

The world goes 'round

Branch Davidian leader, David Koresh, who claimed to be Jesus, dies in a fire with 74 of his followers, in Waco, Texas.

Sarajevo, Bosnia's capital, continues to suffer Serb shelling.

Japan's Crown Prince Naruhito marries Harvard grad Masaka Owada.

Diana, Princess of Wales, separated a year from Prince Charles, curtails public appearances.

Florida State quarterback, Charlie Ward, wins the Heisman Trophy.

Pittsburgh Penguin center, Mario Lemieux, diagnosed with Hodgkins disease, returns to the lineup for an NHL record 17-game winning streak.

Steffi Graf wins Wimbledon, French and U.S. Open victories.

Lorena Bobbitt is found not-guilty due to temporary insanity for sexually mutilating estranged husband, John Bobbitt.

Chicago White Sox outfielder, Bo Jackson, his left hip held together by polyethylene and cobalt chrome, comes back after 18 months and pinch hits a home run in Comiskey Park.

International Olympic Committee picks Sydney, Australia, as the site of the summer Games in the year 2000.

Martina Navratilova retires from tennis singles after a long and brilliant career.

Solar energy manufacturing gets a boost as 68 utilities, serving 40% of the nation's electricity consumers, form a consortium to buy \$500 million worth of solar energy panels during the next six years.

Ravaged by hunters, the South China tiger numbers

less than 5,000; India's Bengal tiger has declined 26% since 1989 to fewer than 4,000.

Norway returns to whale hunting after a seven-year hiatus. The hunt violates a moratorium decreed by the International Whaling Commission.

Non-militant Naomi Wolf makes feminism popular again with speaking engagements across the country and her book *Fire With Fire*.

Two 10-year-old boys are found guilty of the kidnapping and murder of a 2-year-old in Liverpool, England.

Ford Mustang, at the age of 30, gets a more powerful engine and *Motor Trends* Car of the Year Award.

Panasonic 3DO Multiplayers video game system, with CD quality sound and a 32-bit processor, bids to be one of the main vehicles on the data superhighway.

Barney the purple dinosaur shows no sign of extinction with sales of Barney-related merchandise topping \$500 million. Barney

plans a network TV special and a feature film.

The World Mourns:
Rudolf Nuryev, ballet dancer/choreographer
Agnes De Mille, American choreographer
Audrey Hepburn, actress/Oscar winner
Dizzy Gillespie, bebop and jazzman
William Golding, 1983 Nobel laureate
Brandon Lee, action-star/
Bruce Lee's son
Vincent Price, actor/cult-star
Arthur Ashe, tennis legend
Reggie Lewis, Boston Celtics star
Bill Bixby, actor/director
Frank Zappa, '70s pop music star
Davey Allison, NASCAR race driver



Top Grossing Films

Jurassic Park
The Fugitive
The Firm
Sleepless in Seattle
In the Line of Fire

Top Grossing Concerts

Bette Midler, Radio City Music Hall
Garth Brooks, Texas Stadium
Billy Joel, Madison Square Garden Arena
Grateful Dead, Sam Boyd Silver Bowl, Las Vegas

Major Theatricals

Sunset Boulevard
Tommy
Kiss of the Spider Woman
Angels in America

Top Hip Hop Chants

Tag Team, "Whoomp! There It Is"
"Hip Hop Hooray, Ho Hey Ho," Naughty By Nature

Top TV Shows

"NYPD Blue"
"The Simpsons"
"Roseanne"
"Home Improvement"
"David Letterman Show"
"Seinfeld"
"Coach"
"Murphy Brown"
"Blossom"
"Frasier"
"Murder, She Wrote"

Top Selling Books

The Bridges of Madison County, Robert James Waller
See, I Told You So, Rush Limbaugh

The Way Things Ought To Be, Rush Limbaugh
Nightmares & Dreamscapes, Stephen King
Without Remorse, Tom Clancy

Top Albums

Smashing Pumpkins, *Siamese Dream*
Liz Phair, *Exile in Guyville*
Tony Toni Tone, *Sons of Soul*
Yo La Tengo, *Painful*

Emmylou Harris, *Cowgirl's Prayer*
Digable Planet, *Reachin' (A New Refutation of Time and Space)*
U2, *Zooropa*
Willie Nelson, *Across the Borderline*
LL Cool J, *14 Shots to the Dome*
Sting, *Ten Summoner's Tales*
Dwight Yoakam, *This Time*
Lemonheads, *Come On Feel the Lemonheads*
Soul Asylum, *Grave Dancers' Union*
Whitney Houston, soundtrack from *The Bodyguard*
Dr. Dre, *The Chronic*
Guns N' Roses, "The Spaghetti Incident?"
Meat Loaf, *Bat Out of Hell II: Back Into Hell*
Snoop Doggy Dogg, *Doggystyle*
MC Ren, *Shock of the Hour*

Lasher, Anne Rice
The Joy Luck Club, Amy Tan

Private Parts, Howard Stern
Dolores Claiborne, Stephen King