

# limits flights national parks

ights over national parks could be reduced  
proposal Tuesday. Options include higher  
des; daily no-fly hours; and caps on total  
ator could generate. Targeted: the Grand  
ailian volcano parks. Noise "disrupts the  
" Transportation Secretary Federico  
quiet is a ... resource that has to be  
Kathy Westra of the National Parks and  
ssociation. Tour operators said restrictions  
s to elderly and disabled visitors.



**HANLON:** Priest, who has resigned, could get life in prison  
or in November after his first trial in Octo-  
deadlocked jury.

Washington could be the first to have a  
workplace smoking under a rule signed by  
ctor Mark Brown. The rule, to take effect  
industrial worksites and gathering spots  
March 8, Maryland proposed smoking bans  
s — even bars and restaurants. Barring les-  
could take effect in 60 days.

**MARTIAL:** The Marine Corps dropped mur-  
nist Lance Cpl. Rayna Ross, who fatally shot  
who stalked her and broke into her Wood  
tment armed with a bayonet last June, mil-  
ild. Quantico Marine Base commanding  
ele ruled Ross, 22, had "reasonably feared  
reat" when she killed Cpl. Anthony Goree,  
had ruled it justifiable homicide.

## Jackpot at least \$75 million



By J. Kyle Dalpe. The Orange Leasor vs AP  
Vickie Sorrier, right, checks lottery ticket  
Melvin Pennington in Orange, Texas. To-  
with a jackpot of at least \$75 million, has  
rs from Louisiana and Mississippi.

A story Tuesday should have said Glenn  
rganizer of Ross Perot's 1992 presidential  
ine, is seeking a U.S. House seat.  
line Tuesday should have said there are  
outlets at a number of U.S. airports.

## WEDSDAY ...

**AT BIRTH:** Kimberly Mays, 15, who was  
but has moved in with her biological par-  
Regina Twigg, attended her first full day of  
ir home in Sebring, Fla. Last year she said  
y with Robert Mays, who raised her.

**UTAGE:** Los Angeles emergency calls were  
businesses were disrupted when a fire  
city's telephone service at a switching of-  
up to 1 million calls an hour.

**BONDS:** California Gov. Pete Wilson signed a  
proposal to help pay for damage caused by  
thridge quake, and make highways and the  
twide. The bonds, controversial in the leg-  
voter approval on June 7.

**BONDS:** Winds of up to 76 mph caused power  
severed tourist attractions across Hawaii, off-  
injuries were reported. (Full Hawaii, 10A)

**TRIKES:** Indiana Gov. Evan Bayh signed the  
"ou're out" crime bill, allowing prosecutors  
risonment without parole for offenders con-  
or more violent felonies. California and  
ady have such a law.

**ULED LANDING:** America West Flight  
om Las Vegas to Columbus, Ohio, with 148  
ost cabin pressure and landed at Albuquer-  
engers were slightly injured.

## on federal death row

death penalty prosecutions the Justice De-  
authorized during the Clinton administration  
st black defendants, according to a House  
eral death penalty was dormant until a  
pin" law allowed it for certain drug-related  
quarters of Kingpin defendants are white.

Federal prosecutors asked for death  
sentences for 37 of those defendants since 1988; 33 were mi-  
norities, or nearly 90%. All 10 since  
Clinton took office were black.  
"Race continues to infect the applica-  
tion of the death penalty," says a report

By William M. Welch  
USA TODAY

House Ways and Means  
Chairman Dan Rostenkowski's  
primary victory offers a badly  
needed boost for the Clinton  
administration and its hopes  
for health-care reform.

Rostenkowski, 66, overcame  
relentless assault and the taint  
of potential scandal in a gruel-  
ing five-way Democratic pri-  
mary race for renomination  
Tuesday in his Chicago district.  
He has been looked to as Mr.  
Fix-It by a White House in need  
of his skills as a dealmaker and  
legislative craftsman.

His committee is the health-  
care plan's first major battle-  
ground, and the issue has lan-  
guished as its chairman was  
distracted by the difficult pri-  
mary race and an even more  
threatening criminal investiga-  
tion into his financial dealings.

In a victory statement, Ros-  
tenkowski promised to be just  
what President Clinton seeks  
— a chairman determined to  
deliver a health package from

# Comptroller leads in Dems' primary

By Gary Fields  
USA TODAY

Illinois Comptroller Dawn Clark  
Netsch took the early lead in the state's Democratic  
gubernatorial primary to challenge GOP  
Gov. Jim Edgar, who easily won his renomi-  
nation bid.

With 59% of 11,416 precincts in, Netsch,  
who campaigned on a \$2.5 billion income tax  
increase plan, had 45%. She could be the party's  
first female governor nominee. State At-  
torney General Roland Burris, who hoped to  
be the state's first black governor, had 34%.

Other races:  
► House District 8-Incumbent GOP Rep.  
Phil Crane, had 67% with 60% of 402 precincts

In State Sen. Peter Fitzgerald had 37%.

► In the GOP primary for District 18,  
House minority leader Bob Michel's chief of  
staff, Ray LaHood, had 51% with 235 of 665  
precincts showing, Michel's retiring Ex-state  
representative Judy Koehler had 39%.

In Michigan, voters gave solid support to a  
plan to increase the sales tax to 6% from 4%  
to generate \$10.2 billion to run the state's pub-  
lic schools. With 3,683 of 5,946 precincts in,  
yes votes had 71%.

If voters rejected the sales tax increase,  
the state's income tax would have automati-  
cally risen to 6% from 4.8%.

"Certainly for the education community  
it was a win-win proposition," says Demo-  
cratic political consultant Gary Rindinger.

his committee.  
"These voters believe that I  
can make it work, and I'll be  
working overtime to justify  
their confidences," he said.

Rostenkowski's victory fol-  
lowed a strong effort by the  
Clinton administration to aid its  
beleaguered ally ignoring po-

tential political risks, Clinton  
campaigned personally in Chi-  
cago with Rostenkowski — and  
though he avoided a directly  
worded endorsement, the ad-  
ministration helped spread  
federal largesse around the  
city in an attempt to prove the  
congressional veteran makes

things happen.  
Rostenkowski, clearly grate-  
ful, was mindful of the debt.  
"There was a point, a pivotal  
moment in the campaign,  
when a very, very gutsy and  
honorable man named Bill  
Clinton came to town," he said.  
"I'm proud to be a soldier in

## VICTIMS IN CHARLOTTE SLAYINGS



All photos from The Charlotte Observer via AP

# 4 years, 14 victims, but no link

## N.C. outraged serial killer eluded police

By Andrea Stone  
USA TODAY

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Grief  
and curiosity drew Jacqueline  
Brewer and her two sisters to  
Tuesday's court appearance of  
Henry Wallace, the man police  
say strangled 14 young black  
women over four years.

"I'm curious to see what a  
person looks like who could kill  
so many girls for literally nothing,"  
said Brewer, whose sister,  
Caroline Love, disappeared in  
June 1992 and whose body was  
found Sunday.

Wallace, described as a  
crack addict who drifted be-  
tween apartments and fast-  
food restaurants jobs, is charged  
in the murders of Love and  
nine other women here. He  
also is a suspect in four other  
murders dating back to 1980,  
including one in his hometown  
of Barrow, S.C.

And as this city comes to  
grapple with the initial shock of  
those deaths, angry questions  
are being raised about how the  
murders were investigated and  
why the public wasn't made  
aware that a serial killer was in  
its midst.

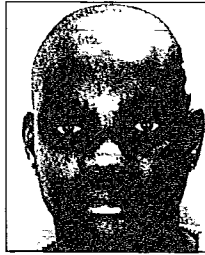
"The police didn't take it as  
serious. It was just another  
black crime," says community  
activist Eugene Perkins. "If he  
would have killed one white  
woman, they would have found  
him a lot faster."

All 10 victims lived and  
worked within a few blocks of  
Wallace. All but one knew him  
and some had worked with  
him. At least eight were stran-  
gled in their homes.

Yet, despite such common  
threads, it wasn't until three  
women were strangled within  
four days last week that investi-  
gators suspected the murders  
were connected.



By Chuck Burton, AP  
**SISTER WEEPS:** Kathy Love leaves the courtroom with friends and family Tuesday in Charlotte, N.C. Love's sister, Caroline Love, disappeared in June 1992, her body was found Sunday.



**WALLACE:** Murder suspect described as charming, polite

Police apologized Monday  
for not linking the cases sooner.  
"We're looking to see if we  
missed something, if there was  
anything that should have  
made him rise to the level of a  
suspect," said Deputy Police  
Chief Larry Snider.  
But residents in the working-

class neighborhood near  
sprawling Eastland Mall are  
bitter. "I don't feel a thorough  
investigation was done," said  
Brewer. "If it was, a lot of these  
girls would be alive today."

Others outside the neighbor-  
hood agree. "It was too obvi-  
ous. There were too many  
points of reference," said Ste-  
phen Conley, a student at the  
University of North Carolina,  
Charlotte. He suspects local po-  
lice may have been unpre-  
pared to track a serial killer.

Some wonder how Wallace  
was out on the streets at all.

On Feb. 4, he was arrested  
for shoplifting at a mall within  
walking distance of most of the  
murder sites. A computer  
check might have revealed his  
lengthy police record, which  
included sexual assault  
charges and burglary convic-  
tions in two states.

Instead, he was released. A  
few weeks later, four more  
women were dead.

The first victim was strangled  
in May 1992, a month af-  
ter Wallace was supposed to go  
on trial on charges of attempt-  
ed rape in Allendale, S.C., and  
three months after he was ar-  
rested in the rape of a 17-year-  
old girl in Rock Hill, S.C.

In both cases, he was re-  
leased without having to post  
bond, and court officials lost  
track of him.

"What it comes down to is a  
group of investigators who are  
heavily worked and have to  
make a lot of snap decisions.  
And in those decisions they  
tend to depreciate crime in the  
black community," said Kelly  
Alexander, director of the state  
chapter of the NAACP.

But police Capt. Matt Hunter  
said, "That's bull. This is not a  
black-white issue. Most of the  
homicides we investigate in-  
volve black victims, and we  
have a very good record of  
solving them."  
Some who know Wallace say

the president's march for  
change. I'm forever grateful  
for his kind words."

Even after facing the most  
difficult political challenge of  
his career, Rostenkowski faces  
an uncertain future apart from  
the health-care struggle.

A federal grand jury has  
been scrutinizing his official  
and personal finances in a  
nearly two-year investigation  
that began with the House Post  
Office scandal.

The investigation has  
dragged on far longer than an-  
ticipated, remaining a distrac-  
tion — not just for Rostenkow-  
ski but for his committee and  
the president's agenda.

Should he face indictment,  
Rostenkowski would have to  
step aside as chairman until  
the case is resolved, under  
House Democratic rules. A leg-  
islative dealmaker with few  
equals, his loss remains a polit-  
ical threat for the administra-  
tion, though less now than be-  
fore Tuesday's primary.

► Rostenkowski wins, 1A

## FBI to join probe in Ala.

FBI specialists today will  
join the investigation of a  
suspected serial killer's re-  
mote Estillfork, Ala., home  
where searchers unearthed  
a skeleton and found at least  
10 other possible graves.

Authorities Tuesday said  
the skeleton found at the 40-  
acre tract near Scottsboro  
has not been identified but  
likely is that of a teen-ager.

The land is owned by  
Frank Potts, a Lakeland,  
Fla., migrant farm worker  
who authorities say is a pe-  
dophile suspected of up to  
15 slayings in six states over  
the past 15 years. Victims  
were age 12 to early 20s.

Potts is being held in Bar-  
tow, Fla., on a charge of sexual  
battery on an 11-year-  
old girl. He is not charged in  
any slaying. He was re-  
leased in 1988 after serving  
six years of a 15-year prison  
sentence for sexually as-  
saulting a child under 12.

— Jane Schmuckler

he eluded suspicion because of  
his charm. A former high  
school cheerleader and stu-  
dent council member, Wallace  
is widely described as polite,  
gentlemanly and intelligent —  
even by victims' relatives.

But on occasion he revealed  
another side to those who  
drank beer and played cards  
with him.

Denise Spencer, who lived a  
few doors from Wallace, re-  
members one such incident.

Friday, Spencer stood in her  
kitchen joking with Wallace.  
She playfully pushed him.  
"He grabbed me real hard,"  
said Spencer. "He squeezed me  
so much he left fingerprints on  
my arm. Later, when I found out,  
I thought about all those  
women with fingerprints on  
their necks."

# Farrakhan sues 'Post' over Malcolm X story

By Bruce Frankel  
USA TODAY

NEW YORK — As Louis Farrakhan's lawyers filed  
a \$4.4 billion defamation lawsuit Tuesday against the  
New York Post, Malcolm X's widow called for a new  
investigation into his 1965 assassination.

The events were the latest to focus attention on the  
controversial Nation of Islam leader, who has been  
under fire for an aide's anti-Semitic comments.



Jack Baxter and Jefri Aalmuhammed, has renewed  
questions about the assassination.

The documentary includes footage of Farrakhan  
speaking in 1993 at his temple in Chicago, saying "I  
loved Elijah Muhammad," the founder of the Nation  
of Islam, "enough so I would kill you. Yesterday. To-  
day. And tomorrow. We don't give a damn about no  
white man's law when you attack what we love."  
Some black Muslims had condemned Malcolm X  
for criticizing Muhammad.