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Week of August 24, 1993



Sheikh Omar Abdul Rahman, a radical Muslim, is indicted on federal charges of plotting to blow up the World Trade Center, U.N. headquarters and key transportation arteries into Manhattan. A powerful bomb went off in a basement garage at the World Trade Center on February 26, killing six and injuring 1000.

Larry Nevers and Walter Budzyn, former Detroit police officers are convicted of murder in the fatal beating of motorist Malice Green (a la Rodney King). Both officers are white and the victim was black. The event took place last November 5.

800,000 pages of documents on the death of President John F. Kennedy are released to the public. An expert says there's nothing earth shattering.

David Mason, convicted murderer of five, is executed inside San Quentin prison.

NASA observers say the Mars Observer has ignored commands from earth and may have missed its mark with the red planet. NASA flight controllers say they have no way of knowing if the spacecraft has reached a safe Martian orbit on its own, or has vanished.

The David Letterman "Late Show" premieres on CBS. "Welcome to the show, I checked this now with the CBS attorneys and legally I can continue to call myself Dave." Tom Brokaw was the guest. Both played off the competition between CBS and NBC. Brokaw confiscated to cue cards with jokes saying: "These last two jokes are the intellectual property of NBC." Letterman quipped: "Whoever thought you would hear the words intellectual and NBC used together."



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Jerry Seinfeld's (first book) - "Distinct Observations About Life" is now available at bookstores.



John Denver is charged with drunken driving in Aspen, CO. A hearing is scheduled for September 28.

Warner Brothers recruits former fox President Jamie Kellner to launch a television network - the nation's fifth. Sources say programming would be drawn from the studio's large film and TV library. The studio's directors and writers may contribute to programming. The project could cost as much as \$2 billion to launch.

Goldie Hawn will be Chevy Chase's first guest when his talk show premieres September 7 on Fox.

Turner Broadcasting says it will launch its Turner Classic Movies on April 14.

Actress June Allyson sues comedian **Marty Ingels** for harassment, saying Ingels threatened her over a commission she supposedly owes him, after he set her up with a diaper commercial. The suit says Ingles made 138 calls to her in an eight-hour period. Earlier, he plead "no contest" to making annoying phone calls.



According to a poll in Entertainment Weekly, **Julia Roberts** is America's favorite actress followed by Demi Moore, Meg Ryan and Meryl Streep. Clint Eastwood ranks on top for actors, followed by Mel Gibson, Tom Cruise, Kevin Costner and Sean Connery.

TV ratings - 60 Minutes (15.0), Home Improvement (14.1), Dateline NBC (14.0), PrimeTime Live (13.5), 20/20 (13.3), Now (12.3), Seinfeld (12.0), Roseanne (11.8), Unsolved Mysteries (11.80), Highway Heartbreaker (11.7), Ned Blessing (11.7), Eye to Eye w/Connie Chung (11.4), Full House (11.3), Murder, She Wrote (11.2), Football: 49ers at Broncos (11.2), Perry Mason (11.0), Murphy Brown (11.0), "A Mother's Justice" - 11.0, Coach (10.8), America's Funniest Home Videos (10.7).

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Monday night TV - CBS - **Evening Shade**, Major Dad, Murphy Brown, Big Wave Dave's, Northern Exposure ... NBC - Fresh Prince Of Bel-Air, Blossom, Movie ... ABC - Day One, Missing Persons ... Nick at Nite - The Partridge Family, Get Smart Dragnet, Dick Van Dyke, Mary Tyler Moore, Mary Tyler Moore, The Lucy Show

Fresh Prince of Bel-Air - Vivian and Phil renew wedding VOWS

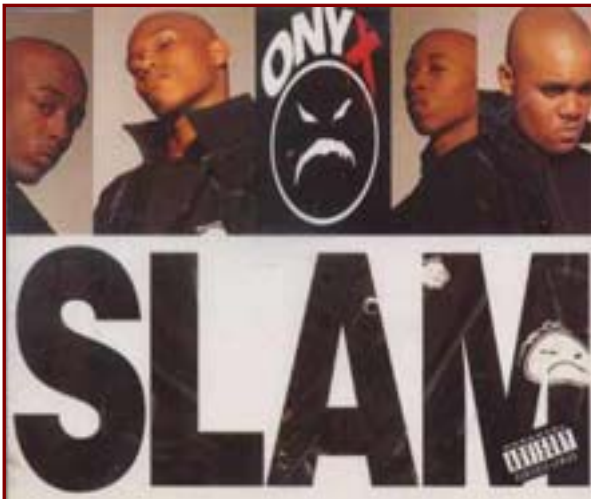
Major Dad - Our major considers leaving the Marine corp.

Late Night w/ David Lettermen - Bill Murray and **Billy Joel** guest

The Tonight Show w/Jay Leno - Garth Brooks and Luke Perry.



On the country charts - "Why Didn't I Think Of That" - Doug Stone, "Thank God For You" - Sawyer Brown, Can't Break It To My Heart" - Tracy Lawrence



On the charts - "Can't Help Falling In Love" - UB40, , "Whoomp! (There It Is)" - Tag Team, "Dreamlover" - Mariah Carey, "I'm Gonna Be (500 miles)" The Proclaimers, "Lately" - Jodeci, "Runaway Train" - Soul Asylum, "If" - Janet Jackson, "Will You Be There" - Michael Jackson, "**Slam**" - **Onyx**

Top Albums - "River Of Dreams" - Billy Joel, "Sleepless In Seattle" - soundtrack, "Janet" - Janet Jackson, "Black Sunday" - Cypress Hill, "Core"

- Stone Temple Pilots, "The World Is Yours" - Scarface, "The Bodyguard" -

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soundtrack, "Promises and Lies" - UB40, "Zooropa" - U2, "Blind Melon" - Blind Melon.

At the movies –

The Fugitive - Harrison Ford



Hard Target - Jean-Claude Van Damme

The Secret Garden - Kate Maberly, Heydon Prowse

The Rising Sun - Sean Connery, Wesley Snipes

Jurassic Park

In The Line Of Fire - Clint Eastwood, John Malkovich

Free Willy

Heart and Souls -

The Firm

Sleepless In Seattle - Tom Hanks, Meg Ryan

Fatherhood - Patrick Swayze, Halle Berry

Surf Ninjas - Ernie Reyes Jr. Rob Schneider, Lelsie Neilsen