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Fourteen-year-old Missy Franklin of the Colorado Stars could very well be one of the leaders of the next generation of elite swimmers for the United States. At the Speedo Junior National Championships, Aug. 10-14, in Federal Way, Wash., Franklin set five individual meet records (50-100-200 meter free, 200 back and 200 IM) and finished with six gold medals. (See story, page 51.)

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