

Steinbrenner Passes Away



George Steinbrenner, owner of the Yankees baseball team since 1973, died Tuesday morning. He was 80. The Yankees have yet to announce the cause of death. Steinbrenner, who has been in failing health for several years, saw the Yankees through seven World Series championship teams and 11 pennant winners.

Bomb Rocks Ugandan Capital

Seventy four people were killed in twin suicide bombings during the World Cup finals in Kampala, the capital of Uganda on Sunday. The Somali al-Shabab militia, which has ties to al-Qaeda, has claimed responsibility, saying they were retaliating for the presence of Ugan-

dan and Burundian troops who form an African Union peacekeeping force in Somali, which is propping up the war-torn country's weak transitional government.

Spain Wins World Cup



On Sunday, Spain won the FIFA World Cup of soccer for the first time. The match that saw Spain triumph over the Netherlands 1-0 was the most watched men's soccer match in U.S. history.

Court Overturns FCC Ruling

A United States appeals court has struck down the Federal Communication

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Commission's fleeting-expletives policy. The Bush administration's FCC decreed in 2004 that profanity containing the F-word, such as remarks made by U2's

Bono during the 2003 Gold Globe awards show, or crude mentions of excrement is indecent in all instances.

France Bans Burka

The French National Assembly's lower house has voted 335 to 1 to ban the burka, a controversial Islamic veil, in public spaces. The law is expected to have easy passage through the Senate in Septem-



ber as well. Offenders would be fined 150 euros (\$216) or required to take part in a citizenship class. The law does not apply if the face is covered for carnivals or artistic events.

NAACP Clashes with Tea Party

The NAACP passed a resolution Tuesday calling on all people to condemn racism within the tea party movement. Passed on the fourth day of the association's annual convention in Kansas City, the resolution also urged people to oppose the tea party's drive "to push our country back to the pre-civil rights era."



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