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How Friday Can It Get?



JEFFREY FREIBERG caught this line on KCBS — traffic reporter Ron Lyons describing gridlock on the Eastshore Highway and musing, “Why don’t some of these yuppie commuters park and Fax themselves home?” ... Former police chief Al Nelder’s dentist filled his mouth with instruments and then asked, “What’s wrong with the police department?” “Too much Clint Eastwood, not enough Peter Falk,” mumbled Al. “What’s that mean?” asked the dentist, drilling away. “Too much macho, not enough moxie,” gasped Al. The dentist nodded, ending the probe ... Is this a straw in the wind or just in-case protection: Melville Owen, noted patent lawyer, discovers in a govt. publication that the San Francisco Giants have obtained trademark rights to the name — San Jose Giants! “For entertainment services in the nature of baseball exhibitions,” states the notice ... Spring training so far seems to consist of cops chasing Jose Canseco. I’m glad somebody’s getting some exercise.



MOMENT OF GLORY: Benjamin Katz died