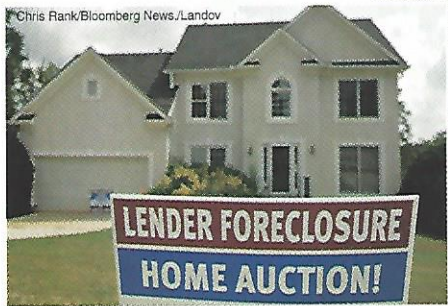


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► As the war in Iraq passes the four-year mark, tours of duty are lengthened and recruitment standards are relaxed.

▼ To ease the mortgage crisis, the U.S. Senate passes legislation allowing homeowners with delinquent sub-prime mortgages to refinance into federally insured loans.



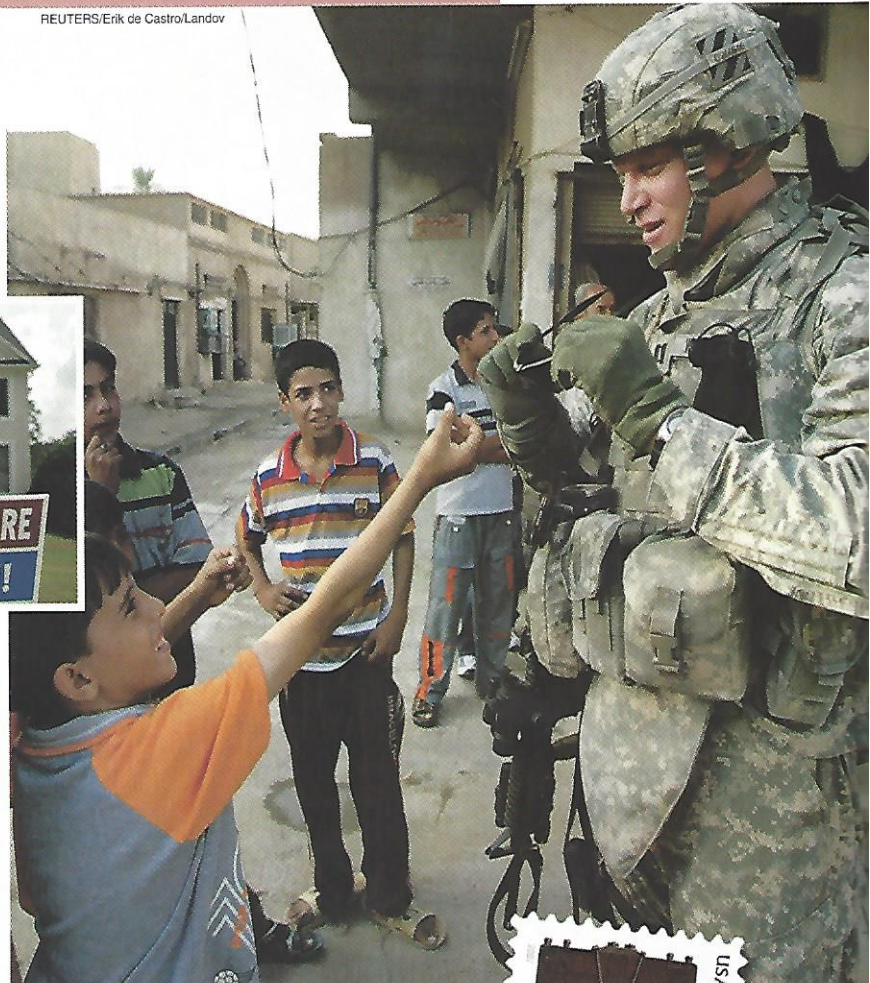
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◀ Several cities in the southeastern U.S. are mere months away from running out of water as drought conditions persist in the region.



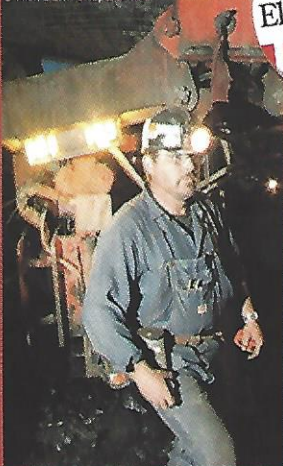
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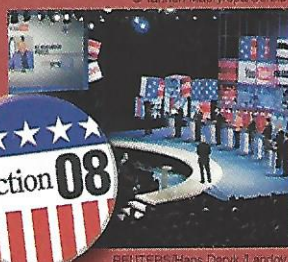


▼ Six men are trapped when a Utah coal mine collapses on August 6. Ten days later, the mine collapses again, killing three rescue workers. After four weeks the search ends.

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▲ During televised debates, Democratic and Republican presidential candidates answer tough questions submitted by voters via YouTube.

► The U.S. Postal Service issues a forever stamp featuring an image of the Liberty Bell. It will always be valid for first class postage on envelopes weighing one ounce or less.

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▲ The Nobel Peace Prize is awarded to former Vice President Al Gore and the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, represented by Dr. Rajendra Pachauri, for their efforts to call attention to global warming.