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Hit And Run Accident **Wrecks Arena Poles**

An apparent hit and run accident damaged about 45 light poles, scheduled for installation at the new Trail Blazer Rose Garden arena site. The 40 foot long poles, coated with a special paint, may be damaged beyond repair and are valued at over \$200,000, according to an employee of the construction company.

An employee noticed that the light poles had been moved on June 14, and upon closer inspection found them to be scratched or damaged. Some of the poles had been crushed and had tire markings on them.

Vehicle parts, including a damaged windshield, and a broken yellow turn signal were found at the scene by Portland Police Officer Jeff

Anyone who may have witnessed an accident at the location of North Interstate and Dixon, or may have information about this incident is asked to call the police bureau's hit and run detail at 823-2140.

Avoiding Injury With Extra **Pounds**

For years medical researchers have been trying to figure out why black women are less likely to suffer hip fractures than white women. Now, doctors at the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine believe the reason is weight. Black women tend to weigh more and new research suggests the extra weight works to make the bones stronger and protects from the devastating impact of hip fractures.

Strawberry's **Back**

The Betty Ford center that has Strawberry in the line-up that averrehabilitated the Legendary Darryl Strawberry has released him and he has already signed with the San Francisco Giants and plans to replace right fielder Willie McGee, because of an injured achilles tendon.

"Everyone deserves another change, just like I'm about to do with Darryl," says the manager, Dust Baker. "We plan on having him up and ready by All-stars in later July." The Giants .241 batting average is not impressive but hopefully with

age should sky-rocket.

"I've missed the competitiveness and want to get back into the game and help the club go to a pennantwinning season," said Strawberry. He batted .259 from 1983 to 1991 and will be paid the least of \$109,000 prorated to about \$63,000.

Darryl Strawberry who hasn't spoken publicly since April about his drug problem will start his conditioning program as soon as possible. And he will be back in action real soon.

In addition to Portland, the

Yukon Jack World Arm Wrestling

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through Minneapolis, Albuquerque,

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Yukon Jack Arm Wrestling Championship

The Yukon Jack World Arm Wrestling Championships will muscle their way through Portland, OR on June 28-30. The region's strongest men and women will battle biceps at The Refectory (1618 NE 122nd St., Portland) for pride, glory, charity and a chance to qualify for the Yukon Jack World Arm Wrestling Championships in San Francisco, CA on August 26, 1994.

The Portland regional championship, which is part of the 26-city Yukon Jack World Championship series, is open to everyone 21 years of age and older and will benefit the Oregon Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. Each \$5 entry fee, for which competitors receive an official t-shirt, will be donated to MS. Yukon Jack will make a matching donation of all entry fees.

The double elimination tournament, which gets underway at 8:30 p.m. sharp (with registration beginning at 7:00 p.m.), is supervised by the American Arm Wrestling Association and features four separate divisions. There will be three men's weight classes -- 160 lbs and under, 161 - 190, and 191 lbs and over -- and one women's open division.

Winning competitors on June 28 and June 29 will meet in the regional finals on June 30. Overall winners will capture \$200 and advance to the World Championships, while second place finishers will earn \$50.

In addition to the four regional champions being crowned on June 30, a special bouncer/bartender competition will also be staged beginning at 8:00 p.m. to determine which Portland-area bar is the home of the strongest biceps. All men and women ages 21 and over are invited to compete on behalf of their bar for bragging rights.

Kids Lift-Off On Burger King Balloon

50 inner-city children were chosen to ride on the only 400 pound hamburger in the world - Burger King Corp.'s five-story hot air balloon in the shape of the company's flagship Whopper sandwich. The power "launch" was sponsored by the Portland Trail Blazers as part of the Rose

Whopper Hot Air Balloon Great American Tour to coincide with the 40th Anniversary of the fast food giant as well as the introduction of an expanded line of Whopper sandwiches. Portland is the 19th city along

Saturday, at Cook Park in Tigard, the balloon's 41 city cross-country

The balloon is piloted by Mark Johnson, owner/operator of The Aerostation in Colorado Springs, Colo. Johnson has piloted balloons for more than 10 years in Redmond, Wash, Phoenix, Ariz. and Louisville,

When fully inflated, the balloon Burger King launched The can hold 1,712,195 Whopper sandwiches. It measures 64 feet tall, 55 feet wide and 65,000 cubic feet in size. Fifteen-hundred square yards of fabric and 384 hand-sewn sesame seeds comprise the mammoth meal, and it requires 20 minutes to inflate.

THE OREGON GREATS FOOTBALL CAMP

The Oregon Greats Football Camp originally scheduled for Saturday, June 18, 1994 at Whitaker Middle School is being postponed and rescheduled for some time in August. For further information contact Herman L. Brame evenings and weekends at 287-7873.



An artist's rendering shows the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum "Diamond Theater," nearing completion of construction. The theater is part of a simulated ball field, complete with special lighting and board fencing. Visitors sit on bleachers with murals on either side and look out to a diamond featuring multi-screen video in which former players talk about what it was like to barnstorm in the Negro Leagues.

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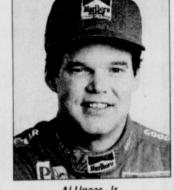
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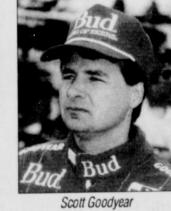
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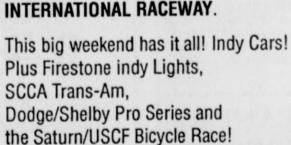
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