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NEWS DIGEST

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Sports

Heading into the playoffs

SANFORD — Seminole will take on Kissimmee-Gateway tonight in the first round of the 4A-District 6 boys' soccer tournament at Orlando's Cypress Creek High School.
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BRIEFS

'Information checkpoint' planned

SANFORD — Seminole County sheriff's deputies will be conducting an "information checkpoint" on Lake Mary Boulevard on Tuesday evening.

From 6 to 8 p.m., deputies will be stationed in front of the Bayhead Racquet Club on Lake Mary Boulevard about a half a mile west of U.S. Highway 17-92.

The site is the location of a shooting about two weeks ago where 19-year-old Samuel David Huffstutler was shot and killed as he rode his bicycle along the road at that location.

No arrest has been made in that murder at this time.

Investigators from the Sheriff's Office Violent Crimes section will be passing out flyers to motorists traveling through that area and soliciting information about the shooting.

Chamber banquet set

SANFORD — The Greater Sanford Chamber of Commerce Annual Banquet tonight is a complete sell-out. Highlight of the evening will be awards presentations for the Luis Perez Humanitarian Award, Topper of the Year (Volunteer of the Year), Ambassador of the Year, and Seminole County Sports Hall of Fame.

Additional awards and acknowledgements will also be made.

The event is scheduled to get underway at 7 p.m. at the Barn, on French Avenue, and will be catered by Buck's Catering.

A festive occasion complete with line dancing has been promised, with chamber members and their guests being urged to dress in traditional Country/Western garb.

Fed to raise interest rates

WASHINGTON — Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan put the country on notice today that the central bank would "at some point" begin pushing interest rates higher in order to keep inflationary pressures from getting out of control.

While the Fed chairman left vague the timing of such a rate increase, he gave a strong indication in congressional testimony that rate hikes could come at any time.

He said the issue of when to raise interest rates would be discussed by the Fed's top policy-making committee, the Federal Open Market Committee, when it meets this Thursday and Friday.

One ticket wins \$10 million

TALLAHASSEE — One ticket matches the six numbers in the latest Florida Lotto game and is worth a jackpot guaranteed at \$10 million.

The ticket was sold last week in Miami. Drawn late Saturday were the numbers 3-15-17-25-31-34.

Lottery officials said Sunday the drawing also produced 306 five-of-six tickets worth \$1,110 each; 16,541 four-of-six tickets worth \$49.50 each and 269,388 three-of-six tickets worth \$4 each.

This week's jackpot is estimated at \$7 million — ending a two-month special promotion in which weekly jackpots were guaranteed at \$10 million.

Lotto jackpot estimates are based on projected ticket sales, long-term investment rates and funds from any rollovers formulated into a 20-year payout to a single winner.

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Temps begin to drop



Mostly cloudy and cooler with a 30 percent chance of morning showers. High in the mid 60s. Wind northwest 10 to 15 mph.

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State fifth in crime

Survey: Florida first in overall, violent crimes

By NICK PFEIFAU
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — New national crime statistics from a Kansas publishing company show Louisiana as the "Most Dangerous State," but Florida is listed as number one in the overall crime rate.

"I'm not a bit surprised at this," said Seminole County Sheriff Don Eslinger. "Ironically, Florida also ranks first in the early release of convicted felons. So there is no question that Florida does have some severe problems in crime."

Eslinger added, "It shows we have to do some forward thinking in this matter if we ever hope to get our state down off the top of lists like this."

Sanford Police Chief Ralph Russell said this morning, "I'd have to take a look at those figures first to comment on state crime, but locally, we are improving."

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Russell said the overall statistics for Sanford during the months of July, August and September show the number of crimes has dropped at almost all levels. "The only thing I could imagine for whole state," he added, "is that we have many people moving in, and with an influx

of population, we can expect an increase in crime."

On the overall crime rate, Florida was first, with 8,358 crimes per 100,000 residents in 1992. It was followed by Texas, Arizona and California. In violent crime, Florida was again leader, followed by New York, California, Maryland and Louisiana.

Florida also was the leader in aggravated assaults, 777 per 100,000, followed by New Mexico, South Carolina, Alabama and Louisiana.

Louisiana received the "Most Dangerous State" designation from the 459 page "Crime State Rankings 1994," published by Morgan Quitno Corp. of Lawrence, Kan. It ranked number one in two of the 16 categories.

Its murder rate of 17.4 per 100,000 residents, and its prisoner incarceration rate took the two lead positions.

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Passing of the crown to Miss SHS '94



Photo by Art Woodruff

Laurie Blair (right) receives crown from last year's Miss SHS, Deldre Michels.

Laurie Blair crowned at colorful coronation rites

By VICKI DeBORNIER
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — Laurie Blair, a junior, has been crowned Miss Seminole High School.

Blair, daughter of Mary and Barry Hillman and Larry Blair, and granddaughter of Doris and Carl Dietrich, all of Sanford, earned the title on Saturday evening in the annual event designed to find the most well-rounded young lady in the school.

Miss SHS 1994 said, "Oh, I am so thrilled and so honored. Now, I can't wait to get to work for my school and community to live up to the

expectations of the honor," Blair continued. "It's incredible...awesome. I am so excited."

This weekend's pageant showcased the talent, school performance, community involvement, interview, personality and beauty of each of the 19 young ladies who entered the competition.

"We had some wonderful young ladies involved in the pageant this year," said Sheila Michels, spokesman for the event and mother of Deldre Michels, Miss SHS 1993.

Judging the event were Linda Wells (chief judge), Dr. Bill Dailey, Emily Furlong, Cheryl Knight, Jon Land and Janice Springfield.

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Family of Sturm gets EDA award

By J. MARK BARFIELD
Senior Staff Writer

SANFORD — The Economic Development Commission of Mid-Florida honored the late Bob Sturm by presenting his widow Trudy Sturm and brother Tom Sturm with their "James B. Greene Economic Development Award" at their annual banquet Friday night.

"It was his influence and energy in 1981 that forged Seminole County's relationship with the Economic Development Commission," said EDC chairman Alan Starling.

The Greene award, established in 1989 in honor of the Orlando businessman, is presented each year to individuals who exhibit "unselfish service" to the economic well-being of central Florida. Past recipients are Buell Duncan, Orlando Mayor Bill Frederick, Billy Dial and Frank Hubbard. The award was presented Friday night at the Stouffer Orlando Resort.

Sturm died last September following long illness. Sturm served nearly 16 years on the county commission, including six stints as chairman.

Sturm served as the county commission

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Bob Sturm

New Jett Aire proposal on airport agenda

By NICK PFEIFAU
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — The Sanford Airport Authority will hold its regular meeting Tuesday, beginning at 8:30 a.m.

As of Friday, the following items were listed on the agenda:

• Consideration — New Jett Aire FBO (fixed base operation) proposal of Jan. 6, 1994 and Jan. 17, 1994.

• Consideration — Execution of Jett Aire FBO lease for northside development, (see below).

• Consideration — Competitive solicitation for

full service fixed base operator.

• Consideration — 11-year lease to Central Florida Aircraft Maintenance, Inc. for (recently refurbished) Hangar 146.

• Consideration — Project "Commencement" ceremony, (see below)

• Report — Airport Authority budget.

• Consideration — Lease with First American Beverages, Inc.

• Change order report.

Northside Development — Jett Aire plans to develop major facilities on the northern side of the east-west runway, along E. 25th Street.

Commencement — This will be the grand

dedication for opening of new facilities at the airport, and the beginning of construction to the connector between the expressway and the airport terminal building. Airport Manager Steve Cooke says the event is tentatively scheduled for March 9, but further plans remain to be made.

Cooke also explained that he is attempting to obtain the Minister of Tourism as a special guest for the commencement, but has not had the date confirmed as yet.

The meeting of the Airport Authority will be held in the Conference room of Building 1, the Airport main office beginning at 8:30 a.m. The meeting is open to the general public.

1 killed in Sunday accident

By SANDRA ELLIOTT
Herald Staff Writer

GENEVA — A Mims resident driving a pickup truck was killed and his three passengers were injured after he drove into the path of a tractor-trailer on State Road 46 early Sunday morning.

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Day care centers volunteer services for parents who serve in schools

By VICKI DeBORNIER
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — Day care centers across the county are doing what they can to help those who want to volunteer in the district schools.

Often, parents who have talents they would like to share with the youngsters in the classroom, but they have children of their own who can not join them in the classes as they work.

"We had so many mothers and dads say, 'I'd like to

help you, but...'" explained Jane Lane of the Seminole County Dividends program. "They told us they wanted to work in the classroom, but day care was too expensive on a drop in basis."

Day care centers across the county have agreed to volunteer their services for a few hours each week to parents who are serving in the schools.

Under normal circumstances, youngsters who are not enrolled in a regular child care program could be taken only on a "drop in basis." Parents could pay

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FLORIDA BRIEFS



Toddler dies in fire; father injured

MERRITT ISLAND — A toddler died and her father suffered burns over most of his body trying to save her from a fire accidentally set either by the toddler or her sister, investigators said.

Amanda Kinlock died Sunday at the Shriners Burn Center in Cincinnati after being burned over 85 percent of her body in the Saturday blaze. Her father, Michael Kinlock, was in serious condition at Orlando Regional Medical Center.

It was unclear whether Amanda or her 6-year-old sister, Mary, started the fire while playing with matches near a fuzzy chair made of cloth-covered foam rubber. But Brevard County fire investigator Jeff Money said his department would not pursue the investigation.

"We are certain a juvenile started the fire and that there was no criminal intent involved, but the family's been through a tragedy," he said. "And as far as we're concerned right now the family needs to concentrate on their remaining family members."

Amanda's parents were sleeping when the fire broke out. Mary ran for help, officials said. Firefighters found Amanda under a mattress, where she apparently tried to hide.

Corpse found in house, son charged

POMPANO BEACH — A man who was "annoyed" with his mother choked the woman, slit her throat, stabbed her then lived with her corpse for more than a week, police said.

Edward Phillip Gryczak Jr., 47, was charged Sunday with first-degree murder after police found the decomposing body of his mother in her bed.

Gryczak called 911 late Saturday to report the death of 67-year-old Corinne Johnson. The dispatcher initially thought Johnson died of natural causes and was shocked when Gryczak calmly said he killed her "several ways," said police spokeswoman Sandra King.

He told detectives he had talked for a year about killing his mother and he had "snapped" Jan. 19, King said.

After killing her, Gryczak emptied his mother's bank account and used her credit cards, King said. He told people who telephoned that his mother was sleeping.

"He said he was annoyed with her. She was talking on the phone and so forth," she said. "When asked if he was sorry it happened, he said no."

Gryczak, who was unemployed, had been released from a veteran's hospital last month and had been staying at his mother's apartment, King said police were checking his claim he was a Vietnam veteran.

Gryczak made superficial cuts with a razor to his wrists the day before calling police, but he did not require hospitalization, King said.

Three teens escape boot camp

BRADENTON — Manatee County Sheriff Charlie Wells said he would review security policies after three 16-year-olds scaled a fence and escaped from the state's first juvenile offender boot camp.

One of the boys remained at large early today, but two others were returned to the camp on Sunday.

"They just basically walked off. There are no cells or bars at this facility," Wells said.

None of the three teen-agers had a history of violence. The one remaining at large is "a skilled auto thief," Wells said. They were sentenced to boot camp for a variety of burglary and theft convictions.

One was found Sunday morning in Tampa, and the second was returned to the center by his grandfather, said sheriff's deputy Richard Garst.

It marks the first escapes from the boot camp, which will be a year old next month, Wells said. It houses as many as 30 youthful offenders.

"It is a very minimum facility by design. For a large percentage of the kids in there, it has worked perfectly."

Imported grass encroaches without letup

BROOKSVILLE — Another plant imported with the best of intentions has become an invader in Florida's environment, spreading without natural enemies to keep it in check.

The latest intruder is cogon grass, steadily encroaching on pine plantations around Gainesville, roadsides in Punta Gorda, pastures outside Brooksville and phosphate fields in Polk County.

"It's especially bad in Florida, but it's a problem in many of the warmer areas of the southeastern United States," said University of Florida agronomist Donn Shilling, interviewed for a story in Sunday's St. Petersburg Times.

As has often been the case with nuisance species in Florida, like the Brazilian pepper, melaleuca trees and hydrilla weed, cogon grass was imported by well-intentioned humans.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture brought the grass to Florida to study as a forage for beef cattle. Its origin is unclear, but southern China is generally regarded as the home of the cogon grass found in the state.

From Associated Press reports

NEWS FROM THE REGION AND ACROSS THE STATE

Elderly home care

State-run program needs to expand for elderly caught in medigap

By Associated Press

ORLANDO — At almost 80 years old, Lee Stone works part-time, cares for his chronically ill wife as he recovers from painful knee surgery.

His age hasn't stopped him, but he says it has slowed him a bit.

"What we need is someone to do the vacuuming, laundry and picking up," he said.

Stone is not alone. He and his wife, Beulah, are among 10,000 elderly Florida residents who cannot afford the personal grooming and household help they need to continue to live independently in their own homes.

That's why many elderly residents are hoping to be accepted by Community Care for the Elderly, a one-of-a-kind state program that offers in-home care at no cost to the clients.

The Department of Elder Affairs shows the number of Floridians age 85 and older will nearly double — from 196,000 to 347,000 — by the turn of the century. And that will double the pressure for services which currently are being provided to just a fraction of those in need.

Melodie Marks, Community Care coordinator for Orange and Seminole counties, said housekeeping is the most frequently requested service by the state's frail elderly. This year, Community Care expects to

spend about \$54 million on about 43,000 clients. The Elder Affairs Department, which oversees the program will ask the Legislature next month for an additional \$32.8 million for next year. That figure is the estimated cost of eliminating the waiting list and expanding services to current clients.

But the budget Gov. Lawton Chiles plans to submit to the Legislature requests just \$3.5 million.

Stone says his small pension and Society Security checks aren't enough to hire the help he and his wife need. Medicare, the nation's health insurance for people age 65 and older, doesn't fill the gap for many. The only in-home service Medicare pays for is skilled nursing care, Marks said.

State-paid PIs include license violators

By Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE — Some of the private investigators hired by the state to probe politicians and do background checks have their own disciplinary problems.

State agencies hire dozens of private eyes every year at a cost of hundreds of thousands of dollars — still cheaper than keeping investigators on staff for most agencies.

But some of the private investigators have been disciplined by the state for license violations, been sued or been convicted of crimes.

"The danger is the same kind of restraints don't apply to them as apply to law enforcement," Florida Atlantic University criminal justice professor William Bopp told The Tampa Tribune for a story Sunday.

Critics say most private investigators are ill-equipped for wide-ranging investigations, especially those that could lead to criminal charges.

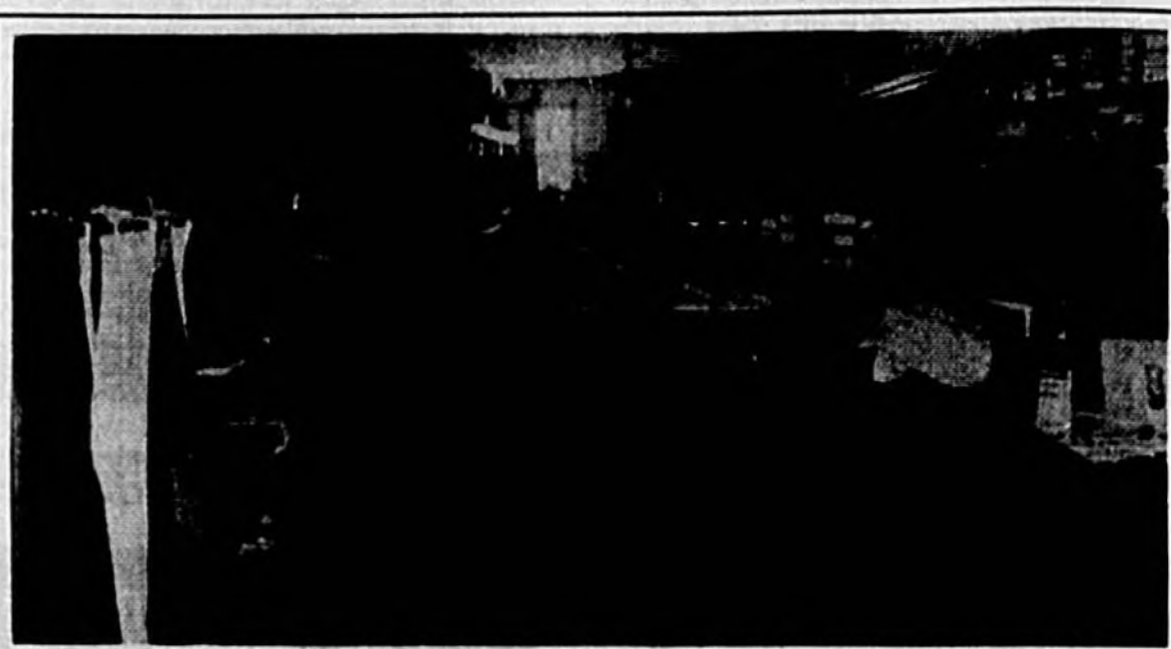
Private investigators respond that they're vigorously regulated by the state and trained to probe financial transactions, property records and other matters many police officers are unfamiliar with.

The Tribune said more than two dozen private investigators hired by the state had disciplinary actions against their licenses, or other problems ranging from nonpayment of taxes to criminal records.

For example, the newspaper said as a Marine, Robert Lee Metzgar was twice court-martialed for failing to obey an order and as a Hillsborough County sheriff's deputy, he was suspended for neglect of duty.

He was also sued unsuccessfully, accused of threatening an innocent boy with a pistol during a raid and saying he would love to kill him.

As a private investigator in Tampa, while getting paid Florida tax dollars for serving court papers in state lawsuits, Metzgar was fined \$400 by the Florida Department of State for failing to display his license, provide identification cards to employees and other minor violations.



Way Back When

One of the earlier department stores in Sanford was this emporium owned and operated by John and Esther Mettinger. They were of German extraction but not farmers as so many early folks were. The Mettingers migrated here from Pennsylvania in 1882 just five years after Sanford was incorporated in 1877. The couple opened a clothing store on First Street and became one of this city's outstanding merchants. The pair had two daughters. Ruth was married to a gentleman named Nissen. Elizabeth was wed to pharmaceutical salesman Walter L. Morgan. Walter and Elizabeth parented one son, John, now a retired local physician. He practiced in Sanford for many

years. Ruth became associated with the Florida Department of Health. Mettinger was a charter member of the Sanford Kiwanis Club organized in 1921, and for many years was superintendent of the Sunday School Department at the First Methodist Church. Altermese Bentley, a longtime resident of Sanford's Georgetown section and a historian in her own right, recalls when a little girl, she and her sister often shopped at Mettinger's which featured dry goods, notions, millinery and the many other items of merchandise department stores carried in those days.

(Photo Courtesy George D. Roland, Deltona)

56 Haitian refugees could pay for their patience

By LARRY HOBBS
Associated Press Writer

MIAMI — They all came in one rickety wooden boat, but 56 Haitians who patiently waited for immigration authorities to board the vessel may be more quickly deported than nine who waded the final steps to the shore.

Although all 65 were taken to a U.S. Immigration and Naturalization processing center west of Miami, the 56 were detained as "excludable" while the nine were held as "deportable."

The difference, a U.S. Border Patrol spokesman said Sunday, is that the 22 men, 17 women and 17 children were taken into U.S. custody on the 60-foot freighter before they came ashore, while the nine physically touched U.S. soil — the sandy beach in the Sunny Isles area north of Miami Beach — on their own early Saturday before being rounded up.

"It's sometimes doesn't seem fair and it is certainly confusing, but that's the way it's been mandated by the U.S. Congress," said Rowdy Adams, supervising agent at the Border Patrol office in Miami.

The difference in legal treatment means that the excludables can more easily be sent back home if they have no immediate qualification to stay, such as a solid basis for a political asylum request, officials said.

"All of them will go through exclusion proceedings that provide them with the opportunity for due process," said Ana Cobian, spokeswoman for the U.S. Justice Department. "At this point, due process would give them an opportunity to seek asylum or be returned."

Deportation proceedings for the nine, the other hand, can require extensive, court-like hearings that can drag on for years.

Members of both groups can be detained at the Krome Avenue Detention Center until final decisions are made, but are more likely to be released into the custody of family members or to community service groups.

"With Krome being so crowded all the time, we release people into the custody of their relatives or sponsors as soon as we can," Adams said Sunday, less than 24 hours after INS took custody of the larger group from U.S. Coast Guard officials who towed the boat to their Miami Beach base.

LOTTERY

MIAMI - Here are the winning numbers selected Sunday in the Florida Lottery:

Lotto
3-15-17-25-31-34.

Cash 3
3-7-0

Play 4
7-9-7-6

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THE WEATHER

LOCAL FORECAST

Today: Mostly cloudy and cooler with a 30 percent chance of morning showers. High in the mid 60s. Wind northwest 10 to 15 mph.

Tonight: Partly cloudy and cool. Low in the mid 40s. Wind north 5 to 10 mph.

Tuesday: Variable cloudiness and cool. High in the lower 60s. Wind north 10 mph.

Extended forecast: Wednesday: Partly cloudy with a chance of rain. Low in the mid and upper 40s. High near 60. Thursday and Friday: Mostly fair and cool. Lows in the 30s north to near 40 south.

FLORIDA TEMPS

City	Hi	Lo	Pct
Daytona Beach	69	56	1.79
Fl. Land Beach	61	74	50
Fort Myers	62	71	1r
Gainesville	59	52	1.44
Jacksonville	57	53	1.13
Key West	62	76	62
Lakeland	64	71	00
Miami	65	73	00
Pensacola	59	42	34
Sarasota	75	64	00
Tallahassee	52	50	80
Tampa	73	63	00
Vero Beach	65	69	00
W. Palm Beach	66	71	00

EXTENDED OUTLOOK

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Maly cldy 65-45	Cloudy 62-42	Ptly cldy 60-43	Fair 63-43	Fair 63-43

MOON PHASES

FULL Jan. 27	LAST Feb. 3
NEW Feb. 10	FIRST Feb. 18

BEACH CONDITIONS

Daytona Beach: Waves are 1-3 feet and choppy. Current is to the south with a water temperature of 57 degrees.

New Smyrna Beach: Waves are 2-2½ feet and semi glassy. Current is to the south, with a water temperature of 57 degrees.

TIDES

TUESDAY:
SOLUNAR TABLE: Min. 9:15 a.m., 9:45 p.m.; Maj. 3:05 a.m., 3:30 p.m. TIDES: Daytona Beach: highs, 11:27 a.m., 12:19 p.m.; lows, 4:35 a.m., 4:20 p.m.; New Smyrna Beach: highs, 11:32 a.m., 12:24 p.m.; lows, 4:40 a.m., 4:25 p.m.; Cocoa Beach: highs, 11:47 a.m., 12:39 p.m.; lows, 4:55 a.m., 4:40 p.m.

BOATING

St. Augustine to Jupiter Inlet
Tonight: Wind northwest to north 10 to 15 kts. Seas 2 to 4 ft. Bay and inland waters a moderate chop. Tuesday: Wind northwest to north 15 kts. Seas 3 to 5 ft. Bay and inland waters a moderate chop.

STATISTICS

The high temperature in Sanford Monday was 72 degrees and the overnight low was 53 as reported by the University of Florida Agricultural Research and Education Center, Celery Avenue.

Recorded rainfall for the weekend, ending at 9 a.m. Monday, totalled 1.44 inches.

The temperature at 9 a.m. today was 58 degrees and Monday's overnight low was 56, as recorded by the National Weather Service at the Orlando International Airport.

☐ Sunday's high.....70
☐ Barometric pressure.....30.16
☐ Relative Humidity.....87 pct
☐ Winds.....Southwest 5 mph
☐ Rainfall......93 of an in.
☐ Sunset......6:04 p.m.
☐ Sunrise......7:14 a.m.

NATIONAL TEMPS

Temperatures indicate previous day's high and overnight low to 8 a.m. EST.

City	Hi	Lo	Pct	Outk
Anchorage	37	31		cdy
Atlanta	46	32		cdy
Atlantic City	40	27		cdy
Baltimore	39	27		cdy
Billings	44	25		cdy
Birmingham	42	25		cdy
Bismarck	42	28		cdy
Boise	42	18		cdy
Boston	31	12		clr
Burlington, Vt.	39	12		clr
Charleston, S.C.	51	36		cdy
Charleston, W.Va.	22	27		cdy
Charlotte, N.C.	49	33	.04	cdy
Cheyenne	13	01	.01	cdy
Chicago	21	04	.01	cdy
Cleveland	21	04		cdy
Concord, N.H.	21	07		cdy
Dallas Ft Worth	47	31		cdy
Denver	30	00		cdy
Des Moines	14	11		sn
Detroit	20	09	.01	cdy
Honolulu	80	62		cdy
Houston	56	23		cdy
Indianapolis	35	20	.02	cdy
Jackson, Miss.	48	29		cdy
Kansas City	33	19		cdy
Las Vegas	60	36		cdy
Little Rock	43	24		cdy
Los Angeles	70	51		cdy
Memphis	43	29		cdy
Minneapolis	19	01		cdy
Mobile	69	25	.03	sn
Mpls-St Paul	43	31		cdy
Nashville	43	31		cdy
New Orleans	30	41		cdy
New York City	36	19		cdy
Oklahoma City	33	19	.05	cdy
Omaha	69	50		cdy
Philadelphia	36	22		cdy
Phoenix	64	44		cdy
Pittsburgh	35	23		cdy
Portland, Maine	39	12		cdy
St Louis	35	16	.01	cdy
Salt Lake City	34	19		cdy
Seattle	52	31		cdy
Washington, D.C.	39	29	.01	cdy

POLICE BRIEFS

DUI, suspended license charged

Erik Paul Paskoski, 30, 311 Seminole Ave., Lake Mary, was charged with driving under the influence and driving with a suspended driver license by Lake Mary Police.

Police said he was driving erratically on I-4 and he kept crossing the white line between lanes.

His blood alcohol level was tested at .176/177 on a field sobriety test.

Officers also reported that he had no driver license.

He was taken to the John E. Polk Correctional Facility and held on \$500 bond.

Retail theft charged

Sharon Elizabeth Dickerson, 34, 126 Academy Ave., Sanford, was charged with retail theft by Sanford Police on Friday.

Police said she concealed \$56.56 worth of groceries in her jacket and tried to leave the Winn Dixie store on Airport Boulevard without paying for them.

She was taken to the John E. Polk Correctional Facility and held in \$100 bond.

3 arrested for throwing deadly missile

Kenneth Michael Bayles, 26, and Bryan Dale Arcangeli, 18, both of 102 Paddock Ct., Sanford, and Allen Robert Carter, 18, 478 Autumn Oaks Place, Lake Mary, were charged with throwing a deadly missile into an occupied dwelling on Friday by Lake Mary Police.

Police said the three had been throwing oranges at signs and trees in the area when an orange was thrown through the window of a house on Lakeview Drive in Lake Mary.

Arcangeli, the driver, was also charged with possession of a concealed weapon, when a small knife was found under the driver's seat.

The three were taken to the John E. Polk Correctional Facility and each were held on \$4,000 bond.

Domestic violence charged

Michael William Henry, 24, 1404 E. 20th St., Sanford, was charged with domestic violence and battery by Sanford Police on Friday.

Police said the suspect saw the mother of his son stopped at a light at the corner of French Avenue and 20th Street. He allegedly pulled her hair, choked her and tried to pull her from the car.

He was taken to the John E. Polk Correctional Facility and held on \$1,000 bond.

Disorderly intoxication charged

Wayne Edward Cox, 33, 115 S. French Ave., Apt. C, Sanford, was charged with disorderly intoxication and resisting arrest without violence by Sanford Police on Saturday.

Police said when they arrived at his apartment in response to a disturbance call, the suspect was throwing plates and tile down the stairs.

He allegedly became belligerent and cursed repeatedly at officers. While the officer was trying to handcuff him, he pulled his arm away.

He was taken to the John E. Polk Correctional Facility and held on \$500 bond.

Retail theft charged

Kenneth Mayrice McGill, 28, 2081 Airport Blvd., Sanford, was charged with retail theft on Friday by Sanford Police.

Police said he walked into a convenience store in the 2200 block of First Street in Sanford and helped himself to eight packs of cigarettes. He left the store without making an effort to pay for them.

He was located a short distance away and taken to the John E. Polk Correctional Facility and held on \$100 bond.

Battery charged

Fredrick Marty Jannetty, 33, 1835 North St., Longwood, was charged with battery/domestic violence by Seminole County sheriff's officers.

Officers said he allegedly became violent with his girlfriend during an argument.

While he denied having any physical contact with her, evidence seemed to support the girlfriend's claims.

He was taken to the John E. Polk Correctional Facility and released on \$2,500 bond.

Warrant arrests

● Brenda Gail Foster, 31, 1017 Pine Ave., Sanford, charged in connection with a warrant for failure to appear in court on charges of driving without a license. Bond was not set.

● Willie Lancaster "Calven" Smith, 26, 120 Academy Ave., Sanford, on charges that he violated the terms of his probation on battery charges. He was held in lieu of \$500 bond after his first appearance.

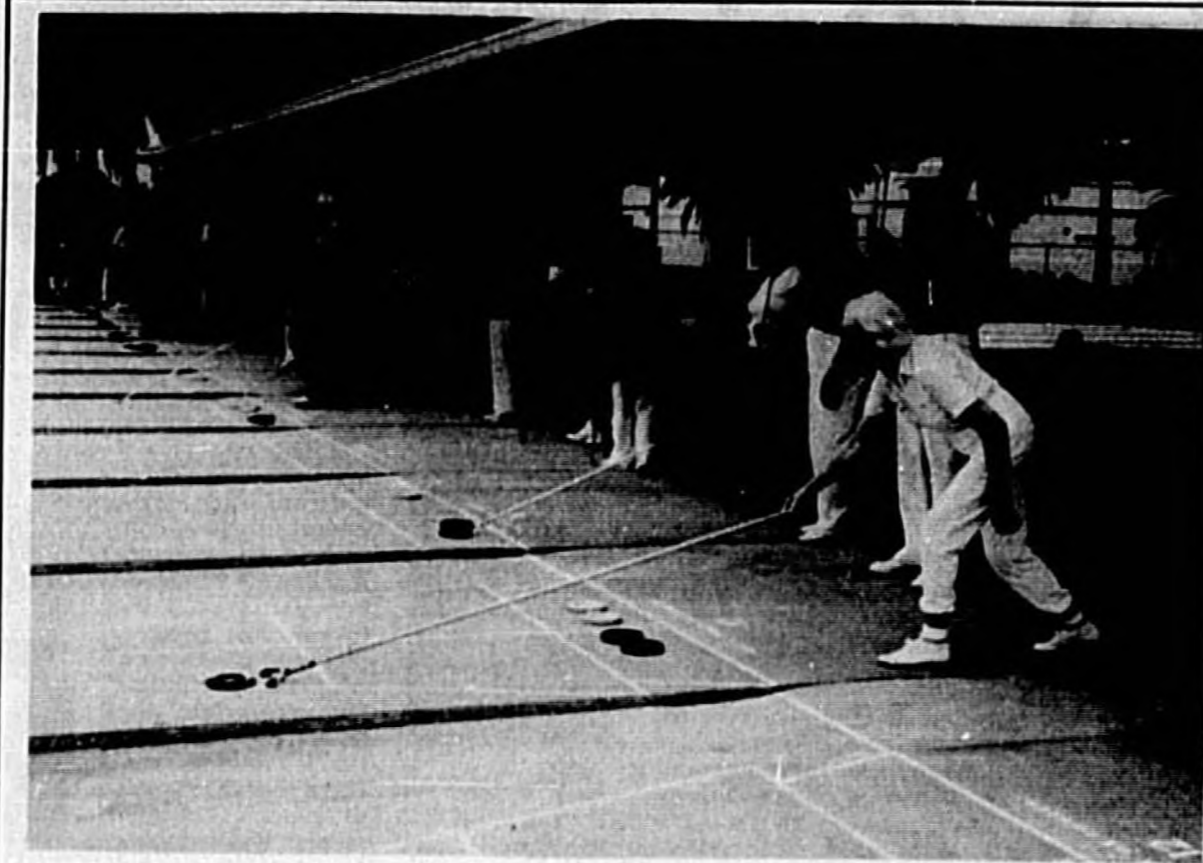
● Roger Albert Reifenrath, 46, 262 Short St., Lake Mary, on charges of violating the terms of his probation on battery charges. He was held in lieu of \$5,000 bond after his first appearance in court.

● Alan Alpert, 37, 808 Sweetwater Blvd. South, Longwood, on an order and warrant of bodily attachment. He was held in lieu of \$300 cash bond.

● Catherine L. Windham, 29, 250 Lake Breeze Cir., Lake Mary, on charges of uttering a forgery. She was held in \$1,000 bond.

● Roger William Leonard, 41, 1046 U.S. Highway 17-92, Longwood, on a writ of bodily attachment. He was held without bond.

● Patrick Gene Jones, 30, 1405 W. 16th St., Sanford on charges of failure to appear in court, failure to pay fines and resisting arrest without violence. He is being held in lieu of \$660 cash bond.



Do the shuffle

Some people have fun with shuffleboard. Members of the Sanford Shuffleboard Club however, accept it as serious competition as they take on the team from Campbell Park. Shuffleboard activity is very active in the Sanford area, with a number of organized clubs in existence.

Herald Photo by Michael Blodinski

Teen-age drug use, smoking on rise again

By CHRISTOPHER CONNELL
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — After declining steadily for more than a decade, smoking and drug use by teen-agers is on the rise again.

An annual survey of 51,000 high school and eighth-grade youth in more than 400 schools found that fewer teen-agers now see the peril in experimenting with cocaine and other illicit drugs.

The study by University of Michigan researchers found that 9 percent of eighth graders, 19 percent of 10th graders and 26 percent of 12th graders reported using marijuana in the past year — increases of 2 to 4 percentage points from a year earlier.

Eight percent of the eighth graders, 14 percent of 10th graders and 19 percent of the seniors said they smoked cigarettes daily, up by 1 to 2 percentage points.

"With more young people smoking cigarettes and using marijuana, and with the psychological and social constraints on use declining, the stage is set for a potential resurgence of cocaine and crack use in this population," warned Lloyd Johnston, the University of Michigan researcher who directs the study.

The findings provoked an outcry from the Clinton administration.

"These findings are more than a warning signal. They are an urgent alarm we must heed at once," said Health and Human Services Secretary Donna E. Shalala.

"With more young people needs to hear the same clear and unambiguous message: Drugs are harmful. Drugs are deadly. Drugs are illegal. Drugs will destroy your life," she said in remarks prepared for a news conference with Education Secretary Richard W. Riley and Lee P. Brown, director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy.

Shalala said she would appeal to the presidents of television networks, movie studios, record companies and sport leagues to intensify efforts to spread the anti-drug message.

Riley said the Education Department would boost spending on programs to "offer children alternatives to the deadly lure of drugs."

The University of Michigan, under contracts with the National Institute on Drug Abuse, has surveyed high school seniors annually since 1975 on their use of drugs, alcohol, and tobacco. In 1991 it began questioning eighth and 10th graders as well.

Johnston said that in the past two years, the proportion of eighth graders using marijuana has increased by half, and among the high schoolers by one-fifth or more.

"These rates are still well below the peak levels reached in the late '70s, but they clearly represent a reversal of the declines we recorded for more than a decade," he said.

Back in 1979, 60 percent of seniors had tried marijuana, compared with 35 percent of the Class of 1993.

Among other findings:

—Use of stimulants, LSD and inhalants was up from a year earlier. —Sixty-seven percent of eighth graders, 81 percent of 10th graders and 87 percent of 12th graders have tried alcohol.

—Fourteen percent of eighth graders, 23 percent of 10th graders and 28 percent of 12th graders admitted to binge drinking (five or more drinks in a row) in the previous two weeks.

—Only 53 percent of eighth graders see a great risk in smoking a pack or more of cigarettes a day. But 70 percent of seniors saw that as a great risk.

—Only 36 percent of the eighth graders, 30 percent of the 10th graders and 22 percent of the 12th graders perceive great risk in trying marijuana once or twice.

—Black students reported the lowest rates of use for virtually all the drugs, licit or illicit.

—Thirty-one percent of the seniors said they had used an illicit drug in the last 12 months.

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Father kills 3 children, friend before committing suicide

By RAJU CHERIUM
Associated Press Writer

MIAMI — The fatal shootings of his three young children, a family friend and finally himself have investigators shocked and sickened as they question whether infidelity drove a man to massacre his family.

Police said William Gutierrez, 31, opened fire in the family's one-room apartment Sunday morning before turning the gun on himself.

His wife, Maria Diaz, 22, was slightly wounded in the shooting. Neighbors said she had planned to leave her husband and take the children.

"A shooting like this that takes the life of three kids 5 years old and under, it leaves a police officer speechless," said Miami police spokesman Dave Magnusson. "There are no words. It just sickens you."

Killed were 4-year-old William and 1-year-old Jennifer — both pronounced dead at the scene — and 5-year-old Wilmary, who died at Jackson Memorial Hospital after going into cardiac arrest.

Gutierrez died several hours later at Jackson Memorial Hospital. Diaz was treated and released, said spokeswoman Adrienne Ferguson.

Eduardo Ibarra, 34, who was killed in the

shooting, was Diaz's suspected lover, according to homicide detective Manny De La Torre. But Diaz told police they were just friends, he said.

Jesus Alexis, who moved into the apartment complex three months ago, said he frequently heard fighting from the Gutierrez apartment.

And Roberto Mijaris, manager of the apartment complex in the city's Little Havana section, said Diaz had told him she was leaving Gutierrez.

"She and the children were leaving and her husband was staying," he told The Miami Herald for a story in today's editions.

Magnusson said investigators are trying to find out the relationship Ibarra had with the family.

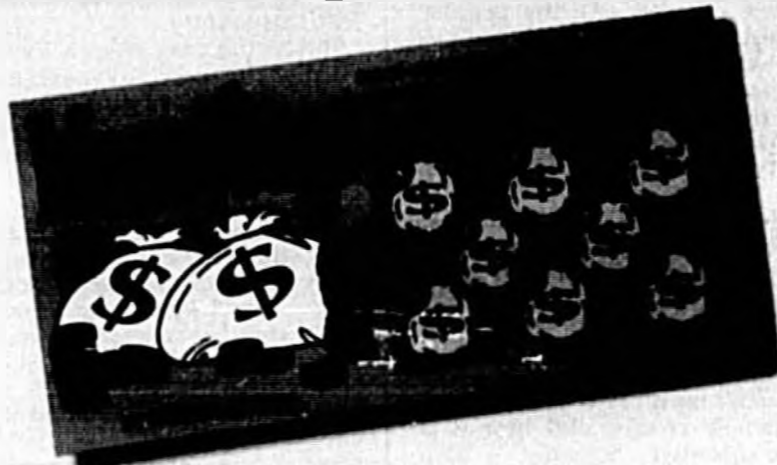
Ibarra escaped to Florida less than four months ago on an inner tube with eight other rafters. His sister, Caridad Ibarra, told the Herald Diaz was helping him find a job because she was an old friend.

"I said to him that I want this to be a respectful relationship," she said. "He assured me it would be."

Caridad Ibarra said she had introduced her brother to Gutierrez about two weeks ago when Gutierrez stopped by looking for his wife.

"They shook hands," she said.

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EDITORIALS

Celebrate ethnic diversity

From an early age we should teach our children to be tolerant of all ethnic groups and proud of their own heritage.

We are all Americans, part of a great country built by the sweat and hard work of people of all ethnic persuasions. Italians, Irish, French, Africans, Chinese and others worked together to build our nation.

Some people have failed to instill upon others the history, art and literature of their ancestors.

Now, as we enter Black History Month, we see that African Americans have the right idea.

They celebrate their leaders, such as Martin Luther King, with all of us. They bring the art and the literature of those such as Zora Neale Hurston, to the whole community.

They are proud of the contributions of African Americans in the past and in the present. All races and nationalities should take similar pride in the accomplishments of their ancestors.

In bringing black history to life with celebrations and community events at this time, ideas are kept alive. The events can help to bring all portions of the community together in a positive activity.

During the first several centuries of life in America, the accomplishments of black leaders have been kept at a low profile. History books in school failed to mention them in any detail. Few statues or monuments were ever erected in their honor.

Now, with a renewed spirit around the nation, this new revelation is presenting itself.

School children as well as adults should welcome this special one-month concentration of history. If we get involved, we may learn something.

We cheer those who have had the foresight to organize Black History Month, a celebration to bring a sense of accomplishment and a sense of history to the African American community.

LETTERS

Two choices

Let's browse around. If you will, in the seemingly never-ending area of totally incredulous actions and inactions of our everlovin' government — federal style, on a national level.

This country, the United States of America, seems to have absolutely no trouble amassing trillions upon trillions of your tax dollars to squander all over hell's half acre in the form of "foreign aid," spread throughout the world. And what, my good friends, does this action get us? I mean besides a damn swift kick in the pants, that is. Oh, yes, that too "Spat upon," "Flag burned," "Embassy blown up." Damn list is nearly endless.

I suppose it really is asking too much to expect a little "domestic aid" from our everlovin' "Uncle" in the form of several blocks of a few million dollars each to build several new "federal prisons." That would, of course, let "Uncle" house his own prisoners instead of pawning 'em off to state prison systems all over the country. But then perhaps the states involved are making all kinds of "loot" housing all those federal prisoners and really don't want to lose all that income. Could be, you know.

"Education!" Another grossly overworked "buzzword" by nearly all levels of government. To hear them tell it, education would most probably cure everything from athlete's foot to dandruff and most ailments in between. To blame many, if not most, of our national shortcomings on the lack of education is a very convenient "cop-out" for not addressing the obvious problem...and fixing it.

For example! A few decades ago, the popular news media buzzword was "venereal disease" — namely gonorrhea and syphilis. It was then rampant. So we educated the hell out of our "so-called" kids to "protect them" from the perils of VD. And what happened? The VD rate went ballistic. It is still very much ballistic but no longer a hot item. It has, my friends, been replaced.

Today we are plagued with the "popular disease of the moment" — HIV and AIDS. And what do we hear — daily — beating on our poor old tired ear drums? Education — education — and more education. "We've just got to educate our citizens about AIDS." Well, now folks, we've educated the living hell out of our citizens. Just about every living person that wasn't born "next year" knows how AIDS was originally created and how it is currently being re-transmitted. Sexually — both "homo" and "hetero." It's no secret "how." It's right there in front of you.

And what are we doing about it? Oh, my friends, we're alive...pass out more condoms! First the high schools. Oh yeah! Then the grade schools. Yeah man — right on! How about kindergarten? Weeill...maybe not...yet...but give 'em time.

We have two choices: Shape up our act is one...Die early is the other.

Nelson B. Tuller Winter Springs

NAT HENTOFF

A hateful speech, then silence

The recent appearance of the Nation of Islam's Khalid Abdul Muhammad at Kean College in New Jersey has resonated far beyond that state school and in 12,000 students. Yet some dimensions of his lecture — I have a tape of it — remain unexplored.

Muhammad is a national spokesman for Minister Louis Farrakhan. His leader, over the past year, has tried in his own speeches to dilute some of his evident distaste for Jews — especially now that he is part of a "covenant" with the NAACP, the Congressional Black Caucus and Jesse Jackson.

Khalid Muhammad, on the other hand, has not restrained his contempt for Jews at all. The Nation of Islam, however, is a tightly run organization, as it was during the reign of Elijah Muhammad. (The dissident Malcolm X found that out.) But, as Farrakhan strives for broader acceptance, here is his spokesman, Khalid Muhammad at Kean College.

"Everybody always talks about Hitler eliminating 6 million Jews. But don't nobody ever ask, 'What did they do to Hitler?'" In Germany, they usurped, the way they do everywhere they go.... My leader tried to reason with you (Jews). But you disrespected him. And

then you lied to him. And so now you have to face us, and we will eat your behind alive."

Muhammad is a frequent spellbinder before mainly black students at colleges. Since

Muhammad continues on the circuit without being reprimanded by his leader, Minister Farrakhan has become the somewhat more respectable messenger. Meanwhile, his lieutenant reassures black college students that the Nation of Islam's old-time religion has lost none of its fire and brimstone.

At Kean College, for instance, Muhammad implicitly approved propagandist Steve Cokely's charge that Jewish doctors in-

jected the AIDS virus into black babies. "Brother Cokely is 100 percent right!"

Khalid Muhammad is an equal opportunity bigot. At Kean, he also heaped scorn on gays and lesbians, Arabs, women, Catholics and whites not otherwise enumerated. He referred to "the old no-good Pope — you know that cracker.... Somebody need to raise that dress up and see what's really under there." Just right for Jesse Jackson's "common ground" politics.

Once the news of Muhammad's take-no-prisoners lecture spread beyond the campus, the president of Kean College, Dr. Elsa Gomez, came in for considerable criticism. She had waited 10 days before saying anything about Muhammad's memorable visit. She then did condemn the speech as "reprehensible," adding, however, that he had the right to speak freely, no matter how odiously.

Elsa Gomez is indeed a firm believer in free speech. She is also devoted to the idea of diversity among the student body at Kean — and its corollary, multiculturalism.



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HODDING CARTER

Rethinking Vietnam, Cuba policy

Two decades have passed since the United States withdrew from the Vietnam War. We have yet to establish normal relations with Hanoi. Almost 35 years have passed since we broke with Castro's Cuba. We continue to block the restoration of full relations with Havana.

In both cases, one simple question arises: Why? In both cases the answers do not bear close examination. Now, finally, the Clinton administration seems on the verge of confronting the obvious with Vietnam even while it refuses to do so with Cuba.

Perhaps the hardest point to grasp is that diplomatic recognition is just that. It is not the George Washington seal of approval. We recognize some 175 nations, many of them ruled by people whose politics and practices range from the unacceptable to the abhorrent. They do not think we love them and we do not think they love us. What we know is that they exist and that it makes sense for us to try to deal directly with their existence.

Recognition is ordinarily as simple as one, two, three. A new nation is established, usually carved out of the remains of a fallen imperial order. Or a new government displaces another one through violent revolution or coup. After an interval to allow the dust to settle in the latter case, or almost immediately in the former, Washington joins the rest of the international community in establishing formal diplomatic links with the new regime.

At least, that is the way it works in 99 cases out of 100. When it doesn't, there should be an unique set of reasons to explain why.

Perhaps the new government is murderous beyond historic precedent. Perhaps it poses a direct and mortal threat to American security, its very existence predicated on a state of war with this country.

But in the case of both Vietnam and Cuba, none of these conditions pertain, if they ever did. Relatively small pressure groups with legitimate grievances have managed to hold national policy hostage. It has seemed easier to stay the course, however ludicrous, than to risk a political firestorm.

In the case of Vietnam, the sticking point has been the longstanding issue of American servicemen still listed as missing in action. It is clear that Hanoi has never been totally forthcoming on the MIA issue. However, there is virtually no likelihood that Vietnam is still holding MIAs or hiding their remains. If only because it would make no sense to do so. It is not easy to say that to the families of the missing men, some of whom have invented their lives in the cause, but it must be said nonetheless.

But why does it matter if we don't have relations with Vietnam? Primarily because it limits our ability to influence the behavior of a country bound to play a significant role in the region. Secondly, because it keeps American firms out of a growing market that is being exploited by many of their chief competitors.

All of this lies behind the barrage of public statements by administration envoys and spokesmen in recent weeks hinting that some form of recognition is just around the corner. Something else does as well. Losing the

Vietnam war — or not winning it, if you prefer that formulation, no longer sticks in the nation's throat like an undigested bone. We have finally come to terms with it, which means public opinion is ready for normalization.

In the case of Cuba, however, there is an additional, all-important factor. For hundreds of thousands of Cuban emigres who live in this country, the destruction of Fidel Castro is half cause, half holy crusade. It does not matter that he has always been an ant screaming insults at an elephant. What matters is that he still rules the country from which they were forced to flee. For them, diplomatic relations are unthinkable until he is overthrown or dies, and they are a potent force in Florida and national politics.

From that perspective, it is doubly ironic that non-recognition has probably prolonged Castro's hold on power. He has been able to justify economic difficulties by invoking the Yanqui boycott. He could explain Cuba's faithful adherence to the "Socialist" camp long after others had deserted it by pointing to the military threat from the United States.

As a direct result, a nation which is little more than a rifle shot from Key West, Fla., might as well have been in Southeast Asia for all the influence the United States has had on it. Thanks to our dedication to Cuba's isolation, the natural laws of political gravity have been suspended.

After more than 20 years of America's romance with the non-recognition and boycott of "Red China," the Nixon administration abandoned that approach in the early 1970s. While we continue to have differences with Beijing, they fall far short of the former state of bellicose hostility. And in bringing in China as a factor in the long struggle with the Soviet Union, we hastened its end.



In both cases, one simple question arises: Why?

JACK ANDERSON

Numbers behind health plan cast doubt

WASHINGTON — The Clinton administration is anxiously awaiting a verdict on health-care reform from one of the most influential juries in Washington — the nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office. Early next month CBO will deliver its opinion on whether the plan's financing is based more on fantasy than fact.

But a leap of faith may be more accurate for the budget side of the 1,342-page bill. At least that's the essence of an early verdict rendered by a member of President Clinton's own Cabinet, which played a major role drafting the plan and "scrubbing the numbers."

Office of Management and Budget Director Leon Panetta defends the Health Security Act as honest and conservative but warns about what might be termed the X factor:

the administration's numbers may prove wrong, although not through deceit or deception. Forecasting the future of health care is an imperfect undertaking — notwithstanding nine months of work by Hillary Rodham Clinton and input from 500 experts.

We recently asked Panetta whether some parts of the plan may be only as reliable as the models on which it was based. "Exactly. I can say we have the best estimates in the business only because we have the only estimates in the business.... You bring 30 million to 40 million Americans onto the health care rolls — who knows what the utilization is, who knows what the impact is, who knows what those families are going to do?"

Panetta's opinions can't be discounted as partisan scare talk. Juxtaposed with Clinton's fiery conviction during last week's State of the Union address, they have the flavor of a forewarning. Panetta believes the potential rewards of reform override the risk but cautions against putting too much faith in the models.

"The largest part of the time we spent in the first six months was developing models.... so we can say, 'If we're going to bring these people into a health-care system, what are we going to need, for example, in terms of subsidies to help the smaller businesses? How much is this going to cost?'"

If the administration's math doesn't add up, and health care proves to be a budget-buster, chalk it up to the fact that officials were operating in the financial equivalent of uncharted waters. "We know what the estimates are in the area of Medicare or Medicaid," Panetta said. "You have some (private) insurance actuaries.... you have some sense of what the costs are there. But suddenly when you are going to be applying a plan that is comprehensive, that involves a basic benefit plan and covers all Americans, that's new."

Panetta said everybody who participated in the process — including health policy architect Ira Magaziner and Hillary Rodham Clinton — understood these problems from the beginning. That's why so much time was spent developing models. The second approach was to be very conservative in the estimates filtering into the White House from agencies. He revealed that cost estimates for different planks in the plan often varied among agencies, and the highest estimate would get incorporated into his final projections.

Panetta also touched on what may become the most incendiary issue in the entire debate: spending caps. To avoid getting "caught in that problem of estimates," Panetta said, the concept of caps took hold.



CBO will deliver its opinion on whether the plan's financing is based more on fantasy than fact.

Women jurors: War between sexes polarized Menendez jury

By LINDA DEUTSCH
AP Special Correspondent

LOS ANGELES — Sexism and homophobia doomed any chance for a verdict in Erik Menendez' murder trial, said women jurors who also believe no jury is likely to convict Erik or his brother Lyle of first degree murder in the shotgun slaying of their parents.

"We were called ignorant asses and empty headed and 'those women,'" said one juror, a 36-year-old secretary who asked not to be identified. "We had one juror who would put on his sunglasses and be balancing his checkbook and cutting out coupons when the women were talking."

"There were insults, sexual comments. They tried to out-shout us," said juror Tracy Miller, 27, a bookstore clerk.

When a prosecutors raised the issue of homosexuality late in the trial, Miller recalled, several

of the men showed new interest.

Juror Hazel Thornton, 38, said she tried to keep deliberations on issues such as burden of proof or the concept of malice, but men were more interested in whether Erik was homosexual.

In an interview with The Associated Press, four women jurors and two women alternates who heard Erik Menendez' case described 19 days of hostile deliberations.

Attempts to get comment from men on Erik's panel were unsuccessful. Two refused to comment when contacted by phone; a third didn't return a telephone message; there was no answer at the home of a fourth; and numbers for the fifth and sixth male jurors were unavailable.

But a man interviewed for the television program "Inside Edition" defended the jury and called claims of an anti-gay bias "ludicrous."

"Every juror went in there with an open mind trying to do the best that they could and trying to come up with the truth," said Juror Bob Rakestraw, according to a transcript made available to the AP. "And it had nothing to do with the lifestyle that these two men led."

Rakestraw did not address sexism allegations in the interview, which was scheduled to air tonight.

Erik, 23, and Lyle, 26, were charged with first degree murder in the 1989 slaying of their wealthy parents, Jose and Kitty Menendez.

Prosecutors argued the brothers killed out of greed and hatred; the brothers claimed they feared for their lives after years of mental and sexual abuse.



Miss SHS '94 candidates line up after talent segment to await the results of the judges.

Miss SHS

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The contestants were each interviewed by the judges during the afternoon before showing off a variety of performing talents that evening.

Emcee Anne Roberts, the 1994 Disney World Ambassador, was the charming mistress of ceremonies.

From singing to dancing to stand up comedy, the contestants delighted the judges and the crowd who gathered in the school's auditorium for the event.

"It was an entertaining evening all the way around," Michels said.

Blair wowed the crowd with her sparkling rendition of Brooks

and Dunn's "Boot Scootin' Boogie."

Each young lady was sponsored in the competition by a group or organization at the school.

Blair represented Salmagundi, the school's yearbook. Along with the crown, she received a banner, a trophy, a bouquet of pastel flowers and a \$100 Savings Bond.

A former cheerleader, she is active with the yearbook production staff and plans to pursue a career in broadcast journalism.

First runner up in the competition was Karen Silvius. Sponsored by Polyglots, she performed a cheery Can-Can to the music of Cole Porter.

Second runner up Jaime

Dillman, who was sponsored by Students Against Drunk Driving, did an uproariously funny comedy routine.

According to Michels, no one has ever done stand up comedy in the talent portion of the Miss SHS pageant but the judges were pleased and impressed with the routine.

Tamara Coughlin, who danced to a mix of 1950s and 1960s music, was singled out as the top talent winner and Krystal Merthie was lauded as the winner of the individual interview.

"I think we had a wonderfully successful event," said Michels. "I think everyone was very pleased."

Crime

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"I realize that this distinction is not a flattering one for the beautiful Bayou State," Morgan said. "Certainly, you will find pockets of safe and dangerous areas in any state."

However, when taken as a whole, the facts speak for themselves. Louisiana has the highest murder rate in the country and ranks high in violent crime and overall crime in general.

The second most dangerous state was Maryland, followed by Texas, Illinois and Florida.

Rounding out the top 10 were California, Nevada, New York, Arizona and South Carolina.

At the opposite end of the scale, Vermont was found to be the safest of the 50 states, said Scott Morgan, president of the publishing company.

Morgan said the rankings were based on 16 factors, including overall state crime rates, juve-

nile crime statistics, crime clearances, police protection and expenditures and the change in crime rates over the past five years.

Maine followed Vermont as the state considered safest. Next came Iowa, North Dakota, West Virginia, New Hampshire, Nebraska, South Dakota, Kentucky, Montana and Wyoming.

California, the nation's most populous state, led the nation in murders and non-negligent manslaughters in 1992 with 3,921, or 16.5 percent of the national total of 23,760. New York had 2,397, Texas 2,239, Illinois 1,322, Florida 1,208, Michigan 938 and Louisiana

747.

The book ranks the states in more than 450 categories, and Morgan said the 16 factors considered the most critical were used in determining which states are most dangerous.

He admitted that selecting the top 16 categories used to compile the crime rankings was subjective.

"But when you look at it, I think it's fairly telling," he said. "You can quibble about whether Louisiana is first or fourth, but it is definitely among the top states in the problem of crime."

Information from Associated Press is contained in this report.

Sturm

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representative to the EDC for 12 years. The organization is aimed at developing the central Florida job base and economy through information and recruitment services.

Sturm was also active in county economic development through service on the Seminole County Port Authority and the Seminole County Industrial Development Authority.

Sturm spearheaded the effort to reduce the role of SCIDA and

divert economic development funding to a more regional approach through the EDC. SCIDA went through a rocky and politically-charged history which included a merger with SCOPA before its final and current role as an industrial development bond approval committee.

Before 1981, the EDC represented solely Orange County and Orlando. After Seminole County joined, the organization expanded and now includes Lake and Osceola Counties.

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DEATHS

KATHERINE ANEVA McKENZIE CURRY

Katherine Aneva McKenzie Curry, 83, Landover Place, Longwood, died Sunday, Jan. 30, 1994, at Meridian Nursing Home, Longwood. Born Aug. 24, 1910, in Michigan City, Miss., she moved to Central Florida from Memphis in 1988. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include husband, Clinton H., Sr.; sons, Chris Curry, Birmingham, Ala.; Clinton H., Jr., Atlanta; daughters, Joyce McLeod, Longwood, Charlotte Miller, Alexandria, Va.; brothers, L.T. McKenzie, Jr., San Antonio, Neil H. McKenzie, Grenada, Miss.; sisters, Ruth Evelyn Glover, Beth Welch, both of Starksville, Miss.; seven grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Gaines Carey Hand Garden Chapel Funeral Home, Longwood, in charge of arrangements.

JAMES L. JUNE

James L. June, 41, of Anderson Avenue, Sanford, died Thursday, Jan. 27, at Orlando Regional Medical Center. Born March 25, 1952, in Manning, S.C., he moved to Sanford in 1938 from Greeleyville, S.C. Mr. June was a landscaper and a member of West Side Freewill Holiness Church, Sanford.

Survivors include wife, Bernice; sons, James L. Sanders and Daman Burke, both of Sanford; brothers, Jessie, Frank, Ned, Leroy, Elijah, and Henry, all of Sanford; sisters, Mary Williams, Altamonte Springs, Eunice Wilds, Mattie McKenzie, and Suzanne J. Eudell, all of Sanford.

Wilson-Elchberger Mortuary, Inc., Sanford, in charge of arrangements.

ELSIE SPECK KONDRATICK

Elsie Speck Kondratick, 84, La Mesa Avenue, Winter Springs, died Saturday, Jan. 29, 1994, at Winter Park Memorial Hospital. Born July 4, 1929, in Gannister, Pa., she moved to Central Florida from Baltimore in 1969. Mrs. Kondratick was a homemaker and a member of St. Simeon Orthodox Church.

Survivors include sons, Steven, Indianapolis, Alexander,

Winter Springs; daughters, Catherine Brouseau, Baltimore, Nina Neal, Oviedo; brothers, Andrew Speck, New York, Frank Speck, Pennsylvania, Joseph Speck, Michael Speck, John Speck, all of Auburn, N.Y.; sister, Mary Strong, Auburn; eight grandchildren.

Gaines Carey Hand Garden Chapel Funeral Home, Longwood, in charge of arrangements.

PATRICK STEPHEN MAGUIRE

Patrick Stephen Maguire, 34, Arden Street, Longwood, died Thursday, Jan. 27, 1994, at Meridian Nursing Center, Longwood. Born March 12, 1959, in Long Island, N.Y., he moved to Central Florida in 1966. Mr. Maguire was a screenwriter and actor. He was a member of St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church, Mattland.

Survivors include parents, Patrick R. and Anne Maguire; brother, Michael; sisters, Roseanne, Katherine.

Baldwin-Fairchild Funeral Home, Altamonte Springs, in charge of arrangements.

CECELIA PRINCIPE

Cecelia Principe, 87, Windmeadows Street, Altamonte Springs, died Sunday, Jan. 30, 1994, at Florida Living Nursing Center, Altamonte Springs. Born July 1, 1928, in Cleveland, Ohio, she moved to Central Florida in 1982. She was a secretary for the Civil Service Department of Defense and Catholic.

She is survived by a brother, Carl, of Cleveland.

Baldwin-Fairchild Funeral Home, Altamonte Springs, in charge of arrangements.

ANNA CLARA SHELTON

Anna Clara Shelton, 84, Marker Street, Altamonte Springs, died Saturday, Jan. 29, 1994, at Florida Hospital, Altamonte Springs. Born Jan. 28, 1910, in Palatka, she moved to Central Florida in 1921. Mrs. Shelton a housekeeper and a member of Church of God in Christ, Altamonte Springs.

She is survived by a daughter, Vienna Jenkins, of Altamonte Springs.

Bruon's Funeral Home, Orlando, in charge of arrangements.

JAMES STEWART

James Stewart, 57, Hoffa Way, Longwood, died Saturday, Jan. 29, 1994, at his residence. Born May 20, 1934, in Neola, Iowa, he moved to Central Florida from Memphis in 1981. Mr. Stewart was a former regional manager of Florida for the Uniden Corporation of America. He was a member of the Church of the Nativity, the VFW, DAV, and American Legion. He is a veteran of the U.S. Navy.

Survivors include wife, Geraldine; son, Thomas, Longwood; daughter, Kelly Blucher, Portland, Ore.; mother, Ora Stewart, Fremont, Neb.; brother, Richard, Naperville, Ill.; sisters, Barbara Lanning, Judy Neuhaus, Jane Baugh, all of Fremont, Neb.

Gaines Carey Hand Garden Chapel Funeral Home, Longwood, in charge of arrangements.

BACAK, ROBERT R., SR.

Funeral services for Mr. Robert R. Bacak, Sr., age 67, of Edgewater, who passed away Thursday, will be conducted today (Monday) at 2 p.m., at the Oaklawn Park Chapel of the Baldwin Fairchild Funeral Home, with the Rev. John Bryant officiating. Interment will follow at Sylvan Lake Cemetery.

Arrangements by Baldwin-Fairchild Funeral Home, Oaklawn Park Chapel, Lake Mary.

KONDRATICK, ELSIE SPECK

Funeral services for Mrs. Kondratick will be Monday evening, Jan. 31, at 7 p.m. and the liturgical service will be Tuesday at 11 a.m., in St. Stephen Orthodox Church in Longwood, with the Rev. Theodore Bacha officiating. Interment will follow in All Faiths Cemetery. Friends may call at the St. Stephen Orthodox Church Monday evening from 5 p.m. until time of service.

Arrangements by Gaines Carey Hand Garden Chapel Funeral Home, Longwood.

SMITH, FRANK B.

Funeral services for Mrs. Smith will be Thursday, Feb. 2, at 4 p.m. in Gaines Carey Hand Funeral Chapel with the Rev. Ray Hatter officiating. Cremation will follow service. Friends may call at the funeral home Thursday from 2 p.m. until time of service. For friends who wish memorial donations may be made to the Longwood V.F.W. Post #207, 1520 N. C.R. 47, Longwood, 32780; or the American Heart Association, Central Florida Chapter, 227 E. Marks Street, P.O. Box 13665, Orlando, FL 32813-6665.

Arrangements by Gaines Carey Hand Garden Chapel Funeral Home, Longwood.

Dividends

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upwards of \$7 per hour to have their children in the program for a few hours per week.

"It could be very costly for someone who volunteers a couple of hours a week," Lane said. "That kind of cost adds up."

She said the number of parents who shied away from volunteering in the classroom because they did not feel they could afford the expense of temporary child care was surprising.

"There were so many for whom this was the biggest obstacle," she said.

According to Lane, Dividends set to work finding day care facilities that could help out the parents who wanted to volunteer.

"They were so willing to help," Lane said. "It's been very satisfying."

Joan Collard of The Happy Elves day care center in Lake Mary said that she believes it's a good program.

"I think the Dividends program is a wonderful and exciting program," she said. "It helps the students in the schools so much. If I can help the moms that want to volunteer to get there, then I'm willing to do that."

Jean McLain of Mama Jean's day care in Sanford said she believes the opportunity to help out the schools is a special one.

"I think this is a great chance to help people who are doing some good for the students who are our future leaders," she said.

Most of the child care facilities who are involved in the program have certain restrictions on how many children they can accommodate, on how often parents may use the services and on the ages of the children they will care for, but the Dividends

Accident

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The accident occurred near Geneva at the intersection of SR 46 and Jungle Road about 2:50 a.m.

Paul Alderman, 37, 8000 N. Highway 46, Mims, was pronounced dead at Orlando Regional Medical Center. The three passengers in the 1986 Ford pickup truck were injured and taken to area hospitals.

Kevin McNichols, 35, 5610 Holopaw Grove Road, St. Cloud, is in critical condition at ORMC and Debra Alderman, 8000 N. Hwy. 46, Mims, is in stable condition this morning. Cynthia McNichols, 5610 Holopaw Grove Rd., St. Cloud, was treated at Central Florida Regional Hospital, Sanford.

A Florida Highway Patrol trooper investigating the accident reported no one in the pickup truck was wearing a seat belt.

The driver of the tractor-trailer, Louis Mandeville, 57, Melbourne, was not injured. According to the police report, the Kenworth was westbound on SR 46 approaching Jungle Road. Alderman was northbound on Jungle Road and pulled into the path of Mandeville's truck. The tractor-trailer struck the pickup on the right side.

coordinators are certain they can find a facility that will meet the needs of anyone who wants to volunteer.

"We'll find some arrangements to suit the needs of someone who wants to work in the schools," Lane said.

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IN BRIEF

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SCSC Spring softball

ALTAMONTE SPRINGS — Seminole County Parks and Recreation is accepting registrations for its 15-week spring slowpitch softball leagues.

Returning teams and new league classification may register today through Saturday, Feb. 6. New teams may register from Feb. 7-20.

A managers meeting will be Tuesday, Feb. 22 at 7 p.m. Rosters are due on Feb. 28.

Leagues will begin play the week of March 7 at the Seminole County Softball Complex.

Fees are \$420 (subject to change) for Seminole County, plus \$40 for Metro Orlando (subject to change). Payments are separate. Fees must be paid at time of registration.

Sanford Rec. baseball-softball

SANFORD — The Sanford Recreation Department is now registering children between the ages of 5 and 15 for its upcoming baseball and softball seasons.

Kids can sign up at the Downtown Youth Center located in the lower level of Sanford City Hall or they may register the day of tryouts.

To register the players must have the \$10 registration fee and his or her birth certificate.

For the first time this year, in addition to Pee-Wee (7-9), Little Major (10-12) and Babe Ruth (13-15) baseball leagues, Sanford will offer a T-Ball League for children who will be 5 or not turn 7 before August 1, 1994.

All returning players who will be in the same leagues as last year must register but will not have to attend tryouts.

For more information, call 330-5697.

T-Ball coaches needed

SANFORD — Anyone interested in coaching baseball in Sanford this year is encouraged to call the Recreation Department at 330-5697.

Coaches are most needed in the new T-Ball League that will be starting this year.

Also, anyone who wishes to coach baseball in Sanford must attend the coaches certification class that will be held on March 5.

AROUND THE STATE

Belanger leads Panthers

BUFFALO, N.Y. — Jesse Belanger scored two goals and John Vanbiesbrouck had 37 saves, leading the Florida Panthers to a 3-2 win over the Buffalo Sabres Sunday.

The win increased the Panthers' unbeaten streak to nine (5-0-4), extending its NHL record for a first-year team. The previous record was seven, set by the Los Angeles Kings and St. Louis Blues during the 1967-68 season.

Scott Mellanby had the other goal for Florida, while Jason Dawe and Donald Audette scored for Buffalo.

The Florida win, combined with Philadelphia's overtime loss to Montreal, moved the Panthers into third place in the Atlantic Division and sixth place in the Eastern Conference. That would be good for a playoff spot, an unlikely place for a first-year expansion team so late in the season.

AROUND THE NATION

Ditka interested in Jaguars?

CHICAGO — Former Chicago Bears coach Mike Ditka has inquired about coaching the expansion Jacksonville Jaguars, team owner Wayne Weaver says.

Weaver said he hasn't talked with Ditka and hasn't scheduled an interview with him. Weaver said he's putting together a short list of candidates for the head coaching job, but won't say whether Ditka is on it.

"I've never really met the man," Weaver said. "His reputation speaks for itself and the football team he built in Chicago. He's certainly a great football mind."

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Girls' Basketball

□ Lake Howell at DeLand, JV, 5:15 p.m.; V, 7 p.m.

Boys' Soccer

□ 4A-District 6 tournament: Seminole vs. Kissimmee-Gateway at Cypress Creek High School, 7 p.m.

□ 6A-District 4 tournament: Mainland vs. Spruce Creek.

BEST BETS ON TV

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

□ 7:30 p.m. — ESPN, Georgetown at Boston College, (L)

□ 9:30 p.m. — ESPN, Kansas at Missouri, (L)

PRO BASKETBALL

□ 8 p.m. — TNT, Cleveland Cavaliers at Detroit Pistons, (L)

Complete listings on Page 2B

Boys kick it into gear

Tribe opens 4A-6 play; 5A-4 cranks up Tuesday

By **TONY DeSORMIER**
Herald Sports Editor

SANFORD — To say that it hasn't been the easiest of seasons for the Seminole High School boys' soccer team might be something of an understatement.

The only Class 4A school playing in the extremely competitive Seminole Athletic Conference, perhaps one of the strongest conferences for boys soccer in the state, the Seminoles posted a 1-13 mark this year, 10 of the losses coming in conference competition.

But tonight, the only thing that concerns Seminole is that one win. Tonight, the Seminoles will open play in the 4A-District 6 tournament against the one team they beat this year, the Kissimmee-Gateway Panthers.

The game, which will be played at Cypress Creek High School, is scheduled to begin at 7 p.m. The winner advances to play top-seeded St.

Cloud in the 5:30 p.m. game Wednesday at Cypress Creek. At 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, No. 2-seed Leesburg plays No. 3-seed Cypress Creek.

Friday night's championship game will be played at the home site of the remaining highest-seeded team.

On Dec. 13, Seminole rallied from a 1-0 deficit to beat Gateway 3-1 in a game played at Thomas E. Whigham Stadium. Richie Bills scored twice around a goal by Phillip Falk while Patrick Shannon turned in a brilliant performance in goal for the Seminoles.

John Davis, Jason McGee, Dan Julian, and Mikki Sill also played well for Seminole in the win over Gateway.

5A-DISTRICT 4

LAKE MARY — If there's a strange sameness to the first round of 5A-District 4 boys' soccer tournament, it's only because half of the games are rematches of contests played just last Thursday.

On Tuesday night, the No. 2-seeded Lyman

Greyhounds will host the seventh-seeded Lake Brantley Patriots while the third-seeded Oviedo Lions entertain the No. 6-seed Lake Howell Silver Hawks.

Last Thursday, Lake Brantley edged Lyman 2-1 and Oviedo rallied past Lake Howell 2-1.

The Lake Mary Rams, the Seminole Athletic Conference champion and the No. 1 seed in the district tournament, will host the winner of tonight's qualifying game between eighth-seeded Mainland and No. 9-seed Spruce Creek.

Also on Tuesday night, DeLand and Deltona, the fourth and fifth-seeded teams, respectively will square off.

In the semifinals, to be played Wednesday night, the winner of the Lyman/Lake Brantley game will play the Oviedo/Lake Howell victor while the survivor of the Lake Mary/Mainland/Spruce Creek bracket meets the DeLand/Deltona winner.

The championship game is set for Friday night.



Looking for some room

Lake Mary's Jimmy Newberry (No. 34), one of the leading scorers in Central Florida, was hounded by Seminole's defense into one of his worst shooting

performances of the season Friday. With Neville Fuller (No. 30) and the rest of Arrow Force II dogging his every step, Newberry was 5-for-18 from the floor.

Herald Photo by Mark Harris

Rec hoop leaders stay away from upsets

From Staff Reports

SANFORD — A rash of near upsets almost took the shine off next week's "Showdown Saturday".

In probably the most competitive day of the season, undefeated Sanford Electric and once-beaten Christo's barely avoided the upset bug to keep a race to the wire going in the Junior Division of the Sanford Recreation Department Youth Basketball League at the Sanford Middle School Gymnasium.

The Senior Division also featured a couple of upsets, but neither involved the two undefeated squads, who cruised to easy victories and will face each other for the regular season title next week and the No. 1 seed in the post-season tournament.

Sanford Electric (5-0) trailed virtually the whole game, falling behind 23-12 after three periods, but came to life in the fourth quarter to shutout Sanford Antiques (1-5) 12-0 to pull out a 24-23 triumph and keep alive next week's battle for first place with fellow unbeaten Hardee's, which was idle Saturday.

Christo's (4-1) let a 16-6 halftime lead get away, as the Fleet Reserve Ladies Auxiliary (3-2) rallied to tie the game at 24-24 after regulation. Darius Wells saved Christo's as he scored six points in a 10-1 overtime run to give Christo's a 34-25 victory and keep them just a game out of a lead.

In the other Junior games, Rich Plan (2-4) was able to hold off Sunniland Corporation (also 2-4) despite being outscored 7-1 in the final period; and Sanford Paint & Body (2-3) outscored Sanford Ace Hardware (0-5) in every period to win 29-15.

In the Senior games, the two undefeateds, Fleet Reserve Branch 147 and Calvary Apostolic Temple, both 6-0, walked to wins, 65-35 over ABB Power Distribution (1-5) and 72-50 over Sunniland Corporation (3-3), respectively.

□ See Recreation, Page 2B

Cowboys, Bills extend streaks

By **BARRY WILNER**
AP Football Writer

ATLANTA — When the JJs came to town, the Dallas Cowboys were a disaster. Five years later, they're close to being a dynasty.

The Buffalo Bills aren't any closer to an NFL championship than they were when the 1990s began. But, Jim Kelly promised, they'll keep at it until they get it right.

"I think the Cowboys can be mentioned anywhere that you put them," Emmitt Smith said Sunday after leading Dallas to its second straight Super Bowl victory, 30-13 over the self-destructive Buffalo Bills.

Smith rushed for 132 yards and two touchdowns, adding the Most Valuable Player trophy to the MVP honors he grabbed during the season. "As players, we don't think about being mentioned with the same teams in history that you may be considering in your mind. The only thing we're concerned about is winning ballgames and winning championships."

They've done that in remarkable style since Jerry Jones bought the floundering team and made Jimmy Johnson coach in 1989. After a 1-15 record the first season, the Cowboys steadily moved toward the top. They got there last year and, despite what Johnson called "all kinds of difficulties, from injuries to (Smith's)

□ See Super Bowl, Page 2B

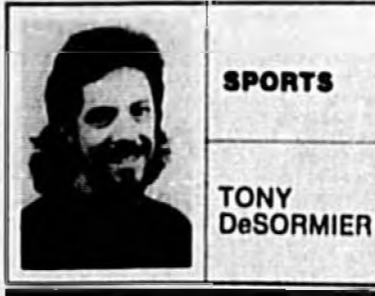
Is a helmet law for young cyclists the way to go?

This month's "Bike Ped News," the newsletter of the Orlando Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Bicycle/Pedestrian Program, leads with an interesting story on mandatory helmet laws for bicyclists under the age of 16.

Following the story, which discusses the reasons for and merits of such a law, there is an update on the efforts to introduce a bill — pre-filled by Representative Julie McClure (Manatee) — and the following summary of the bill.

"The new law would require bicyclists under the age of 16 to wear an ANSI or Snell rated helmet when riding their own bicycle or when a passenger in a child carrier or trailer. The \$25 first violation fine would be dismissed if the violator produces proof-of-purchase of a helmet within 10 days. (A \$5 dismissal fee may be assessed.)

"The new law would also prohibit a bicyclist from leaving a child in a child carrier seat while not in immediate control of the bike. Labeling would be required on boxes for child carrier seats sold in the State of Florida to explain these laws. Failure to use, or require a child to use, a helmet would not be



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considered evidence of contributory negligence."

While I'm a proponent of the use of helmets by bicyclists, I wonder if this viable means to that end.

I would think that rather than ticket children who don't wear helmets, develop and implement educational programs for children and, by way of setting an example, ticket adults who ride without appropriate head gear.

The basis of my reasoning is that bicycles are considered vehicles under Florida law and are subject to the many of the same laws as motor vehicles. Rather than enact a new law, amend the law requiring helmets of motorcycle riders.

Again, that puts the onus on adult riders, who should know better and

can be held responsible for their actions. Make the fines comparable and assign points to licenses.

But ticketing children?

If anything should be mandatory for children, it should be education.

While most adolescent bicyclists don't share the road to the same extent that many adult riders do, many young riders are in close proximity to motor vehicle traffic and should be more aware of the rules of the road that concern them.

Toward that end, maybe it's time to consider seriously bicycle riders' education courses. After the successful completion of a state-determined curriculum, bicycle operator licenses could be issued.

To make such a program attractive, schools could require the successful completion of such a course before a student is allowed to commute to school via bicycle. Failure to wear a helmet would result in the forfeiture of that license and, by extension, the right to ride a bike to school.

Other methods could be employed to make it inconvenient for children to ride without helmets.

What if it were simply illegal to ride a bike along any public way

without a helmet (even on a side walk, which is illegal in its own right in some areas)? Adults could be ticketed and children stopped, told to dismount, and walk.

Perhaps a device, something that wouldn't impede the operation of the bike but would be highly visible, can be developed to be attached temporarily by an officer to the bike of an offending juvenile rider.

Only after bringing in proof-of-purchase of a helmet would the device be removed. If a rider commits a second infraction with the device still attached to his or her bike, an officer could confiscate the vehicle or secure it until a parent or guardian came to claim it.

We've seen time and time again that just passing legislation isn't going to make something so. It helps to have ways of making it overwhelmingly advantageous to follow the law. For adults, fines and points do that. For kids, impeding their mobility does the job.

For more information concerning the proposed bill or the use of helmets and other elements of bicycle safety, contact the Orlando Urban Area Bicycle/Pedestrian Program at (407) 623-1075.

People

IN BRIEF

Beautiful baby search

Talent agents for modeling agencies will be at two events in this area during the month of February to look at children who might be interested in modeling careers.

On Saturday, Feb. 5 at 10 a.m. the March of Dimes Baby Triathlon will take place at the Altamonte Mall. And on Sunday Feb. 27 from noon to 5 p.m., there will be the Florida Hospital Baby Fair at the Orlando Fashion Square.

Modelscout, Inc. will be videotaping children (ages one month to five years) at each event to present to Rascals, a prestigious kids modeling agency in New York. The videotaping is free.

The videotaping will take place at the Family Journal News magazine's booth throughout the day at each event.

For more information, call 774-9863 or 645-1488.

Artists sought

SANFORD — The St. John's River Festival of Fine Arts and Crafts Show still has openings for exhibitors at the March 5 and 6 show that will be held in Ft. Mellon Park.

The show, presented by the Greater Sanford Chamber of Commerce, usually draws over 3,000 visitors to the two day event.

This year's show will feature a judged section for fine arts and crafts and an unjudged section for those who wish only to sell and display their art or craft.

The entry fee for both sections is \$70. Application are available at the Chamber, 400 E. First St., Sanford.

The application deadline is Feb. 11.

For more information, contact Edwina Midkiff at 322-2212.

CALENDAR

Help for gamblers offered

Gamblers Anonymous and Gam-Anon for family and friends, meet separately Monday and Friday (non-smokers) at 7:30 p.m., Church of the Good Shepherd, 331 Lake Ave., Maitland. For more information, call 236-9206.

Al-Anon group gathers

If you are troubled by the alcoholism of a friend or relative, there is help. Serenity Won, an Al-Anon group for friends and family of alcoholics, will meet each Monday, Tuesday and Thursday night at 8 p.m. at the Sahara Club, 2587 S. Sanford Ave., Sanford. For more information, call 332-4122.

Narcotics Anonymous meets in Sanford

Narcotics Anonymous meets Monday at 8 p.m. at the Presbyterian House of Goodwill, 317 Oak Ave., Sanford.

Weekly Lions Club meeting

The Sanford Lions Club meets every Tuesday at noon at the American Legion on South Sanford Avenue. For information, call 321-0700.

Bridge club to meet, play

Sanford Duplicate Bridge Club meets at noon each Tuesday at the Greater Sanford Chamber of Commerce, 400 E. First St., Sanford.

Woodpecker damage control

Take prompt action to ward off offending birds

Woodpeckers are interesting birds and a beneficial part of our natural environment. In man's urbanized environment, these woodpeckers can cause serious damage and become an unwanted nuisance. Many species of woodpeckers are found in Florida and all are capable of damaging buildings.

Woodpeckers are migratory, non-game birds protected by the Federal Migratory Bird Treaty Act, the Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission and local ordinances.

During courtship, most woodpeckers proclaim their existence to prospective mates through flight displays, calling or drumming. Surfaces for drumming are readily available in our urban/suburban environment. Wood siding, wood covered fireplace chimneys, rain gutters and down spouts, vent caps, and dead trees or large limbs are ideal tapping surfaces. While little damage may occur, the tapping can be very annoying.

Trees are a major source of insects. And wood used for utility poles, fenceposts, house siding, window frames, or the woodpile are recognizable by woodpeckers as a potential place to find a meal. They will actively search for insects or other foods and this means pecking, chipping, or flaking the wood.

Woodpeckers that utilize a building for feeding and drumming also may try to nest there. Nesting holes may be hammered



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completely through the siding and insulation.

How can you stop woodpecker damage? Successful control is dependent upon prompt action. The longer corrective action is delayed, the more difficult it will be to stop the bird's activity. A homeowner's effort must be persistent. First, check for insects. If insects are present, contact the County Extension Office for insect control recommendations.

Remove the dead material. Bird feeders especially those for woodpeckers, may be used to lure the bird away; but, more importantly, they may have initially attracted the offender. The feeder may need to be moved or removed.

Scaring or hazing woodpeckers may be successful if started promptly. The scaring method relies upon the bird's senses to respond to danger. Occasionally a homeowner can discourage the bird with water from a garden hose. Objects that move are

more effective than inanimate objects. Aluminum foil strips cut 2 to 3 inches in width, 2 to 3 feet in length with a string attached to one end of each strip may be attached at damaged or tapping sites. Pic tins and metal lids can be suspended on a string near the damaged or drumming site. One end of the string can be near a convenient window or door where the line can be jerked whenever the bird appears.

Woodpeckers may be excluded from some surfaces by covering with plastic, nylon netting or hardware cloth. Permanent installation of hardware cloth or other screening may be the best solution when woodpeckers make repeated attempts over several years to make holes or nests. Metallic or wooded surfaces used for drumming may be wrapped or covered with cloth or foam. An alternative tapping site or surface such as a wooden box or metal cylinder hung in a less annoying location may help.

Removal of the offending bird is the last resort. Killing or live capture of birds can only be done by special permit from state and federal agencies. State permits may be obtained from: Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission, 620 S. Meridian, Tallahassee, FL 32301. The federal permits are obtained from: Special Agent in Charge, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, P.O. Box 4839, Atlanta, GA 30303. Special or unusual problem situations can be referred to Florida Wildlife Assistance, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 227 N. Bronough, Suite 10922, Tallahassee, FL 32301.



Arbor Day

The Garden Club of Sanford Inc. observed Arbor Day by planting an East Palatka Holly tree on the club grounds honoring a deceased member. Participating in the planting are (from left): Mary MacTavish, club president; Barbara Bradshaw, grounds chairman; Shirley Simas, Betty Ahers, Ralph Simas, Jo Stankiewicz and Roy Greene, grounds keeper.

Horst Photo by Tommy Vincent

Couples 'living in sin' may have morals firmly in place

DEAR ABBY: In reply to "Old-Fashioned," who wrote about the "in-your-face immorality" of living together prior to marriage.

When I was 24, I became engaged to a wonderful young man named Gary. We started planning our wedding when I felt a small lump in my breast. I went immediately to my doctor, who sent me to an oncologist. My worst fears were confirmed: It was breast cancer.

My parents, who lived 300 miles away, came to be with me for the surgery (mastectomy), but eventually had to go home. They returned as often as they could during my treatments, but they couldn't be with me all the time.

When I was sick from the

chemotherapy, Gary stayed with me and slept on the floor beside my bed. He cooked what little food I could eat and held my head when I vomited. He cleaned my house and did my laundry. It soon became apparent that between driving back and forth to my house, caring for me and handling his job, poor Gary was exhausted, so I asked him to please move in with me. Believe me, there was no hanky-panky.

We are now happily married and my cancer is in remission. So, Abby, please tell "Old-Fashioned" that not all people who live together are immoral. And remember, "Judge not, that ye be not judged." (Matthew 7:1)

SHARON
DEAR SHARON: My prayers are with you and Gary. After this



ADVICE

ABIGAIL VAN BUREN

is published, I'm sure that thousands of readers will add their prayers to mine. God bless you.

DEAR ABBY: My niece recently married. She is pregnant. The young couple and my niece's parents are planning a large church wedding (with a white wedding dress) and reception to take place 10 months

after the original vows, when the baby will be about 2 months old. Is this socially acceptable? If it is, which date would they celebrate as their anniversary?

CURIOUS AUNT
DEAR CURIOUS AUNT: Any time a couple wants to enter into holy matrimony is "acceptable." And they should celebrate their anniversary on the date of their original vows.

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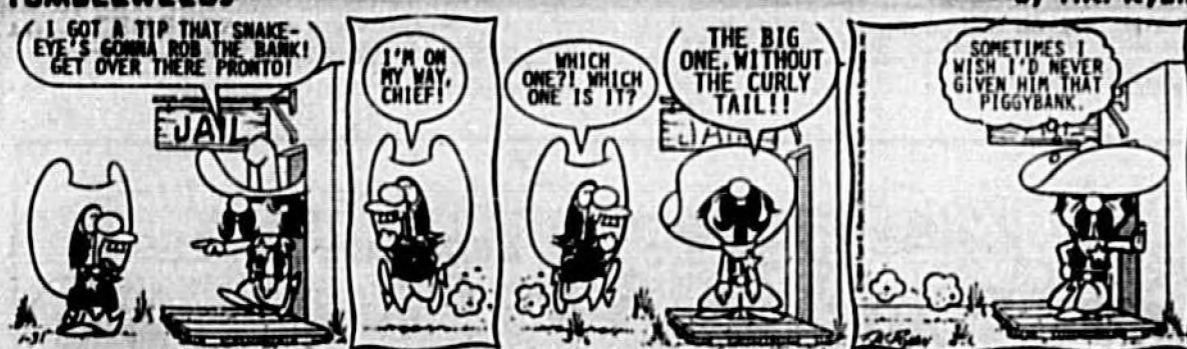
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Ask doctors to slow down and clarify

DEAR DR. GOTT: I find that doctors talk altogether too fast when speaking to the elderly. Older people can't comprehend as quickly as younger ones and sometimes they miss instructions and are too embarrassed to have the doctor repeat himself. We now have a lot of foreign doctors in our community who are also hard to understand. Perhaps something in your column might help.

DEAR READER: You are not alone in your frustration and concern. Doctors often explain things in technical language that is not understandable, or they may give overly complicated descriptions that are impossible to comprehend. This situation is made intolerable, of course, if there is a language problem or if the doctor fails to enunciate and speak clearly.

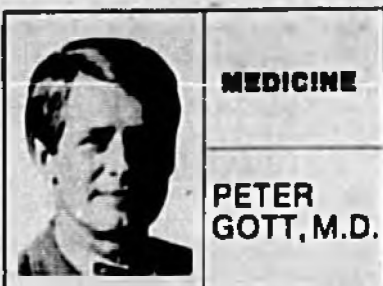
When patients find themselves in these awkward circumstances, they must politely but firmly stop the discussion and ask for clarification. Also, written instructions are often more appropriate (providing the doctor writes legibly) when dealing with complex issues or lengthy suggestions about what medicines to take and how often. Finally, having a patient advocate (parent, spouse or friend) present may help clarify confusing issues.

No one needs to be embarrassed or intimidated by physicians. It's OK to ask practitioners to back up, rephrase or say it again. After all, the patient is purchasing a service and the doctor is obligated to provide that service to the best of his or her ability. Doctors who aren't responsive to their patients' needs will soon be looking for work or may end up in court because of a preventable bad result stemming from improper communication. Keep badgering your doctors until they speak to you in intelligible and understandable English.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I suffered a stroke about eight years ago on

my right side. I can't walk or use my right arm. My face and head hurt constantly. Is there a specialist who can alleviate my pain?

DEAR READER: Strokes often cause permanent injury and, sometimes, pain. You should be under the care of a neurologist, who can, if necessary, refer you for physical therapy or to a



MEDICINE

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pain-control clinic in a teaching hospital.

To give you more information, I am sending you free copies of my Health Reports "Stroke" and "Managing Chronic Pain."

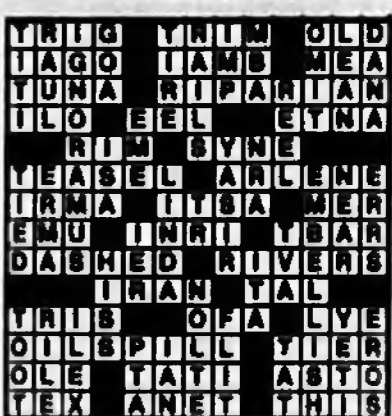
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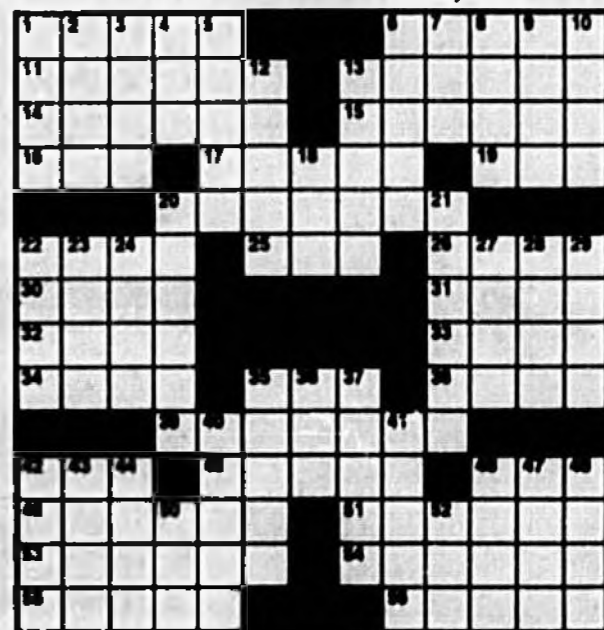
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- 51 Lazy ones
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Answer to Previous Puzzle



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- 13 Very hot
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- 20 Be present
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- 22 Pender
- 23 Oklahoma town
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- 27 Sky, sidelong look
- 28 Arm bone
- 29 Fruit drinks
- 35 Bumpkins
- 36 Profit on bank acct.
- 37 Quantity of yarn
- 40 Runner
- 41 Actor - Murphy
- 42 Author Emile
- 43 Cooled
- 44 Happy
- 46 Proof of payment (abbr.)
- 47 Shady plant
- 48 Being
- 50 Gravel ridge
- 52 - Miserables



WIN AT BRIDGE

By Phillip Alder

As long as bridge is played on this planet, the Stayman Convention will be used. Its popularizer, Sam Stayman, died on December 11, 1993, at the age of 84.

Stayman was one of the world's best players. He represented the United States in six world championships, winning the first three postwar titles. He won 19 national championships, most in partnership with George Rapee or Victor Mitchell.

In today's deal, aggressive bidding reached a three-no-trump contract that, as far as I can see, is defeated by any lead but the diamond king or a spade. However, Stayman was favored with the understandable spade lead, which ran around to his queen.

When you have eight top tricks in three no-trump, some-

times the best approach is to establish a non-solid suit. Here, though, that line fails as long as East wins the defense's first diamond trick and returns his remaining spade.

Stayman followed the alternative path of playing off his long suit. He cashed the club king, played a club to dummy's ace, finessed his club 10 and took his last two club tricks. Which four discards could West make?

Not a heart, because declarer would play a heart to the ace and a heart toward his jack. Not two diamonds, because declarer would lead a diamond, removing West's entry. So it had to be one diamond and three spades. But now Stayman could safely play on diamonds for his ninth trick.

Stayman was a tough competitor at the table, who gave no quarter and expected none. He will be missed.

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♠ K 10 6 5 4 2	♥ K 10 8 3	♦ Q 8	♣ K Q 10 8 3
♥ Q 3	♠ A 8 7	♦ J 6 5 4	♣ J 7 2
♦ K 5 2	♠ A 8 7	♦ Q 8	♣ J 7 2
♠ 6	♠ A 8 7	♦ Q 8	♣ J 7 2

Vulnerable: Neither
Dealer: North

South	West	North	East
1♥	1♠	2♥	Pass
3♦	Pass	3♦	Pass
3NT	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♠ 10

HOROSCOPE

By Bernice Bado Ooal
YOUR BIRTHDAY
Feb. 1, 1994

In the year ahead your earning capacity will be considerably enhanced. In fact, you might be able to generate income in several different ways.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) If you are buying an expensive item today about which you know little, take a friend along who has expertise in this area, so you'll know if the item is all it's represented to be. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail \$2 and a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4465, New York, N.Y. 10163.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Your ideas and suggestions could be superior to those of your peers today, yet they may fall to follow your lead because your sales pitch might not be convincing.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Sometimes you're very adept at

determining the hidden motives of others, but today you might pick up an array of negative signals where none are being emitted.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Involvements in expensive diversions could cause you spender's remorse if you overdo it. Sometimes we can be a bit extravagant without regrets, but not today.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Where your career is concerned today, be careful when dealing with persons who have created complications for you in the past. They might still have a few tricks up their sleeves.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) If you use your imagination negatively today, it could have an extremely unsettling effect on your psyche. You'll have two strikes against you going in.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) It's not always best to know a friend's deep, dark secrets. A pal might want to confide something in you today about which you may be better off not knowing.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Matters which are of significance

to your mate might not be of equal concern to you today. This could create a problem if you act with too much indifference.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Your productivity will continue to diminish if you persist in working with methods today that haven't cut the mustard. Find a better way of doing things.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) When involved with your peer group today do not elect yourself to positions of authority solely on your own ballot. If they want you to run something, they'll collectively vote you in.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) It may be wise not to even attempt to do distasteful tasks or assignments today, because if you do get them finished, which is questionable, you might not like the end results.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Instead of keeping your observations to yourself today, you might take it upon yourself to openly criticize others. Speaking of bad moves, this could turn out to be a lulu.

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