NASA management problems now and at the time of the 1986 Challenger disaster, which also killed seven astronauts.

"By the eve of the Columbia accident, institutional practices that were in effect at the time of the Challenger accident — such as inadequate concern over deviations from expected performance, a silent safety program, and schedule pressure — had returned to NASA."

Board members agreed early on that the foam hit the heat-shielding leading edge of the left wing, causing a breach that allowed superheated gas to invade the ship on re-entry and led to its disintegration over Texas.

NASA'S culture blamed

"NASA's organisational culture and structure had as much to do with this accident as the external tank foam," the board said.

After seven months of work at a cost of about \$20 million, the 248-page report recommended wholesale changes in how the National Aeronautics and Space Administration does business, including the creation of a Technical Engineering Authority funded directly from NASA headquarters to monitor safety outside the constraints of individual program pressures.

The other three shuttles in the U.S. fleet were grounded after Columbia disintegrated, and NASA chief Sean O'Keefe and others at the U.S. space agency have estimated that next March or April is the soonest that the fleet can



File photo shows a 16-inch hole in a carbon-reinforced wing panel removed from shuttle Atlantis after a 1.67-pound piece of fuel-tank foam insulation was shot out of a 35-foot nitrogen-pressurized gun and slammed into it during a test. The final report on the space shuttle Columbia disaster, released on Tuesday, said NASA's self-protective culture and its reluctance to tackle safety problems head-on contributed to the fatal breakup of shuttle Columbia that killed seven astronauts. REUTERS

return to flight.

This would be a much quicker return than occurred after the 1986 shuttle Challenger disaster. No shuttles flew for 32 months after that accident, in which seven astronauts died.

But now, the shuttles are an integral part of the construction of the International Space Station, an orbiting outpost involving 16 nations. The Columbia accident led to reducing the three-person station crews to two, with Russia providing transport aboard Soyuz space taxis while the shuttles remain grounded.

The Columbia board also urged NASA to:

- Take high-resolution pictures of the external fuel tank after it separates from the shuttle and make them available soon after launch.
- Determine the structural integrity of the heat-shielding material known as reinforced carbon-car-

bon, which was damaged by the foam strike, before shuttles fly again.

- Get in-flight images of the shuttles from spy satellites and other sources.

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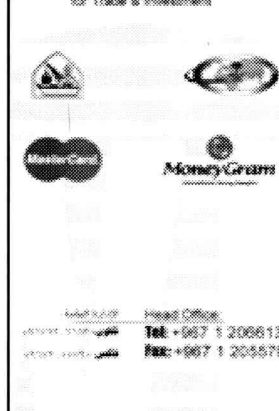
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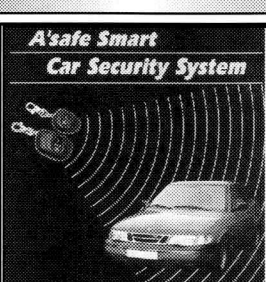
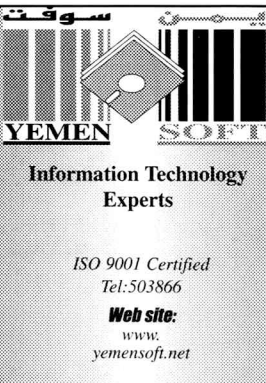
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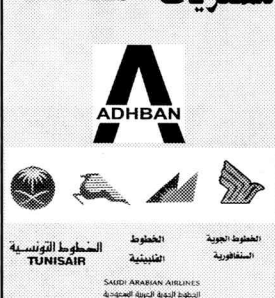
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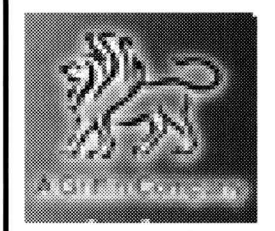
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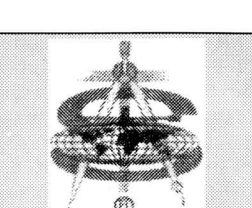
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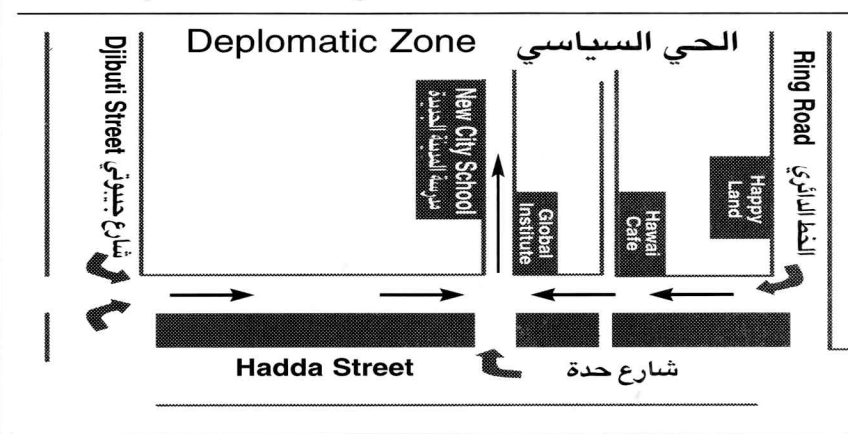
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Its economic structure largely depended on the commodity of frankincense. In addition, there were other commercial activities via land and sea roads.

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Then came the time of its weakness following the recession of incense trade. The incense was prohibited in Christian churches. The other reason was the transformation of trade road from the desert to the main plateau which was starting from Aden via Dhafar and Sana'a to Mecca.

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Mukalla

It is at the coast of Arabian Sea about 777 km from the capital Sana'a. It is the capital of the Governorate of Hadhamout and one of the Yemeni seaports on the Arabian Sea. It was known as "Khaisa" or "Bandar Jacob".

The name of Mukalla came late. The city was firstly settled by the fishers who came from the neighboring regions.

There the emirate of Al-Kassad was established, in the year 1115 A.H (18th century A.D.). It was a capital of Quaiti Sultanate. The old city of Mukalla is characterized by a unique architectural

design which was prevailing in the cities overlooking the coast of Arabian Sea and the ports of Red Sea like Aqaba, Jeddah, Hudaiba, Mukha and Aden, during the 18th and 19th centuries. All these cities lost their original architectural fabric and nothing remains but Mukalla type which combines the elements of Yemeni architecture and the design of south East Asia. Husn Al-Ghuwayzi: Is one of the most important sights of Mukalla at the entrance of the city, built in (1884 A.D) Ma'in palace: which was built by Sultan Omar bin Awadh Al-Quaiti Mukalla museum currently occupies a large part of it. Mukalla is reputed for the production of gypsum. Mukalla is greatly expanding today, thanks to the renovation of its seaport and the extension of its beautiful coasts at the Arabian Sea like Khalf beach.



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