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Wednesday - Jan. 26th - 8:00pm -  
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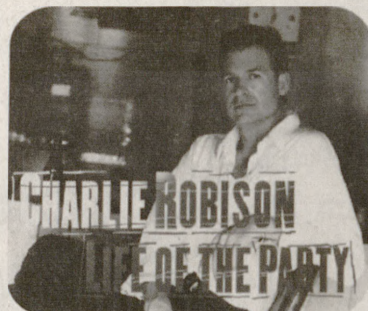
## THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

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**Thursday:** Kevin Smith &  
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**Friday:**  
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# WORLD

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THE BATTALION

Wednesday, Jan. 26, 1999

## News in Brief

### Drifter confesses; killed 10 children

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil (AP) — A drifter charged with sexual abuse and murder in Sao Paulo state has confessed to killing at least 10 children over a 20-year period, police said Tuesday.

Larete Patrocinio Orpinelli, 47, a drifter with a long history of violent behavior, confessed to three murders shortly after he was arrested on Jan. 14 in Rio Claro, police chief Sueli Isler Batelochi said. In subsequent days, he confessed to seven more killings and led police to the bodies.

Police said the victims, both boys and girls, ranged in age from five to 11. It was unclear exactly when each victim was killed.

"He said nightmares he was having made him to confess to the crimes," Batelochi said by telephone from Rio Claro, 250 miles west of Rio de Janeiro.

Orpinelli, who earned a modest living greasing the runners of the steel doors on bars and restaurants, had been committed to psychiatric hospitals five times between 1967 and 1993. He said he was driven to kill the children after he was unable to perform sexually.

### President says he is free from military

QUITO, Ecuador (AP) — Ecuador's new president declared Tuesday that his government is not under the sway of military officers who toppled his predecessor and put him in charge of this troubled Andean nation.

Gustavo Noboa, who was Ecuador's vice president until President Jamil Mahuad was removed last week, said on television Tuesday that he was not beholden to the military generals who put him in power.

"Absolutely not," he said. "I am here because I am fulfilling a duty that I will carry out well."

Noboa took office Saturday after Mahuad was forced out in a step the military said was taken to avoid "a social explosion" after hundreds of Indians and young military officers stormed the Congress building and declared a new government.

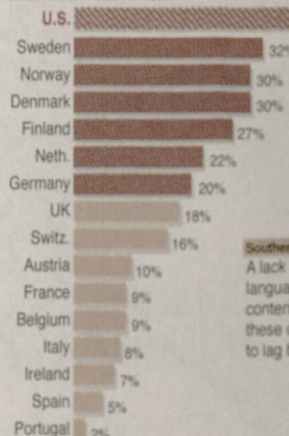
## Europe lags behind U.S. on the Internet

### Europe in the digital age

The recent AOL Time Warner merger confirmed that the Internet has become part of the mainstream. Europe, on the other hand, has been relatively slow to adopt the Internet. A recent European Union that in order to catch up with the United States in the new economy, Europe needs to exploit its

### WHO USES IT

Percentage of households in European countries and the United States with Internet access in 1999.



### THE EUROPEAN DIGITAL DIVIDE

Many of these countries take the lead thanks to governments which join with industry to push technology to users.

A lack of local language content cause these countries to lag behind.

### HOW MUCH IT COSTS

#### Positives

Costs have fallen thanks to "free" Internet services, forcing subscriber services to lower their prices.

#### Negatives

Consumers still pay a per-minute rate for the dial-up phone call.

#### Steps to take

New operators need easier access to established telecom infrastructure.

Wireless and cable networks need to be developed.

#### Falling Internet costs

Country	Year	Market leader	Clients	Monthly charge	Phone	Phone
United Kingdom	'98	AOL UK	470,000	\$22.61	\$34.9	
	'99	FreeServe	1,300,000	\$22.61	\$	
Germany	'98	T-Online	2,300,000	\$18.56	\$29.9	
	'99	T-Online	3,300,000	\$ 7.85	\$12.9	
France	'98	Wanadoo	300,000	\$19.34	\$15.8	
	'99	Wanadoo	530,000	\$19.34	\$12.8	

\*Based on an average usage of 10 hours per month.

### E-COMMERCE

In 1999, Europe's e-commerce represented a quarter of the same type of revenue in the United States, despite its similar market size.

Americans spend an average of nearly 30 hours a month on line. Typical usage in pay-per-minute countries like France and Norway is around 15 hours.

Antiquated networks make access slow.

Less time on line means fewer transaction opportunities for advertising and e-commerce.

Sources: Jupiter Communications; Forrester Research; Eurostat; EC

### ATTITUDES

Experts recommend that the public take an active role in creating a digital culture and service-oriented culture. Here are attitudes that experts say are keeping Internet revolution in check.

- "I do not need to use such a service."
- "I'm afraid of security risks when making transactions over the Internet."
- "I don't have the equipment and it's complicated."

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