

**Grizzly that attacked couple to be left alone**

**1** GLACIER NATIONAL PARK, Mont. — No action is planned against a grizzly bear that attacked a couple after they apparently surprised the animal on a trail in Glacier National Park, the park's chief ranger said Monday.

Matt Pelland, 26, and his wife Tracy, 23, of East Glacier encountered the bear on a trail about a mile from Cracker Lake, in the Many Glacier region, about 2 p.m. Saturday. Both hiked out after the attack. They were treated and released at a Browning hospital.

"Everything we know at this point, it was a surprise encounter," chief ranger Steve Frye said. "The bear left the area as soon as it felt that whatever threat it perceived was no longer a factor."

Frye said the bear already was charging when the couple saw it from about 50 feet away. It attacked Tracy Pelland first, knocking her to the ground and biting her thigh. Matt Pelland moved below the trail and tried to distract the bear.

The bear then charged him, chomping his calf. He emptied a can of pepper spray in the bear's face, and the bear backed off. But then it returned to Tracy Pelland, who was trying to escape. The bear knocked her down, bit and clawed her and rolled her over a couple of times.

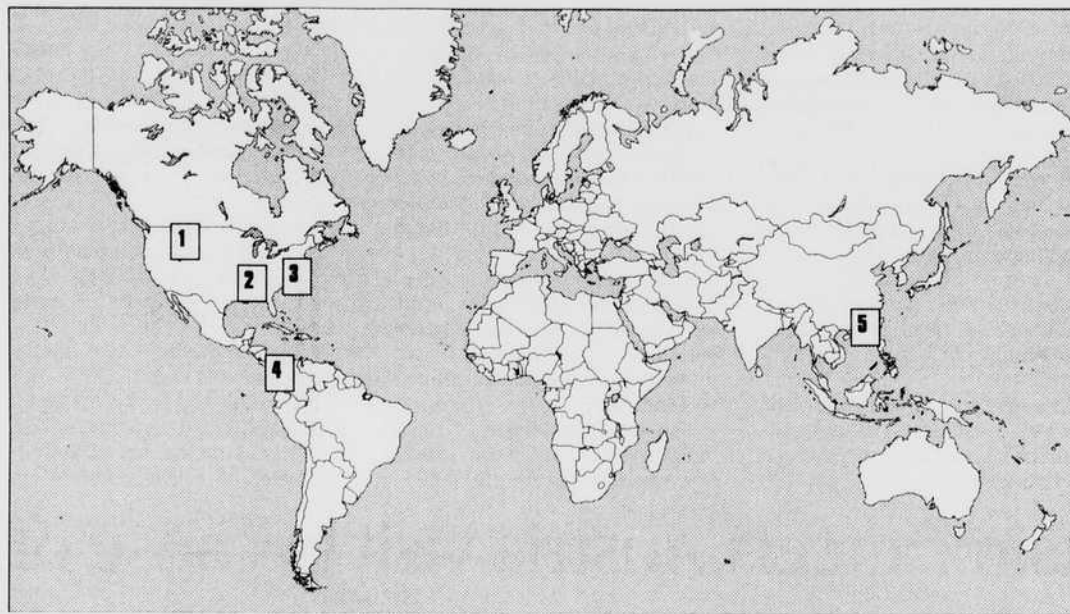
Matt Pelland, confused about Tracy's location or condition, started for help, hiking four or five miles to Many Glacier. Tracy Pelland emerged about 15 to 30 minutes later.

**Hitler's pilot's movies surface in basement**

**2** CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. — Amateur movies shot by Adolf Hitler's pilot showing him touring occupied Paris and consoling war wounded have surfaced in the basement of a former Army sergeant.

Herbert St. Goar headed an intelligence branch of the U.S. military government in Germany when he learned of 16 cans of Hitler's home movies in 1945 and 1946.

St. Goar said he kept four cans



as a war souvenir and showed them to friends and civic groups over the years before stashing them in his basement and forgetting about them.

A visitor from Switzerland recently convinced him to turn over the film to Der Spiegel magazine for an undisclosed price.

The movies show Hitler's travels around Europe, from meetings with Benito Mussolini in Rome in 1938 to a quick tour of newly occupied Paris on June 28, 1940.

The Paris trip includes the only known color shots of Hitler visiting with German war wounded, Der Spiegel reported Monday.

Hans Guenther Voigt from the Berlin Federal Film Archive called the reels "authentic" and "extremely interesting as contemporaneous documentation." The Munich Institute for Contemporary History called them an important addition to film material about Hitler.

St. Goar told WTVC-TV he was in Munich in late 1945 or early 1946 interviewing German army officers and soldiers to learn their involvement in Nazi atrocities when a man revealed he had been one of Hitler's personal pilots.

"He said, 'Well, I tell you a thing I also did. I took movies of Hitler,'" St. Goar recalled. "I said, 'What happened to those movies?' He said, 'I hid them in my back yard in Munich.'"

They drove to the pilot's home

and dug up the reels. No film projector was available in the military office, so St. Goar did not see the movies until he returned to Chattanooga in October 1946.

**Real George Costanza sues Jerry Seinfeld**

**3** NEW YORK — A man who says he was the model for nutty George Costanza on "Seinfeld" has filed a \$100 million lawsuit alleging that Jerry Seinfeld and the show's producers stole his identity.

Michael Costanza, a real estate agent from Holtsville, accused Seinfeld and others of violating his civil rights by "using his name, likeness and persona" without his permission in creating George.

In papers filed in Manhattan's state Supreme Court, Costanza, 43, charges that every episode, from 1989 until May 1998, "portrays (him) in a negative light" while using many of his physical and personality traits.

Costanza has known Seinfeld for 24 years, since they were students at Queens College, his lawyer Jonathan Fisher said Monday. Much of the obnoxious sitcom character accurately reflects Costanza but much does not, Fisher said.

"George is a jerk," Fisher said. "This has had a negative effect on the man's (Costanza's) life. If you looked at him you would say, 'You've got to be George Costanza.'"

Costanza's papers do not detail the similarities between him and the loutish George, played by Jason Alexander, but in interviews he has noted that he and George are bald and stocky, went to Queens College with Seinfeld, and have quirks about bathrooms and parking spaces.

Costanza, author of a book called "The Real Seinfeld," also says his high school gym teacher called him "Can't-Stand-Ya," as George's does.

The "Seinfeld" publicists have said that George Costanza was a character based on the show's co-creator, Larry David.

**Strongman's son to face widow of father's rival**

**4** PANAMA CITY, Panama — Next year's presidential election in Panama will pit the son of a ruling-party strongman against the widow of the man his father overthrew.

Martin Torrijos won 57 percent of the vote in the Revolutionary Democratic Party primary, returns showed Monday. Alfredo Oranges, a veterinarian and former agriculture minister, had 26 percent of the vote and the rest were split among eight other candidates in Sunday's vote.

The party's first primary election ever came after voters overwhelmingly rejected President Ernesto Balladares' proposed referendum for a second five-year term. The

constitutions bars the president from succeeding himself.

Torrijos, 35, is a lawyer and economist, a graduate of Texas A&M University, and the son of Gen. Omar Torrijos.

His biggest rival in the May election is Mireya Moscoso, widow of former President Arnulfo Arias. She was recently nominated by the Arnulfista Party, Panama's second-largest political group.

In 1968, Omar Torrijos headed a military coup that deposed Arias 11 days after he took office. The general remained in power until he died in a 1981 airplane crash.

**Weakened storm heads toward China**

**5** HONG KONG — A weakened tropical storm, no longer packing the typhoon-strength winds that slammed the Philippines and Taiwan last week, moved Monday toward mainland China.

Babs, which killed at least 156 people in the Philippines, triggered flooding and landslides in Taiwan and lashed Hong Kong with strong winds before it headed across the Taiwan Strait.

Philippine officials said Monday the storm damaged \$73 million in crops and property. At least 11 people were missing, including two Taiwanese fishermen who fell off their boat.

A landslide swamped a house in suburban Taipei late Monday, police reported. They said rescuers were trying to locate two people believed buried in the debris.

Babs, which packed winds of 87 mph at its height, was downgraded to a tropical storm Sunday night by the Hong Kong Observatory.

The storm was 185 miles east of Hong Kong on Monday night, the Hong Kong Observatory reported. The observatory canceled a typhoon warning in Hong Kong Monday night.

Strong winds and rain hit Hong Kong late Sunday and early Monday, but no serious storm-related injuries were reported.

In Taiwan, Babs' brought heavy rains to the whole island, with eastern Hualien recording 28 inches of rain in a 36-hour period.

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