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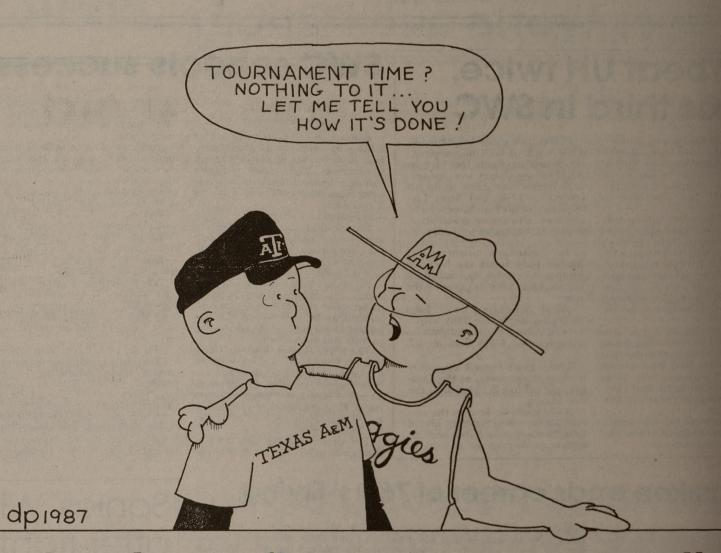
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# Trainer's confidence proves merite

Trainer Jack Van Berg's arrange-ments to take Kentucky Derby win-The track was a fast one, but ments to take Kentucky Derby win-ner Alysheba to the Preakness on as fast for the Derby as it had been May 16 in Baltimore were made even before the Derby was run.
"I think I wasn't cocky," Van Berg

said Sunday.

trainer was in the days leading up to the 113th Derby.

And the son of Alydar, who had won only a maiden race in 10 previous starts, proved worthy of that confidence in Saturday's Derby with a courageous stretch run.

Alysheba's three-quarter length victory over Bet Twice was the smallest winning margin since Pleasant Colony won by the same margin in

The winning time of 2:03 2-5 for

in 1974. The Derby record of 1:59 2-

earlier in the day, said Van Berg, who keeps a string of horses at Churchill Downs.

Confident is what the 50-year-old my hand," he said.

Van Berg said as the 87-degree day wore on, a hot wind began drying out the Churchill Downs track.

"This track gets slower when it gets dry," Van Berg said. So he told jockey Chris McCarron to be patient, that speed would not be as impor-

McCarron moved Alysheba into contention on the final turn, and the colt finally got past a tiring Bet Twice about 70 yards from the fin-

For a fleeting moment it looked as

falter before the finish line. Pat Day had already pulled up favorite Demons Begone, who was bleeding from both nostrils. With three-sixteenths of a mile re-

maining, Alysheba clipped the heels of Bet Twice, who also bothered him twice more during the stretch run.

He came close to going down," McCarron said. "It was amazing that he stayed on his feet. I thought I was

going off for a minute."

Van Berg said Alysheba would leave Friday for the 1 3-16-mile Preakness May 16 at Pimlico racetrack.

Bet Twice also is headed for the Preakness, as well as Templar Hill, who finished fifth in the Derby. The trainers of Avies Copy and fourth-place Cryptoclearance said they would decide later.

Trainer D. Wayne Lukas, who the 1¼ miles also made it the slowest if Alysheba might become the sec-Derby since Cannonade won in 2:04 if Alysheba might become the sec-ond member of the 17-horse field to Derby, said he would be at the Pre-

akness. But it was not known be diatly how many Preakness see Lukas would have or which they would be.

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Lukas did say: "There is a Cont chance Capote will not cont

the Preakness."
The 1986 2-year-old duron now winless in three starts the led after the fist half mile but a property of the control of the c and finished 16th. Lukas' other starters, On The Line and V ished 11th and 13th, respe

The racing status of Demon NEW YO gone was uncertain.

He said the colt bled from the hearing

Alysheba, owned by Contra re Scharbauer and her daughter Reagan ela, paid a winning mutueloft and earned a record \$618,00 sec a record purse of \$793,600 local dance was 130,532.

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iners were unable to determine the cause of death of Texas-El Paso basketball star Hernell "Jeep" Jackson Sunday and will have to wait until tests on blood, urine and tissue sam-

Jackson, 23, an All-Western Ath- cause of death soon. letic Conference player, died Satur-day after playing in a game at Fort Bliss. He was on a Fort Bliss all-star team playing a squad composed of

for the El Paso County medical examiner's office, said he and County Medical Examiner Juan Contincould find "no visible signs of damage to the heart that could be seen with the naked eye" during a three-

Diaz said tissue, blood and urine

EL PASO (AP) — Medical exam- tests could take up to a week to be analyzed.

No specific tests for drugs were performed Sunday, and Diaz said if there are "large quantities" of any substance in the samples, the hospital may be able to determine the

team playing a squad composed of Houston Oilers football players. study, he said, adding that there were no external signs of drug use were no external signs of drug use Manuel Diaz, chief investigator and that Jackson appeared to be in the El Paso County medical ex-superb physical condition.

Jackson, a native of Carson, Calif., had played for about five minutes when he went to the sidelines.

"He seemed to be as animated as he usually is at games," said Lt. Col. Jim Lawson, a Fort Bliss spokesman. samples were taken and will be tested at the hospital beginning Monday. Diaz said results of those "I am told he fell to the floor — I don't know whether he had been standing or sitting — got up and ap-

parently looked dazed. He then fell again, and people realized he wasn't joshing and that something was se-

riously wrong."

Lawson said Jackson had no history of heart trouble and that "he was a jock of the first order. He was in absolutely superb health. I don't know anything about whether drugs ware involved."

Dr. Scot Lewey said that when Jackson was brought to the emergency room at Beaumont Army Medical Center about 3:20 p.m., he had no heartbeat and was not breathing. An emergency room team attempted to revive his heart, but Jackson was pronounced dead at

The gym was cleared immediately and the game ended.
UTEP coach Don Haskins said he

"I find it extremely difficult to be-lieve a young man like Jeep, who ob-

viously was in excellent he ween 185 dead," Haskins said. "Jeep in The the ways ready to play. He was in The Ble beat young man with a sum Next 100 look on life. He was always will discu with an encouraging smile or he was paper word for those around him lustries, at thing that I will remember to pics as a about Jeep was seeing him in expension to the stands and hugging himsion or and day after our first home. and dad after our final homegra arms se

"Jeep had never been sid he battle life," said Jackson's father, hor the Co "He just had some injuries rebust the le sports but he was never sick. Cutting
"It's tough right now, real sargua of the elder Jackson said."

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His son, a 6-foot-l guard America a aged 13.4 points, 2.4 assist, st foreign bounds and two steals per gam World Wa season. The Miners made it Televise NCAA playoffs but were elimilay in Wa

in the second round by lowa, Hale of the sible di ntras. F

## Hill tops LPGA record to take S&H golf title

of the lead when Jan Stephenson withdrew because of injuries suf-fered in an automobile accident, shot a 6-under-par 66 Sunday to win the LPGA's \$225,000 S&H Classic by three strokes over Jane Crafter. Hill finished 72 holes with a 17-

under-par 271 that shattered a tournament record of 272 set by Alice Miller in 1985 and equaled by Pat Bradley last year. Crafter, who shot an 8-under-par

64, tied a course record established by Judy Dickinson in the opening round of the 1985 S&H. She finished with a four-day total of 274, 14 released from a local hospital, suffered lacerations to her scalp, dislocated ribs and a sprained back, offi-

Kathy Postlewait, one of four golfers who started the day one shot behind Hill, shot a 69 to finish at 275, four strokes behind the winner. Lori Garbacz was one shot farther back at 276, followed by five players at 11-

Myra Blackwelder, playing seven round on the 6,013-yard Pasadena months pregnant, shot a 74 and fin-course with six birdies and no boished at eight under par.

Hill, playing for her first tournament in nine weeks, won \$33,750. She said she still doesn't feel 100 percent after checking into a hospi-

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (AP) — tal for what was diagnosed as a pan-Cindy Hill, who took sole possession creas problem, but winning Sunday was a big lift. "I just don't believe it," she said. "I

came here not expecting to play well. I kept saying it couldn't continue,

Stephenson and Hill shared the lead after three rounds. But an automobile accident minutes after Stephenson left the Pasadena Yacht & Country Club Saturday night forced this year's fifth-leading money winner out of the competition.

Stephenson, who was treated and Her withdrawal left Hill in sole

possession of a one-shot lead over Postlewait, Blackwelder, Donna Cusano-Wilkins and M.J. Smith. The 39-year-old Hill birdied five

of the first seven holes to open a comfortable lead and completed the

The victory for Hill was her first since the 1984 Rail Charity Classic and boosted her career earnings to \$340,261.

#### Azinger's 20-foot eagle plands – a gives him win at Las Vega Other s

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Paul Azinger rammed in an eagle putt on the final hole and scored a one-stroke victory Sunday in the richest golf tournament on the PGA Tour, the Las Vegas Invitational.

Azinger's 20-foot putt, over a hump on the 18th hole, finished off an 8-under-par 64 and sent him leaping into the air, both hands raised to the sky.

The victory, added to his first career triumph earlier this season at Phoenix, enabled Azinger to join Corey Pavin as the only twotime winners on the Tour this

This one, secured on a 17-under-par total of 271, was worth \$225,000 from the total purse of \$1.3 million and put Azinger in the money-winning lead for the year with \$442,460.

Just as he did at Phoenix, the guy called "Zinger" by his fellow Sutton, who missed a short putt on the final hole that would

pros won at Hal Sutton's expense. have forced a playoff at Phoenix, played behind Azinger on a warm, sunny day and came to the water-guarded, par-5 18th needing an eagle to tie

the fringe, about 12 feet from The As cup. With Azinger watching the nearby scoring tent, so ower consent the critical putt dead on to the hole.

But inches away, the ducked to the left and miss and a broad grin crossed Zingo

Sutton scored eight birdie his round of 67 at the Las W Country Club, making hima ner-up for the second time season at 272, 16 shots under

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"I hit the putt as good as hit it. It just didn't go in I g it's like playing blackjack—so times you win, sometimes lose," said Sutton, who took so consolation from a \$1350. check for second place.

Curtis Strange, a former ner of this title, also was tied Azinger through 17 holes of final round but failed to bi the 18th and placed third at after a 67

Rookie Ken Perry scored eagle on the 18th and tied Brown of Scotland for fourth 274. Each had a closing 69.