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NEWS DIGEST

Sports

Cubs stay alive

SANFORD — The Railroaders Cubs survived a comeback effort by the D.A.V. Royals to win game two of the Sanford Little Major Baseball League City Championship Series 5-3 and force a winner-take-all game three on Thursday. See Page 1B.

People

What's cooking?

It's summertime and the cooking is easy — that is, if you heat up the grill and get your free copy of "Grilling Greats." See Page 5B.

Robber sought

ALTAMONTE SPRINGS — Sheriff's investigators are working with Altamonte Springs police in seeking an armed robbery and murder suspect.

Altamonte Springs police have positively identified Walter Ruis, 36, as the suspect who is believed to have robbed a Wells Fargo armored truck on SR-434 last Monday.

The sheriff's office has already has a warrant for Ruis in connection with the robbery of Albertson's Supermarket near Winter Springs last September 27.

Ruis is also said to be a suspect in the robbery and murder of a Tampa businessman on April 7. Ruis is a white male, 36 years of age, 5 foot 8 inches, 145 pounds, with brown hair and black eyes.

Deputies said he should be considered armed and dangerous.

CALNO to meet tonight

ALTAMONTE SPRINGS — The Council of Local Governments in Seminole County, CALNO, will hold its monthly meeting at 7 p.m. today in the Altamonte Springs City Hall, 225 Newburyport Ave.

Among items listed for discussion is a presentation of the Local Option Gas Tax Distribution for calendar year 1995 by Senior Budget Analyst Kevin Fall. Supervisor of Elections Sandra Goard will discuss city absentee ballots, and reports will be presented by various members of the board.

Benson honored

SANFORD — Circuit Court Judge Seymour Benson has been recognized by the Florida Chapter of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers for his outstanding contribution in the field of family law.

Benson is the 1995 recipient of the Gavin K. Letts Memorial Award. One judge each year in Florida receives the award named in honor of 4th District Court of Appeals Judge Gavin K. Letts.

Judge Benson has been a judge for the 18th Circuit Court since 1990. Brevard and Seminole counties comprise the 18th Circuit. He has served as Administrative Judge of Seminole County, currently serves as Administrative Judge of the Civil Division and in July will serve as Administrative Judge of the Family Division.

Past recipients of the Letts award include Judge Winifred Sharp of the 5th District Court of Appeals and former Supreme Court Chief Justice Rosemary Barkett.

Compiled from staff reports

Reporters are working on an ever-shrinking vocabulary these days. More and more words are officially off-limits because they might hurt somebody's feelings.

-John Lee, editor

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Today: Partly cloudy with afternoon and evening thunderstorms. Winds 10 mph. Chance of rain 20 percent.

For more weather, see Page 2A

Survey: Cultural needs studied

By MARK PFEPAUF
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — On January 31 of this year, the steering committee of the newly-formed Seminole Cultural Arts Council launched a county-wide needs assessment. Their goal is to determine the state of the arts in Seminole County.

The results of the survey are now being compiled and examined. They appear to show two general points: that space is badly needed, and dissemination of information needs to be improved.

Regarding comments requested for "the most pressing issues facing the cultural growth of Seminole County," the largest response, 98 percent, said organizations lacked performing and exhibition facilities. An equal number also said there was a lack of government/business sponsorship.

Community awareness and centralized networking was second in responses with 23 percent, and the need for community pride and a cultural identity was listed third at 16 percent.

Regarding facility needs not currently being met, persons responding to the survey indicated (44 percent) that performing/exhibition/teaching/rehearsal space was vital, with the lack of office/storage space in second place. The need for meeting facilities was third.

In response to "What could make Seminole County a more desirable home for working artists," the three leading answers were: art center, networking, and sponsorship. See Culture, Page 5A.

Out on the town



World Photo by Tommy Wilson

Members of the Exceptional Student Education class at Midway Elementary School took a bus to the Seminole Centre recently to have lunch at Kentucky Fried Chicken, to shop for clothes at Walmart and to do some grocery shopping at Publix. The youngsters are learning important life skills in their classes. After they bought the required ingredients at the grocery store, the students spent the next day preparing meals. Those who took part in the day of eating and shopping were Tiffany Green, Courtney Sheppard, Brandi Lambert, Dan Williams, Joshua Barlow, Farsha Daniels and Jessica Bruns. The class was accompanied by certified teacher Ann Jackson. See Education, Page 5A.

Good students earn some wheels

By VICKI BOGNER
Herald Senior Staff Writer

SANFORD — Six teens wandered around the impromptu car lot on the northwest corner of the Seminole County sheriff's office facility Tuesday morning.

They peered in the windows and ran anxious fingers over hoods, roofs and trunks.

The cars weren't for sale but these young people were, in a way, shopping for their car of choice.

Parents and school administrators stood nervously on the nearby sidewalk. Some paced. Others

talked in whispers on cellular telephones. Others, wary of the flock of television cameras and reporters armed with notebooks, stood aloof.

Finally, Sheriff Don Eslinger and Dede Schaffner, representing the Foundation for Seminole County Public Schools arrived for the moment all had been awaiting.

A cooperative effort between the two organizations had used money from the Law Enforcement Trust Fund to finance a special program designed to encourage high school seniors to be good students and good citizens. See Wheels, Page 5A.



World Photo by April Hamilton

Jill Sherrod of Lake Howell High School, center, was the first to select a vehicle in the Good Student Incentive Program car giveaway yesterday. She quickly pointed out the 4-by-4 vehicle she wanted as Sheriff Don Eslinger, Seminole High student Thomas Wilk and Dede Schaffner of the public school foundation, looked on.

Putting it all together



World Photo by Tommy Wilson

Piper Jimenez, 8, a third grader at Lake Mary Elementary School, proudly holds Mary Beth Davis, a staff member of the Seminole Family YMCA, hold a t-shirt she designed. The youngster won a contest which included entries from 17 Seminole County schools. The contest gave students a chance to design a t-shirt that related to the YMCA After-School program. See Education, Page 5A.

Kids learn magic of recycling

By SANDRA ELLIOTT
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — Before Magic fever reached the current feverish, play-off level, some Seminole County elementary school students made some magic of their own, learning more about the "Magic of Recycling."

About 1,000 students in three county schools were part of a pilot program local officials presented to encourage recycling. Massachusetts-based illusionist Timothy Wenk entertained students recently at Spring Lake Elementary School then gave two performances at Sterling Park Elementary School. Sanford's Idyllwild Elementary School students were also treated to the performance, said Andrew Cardona, recycling assistant, Seminole County Solid Waste division.

"Wenk's presentation combined a unique mixture of comedy and student participation. The magician delivered the recycling message by electrifying county students with his live magic show, always emphasizing the educational points about reducing, reusing and recycling," Cardona said. "The children not only heard about recycling but actually saw recycling magically take place on stage."

The four shows cost \$1,200 and the program was so well-received by the students, Cardona said, the pilot project may be expanded to other schools.

Educating the county's children is a major part of the recycling program. Seminole County is always stressing the importance of recycling and is always searching for creative methods to bring the recycling message to the school children.

"This year Seminole County recycling employees have already conducted more than 30 school presentations and tours of the county's recycling facilities," Cardona said.

GOP told: Don't forget fairness

By Dave Semuels
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — The Clinton administration urged Republicans today not to forget fairness in considering a radical reform of the nation's tax system and warned that, if enacted, the GOP's "grand experiment" could disrupt the economy.

Assistant Treasury Secretary Leslie B. Samuels, delivering the administration's response to various proposals to replace the 55-year-old income tax, acknowledged "many defects" in the current system but raised numerous objections to each of the overhaul plans getting increasing attention in Congress this year.

House Majority Leader Dick Army, R-Texas, is pushing for a flat-rate income tax that would dramatically lower the top tax rate, eliminate deductions and credits, including the mortgage interest deduction and earned income tax credit and, for individuals, exempt unearned income such as interest and capital gains from taxation.

Meanwhile, House Ways and Means Committee Chairman Bill Archer, R-Texas, wants to "pull the current income tax code out by its roots" and replace it with a broad-based tax on individual and business consumption spending.

Both proposals are aimed at stimulating economic growth by encouraging savings and investment and replacing burdensome complexity with simplicity.

But, in testimony prepared for Archer's panel, Samuels said, "The amount of any (savings and investment) increase is highly uncertain and could be small." Moreover, the risks are great, he said.

"Replacing the entire income tax with a consumption tax," as some members of Congress propose, "would be a grand experiment... that no country in the world has chosen to undertake," he said.

Conducting such an experiment on "the world's largest and most complex economy" could have far-reaching and unintended consequences, he warned, including a disruption in wage and price levels and housing markets.

While many congressional Democrats are criticizing the ad-

ministrations are developing their own alternatives. Rep. Sam Gibbons of Florida, the senior Democrat on Ways and Means, is proposing a value-added tax, a form of national sales tax imposed at all levels of production, not just on retail sales.

House Minority Leader Dick Gephardt, D-Mo., meanwhile, is working on plan with some resemblance to Army's. It would eliminate deductions and reduce rates. But unlike Army, Gephardt would tax individuals' capital gains, dividends and interest, and he would impose a higher rate on upper-income people.

As part of Samuels' testimony, the Treasury Department issued a study, disputed by Republicans, showing that a broad-based consumption tax that did not increase or reduce

federal revenues would benefit the wealthiest 50 percent of the country at the expense of everyone else. The top one-fifth of taxpayers, by income, would see their taxes drop by 18.9 percent while the top 1 percent would get a 54.9 percent cut. Meanwhile, the poorest fifth would see a 134.1 percent increase and the second-poorest fifth, a 70.5 percent rise. Treasury said it laid taxes on the middle quintile would jump 27.5 percent and the next-to-the-highest quintile, 15.5 percent.

Treasury had previously released an analysis of Army's plan showing a less dramatic redistribution of the tax burden, with the poorest fifth seeing a 13.2 percent increase, the middle three-fifths a rise of between 8.3 percent and 8.9 percent and the richest quintile a cut of 5.6 percent.

Archer is proposing to address some of the Democrats' fairness

concerns by exempting medical spending and some housing spending from his consumption tax, but Samuels said such

exemptions benefit rich and poor alike and add complexity and compliance costs back into the system.

POLICE

Passenger arrested for theft

Leroy William Hickman, 28, 1107 E. 9th Street was arrested for grand theft auto by Sanford police while two other suspects fled the scene. Hickman was a passenger in a vehicle matching the description of a car stolen from a used car lot in the 2800 block of Orlando Drive. Police followed the car and made a traffic stop in the 300 block of Olive Avenue. Two people ran from the car and got away. Hickman was captured.

Domestic violence arrest

Dennis Lester Wells, 37, 807 Valencia Street, was arrested by Sanford police at his home after a physical fight with his wife. She summoned police and said she would press charges.

Burglary alleged

Thomas Yarbrough, 18, 3921 Wimbledon Drive, Lake Mary was arrested by sheriff's deputies for burglary after allegedly entering a car without permission and taking \$17 in cash.

Laundry leads to arrest

Donna Sherry Fields, 30, 1151 Williams Ave., Sanford was arrested by Sanford Police Monday for burglary and petit theft for allegedly taking \$200 worth of clothes owned by another woman from the laundry room at 88 Castle Brewer Court. She was also arrested for possession of drug paraphernalia when police found a items in her possession used for crack cocaine.

Warrant arrests

Tony Anthony Brown, 38, 55 Lake Monroe Terrace, Sanford, failure to appear/bu. Walter George Sutter, 55, 316 Evandale Road, Lake Mary, criminal mischief.

Incidents reported to Sanford police

- One of three vehicles reportedly stolen last week from a Sanford business, was located Sunday. A 1985 Buick was found abandoned in the 3000 block of Southgate Drive.
- A 55 horsepower boat motor, valued at \$1,180 was reported stolen early Monday in the 500 block of E. 25th Street.
- A stereo system and 68 compact discs with a total reported value of \$1,530 was said to have been stolen in a vehicular burglary Saturday in the 7100 block of Stonebrook Drive.
- A restaurant waitress in the 3700 block of Orlando Drive told police two men came to the drive-in window, and when they drove off, she saw they had a wooden and steel bench, valued at \$950, in the back of their pickup truck, taken from the parking area.
- An estimated \$600 in fishing equipment was reportedly stolen Sunday from a shed in the 1800 block of Cedar Avenue.
- An estimated \$75 in food products were reportedly stolen Sunday from a home in the 100 block of Seminole Gardens.
- A residential burglary was reported Friday in the 1000 block of Pine Avenue. An estimated \$55 in cash was said to be missing.

A resident of the 900 block of Bridgewater reported his car was burglarized and CDs, a CD player and speakers were taken valued at \$340. The burglary occurred overnight Sunday.

An employee of an electric company working at the Seminole Town Center Mall site reported two halogen lamps missing from a light fixture in the parking lot when he reported to work. The lamps were valued at \$800.

A resident of the 1000 block of Pine Avenue reported a lawn mower valued at \$250 was taken sometime Sunday from a church in the 2900 block of Orlando Drive. The mower was removed from a shed on the property.

Incidents reported to the Sheriff

- A \$600 pump used to supply water to a nearby church was stolen in the 2000 block of Southwest Road, Sanford between Friday night and Sunday morning.
- A convenience store employee said a woman walked out of the store in the 2800 block of Sanford Avenue without paying for \$3.60 worth of candy.
- A man in the 700 block of Cherokee Circle, Sunland Estates reported his truck and television were missing.

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CITY OF LAKE MARY, FLORIDA

NOTICE OF PERMITTED LAND USE CHANGE

The City Commission of the City of Lake Mary, Florida, proposes change the permitted use the land within the area shown in the map in this advertisement.

A Public Hearing on changing the permitted use of land in the City of Lake Mary will be held June 18, 1986, at 7:00 P.M., or as soon thereafter as possible, in the City Commission Chambers, 100 N. Country Club Road, Lake Mary, Florida. At this time the Commission will consider Second Reading and adoption of an Ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAKE MARY, SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA, REPEALING CHAPTER 155, APPENDIX I OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES CREATING A NEW CHAPTER 155I APPENDIX I TO BE KNOWN AS "THE LAKE MARY SIGN CODE"; AMENDING ORDINANCE 421 OF THE CITY OF LAKE MARY, FLORIDA, AS CODIFIED IN CHAPTER 158.08(A)(4) AND (5) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES; ESTABLISHING REGULATIONS FOR THE FABRICATION, PROVIDING FOR ERECTION AND USE OF SIGNS AND OTHER OUT DOOR ADVERTISING DISPLAYS WITHIN THE CITY OF LAKE MARY; SETTING FORTH DEFINITIONS; PROVIDING FOR PERMIT REQUIREMENTS; PROVIDING FOR EXEMPTIONS; PROHIBITED SIGNS, SIGNAGE ON MULTIPLE FRONTAGE PROPERTIES AND CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE STANDARDS; ESTABLISHING REGULATIONS FOR PERMITTED SIGNS; PROHIBITING PORTABLE SIGNS AND REGULATING TEMPORARY SIGNS; PROVIDING FOR NON CONFORMING SIGNS; PROVIDING FOR MISCELLANEOUS ADVERTISING; PROVIDING FOR ENFORCEMENT; PROVIDING FOR VARIANCES AND APPEALS, REPEALING RESTRICTIONS ON THE MESSAGE OF GROUND SIGNS WITHIN THE LAKE MARY BOULEVARD GATEWAY CORRIDOR; REPEALING, PROVISIONS AND REGULATIONS FOR BANNER SIGNS WITHIN THE LAKE MARY BOULEVARD GATEWAY CORRIDOR; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HERewith; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Copies of the Ordinance in full are available in the City Clerk's Office for review. All interested parties may appear at the meeting and be heard with respect to the proposed Ordinance.

NOTE: IF A PERSON DECIDES TO APPEAL ANY DECISION MADE BY THIS COMMISSION WITH RESPECT TO ANY MATTER CONSIDERED AT THIS MEETING OR HEARING, HE OR SHE WILL NEED A RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS, AND THAT, FOR SUCH PURPOSE, HE OR SHE MAY NEED TO ENSURE THAT A VERBATIM RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS IS MADE WHICH RECORD INCLUDES THE TESTIMONY AND EVIDENCE UPON WHICH THE APPEAL IS TO BE BASED. FLORIDA STATUTES 286.0106

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EDITORIAL

Go after the big guys

Police officers and deputy sheriffs who organized and participated in this past weekend's undercover drug busting operations are to be commended. They did an excellent job in apprehending persons who violated the law.

Members of the CCIB, City/County Investigative Bureau, arrested a total of 61 individuals between Thursday night and Saturday morning. Undercover operations were held in Sanford, Altamonte Springs and Oviedo.

The purchase of drugs was not the only charges made. In some cases, persons were charged with possession of drug paraphernalia, or sale/delivery of drugs.

Assignment to commit prostitution also resulted in several arrests. As Undersheriff Steve Harriett explained, persons who attempt to earn money through sexual acts are often those who are seeking money with which to buy narcotics, and therefore are generally found in the same area.

As an added point, this was not the first arrest for a few of the persons. Some have been arrested on similar charges in the past. One might think, "won't they ever learn?"

Unfortunately, they don't need to learn any lesson as the result of being arrested. They have a drug habit and feel the necessity of continuously purchasing cocaine or marijuana in order to fulfill their needs.

Listed on the various arrest reports, in addition to names and addresses of persons charged as the result of this undercover operation, were the prices they were willing to pay.

Some wanted to purchase an amount for \$10/A few wanted \$50 worth or more. None of the arrest reports appeared to indicate anything more than an individual wanting to make a purchase for his or her own use.

As a result, the only people who suffered as the result of this undercover operation were those who were charged. Even so, many were back on the streets by the weekend with bond in many cases set at only \$500.

What about that \$500? That much could be made by pawning or selling a few TV sets, car stereos, handguns, and other items. And we don't need to tell anyone where these items will come from. We have enough residential burglaries to answer that point.

This undercover operation was suggested by the Florida Sheriff's Association. It was well executed, and naturally worthy of praise for the officers and their successful endeavors.

But the need is not to arrest John Doe who wants \$20 worth of crack. The need is to apprehend the suppliers, the importers, the traffickers. We believe just one such arrest would be equal to jailing dozens of individuals who have become addicts.

We must concentrate on the Mister Bigs in the fight against drug activities. Charging John Doe, then allowing him to go through the revolving doors of our jails isn't really accomplishing anything.

LETTER

The gift of life

I thought my life was over when my husband broke into the trailer I was living in on April 6, 1986. He proceeded to choke me and ask me how I wanted to die. He was going to kill me and then himself. He chained me to him and continued to threaten me for the next 18 hours. I thought there was no way out alive and prayed only for the end to be fast.

My prayers were answered when the Sanford Police Department and the Sanford Fire Department rushed in and rescued me. The joint efforts of these departments went far beyond the bounds of any job description. They put a plan together and executed that plan without hesitation. I wish there was more to say than "Thank you."

I feel the city of Sanford needs to be aware of the outstanding men and women who are at their service around the clock every day of the year. All members of the police and fire departments deserve the respect they so seldom get from the citizens they protect. Without their joint efforts, I would not be alive today.

Acknowledgment for what these individuals did is my only purpose in bringing this to your attention. We are so quick to criticize and so slow to praise. Because of them I can continue to do the things I took for granted for so long.

Today I can watch the sun come up. I can go to work. I can visit my mom. I can talk to my children. I can watch my grandchildren grow and I can breathe the breath of life. This was all given to me by the members of the Sanford Police Department and the Sanford Fire Department.

There are no words to express my gratitude for the gift they so willingly gave me - the gift of life.

Betty E. Parker
Sanford

JOSEPH PERKINS

Flawed laws represent federal tyranny

Standing on the banks of Washington, D.C.'s Rock Creek, President Clinton promised this week to veto a House Republican rewrite of the Clean Water Act. If the measure were enacted, the president warned, it would "let polluted water back into our lives."

This is the usual hyperbole from the White House. No one is against "clean water," not even those nasty old pathogens on Capitol Hill. The problem with the 23-year-old law is that it is being used by federal regulators to abrogate the property rights of private landowners for purposes that have nothing whatsoever to do with clean water.

Indeed, under the present Orwellian interpretation of the Clean Water Act, a piece of property may be considered a "wetland" if it is dry 98 percent of the year. And even when that property is privately held, as are 75 percent of the nation's putative wetlands, the government has final say over how the property may be used.

Federal enforcement of wetland restrictions often borders on the absurd. If not the outrageous. For instance, a grandmother in Wyoming was barred by the government from planting a bed of roses on her property. A couple in New York were fined \$80,000 for building a deck on their house that, among other atrocities, cast a shadow on a wetland.

A Nevada rancher was threatened with a five-year prison term for hiring someone to clear scrub brush from irrigation ditches on his property (which had been in use since the turn of the century). And a Maryland man actually was sent to prison for the crime of building duck ponds as part of a wildlife sanctuary.

If what these property owners did was criminal under the Clean Water Act, then clearly the law needs to be rewritten. For as the British statesman Edmund Burke remarked more than two centuries ago, "Bad laws are the worst sort of tyranny."

Congress would do well to heed Burke's admonition. After wrestling with the president over the Clean Water Act, lawmakers ought to



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consider rewriting either all or part of the following bad laws:

The Davis-Bacon Act. One of the most blatantly racist laws remaining on the federal books. Since its enactment in 1931, it has effectively restricted the employment of blacks and other minorities on such public works projects as highways, bridges, dams, waterways and airports.

The law requires that federal contractors pay their workers the "prevailing wage" for a given area, a figure the Labor Department usually pegs to local union scale.

And since union scale almost always is higher than the local labor market would otherwise bear, the least-skilled, least-experienced workers (who are disproportionately black and Hispanic) often find themselves priced out of government construction projects.

The most perverse aspect of Davis-Bacon is that it increases the cost of federal construction projects by as much as 30 percent. In fact, the Congressional Budget Office estimates that repeal of Davis-Bacon would save the American taxpayers \$7.5 billion over five years.

While almost everyone would agree that energy conservation is a worthwhile goal, almost everyone would also agree that it should not come at the cost of human life.



ELLEN GOODMAN

Rooting for a good marriage

BOSTON — Halfway through the movie, I started to wonder what Mickey and Ellen would say about their cinematic marriage if they were ever interviewed by Judith Wallerstein. Talk about romance and rockiness.

"Forget Paris" is the quintessential '80s tale for those who take love with a bit of ruckus. The storybook, romantic week in Paris? The Ebbel Tower? The refrain of "Our Love is Here to Stay"? These aren't the happy '80s endings for the couple played by Billy Crystal and Debra Winger, they're the opening scenes of a marriage.

The story of Mickey and Ellen's first four years is a comic and real roller coaster ride through a modern marital theme park. It goes up and down the terrain, revealing all the pressures working against a marriage. Two troubled pasts, two demanding careers, two sets of expectations, even a couple of weird therapists. Two "me's" in search of a "we."

"Forget Paris" is framed as a tale told by married folk to a modern Everycouple looking for some hope on their way to the altar. And it asks the question that runs through the heads of every couple: How do you stay together in the middle of a social centrifuge? How does marriage hold today when anyone can walk out the door, when it has to hold from within?

These are the questions that Wallerstein set out to answer in her book "The Good Marriage." After studying divorce and its troubled aftermath for 25 years, the psychologist decided to tell the other story.

An engaging woman who's been married nearly half a century, she says, "It's astonishing how little we know about what goes into building a marriage under the pressures of life today."

But her research isn't part of the conservative backlash against divorce, nor is it about spouses who grin and bear it. "I wasn't interested in people who stay together because they are martyrs or think it's sinful to divorce. I was interested in people who stay together because that's their choice, that's their life." Because they are, in short, happily married.

She chose 50 relatively well-off and well-educated couples married for at least nine years with at least one child. The question that she is most often asked by people as eager for a happy ending as any movie audience is: "What's their secret?"

The idea that there is "the secret," she says, "is a fantasy. The only secret of a happy marriage is to build the kind of marriage you can agree on."

That isn't quite as circular a definition as it appears. "The Good Marriage" does categorize four types of marriage — romantic, rescue, companionsate and traditional — and nine psychological tasks, including the task of balancing togetherness and autonomy. But it

remains happily free of pop jargon and tips on Ten Ways to Save Your Marriage.

By choosing to tell stories of good marriages, this narrator lets us eavesdrop on couples as they describe the building of something as private and individual as a life together. Indeed, says Wallerstein, only five of the 100 people in her study wanted to have marriages like their parents'. The rest of them — like most of us — started with no road map, but made it.

These are couples who can talk, listen, read each other's body language, nurture and fight — fairly. And we learn again what we already knew at some level: "For everyone, happiness in marriage meant feeling respected and cherished. ... The happy couples regarded their marriage as a work in progress that needed continued attention lest it go dry."

For the most part, social researchers tend to look at problems, at dysfunction, at divorce. We are just now beginning to look at "wellness" rather than illness in medicine. So too, Wallerstein wants to enlarge the conversation — in policy-making and in private — from what makes marriage break to what makes it work. What makes it good.

Today, people approach the altar and the very subject of marriage with romantic feelings and grim statistics, with great hopes and awful doubts. It's colored even our romantic comedies with skepticism.

At the end of "Forget Paris," turning another corner on the marital road, Ellen asks Mickey, "Do you think we're going to make it?" He puts aside superstition long enough to respond with both love and irony: "Piece of cake."

Judith Wallerstein has written a book for the people who are rooting for them.



Everycouple looking for some hope on their way to the altar.

JACK ANDERSON

Until the end, Serb writer sought peace

WASHINGTON — The extraordinary life of Milovan Djilas, who died recently at the age of 87, gives pause for some hope amidst the horror in the former Yugoslavia.

In a land controlled by butchers, Djilas was a dreamer. The Serbian poet and author had every reason to be despondent and fatalistic in the face of the bloodshed, but he believed a better day was coming. And though he had more reason than most to be bitter and broken-hearted, he chose sorrow without rancor, occasional tears instead of resignation.

His death has given us reason to review his remarkable life, detailed in several conversations with our associate Dale Van Atta.

Djilas was Yugoslavia's most well-known author, dissident and political analyst, an author of more than a dozen books ranging from nonfiction to poetry. He knew what it was to be at the top of the power structure, at the right hand of Marshall Tito, and he knew what life was like at the bottom — having spent nine years in prison for speaking his mind. He was one of Yugoslavia's first Communists and died as perhaps democracy's greatest defender in his torn-apart country.

At 18, he set off for university in Belgrade, where he was soon recognized for his fine poetry and well-crafted short stories. But his role as a revolutionary eventually overwhelmed his art. He joined the illegal Communist party in 1932, which resulted in his arrest and imprisonment by the royal government for three years. During World War II, he was a partisan fighter. Afterwards, as a prominent Communist leader in the Yugoslavian Politburo, he became one of Tito's closest advisers.

During this time, Djilas recalled, he warned Tito early about the madness of Stalin. "I met Stalin three times," he told us. "The first time he espoused Marxism and Leninism correctly. The second time, after the war, I saw some problems with his thinking. But the third time, I was disappointed and knew he was wrong."

Tito warmed to this advice and stood up to Stalin, carving an independent route for Yugoslavia. But Djilas' fertile mind wouldn't stop at criticizing Stalin. He came to see Marxism itself as a failure and began believing that democracy, with its espousal of human rights and freedoms, was better if carefully applied. His outspoken beliefs didn't sit well with his bosses, who imprisoned him after he published an article critical of Stalin in the New York Times.

Like the famous Soviet dissident Andrei Sakharov, Djilas was reborn with the dissolution of the Communist empire and the emergence of Mikhail Gorbachev. In pre-civil war interviews with us, he was ebullient about the future of Yugoslavia, though he remained vocal in his criticism of Yugoslavian leaders.

He was rightly concerned when Serbian leader Slobodan Milosevic began beating the drum of pan-Serbianism to gain popularity. This meant stoking Serbian enmity toward Croats, who had killed hundreds of thousands of Serbians in World War II when the Croats sided with the Nazis.

At first, Djilas believed Milosevic had simply been beset by "bad party influence." But it was not long before Djilas told us that Milosevic had come to believe his own rhetoric, which he predicted would open the Pandora's box of ethnic hatred.

When civil war broke out, Djilas was among the first to call for peace.



He was one of Yugoslavia's first Communists and died as perhaps democracy's greatest defender in his torn-apart country.

LETTERS TO EDITOR

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Appeals court upholds cable rate regulations

By JEANNE AVENGA
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — The cable TV industry is renewing calls for Congress to lift price controls following a federal appeals court decision upholding regulations that have held down rates since 1993.

The decision "further underscores the need for Congress to enact comprehensive telecommunications legislation to remove the onerous burden of FCC price regulation," said Decker Anstrom, president of the National Cable Television Association.

The U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia ruled Tuesday that the Federal Communications Commission's rate rules are consistent with Congress' intent and are not — as cable companies argued — arbitrary and capricious.

Telecommunications bills before Congress would dismantle the FCC's rate rules. "Hopefully, with the passage of telecom legislation most of the rules that the cable

industry appealed in this case won't even exist," said Stephen Effros, president of the Cable Telecommunications Association.

Congress instructed the FCC to craft rate regulations in a 1992 law. The commission said that since the regulations took effect in 1993, cable customers have saved \$3.5 billion.

The court also ruled that the FCC's rate provisions do not violate cable companies' First Amendment rights.

"The government's interest in regulating cable rates is evident — protecting consumers from monopoly prices charged by cable operators who do not face effective competition," the court said.

The FCC's regulations meet a longstanding Supreme Court test that permits speech to be regulated if the government's interest is important or substantial, the three-judge panel ruled in its unanimous decision.

The FCC hailed the ruling, which comes as Congress considers dismantling cable rate regulations. Chairman Reed Hundt called it a "big victory for consumers."

The cable association is considering its legal options, which include seeking a review by the Supreme Court.

Under the FCC's rate regulations, many of the nation's 11,000 cable companies first were ordered to cut their rates by 10 percent. Months later, the FCC ordered an additional 7 percent cut.

Rates are regulated for the vast majority of the nation's 60 million cable customers.

One of the most important aspects of Tuesday's ruling is that it upholds the FCC's decision to apply the same form of regulation to both the lowest tier of service known as "basic" — which generally contains mostly local broadcast signals — and upper tiers that generally contain the majority of cable channels like CNN, MTV and ESPN.

The FCC did this to avoid creating any incentive for cable companies to move programming between the basic and upper tiers.

Cable companies have argued that this scheme is inconsistent with the 1992 cable law.

The court disagreed, ruling that the cable companies' contention "is premised upon a significant misunderstanding of the act."

However, the court did rule that the FCC was wrong not to allow cable companies to recover certain costs of doing business during the period between passage of the cable law and the date when cable companies became subject to regulation.

Some cable companies say the FCC's decision has kept them from recovering millions of dollars worth of legitimate business expenses.

Cable companies will be able to raise rates to recover those costs that exceed inflation, said Chris Wright, the FCC's deputy general counsel.

In another decision favorable to cable companies, the court ruled that the FCC too narrowly defined the conditions under which cable operators can escape regulation.

The decision may free some companies that are new subject to regulation from price controls. FCC officials said they did not know how many communities would be affected, but they thought the number small.



In memoriam

Members of the Sanford Lions Club planted a tree in Ft. Mellon Park in memory of those club members who have passed away. Tiffany McMurray and Elaine Spaulding, the club's newest members, joined Deo Dougherty and Henry Witte in digging the hole for the tree.

Howard Jefferies, the city of Sanford's grounds maintenance coordinator, placed the tree in the ground. Also on hand for the event were, at far right, Bernie Fliszar, the incoming district governor; and, to his left, Andrea Krasel, president of the Sanford club.

Women risk cervical cancer by shunning Pap test, study says

By LAMAR HENNINGSON
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — The majority of women whose cervical cancer isn't diagnosed until it becomes advanced simply don't get an easy test that could catch the disease early enough to cure or even prevent it, a new study says.

Older women especially were at risk because they shunned Pap smears, the gold standard in fighting cervical cancer, researchers reported Tuesday in the American Journal of Public Health.

In the study of 481 advanced cancer patients, almost 29 percent — with an average age of 64 — had never had a Pap smear. Of those who had been tested, 32.8 percent had skipped the checkup for at least five years before their diagnosis, reported Dr. Dwight Janerich of the University of Utah.

"This study shows we could be doing much better," said Dr. S.B. Guseberg, past president of the American Cancer Society. "Many doctors, especially family practitioners, don't suggest this screening for patients as often as they should, and women themselves are failing."

The Pap smear is a simple test in which doctors scrape off cervical cells to check for cancer and for precancerous changes in cells that, if removed, can prevent cervical cancer. It is recommended annually once women reach age 18 or become sexually active. After three consecutive normal tests, doctors may allow low-risk women to have the test as infrequently as every three years.

Risks for cervical cancer include infection with a sexually transmitted virus called the human papillomavirus. In another study, published today in the Journal of the National Cancer Institute, researchers said they have proved a cancer link with the virus — by uncovering it in 65 percent of some 1,000 cervical cancer specimens from 22 countries.

That proof means scientists should search for a papillomavirus vaccine to fight cervical cancer, which hits 800,000 women worldwide annually, said Dr. M. Michele Manos of Johns Hopkins University.

Meanwhile, the Pap smear is credited with causing decades of steady decline in invasive cervical cancer rates here, but

those declines suddenly leveled off in the 1980s. To discover why, Janerich and colleagues at Yale University studied 481 Connecticut women diagnosed between 1985 and 1990.

Older women who had never been tested were most at risk, followed by women who had skipped Pap tests for at least five years.

But another 18 percent of women didn't return for proper follow-up care after an abnormal or inconclusive Pap test.

And laboratory workers missed some evidence of cancer or precancerous abnormalities in at least 6.9 percent of the cases, Janerich said.

Janerich reached that figure by retrieving the actual cervical smears that doctors had kept for 137 of the patients and having them reanalyzed by two independent pathologists who were unaware of the original diagnoses.

Study of teachers' school choice new element in voucher debate

By SALLY STEVENS BUCKEN
AP Education Writer

WASHINGTON — Geering up to fight for tax money for private schools, conservatives pressed a study that suggests big-city public school teachers who can afford it often send their own children to private schools. Poor parents should have the

same opportunity, the school choice supporters argued.

"What's good enough for rich kids and teachers' kids is good enough for poor kids," said Denis P. Doyle, who conducted the study for the school choice group, the Center for Education Reform in Washington.

But teachers' unions contended the study's results are

being twisted for a political purpose.

Rather than finding widespread antipathy toward public schools, Doyle's study actually found the overwhelming majority of public school teachers send their kids to public schools, they noted.

"In general, teachers believe very strongly in public schools and trust them to educate their own children," said Jamie Horowitz, a spokesman for the American Federation of Teachers.

"There obviously are cases where teachers send their kids to private schools — Boston, for example, which has a long history of a Catholic school system and a long history of conflict over busing," Horowitz said. "But that is an anomaly."

Doyle's study was based on an in-depth sampling of 1990 U.S. Census data listing people by profession, home, income and where they send children to school.

It found that, nationwide, public school teachers send their children to private schools at almost the same rate as parents in general — 12.1 percent vs. 13.1 percent.

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children and adults. Regarding "Does Seminole County offer you the necessary resources to work at, support, and show your talent?" A re-sounding 66 percent said no. Only 30 percent said yes.

Another response which drew many comments was educational and community activities for children and youth.

A composite of Seminole County cultural organizations indicated the following from their responses: the majority are volunteer operated (88 percent) with 13 percent having professional staffing. An additional 21 percent listed having both professional and volunteer staffing.

In the overall composite picture of the persons returning questionnaires, 16 percent identified themselves in the music/instrumental categories, 10 percent each in oil painting and music/vocals, followed by pastels, writer, watercolorists, and pen/ink/pencil artists at six percent each.

A total of 67 defined themselves as professional artists, while 33 percent indicated they were avocational artists.

According to Jackie Cushman who compiled the survey, the results also included a number of interesting general statements and suggestions which have been summarized as follows:

• **GOVERNMENT** — Government should commit to promoting, recognizing, attending and funding events.

• **PROMOTION** — The Arts Council should network with city and county planning to impact from the grassroots up, development and re-development projects.

• **ATTITUDES** — Art and shared heritages can be used to elevate attitudes and appreciation of other cultures as well as a deterrent to violence.

• **YOUTH** — Student apprenticeships should be developed and citizens and visitors should be able to use visits to historical sites to reach out to youngsters, bridging the generation gap as well as developing the concept of stewardship of heritage.

• **VISIONS** — Business and tourism should promote the concept of cultural adventurism, and the county as a whole needs to develop a county vision for the arts.

The needs assessment is to be studied then sent out to leaders county wide.

Meanwhile, an interim Board of Directors has been established for the Seminole Cultural Arts Council, with hopes of an initial board being established by the first of next year.

For information on the council, contact Dr. Karen Copp, one of the three organization founders, at Seminole Community College, 3284722.

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Back to basics in China

Schools put more emphasis on patriotism

By Susan Sawyer
Associated Press Writer

BEIJING — Every Monday morning at 8, the 1,300 children at White Cloud Temple Elementary School stand in neat lines in the school yard, arms straight at their sides, eyes on the flagpole.

No one giggles or squirms. Everybody sings the national anthem and watches as the flag goes up.

But patriotic education in China doesn't end there. China has gone back to basics in an effort to create a new generation of loyal citizens.

As the grip of communist ideology has loosened, the ruling Communist Party is promoting nationalist themes to shore up support. The message is that China has become a powerful country that is rapidly modernizing thanks to government's leadership.

Schools have been ordered to do their part to ensure that children learn patriotism and love of the party along with every subject.

"In recent years it has been stressed even more," said teacher Song Weidong. "The country can bring in science and

technology, but it can't import patriotism."

As China has opened up, some young Chinese have started to look to foreign countries for all the answers, said principal Jin Yanpu of White Cloud Temple school.

"We have to teach them their roots are in the motherland," Jin said.

Heavy indoctrination in communist ideology and love of the party and its leaders was common fare during the early decades after the Communists took power in 1949 and reached its xenophobic peak during the 1966-76 Cultural Revolution.

In the late 1970s, the nation began opening up its economy, and schools eased up on the rhetoric. White Cloud Temple Elementary gave up its weekly flag-raising ceremony.

In 1989, conservatives blamed student pro-democracy demonstrations on a lack of patriotic education, and the government tried using the ideological language of the past to try to kindle loyalty, said sociologist Jonathan Unger of Australia National University.

It found that the popular appeal of patriotism works better

in today's China. The government is careful to make itself the spokesman of patriotism, while avoiding xenophobic extremes, Unger said.

"There's a more explicit realization on the part of the government that in the absence of any ideology that has any effectiveness, patriotic education is important," he said.

The key to getting these themes across at White Cloud Temple school is to make them meaningful for children. Instead of rhetoric about ultimate sacrifice, teacher Song suggests the children model themselves after people who made important contributions to China's development.

In her second-grade science class, 46 boys and girls in the school uniform of red and white sweatsuits sit around large tables, building model bridges out of cardboard and paper.

They laugh when the paper bridges collapse under the weight of metal screws they place on top of them. But they listen quietly when Ms. Song tells them the story of scientist Mao Yiheng, who saw people die in a bridge collapse when he was young.

Hostages cross to freedom

MALI ZVORNIK, Yugoslavia — Bosnian Serbs let 108 U.N. hostages cross to freedom at this border town today, under pressure from Serbia's president, who promised that 148 other U.N. peacekeepers would be released this week.

The release was likely to ease tensions between the Bosnian Serbs and the United Nations, whose NATO members have been amassing military might in response to the hostage-taking.

Two buses carrying 108 peacekeepers crossed the Drina River into Mali Zvornik shortly after 1 a.m. this morning. The freed hostages were British, French, Ukrainian and Spanish, said Jovica Stantic, the Serbian president's security chief, who spent two days negotiating the release.

The release came after days of U.N. pressure, international negotiations and intervention by President Slobodan Milosevic of Serbia, whose office issued a statement minutes after today's release saying the remaining hostages should be free "in the next few days."

Iraqi court upholds sentences

NICOSIA, Cyprus — An Iraqi court has upheld the eight-year prison sentences of two Americans convicted of illegally entering Iraq, an Iraqi newspaper said today.

The appeals court upheld the sentences but said there was room for further appeal, said al-Jumhuriya, a government newspaper. It suggested, however, that further appeals wouldn't succeed.

The newspaper did not say when the appeals court ruled.

William Baroon, 39, and David Daliberti, 41, were arrested March 13 and sentenced 12 days later. Employees of U.S. military contractors in Kuwait, they insist they strayed into Iraqi territory by mistake while trying to visit friends working for the United Nations along the border.

Iraq, angry at U.S. efforts to maintain U.N. trade sanctions against Baghdad, alleged that the men were involved in espionage.

The United States has insisted that the two men are innocent and should be freed on humanitarian grounds. Their wives were allowed to visit them in their Baghdad prison several weeks ago but were unable to win their release.

Scrabble competitor sues tournament

LONDON — A trip to the 1-0-0 (three points) lost a lawyer his Scrabble game and the tournament, he says — so he's suing the organizers.

Former British national champion Mike Goldman is suing the Association of Premier Scrabble Players for \$8,000 in Central London County court, saying the group did not warn him that a game could start while he was in the bathroom.

"This may appear to be a relatively trivial matter, but it is not," Goldman's lawyer, Michael Duggan, told the court Tuesday. Scrabble was Goldman's "recreation and an important part of his life," he said.

Goldman had to negotiate five conference rooms, including one crowded with a convention of cowhands, until he made it to the overburdened toilets at Buxton Hotel in Folkestone, in southeastern England, in December 1986.

Then he had to wait in line, and by the time he returned to start his next game, his opponent had begun — using all seven letters with the word "bananas" to achieve a score of 78 — and had started Goldman's clock.

Day of reckoning for Brazil's monopolies

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil — After more than three decades of government control of mines, phones and oil, Brazil's monopoly game is almost over.

The day of reckoning came a step closer Tuesday when the lower house of Congress approved a constitutional amendment to break the monopoly of Telebras, the government telecommunications company.

Today, the Chamber of Deputies is to consider an amendment that will go after the holiest of Brazil's sacred cows — the oil company Petrobras, one of the world's largest corporations.

The Senate must approve the amendments twice by a three-fifths margin for them to become law. Most observers expect overwhelming upper house approval, bringing an end to an era of state-led economic development.

"In a few days, we will have turned an important page in our history," said President Fernando Henrique Cardoso, a proponent of privatizing state companies.

The monopolies were born in the 1960s, when Brazil was making the transition from a Third World producer of cash crops to an industrialized nation.

Major progress reported in nuclear talks

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia — Reporting progress after a 74-month stalemate, U.S. and North Korean negotiators met today to work on the details of an agreement to shut down the North's nuclear program.

Officials on both sides were optimistic just days after worrying about their differences remained wide on the agreement, intended to end fears North Korea was trying to build nuclear weapons.

The officials wouldn't say what progress they made, but the key point of disagreement is North Korea's refusal to take South Korean-made nuclear reactors as part of its Oct. 21 agreement with Washington to dismantle its nuclear program.

North Korea has been threatening to begin processing 8,000 spent reactor fuel rods, which U.S. officials say could yield enough plutonium for three to four bombs. The North is believed to have amassed enough plutonium already for one bomb.

The progress apparently was reached at a three-hour meeting Tuesday night, just a few hours after the North recalled two officials from its seven-member negotiating team.

Cult links in more crimes suspected

TOKYO — One was the cult's chief chemist. Another its "minister of health." A third was leader Shoko Asahara's personal doctor.

All three were charged with murder today in the March 20 nerve-gas attack that killed 12 people on Tokyo's subways and sickened thousands, media reported.

As prosecutors moved closer to taking the cult to court, police were reportedly beginning to turn their attention to a Pandora's box of other unsolved crimes — including possibly a dozen more deaths — with suspected cult links.

Both chemist Masami Tsuchiya and biologist Seiichi Endo have reportedly confessed to police interrogators that they manufactured the gas at the order of guru Shoko Asahara, who was charged Tuesday with masterminding the attack.

Reports quoted investigators as saying Tomomasa Nakagawa, Asahara's doctor, helped fill bags full of skin for planting in subway cars.

The filing of formal charges against Asahara and six of his lieutenants marked a watershed in what has become the largest criminal investigation ever carried out in Japan.

The conviction rate for criminal cases that go to court in Japan is 99 percent, and if convicted Asahara could face the death penalty. The final verdict, however, could take more than 10 years because of the notoriously slow pace of Japan's legal system.

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Lawmakers want plans explained

WASHINGTON — As Clinton administration policy on Bosnia continues to shift, lawmakers want top defense officials to explain their plans and assure Congress that the United States won't be drawn into war.

With 1,500 U.S. soldiers heading for Italy to prepare for possible duty in Bosnia, Defense Secretary William Perry and Gen. John Shalikashvili, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, faced a battery of questions from skeptical lawmakers.

"I want to bring out the danger of our getting bogged down in Bosnia. It's a quagmire," said Sen. Strom Thurmond, R-S.C., chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, which called the first of today's two hearings on Bosnia.

The House National Security Committee, also Republican-run, scheduled its own hearing for the afternoon.

Illegal cigarette ads

WASHINGTON — The Justice Department is expanding its investigation of illegal cigarette advertising on television beyond Marlboro signs where professional team sports are telecast.

The department filed a civil suit Tuesday against Phillip Morris Inc. along with a settlement in which the company agreed to move ads for Marlboro and its other cigarette brands away from the sidelines, the player entrances and other areas routinely televised during professional baseball, football, basketball and hockey games.

Phillip Morris, the nation's No. 1 cigarette company, denied it violated or intended to violate the 24-year-old ban on televised cigarette advertising. But Assistant Attorney General Frank W. Hunger, head of the department's civil division, told a news conference, "There were obvious violations of the advertising ban, some of them flagrant."

Jurors appeared shaken

LOS ANGELES — After showing so little emotion for so long, through tearful testimony, the racially charged appearance of a detective and damaging descriptions of DNA evidence, some of the O.J. Simpson jurors could hold back no more.

Several of the 12 jurors and two alternates appeared shaken when confronted Tuesday with autopsy photographs of Nicole Brown Simpson taken 1 1/2 days after she was nearly decapitated.

One picture on the large display board was said to have shown Ms. Simpson, eyes open, head back, with a dark knife slash across her throat — the fatal wound, so deep her spine was visible.

Los Angeles County Coroner Lakshmanan Sathyavagiswaran said the photos helped prove his theory that Ms. Simpson bled to death and was probably on the ground, face-down and likely unconscious, when her killer pulled back her head by the hair and slit her throat.

Dole pulls the plug on foundation

WASHINGTON — Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, looking to avoid distractions to his presidential campaign, is pulling the plug on his tax-exempt foundation.

In a one-paragraph statement, the Better America Foundation announced Tuesday that it would close at the end of the month so critics would not be able "to obscure the debate on the issues this organization was established to advance. Rather than allow opponents to muddy the water, the foundation has decided to deny them this distraction."

It was not immediately clear what would happen to the foundation's small staff or to the nearly \$2.7 million it had in the bank at the end of 1994. Executive Director Jim Whittinghill did not return telephone calls to his office Tuesday afternoon.

Two weeks ago, The Associated Press reported that the foundation raised more than \$4 million in 1994 and spent about \$1.5 million on projects that would be useful to a presidential campaign — a poll, issues papers and a television advertisement that prominently featured Dole, R-Kan.

First veto

WASHINGTON — Republican lawmakers are daring President Clinton to back up threat after threat with his first veto.

Congress sent its \$18.4 billion spending cut package to the White House on Tuesday, and Clinton said he would veto it.

"We're glad it's finally here so we have the opportunity to make some suggestions on how it can be improved," presidential press secretary Mike McCurry said.

The veto, expected today, could set the stage for negotiations between the White House and GOP lawmakers over what programs to sacrifice toward a shared goal of \$18 billion in savings from this year's budget.

Clinton's objections are over a relatively narrow \$1.4 billion segment of the cuts.

Case could be heard against mother

MCMINNVILLE, Tenn. — A prosecutor was considering whether to begin a grand jury investigation against a woman whose two young sons died after being left in a parked car for hours in 89-degree weather.

Jennie Bain, 20, was not charged Tuesday. She appeared to be drunk when she took her sons to a hospital about 1 p.m., where they were pronounced dead on arrival, said Police Chief Dickie Kelsey.

The results of blood alcohol tests were not immediately available.

Bain left her children outside a motel where she was partying with friends, police said. Witnesses told police she periodically returned to the car, apparently to check on the children.

One-year-old Dustin Ducker and his brother, Devon Ducker, who would have turned 2 in July, were strapped in car seats for eight to ten hours with the windows rolled up, Kelsey said.

District Attorney General Bill Locke said there was no evidence of drug use or other illegal activities at the motel. "It looks like she just didn't plan on being where she was for as long as she was," he said.

Tabasco attack charges dismissed

CONCORD, N.H. — A former Denny's cook was cleared of assault charges by a judge who noted that two state troopers who said they got sick from Tabasco sauce in their eggs ate their meals.

Michael Towne had been charged with simple assault by Lebanon police in February after the Vermont troopers complained about the hot sauce. One trooper ate his entire meal. The other ate most of his.

District Judge Albert Clone Jr. ruled Tuesday that the troopers' consumption of their food amounted to consent "to the contact of the Tabasco with their palate."

Clone also said simple assault requires physical contact and is not "based on such a subjective standard as ... an individual's tolerance for certain foods."

Towne could have been jailed for two years and fined \$2,000 if he was convicted.

"We do not — and did not — feel this is an appropriate case for the criminal court," said his lawyer, Peter Decato.

"We knew it was a real gray area," said Lebanon Police Lt. Matthew Hogan, who prosecuted the case. "We took our shot."

Police said Towne, 20, spiked the troopers' food because they were law officers. But Towne denied putting Tabasco in the eggs, and said it may have gotten into their food from a previous order cooked on the grill.

From Associated Press reports

In the shadows Gingrich overshadows Clinton's N.H. debut

By TOM RAUM
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — Make no mistake: With a town hall meeting, an appearance on Larry King's TV show and a foray to New Hampshire this weekend, President Clinton is in full campaign mode.

But this isn't 1992 and the techniques that worked for him then aren't reaping him as much attention now. Furthermore, everywhere he turns he finds himself in the lengthening shadow of Newt Gingrich and Bob Dole.

Clinton's trip to New Hampshire this Sunday — he'll give the commencement address at Dartmouth College and make a few campaign-style stops in other towns — is the informal kickoff of his re-election effort in the first-in-the-nation primary state.

Informal, because Clinton aides are not acknowledging that he's even campaigning. It's a ritual all presidents engage in as they seek to persuade voters they are above politics this far before an election.

By the time Clinton gets to New Hampshire, he will have been upstaged — big time — by another non-campaigner, Gingrich.

The House speaker may not be a current presidential aspirant, and he reiterated that stand Tuesday, but he's storming through the state like one.

The energetic Georgia Republican starts a four-day swing through New Hampshire on

Friday and will be followed by some 200 journalists in buses and even helicopters. The C-SPAN cable network will beam many of the Gingrich events around the nation.

As of late Tuesday, only 40 journalists had signed up for Clinton's Sunday trip. And no choppers.

"His calendar will not be as extensive as Speaker Gingrich's. I can assure you," Clinton spokesman Mike McCurry said in remarkable understatement.

On the day of Clinton's visit, Gingrich will be on a Sunday network talk show, hold forth at several news conferences and attend a dinner in his honor in Manchester.

"The president is trying to establish he's in the ballgame, but he will be caught in the Gingrich wake on this one," said political analyst Stuart Rothenberg. He noted all the declared GOP candidates were smart enough to stay away from New Hampshire this weekend.

Clinton is returning to some of the formats that served him well in 1992, with a town hall meeting in Montana late last week and going on CNN's "Larry King Live" Monday night.

But these didn't pack the punch they did for Clinton as a candidate, when he and Ross Perot frequently used talk shows and town hall forums to project their messages.

Then, their ease with the format contrasted with President Bush, who appeared tongue-tied and stiff on television.

But now all the presidential contenders

are doing talk shows and town halls and other unconventional TV exposures.

"It's not new, it's not as different, it's not as stirring as it was in 1992," said Democratic pollster Mark Mellman. However, Mellman said Clinton handled himself well on Larry King and will not wilt under the bright light of Gingrich's exposure this weekend.

"Right now, I think there's no doubt that Gingrich is rolling the waters of speculation. He's doing it on purpose. He's playing with the press and the country to stroke his own ego," Mellman said.

Clinton also is finding himself being forced to run to catch up with Bob Dole on the issue of excessive sex and violence in Hollywood movies, even though the Senate majority leader is reprising some of the themes Clinton sounded earlier.

"The truth is I was talking about violence in rap music and movies in 1992, in 1993 ... If you remember, I got a big standing ovation in the State of the Union address talking about it," Clinton told King.

Even so, for the time being Dole seems to have seized the issue and made it his.

Clinton's undeclared campaign goes into a new phase later this month with a series of fund-raisers to help raise part of the \$42 million he hopes to spend for the primary season: New Jersey on June 22, Little Rock, Ark., on June 23 and Chicago on June 29.

EDITOR'S NOTE — Tom Raum covers the White House for The Associated Press.

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Babe Ruth playoffs

SANFORD — The second game of the Best-of-Three Babe Ruth Baseball Divisional Playoff Series will be today at 6:45 p.m.

At Zinn Beck, the Rotary Royals will face the Moose Pirates and at Sanford Memorial Stadium, the Seminole Produce Marlins will play the Nobles Construction White Sox.

The Pirates and White Sox will advance to the City Championships with wins today.

Earnhardt stretches lead

DAYTONA BEACH — Dale Earnhardt was one of only five drivers whose position in the NASCAR Winston Cup standings wasn't affected after Sunday's Miller Genuine Draft 500.

Earnhardt entered the race with an 80-point lead over Mark Martin and now holds a 100-point margin over Sterling Marlin (1,808-1,709). Jeff Gordon (1,703) is third, followed by Martin (1,627) who was a victim of an early accident, and Ted Musgrave (1,626).

Bobby Labonte (1,531) moved into sixth, followed by 36 ahead of Rusty Wallace (1,495), Michael Waltrip (1,485), Bobby Hamilton (1,451) and Terry Labonte (1,431).

Completing the top 20 are Morgan Shepherd (1,397), Ricky Rudd (1,367), Dale Jarrett (1,343), Ken Schrader (1,332), Darrell Waltrip and Steve Grissom (both with 1,327), Derrrike Cope (1,319), Bill Elliott (1,283), Geoff Bodine (1,218) and Brett Bodine (1,201).

The NASCAR Winston Cup Series will travel to Pocono Raceway in Pennsylvania this weekend for the UAW-QM Teamwork 500.

AROUND THE STATE

Dolphins sign starters

MIAMI — The Miami Dolphins signed free safety Gene Atkins and the team's leading scorer, kicker Pete Stoyanovich, to contract extensions, the Dolphins said Tuesday.

Atkins, who came to Miami from the New Orleans Saints in February last year, signed a two-year extension, while Stoyanovich signed a three-year extension.

AROUND THE NATION

Mantle ailing

DALLAS — Mickey Mantle, who spent many years drinking too much and too often, has a failing liver and may need a transplant to save his life.

He is hospitalized at Baylor University Medical Center, where doctors today were to detail the condition of the 63-year-old New York Yankees great at a 10 a.m. EDT news conference.

Marlins edge Astros

HOUSTON — Charles Johnson's 11th-inning double, his third of the game, scored Greg Colbrunn from second base and gave Florida a 7-6 victory over Houston on Tuesday night.

Colbrunn led off the 11th with a single off John Hudek (2-1), who took a 0.68 earned run average into the game. Colbrunn was sacrificed to second by Kurt Abbott and scored when Johnson doubled to the center field.

The outcome snapped the Astros' five-game winning streak and the Marlins' three-game losing streak.

Mark Gardner (1-4) pitched 1 1/3 innings, striking out two, for the victory, running his career record to 6-1 against the Astros.

Robb Nen pitched the 11th inning for his third save with the help of third baseman Terry Pendleton, who threw Jeff Bagwell out at the plate on James Mouton's one-out grounder to third. Mouton then stole second, but the Astros had no more non-pitchers on the bench, and pitcher Greg Swindle, batting for Hudek, struck out to end the game.

FSU eliminated

OMAHA, Neb. — In a game of home run records and 31 hits, Southern Cal struck first and hardest Tuesday, beating FSU 16-11 and sending the Seminoles home from the College World Series without a title for the 14th time.

The victory moved the Trojans into Wednesday night's game against Miami (48-15).

Florida State (53-15) finishes fifth at the series for the sixth time, more than any team. The Seminoles have never won a series title.

The Seminoles got a series-record three home runs from J.D. Drew, who finished 3-for-5 with five RBIs and 12 total bases, also a series record.

FSU didn't go quietly, trailing 16-5 in the seventh inning. Drew hit his second homer to knock in Doug Mientkewicz and cut the deficit to 16-7. Drew hit his third homer and 18th of the year in the eighth to cut the lead to 16-10.

There were seven home runs in the game, breaking the six-home record set by Arizona and Maine in 1986 and Arizona State and Miami last year. Two came from Mientkewicz.

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Bombs away: Treys could decide Magic-Rockets shootout

By FRED GOSSALL
 AP Sports Writer

ORLANDO — Double-team the low-post threat and the Houston Rockets and Orlando Magic will make you pay.

The matchup between Hakeem Olajuwon and Shaquille O'Neal will be the focal point of the NBA Finals. However, 3-point shooters such as the Rockets' Robert Horry and Kenny Smith or the Magic's Dennis Scott and Nick Anderson could be the difference in the best-of-7 series.

Houston and Orlando have been launching — and making — shots from beyond the arc in record-setting numbers during the playoffs. Between them, the teams have attempted 723 treys and made 289.

The Rockets have four players with 30 or more 3s and Orlando has three who have made at least 29 in support of the strong inside games of Olajuwon (33 points per game) and O'Neal (25.1).

"The similarities between these teams are really quite amazing," Magic coach Brian Hill said Tuesday. "Both teams revolve around the ball going in to the dominant player in the post and then back out again."

With Olajuwon and O'Neal certain to attract crowds near the basket, the Finals could turn into a 3-point shootout.

"We know there are going to be an enormous amount of double-teams, so that means there are going to be a lot of open looks," said Scott, who set playoff records for treys attempted in a game (15) and attempted (65) and made (26) in a

seven-game series during the Eastern Conference finals.

"It is all about making them, and we feel that we are just as good of a shooting team as they are," said Houston's Mario Elie. "There are a lot of guys that are ready to take the big shot. If it comes down to a close game I feel that we have the upper hand since we have had all of these tough games in the playoffs."

Orlando made 77 of 170 3s — both playoff records for a seven-game series — in the East finals against Indiana, and Houston established new highs for a six-game series by going 44-for-127 in the Western Conference finals against San Antonio.

The Rockets also set playoff marks this year for

Leaders of the pack

Whelchel, Suzanne's win in routs

Devils	200	200	0	12
Whelchel & Howard	200	200	0	12
MJB Concrete	200	20	0	12
McKenzie/Lake Mary Pub	200	20	0	12

SANFORD — Whelchel & Howard and Suzanne's Oyster Reef/Lake Mary Pub showed why they're sitting on top of the Sanford Recreation Tuesday Men's Spring Slowpitch Softball League as they both posted run-rule victories at Chase Park.

Eight of the nine players in the Whelchel & Howard (4-1) lineup had at least two hits and all nine batters

scored runs as it dumped the Devils (0-5) 17-5 in six innings.

In the second game, Jason Music and Manny Silvia combined on a five-hitter and 11 batters had hits as Suzanne's/Lake Mary Pub (4-1) whitewashed MJB Concrete (2-3) 17-0 in 4 1/2 innings.

Next week, Suzanne's plays the Devils at 7 p.m. and MJB faces Whelchel & Howard at 8 p.m.

Contributing for Whelchel & Howard were Craig Tozal (four singles, two runs, three RBI), James

Undefeated Sunniland clinches tie

Devils	200	200	0	12
Sunniland Corporation	200	200	0	12
She Devils	200	200	0	12
Fairwinds Credit Union	200	200	0	12

SANFORD — Sunniland Corporation remained unbeaten and claimed at least a tie for the championship of the Sanford Recreation Women's Spring Slowpitch Softball League at Pinehurst Park Tuesday night.

Only an extra-inning win by the second-place She Devils kept Sunniland from clinching the title outright.

Sunniland (7-0) scored in every inning except the first as it collected 50 hits and cruised past Cheers (3-5) 15-3 in six innings.

The She Devils (5-3), also appeared headed for an easy win, taking a 6-0 lead in the top of the first inning and leading 9-3 going into the bottom of the fifth inning.

But Fairwinds Credit Union (0-7) rallied with two runs in the fifth inning and six in the sixth inning to tie the game at 10-10. When neither team scored in the seventh they

SANFORD LITTLE MAJOR CITY CHAMPIONSHIP

Cubs force Game 3

SANFORD — Chris Burkett scored on a wild pitch which to break a 1-1 tie in the third inning and start the Railroaders Cubs on the way to a 5-3 win Tuesday over the Disabled American Veterans Royals in Game 2 of the Sanford Recreation Little Major Baseball City Championship Series.

The win evens the best-of-3 series at 1-1 and sets up a winner-take-all showdown for this Thursday at Fort Mellon Park's Roy Hollar Field.

In Game 1 last Saturday, the Royals beat the Cubs, 9-4.

Johnathan Brooks gave the Cubs a 1-0 lead in the bottom of the first inning when he reached base on a fielder's choice, went to second on a wild pitch, and came around to score on a throwing error.

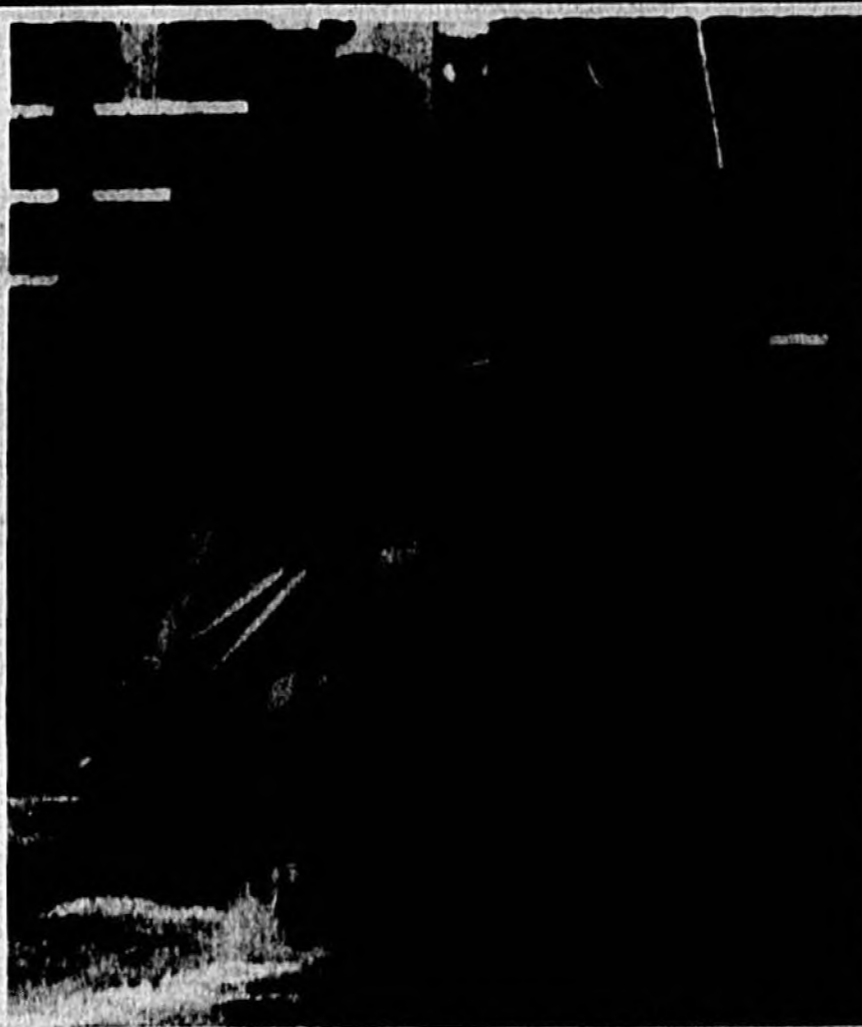
The Royals tied the score with a run in the top of the third. After Jeremiah Jenkins hit a one-out single, Jason Sheffield and Keith Parrett drew walks to load the bases. An out later, Dontaey Major walked to force in Jenkins.

Jeremiah Dickerson started the Cubs' rally in the bottom of the third with a one-out walk. Burkett followed with a single and Johnathan Brooks reached on error to load the bases.

After Tony Littles hit into a fielder's choice, forcing Dickerson at the plate, Burkett scored on a wild pitch for a 2-1 Cubs' lead. William Cleveland then doubled to bring in Brooks and Littles.

The Cubs stretched their advantage to 5-1 in the fifth inning when Mike Schwarza walked, went to second on a wild pitch, took third on a ground ball, and scored on a single from Burkett.

Having left the bases loaded in the third, fourth, and fifth innings, the Royals finally pushed some runs across the plate in the top of the sixth. Jenkins led off with a walk



Railroaders Cuba catcher Johnathan Brooks enuffed the last-inning rally by the Disabled American Veterans Royals when he tagged out Keith Parrett (sliding), who attempted to score from third base on an infield ground out.

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and Sheffield doubled him to third. Parrett plated them both with a	

Sr. Babe Ruth contests end in blowouts

SANFORD — Robert Randall hurled a one-hitter and Shawn Perkins and Aaron Brewer combined to pitch a shutout in the Grand

Brewers came up with many victories Tuesday in the Sanford Recreation Senior Babe Ruth Baseball League.

Randall struggled, walking six and only striking out two, but his teammates provided plenty of offensive support, scoring 13 runs in the bottom of the first inning as the Royals clubbed the Nobles Construction White Sox 21-6 in three innings inside Sanford Memorial Stadium.

Out on Zinn Beck Field, the Brewers scored four runs in the first inning and eight runs in the second inning and the pitchers took over from there.

Perkins gave up one run on four hits and struck out three over three innings and Brewer threw the last two innings, striking out five, walking three and hitting one batter as the Brewers belted the Town Centre Apartments Phillies 14-1 in five innings.

Thursday night at Sanford Memorial Stadium, the R.E. Templeton Co. Inc. Marlins take on the Phillies at 6:45 p.m.

Carrying the Royals were Jeremiah Cline (triple, double, single, three runs, five RBI), Nate Cline (triple, single, three runs), David Yrnestagovena (triple, run, two RBI), Randall and Marcus Johnson (one single, four runs and one RBI each), Brad Brumley (three runs, RBI), Ronnie McNeil (two runs, RBI) and Arron Knight (run).

Eubanks' two-out, two-strike triple boosts Post 53

SANFORD — Having failed twice to bunt over pinch runner Ralph Deitzman, Phillip Eubanks slashed a game-winning triple to give the Sanford Post 53 Sportmart Lightning a 3-2 win over DeLand Post 6 in an American Legion Class B baseball game Tuesday at Seminole High School.

American Legion Class B is for players with high school eligibility remaining.

Winning pitcher Brian Zaladonia led off the seventh inning with a single and was replaced by Deitzman. Eubanks followed with a two-strike triple over the head of the right fielder.

Zaladonia (5-0) got off to a rocky start, giving up two walks and two singles in the top of the first inning as DeLand took a 2-0 lead. But

triple, cutting the deficit to 3-3.

But that was as close as the American Legion champions could get as the Cubs cut down Parrett trying to score on an infield ground out.

Littles paced the Cubs' seven-hit attack with a double, single, and one run. Burkett finished with two singles, a run, and an RBI. Cleveland had a double and two RBI. Jared Fedder also hit a double. Dickerson singled. Brooks scored two runs. Schwarza scored once.

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SEMIMOLE GREYHOUNDS PARK

Table of greyhound races including race numbers, times, and results. Races include 1st race (5:14) and 2nd race (5:34).

Tuesday's Games

Table of baseball games from Tuesday. Includes scores for Cleveland at Detroit, California at Boston, and Toronto at Chicago.

RAINES GAUGE

Tim Raines is a Sanford native and Seminole High School graduate now playing for the Chicago White Sox. His stats are in the second column and career totals in the third column.

Table titled 'RAINES GAUGE' showing statistics for Tim Raines. Columns include Category, 1995, Total, Career.



Men

Continued from 1B. Powering Suzanne's Oyst... Thompson (three doubles, three runs, two RBI)...

Women

Continued from 1B. Both teams scored a run in the eighth inning before the She Devils pulled out a 15-11 victory...

Finals

Continued from 1B. 3-point attempt (32) and 3-pointers made (19) in a game as well as in a five-game series (47-for-99)...

BASEBALL

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Table of National League standings and game results.

Tuesday's Games

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Table of tennis results from the French Open, including the women's singles final between Seles and Sukill.

COLLEGE BASEBALL

College World Series

Table of College World Series games, including Florida State vs Miami and Cal State Fullerton vs Stanford.

BASEBALL

BOSTON RED SOX - Signed Willie McGee, outfielder, to a minor-league contract and sent him to extended spring training.

TEXAS RANGERS

Placed Julie Alvord and Camryn Rice, outfielders, on the 15-day disabled list...

FLORIDA MARLINS

Activated Pat Rizzo, pitcher, from the 15-day disabled list...

HOUSTON ASTROS

Placed Andy Stankovic, infielder, on the 15-day disabled list...

Seniors

Continued from 1B. Leading the White Sox were Matt Mahalko (triple, four RBI), Marcus Hill and Jack Riebs (one run and one RBI each)...

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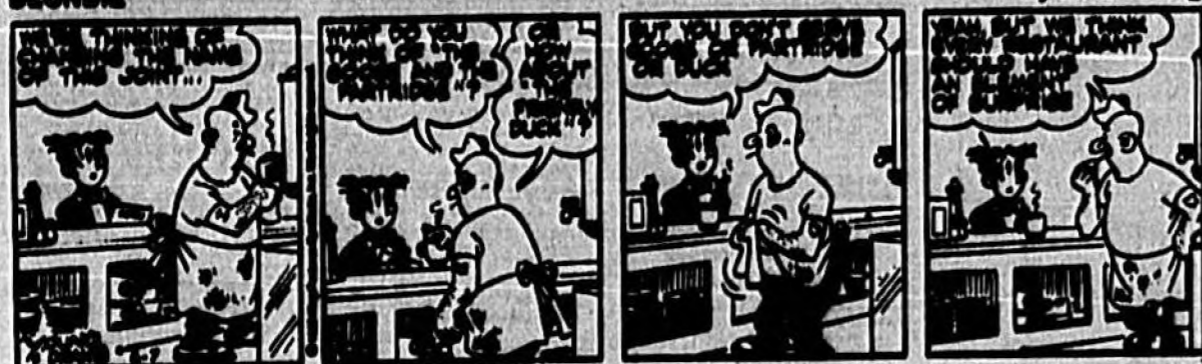
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Ways to relieve Intestinal gas

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm 52 and in good health except for flatulence. This is very embarrassing. Can my condition be corrected?

DEAR READER: Flatulence is a common problem, usually due to diet (carbonated beverages and legumes, for example) or from excessive swallowing of air (when people rush their meals). Intestinal gas can also be caused by irritable bowel syndrome, various intestinal disorders (such as colitis) and an allergy to milk sugar (lactose intolerance). The normal aging process can lead to excessive gas, as bowel function becomes less efficient.

First off, you should ask your family physician about your gas problem. If you have noted a recent worsening of your symptoms, you will need an examination and, possibly, blood tests and X-rays to rule out the conditions I mentioned. In addition, your doctor can advise you about dietary changes that could help you.

If your gas accumulation is merely normal for you and does not reflect any affliction needing attention, you might wish to try one of two non-prescription products -- Gas-X or Beano -- that will reduce intestinal gas formation. Although your problem may not be correctable, it is certainly treatable.

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occult -- in a class with Iridology and body "auras."

I did not ever suggest that reflexology is dangerous. Actually, it doesn't do anything but relieve stress -- hardly a result that justifies the services of a "certified reflexologist" for \$35



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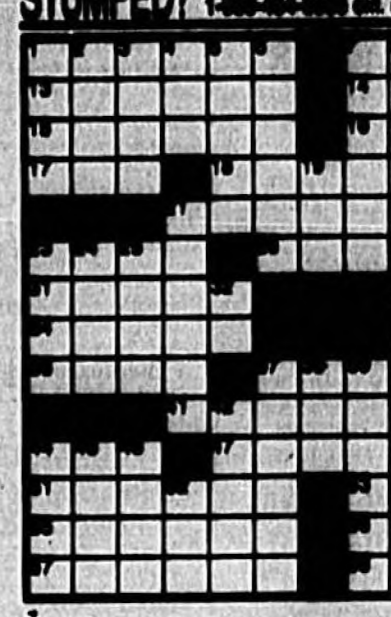
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Answer to Previous Puzzle



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WIN AT BRIDGE

By Phillip Alder

When busy crossruffing between your hand and the dummy, you take tricks with low trumps. However, what happens if you are overruffed? Right -- back comes a trump, perhaps fatally reducing the number of available trump tricks. There is a way around that problem: Don't risk an overruff.

South bid aggressively in today's deal. His two-heart cue-bid showed a good hand with, usually, at least 12 high-card points. South correctly upgraded his hand by counting some points for his excellent distribution. When North cue-bid four clubs, he showed a good hand for play in spades with a first-round control in clubs. South bid what he hoped he could make.

After ruffing the club-king lead in the dummy, declarer played a heart to his ace, ruffed a club in the dummy, cashed dummy's three red-suit winners, ruffed a

diamond in hand and ruffed another club in the dummy. When East discarded, West was marked with the spade king. (South had suspected this from the auction.)

South, having won the first eight tricks, was left with the A-J-10-9 of spades and the club nine. Dummy had the spade queen and four red-suit cards. The trap to avoid was ruffing a heart or diamond low. Here, West would overruff with the spade king and return a trump, leaving South with an unavoidable club loser. Instead, South ruffed a diamond with the spade ace, which couldn't be overruffed. South ruffed his last club with dummy's spade queen and graciously conceded a trick to West's top trump.

Phillip Alder's new book, "Get Smarter at Bridge," is available, autographed upon request, for \$14.95 from P.O. Box 169,

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WEST		EAST	
♠ K 4 3	♥ Q	♠ Q 10 8 7 4 3	♥ 10 9 8
♦ 7 4	♣ A K J 10 3	♦ A Q	♣ 6
SOUTH		NORTH	
♠ A J 10 9 8	♥ A	♠ K 7 5	♥ K J 6
♦ 3	♣ 8 7 5 4 3	♦ A K 6 5 3	♥ A

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: West

South	West	North	East
3 ♠	Pass	3 ♥	Pass
3 ♠	Pass	4 ♠	Pass
6 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♠ K

By Bonnie Bode Cool
YOUR BIRTHDAY
June 8, 1995

Information of a confidential nature could improve your lot in life in the year ahead. Friends will want to tell you things they withhold from others.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Although you might not be in the mood early in the day, social involvements will become more important as the day progresses. Arrange something pleasant for the evening hours. 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 \$2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4486, New York, NY 10163.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Family members may have difficulty keeping secrets from you today, especially if you probe. The truth probably won't elude you.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You can have fun today mixing with

friends who share similar interests. Arrange things so that you can get together with pals who operate on your wavelength.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You might realize only a modest monetary return from something today, yet your pride of accomplishment will exceed any tangible profit.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Many will place considerable value on your ideas and suggestions today. Someone you never thought you could influence might follow your advice to the letter.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) It will be essential to first gain the confidence of a person whose support you'll need before requesting assistance. Take time to let the association develop.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 31) Helpful results are indicated today from a discussion with a friend who knows how to analyze problems in a realistic, practical manner. Use what is offered.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Act in accordance with your thoughts today, especially concerning your career aspirations. Your concepts are workable if given half a chance.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) It will prove important to keep the lines of communication open with a helpful friend who now resides far away. This alliance has unique possibilities.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Focus your mind today on a domestic problem that you're anxious to resolve. You can now find the solutions that have evaded you.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Keep your plans flexible today, so that you can make quick changes in case something more fun or more profitable comes up.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Look for small ways to economize today. If something is broken, see if you can fix it yourself instead of replacing it or having it repaired by a professional.

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ANNIE



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