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Division rivals to meet

SANFORD — The American Division runner-up D.A.V. Royals earned the right to play the division champion Sunniland Red Sox for the Sanford Little Major city championship.
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Cook of the Week

Today's cook of the week, Fran Morton, divides her time between working in her yard, making crafts and cooking.
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BRIEFS

Valois makes first appearance

SANFORD — An Altamonte Springs man under house arrest in one murder case will make his first court appearance this afternoon after the grand jury indicted him Tuesday for first degree murder in the death of a toddler he was babysitting.

John Valois, 20, was indicted for murder and aggravated child abuse in the death April 8 of two-year-old Tiffany Llorca. Valois was babysitting the toddler and her twin sister April 5, while their mother, Sherry Llorca, 28, ran errands. When the woman returned, the little girl was unconscious. She was taken to the hospital where she died a few days later.

Valois was sentenced to two years on community control (house arrest) followed by 13 years probation in December 1992. He pleaded no contest to helping plan the death of Warlocks motorcycle club president Wayne Sanzo. Four teenagers, including Sanzo's daughter, Tiffany, were sentenced for their roles in the case.

In the case of Tiffany's death, assistant state attorney Joe D'Achille said there is a continuing investigation regarding other findings made by the Child Protection Team, although he declined to comment on whether there was any indication of previous abuse of the little girl.

Valois was arrested last week and remains in jail on the new charges.

Simon mails central Florida

SANFORD — The Seminole Towne Center Mall, developed by Melvin Simon and Associates west of Sanford, has been touted as being one of the largest complexes of its kind in the area. This morning, area officials found Sanford is not alone. A new Melvin Simon developed mall was to be announced at a press conference at Orlando City Hall.

Both the Seminole Towne Center and the new mall were identified as being 1.2 million square-foot enclosed malls.

The new Orange County mall will be developed in southwest Orlando. Bud Brewer, who handles Central Florida publicity for both of the malls, said Orlando's new mall will be a "...390-acre masterplanned office, retail and entertainment complex."

In Sanford, the Seminole Towne Center land clearing project is well underway, with building construction to start later this year. The grand opening has already been set for Sept. 7, 1995.

McLain appointed to task force

SANFORD — Seminole County commissioners appointed fellow commissioner Daryl McLain to represent the county on the Lake Jesup Restoration Task Force.

McLain, who represents the district which surrounds much of Lake Jesup, is a past member of the Friends of the St. Johns River. The 16-person task force was created by the Legislature this year to study ways to restore the lake to its former condition. Gov. Lawton Chiles allowed the group to form last week.

Cleanup ideas include filtering the water through a swamp or reopening the second lake tie to the St. Johns River to allow the lake to flush itself.

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High temps, low humidity



Mostly sunny. High in the upper 80s. Wind southwest 5 to 10 mph.

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Motel's fate in court

Local Holiday Inn is suspended from nationwide listings

By NICK PFEIFAU
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — The City of Sanford and Resolution Trust Corporation, (RTC), which holds the receivership on the Holiday Inn property, are going to court June 2 to settle the motel's fate.

The lease on the property has been declared to be in default, and has been the subject of numerous attempts to resolve the problem. The city owns the property on which the building is located. Some discussions however, have indicated there may be a chance the city could lose the rights on the property, depending on how the conflict is finally resolved.

The Holiday Inn meanwhile, has been removed from the nationwide reservation listings. Holiday Inns may be booked anywhere in the nation by phoning 1-800-HOLIDAY. A reservation clerk however, explained that the Sanford Holiday Inn had been removed from the national listing this past week.

Jim Kettelle, manager of the Sanford Holiday Inn, referred phone calls regarding the situation to Hank Fonde, vice president with Prentiss Properties. Prentiss agency's representation for RTC expired on May 15, at which time the note and mortgage was to be transferred to RTC.

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The Holiday Inn at Sanford's marina.

Herald Photo by Tommy Vincent



Seminole County Animal Control and firefighters were on hand to contain a blaze and rescue animals at 704 Baywood Circle this morning. Jodi the dog rests at a firefighter's feet before being transported to a vet for smoke inhalation.

Fire guts home

Cat dies, second cat, dog injured

By NICK PFEIFAU
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — Fire gutted a house in Sunland Estates this morning, killing one pet cat and injuring another cat and dog.

The residential blaze at 704 Baywood Circle was reported to the Sanford Fire Department at 7:37 a.m. Firemen said the blaze was considered contained by 8:05.

The home was reportedly being refurbished, and construction was See Fire, Page 5A

Students at-risk get some extra help

Officials committed to keeping kids in school

By VICKI DesORMIER
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — The Seminole County school board has made a commitment to helping the at-risk students in Seminole County reach graduation.

Many of the programs they are proposing to implement starting the next school year are aimed at the rising number of at risk students in Sanford.

In the preliminary budget figures for the next fiscal year, the district has set aside \$1 million to finance programs for at-risk students. The board committed itself to the expenditure of about \$705,000 of that money last night.

After heated debate over the inclusion of some wording that may have been interpreted as support for the use of homogeneous ability grouping, the philosophy for addressing the needs of at-risk youth in the district was adopted.

Concerned parents who have been asking for the district to implement such a policy asked for more details of specific plans in the philosophy statement.

Tom Marcy, executive director of high school education for the district, said the philosophy is not designed to be a cure for all the district's ills. Rather, he said, it is merely a statement of philosophy.

"This is a philosophy not a prescription," he noted. "The prescriptions haven't been written yet."

Still, board vice chairman Sandy Robinson supported those parents who spoke. "We just didn't want that patient left out," she said.

After accepting the statement of philosophy, the board also approved a number of proposals made by the staff.

Included in the board's commitment to the at-risk program are:

- An additional kindergarten teacher, above the existing staffing formula, has been added at Goldsboro, Hamilton, Idyllwilde, Lake Orienta and Pinecrest elementary schools. (All but Lake Orienta, which is in Altamonte Springs, are Sanford schools). The increased teacher will allow the schools to lower the student-to-teacher ratio in those kindergarten classes.
- An additional guidance counselor has been added to the staff at Hamilton Elementary School

in Sanford.

• An additional social worker has been added to the district staff to work with families of at-risk students in Sanford area schools.

• The board will pay for half of a University of Central Florida position dedicated to developing and implementing strategies for assisting at-risk students at Goldsboro Elementary School. They have also committed the resources to allow for proper staff involvement in the strategies.

• The board has allocated \$7,500 for the purchase of materials for summer school transition classes for those at-risk students making the move from middle to high school.

• The board has agreed to allot \$50,000 for contracting with outside agencies that will assist with program design and evaluation of the at-risk programs.

• A commitment has been made to provide transportation for at-risk students during elementary and middle school intercession programs and high school transitional summer classes.

• Three "teacher-coaches" will be hired to help teachers expand their repertoires of methods and strategies for helping at-risk students.

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Seminole County attorney throws hat in ring for retiring judge's seat

By J. MARK BARFIELD
Herald Senior Staff Writer

LONGWOOD — Markham Woods Road resident Gene Stephenson will seek the 18th Circuit Court bench seat being vacated this year by the retiring Judge C. Vernon Mize.

Stephenson, 59, has lived in Seminole County for 34 years. Stephenson currently conducts his own practice in Casselberry. Previously, he worked for the Cleveland, Stephenson and Mize Law Firm in Seminole County and Gurney, McDonald and Handley in Orange County.

Longwood lawyer Carmine Bravo and Altamonte Springs lawyer Dean Mosley are also seeking the Group 12 seat.

Stephenson was admitted to the Florida Bar in in 1960 after studying law at Stetson University College of

Law, St. Petersburg. Stephenson is a graduate of Stetson University, DeLand. Stephenson is admitted to practice before the U.S. Supreme Court, U.S. Court of Claims, U.S. District Court and Florida Supreme Court.

Stephenson served as president of the Seminole County Bar Association in 1973. Past service includes municipal judgeships for Altamonte Springs and Longwood and as city attorney for Longwood. Stephenson also served on the Altamonte Springs city commission in 1963 and 1964.

Stephenson has also served on the 18th Circuit Grievance Committee, is a founding member of the Williams' Inns of Court, a member of the Florida Academy of Trial Lawyers. Stephenson has also served as a member of Masonic Lodge 62 in Sanford.

Stephenson is married to the former Grace Hulbert. The couple have four girls.



Gene Stephenson

FLORIDA BRIEFS



Legislator may be graffiti culprit

MIAMI — Prosecutors believe state Rep. Carlos Valdes is the man who scrawls graffiti at a condominium complex and have filed criminal mischief charges. Valdes, R-Miami Lakes, is the unsmiling, mustachioed man caught on videotape with marker in hand. Dade County prosecutors say. The man with slicked back hair looks to the right, then to the left. He whips out a black marker and begins scribbling on a wall at the Parkside of Fountainebleau Condominiums. Valdes, a legislator since 1988, owns a first-floor condo at the complex and is involved in a civil lawsuit against the condominium's owners association. "There's no question at all as to his identity," said William De Pollo, president of the owners association, who says he has viewed the tape many times. Prosecutors filed charges against Valdes, 43, on Tuesday. Criminal mischief, a second-degree misdemeanor, is punishable by six months in prison and a \$500 fine. Valdes could not be reached for comment. His mother, who answered the door at Valdes' condo, said the charges are ridiculous. "That's the most absurd thing I've ever heard," Luisa Valdes said. "That's a childish thing. He wouldn't do anything like that. ... I've got graffiti on my kitchen window. Am I to believe he did that, too?" The graffiti artist was caught on tape May 7 by a video camera hidden in a fire extinguisher box. The incident took less than a minute and there was no sound except for the man's clicking heels.

House rejects Haiti invasion

WASHINGTON — The House is on record against invading Haiti to restore ousted President Jean-Bertrand Aristide. The 223-201 vote Tuesday, which is not binding, came amid heightened tension in the sea around Haiti. U.S. warship have fired warning shots at two ships under a tightened embargo, including one that slipped through with contraband fuel. The no-invasion proposal by Rep. Porter Goss, R-Fla., received House endorsement after lawmakers rejected a compromise amendment by Reps. Ronald V. Dellums, D-Calif., and Lee Hamilton, D-Ind., House Foreign Affairs Committee chairman. Their amendment, defeated on a 191-236 vote, was similar but did not include a plan to use a Haitian island as a base for Aristide and "safe haven" for refugees seeking to flee the country. Both versions, introduced as amendments to a \$262.7 billion defense bill, opposed U.S. military action unless there is a "clear and present danger to U.S. interests or citizens." President Clinton has said the use of force remains an option in dealing with Haiti, but he backed tightened U.N. sanctions as a preferred step. The sanctions went into effect Saturday. The Senate version of the defense spending bill is still in committee, and no similar vote has yet been taken in the Senate on military action in Haiti.

From Associated Press reports

NEWS FROM THE REGION AND ACROSS THE STATE

Education policy stirs debate

By ILE FLORES, Associated Press Writer

TAVARES — Angry over a new school board policy that requires schools to teach students that American culture is "superior" to any other, Anna Cowin has decided to send her teen-age son to private school. She's not alone. Other parents upset enough to pull their children out of school fear that the policy and other Lake County school board rulings will inhibit students seeking a well-rounded education. "The board's majority has made a mockery out of education in my county," said Mrs. Cowin, who has taken her son out of Leesburg High School in favor of a private school in Connecticut. The policy has divided the fast-growing central Florida county of small towns and rolling hills — and prompted a lawsuit Tuesday by a group of teachers and parents. The suit is the latest in a string of controversies since the Lake County School Board became dominated by members pledging to further conservative, traditional and Christian values. However, where some see evil and say "the majority" on the board have gone beyond their election promises, the policy has its defenders among the region's

The board's majority has made a mockery out of education in my county.

-Anna Cowin

165,000 people. "We need someone to look out for the Christian view, particularly in our schools with our children," said Constance Oler, a former South Dakota teacher who retired to Leesburg. At Wootton Park, near the county courthouse in Tavares, Louis Williams said the board was acting in response to "multiculturalism that is being rammed down our throats." The 1,400-member Lake County Education Association sued the county's school board on Tuesday, saying the board violated the U.S. Constitution and Florida law by adopting the policy. The lawsuit asks a circuit court judge to prohibit the board from implementing the policy. "The board's majority wants to start from a conclusion — that America is superior to all other nations — and then work backward to support it," union President Gail Barry

said. "That's not education. It's indoctrination." The lawsuit maintains that the policy "requires teachers to suppress ideas ... portray certain minority groups as inferior and to indoctrinate students to a particular viewpoint," consequently violating the First Amendment freedom of expression. The suit says the policy also violates students' rights to effective education and teachers' rights to academic freedom. The school board voted 3-2 on May 10 to adopt the one-paragraph policy requiring teachers to "instill in our students an appreciation of our American heritage and culture such as our republican form of government, capitalism, a free enterprise system, patriotism, strong family values, freedom of religion and other basic values that are superior to other foreign or historic cultures." Florida Education Commissioner Doug Jamerson has said the policy violates state law requiring multicultural education that fosters "appreciation and respect for people of other ethnic, gender, socio-economic, language and cultural background." The board members who voted for the policy — Chairwoman Pat Hart, Claudia Ramsey and Judy Pearson — have drawn both criticism and support across the state and the nation.



A reason to celebrate

The residents of Hillhaven Healthcare Center, Sanford, enjoyed a monthly barbecue of hamburgers, hot dogs, baked beans, salad, and watermelon in the warmth of a spring day. For desert, a cake to celebrate National Nursing Home Week was cut and served to each participant with the help of, from left to right, Julie Eriksen, activities director, Marie Pierce, a resident, and Jeannette Villalobos, a volunteer at the center.

Staff Photo by Herman Schroeder

Chiles: Health care special session will be June 7-13

By JACKIE HALLIFAX, Associated Press Writer

TALLAHASSEE — Florida lawmakers will be back at the Capitol working on health care reform starting June 7, Gov. Lawton Chiles has decided. Chiles couldn't get the Legislature to pass his proposal to subsidize private health insurance for hundreds of thousands of Floridians in the regular two-month session that ended in mid-April. So he has called them back to work for a week-long special session that could cost up to \$40,000 a day. The money for the subsidies would be raised by making welfare recipients on Medicaid go into health maintenance organizations and other managed

care programs. Medicaid recipients traditionally have chosen their own doctors, which generally costs more than a managed-care system. The plan also needs the go-ahead from Washington because Medicaid is a joint federal-state program. Chiles has said he expects that approval soon. He has had more problems with the Legislature. The House passed a version of his subsidy plan during the regular session. But the Senate, split equally between Republicans and Democrats, balked. Minutes after the regular session ended, the governor said he'd call lawmakers back to town, probably in June, to tackle health care reform.

Orlando lawyer named to Florida Supreme Court

By BRENT KALLESTAD, Associated Press Writer

TALLAHASSEE — For the first time in nearly 13 years, a Florida governor has gone to the private sector for a Supreme Court pick. Orlando attorney Charles T. Wells was named Tuesday to the state's highest court by Gov. Lawton Chiles, who bypassed two judges in making the appointment. Florida Bar President Patricia Seitz praised the governor's selection and called Wells a good fit with the sitting justices. "He is not afraid to tackle hard work or hard issues," said Seitz, a Miami attorney. "He is very thoughtful, very thorough, and caring." Wells, 54, is scheduled to begin his new duties June 1. He fills the vacancy created by the retirement of Justice Parker Lee McDonald, who reached the mandatory retirement age of 70 on Monday. "I was very hopeful the governor would appoint someone that spent a career in private practice," Wells said Tuesday in a telephone interview from his Orlando office. Tuesday's appointment marked just the second time since 1975 a Florida governor went to the private sector for a Supreme Court appointee.

Environmentalists say bill guts growth management

By BILL BERGSTROM, Associated Press Writer

TALLAHASSEE — If lawmakers are willing to rewrite it, Gov. Lawton Chiles may veto a bill that environmentalists say threatens growth management in Florida, an aide said. After meeting with environmentalists Tuesday, Department of Community Affairs Secretary Linda Shelley said she will urge Chiles to veto the bill, comparing its writers to someone backing into a cactus. "It's her feeling that this legislation has serious unintended consequences," said Shelley's spokeswoman, Toni Riordan. "It will cut the legs out from under Florida's growth management process if it becomes law," Charles Lee, senior vice president of the Florida Audubon Society, told a news conference. "We are going to give serious consideration to vetoing the bill for a number of reasons," said Chiles' budget director, David Coburn. Coburn questioned that its impact on growth management would be that serious but said the governor's office had other concerns, such as inadequate control by the governor over judicial spending. Chiles' decision will depend partly on whether lawmakers are willing to revise the bill in the special legislative session set to open June 7, rather than discard all its provisions. If Chiles doesn't sign or veto the bill before Saturday, it will become law without his signature.

LOTTERY MIAMI - Here are the winning numbers selected Tuesday in the Florida Lottery: Fantasy 5 1-18-9-12-8 Cash 3 7-7-7 Play 4 4-8-6-0

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THE WEATHER

LOCAL FORECAST

Tonight: Fair. Low in the mid to upper 60s. Light south wind. Thursday: Partly sunny. High near 90. Wind west 5 to 10 mph. Extended forecast: Friday: Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 70s. Highs in the upper 80s to lower 90s. Saturday and Sunday: Partly cloudy with a chance of afternoon thunderstorms. Lows in the lower 70s. Highs in the upper 80s to lower 90s.

EXTENDED OUTLOOK

Table with weather icons and forecasts for Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.

MOON PHASES

Table showing moon phases: Full May 25, Last June 1, New June 9, First June 16.

TIDES

Table showing tides for Thursday: Solunar Table with Min, Maj, and Tides for Daytona Beach, New Smyrna Beach, and Cocoa Beach.

STATISTICS

The high temperature in Sanford Tuesday was 90 degrees and the overnight low was 60 as reported by the University of Florida Agricultural Research and Education Center, Celery Avenue. Recorded rainfall for the period, ending at 9 a.m. Wednesday, totaled 0 inches. The temperature at 9 a.m. today was 74 degrees and Wednesday's overnight low was 65, as recorded by the National Weather Service at the Orlando International Airport. Other Weather Service data: Tuesday's high...89 Barometric pressure...29.98 Relative Humidity...79 pct Winds...Northwest 9 mph Rainfall...0 in. Sunset...6:15 p.m. Sunrise...6:30 a.m.

FLORIDA TEMPS

Table of Florida temperatures for various cities: Daytona Beach, Ft. Lauderdale, Fort Myers, Gainesville, Homestead, Jacksonville, Key West, Lakeland, Miami, Pensacola, Sarasota, Tallahassee, Tampa, Vero Beach, W. Palm Beach.

BEACH CONDITIONS

Daytona Beach: Waves are 1-2 feet and semi glassy. Current is slight to the south with a water temperature of 76 degrees. New Smyrna Beach: Waves are 1 foot and glassy. Current is to the south with a water temperature of 78 degrees.

BOATING

St. Augustine to Jupiter Inlet: Tonight: Wind variable 10 knots. Seas 2 feet. Bay and inland waters a light chop. Thursday: Wind south 10 knots. Seas 2 feet. Bay and inland waters a light chop.

POLICE BRIEFS

Drug arrests

- Samuel Fuller, 38, 10 William Clark Court, Sanford was arrested by city police for possession of cocaine with intent to distribute and possession of drug paraphernalia. Agents of the Special Investigations Unit served a search warrant on Fuller's residence May 21 where they found folded foils containing cocaine, plastic bags, razor blades with cocaine residue and narcotic cutting agents, according to the police report. Fuller was not in the apartment when the warrant was served and was arrested at 815 S. French Avenue on Monday. His bond was set at \$5,000.
- Jerry Dewayne Adams, 34, 6355 Markham Woods Road, Lake Mary was arrested Monday by Oviedo Police for possession of cocaine and possession of drug paraphernalia. After a traffic stop on State Road 428, Adams told the officer he was not carrying any weapons and said the policeman was "welcome to take a look." During the search of the van, police found two pieces of crack cocaine and a small pipe and Adams was arrested.
- A John Doe was arrested by Sanford Police Monday at 10th and Olive for possession of crack cocaine and resisting without violence. He refused to give police any information. The man would not stop for a minor traffic offense at 8th and Pecan. When he stopped, police asked him to get out of the car. Two pieces of crack were found during a padown, according to the report, and the man had \$136 in his right front pocket.

Arrested for trespass

- Steven Baulbaker, 21, no address listed, was arrested by Sanford police at a supermarket in the 1500 block of French Avenue for trespass after warning. He had been warned not to enter the store again after his May 15 arrest for shoplifting.
- David Odell Dillard, 20, 108 Willow Drive, Lake Mary was arrested by a sheriff's deputy for trespassing at the high school after warning to stay off school grounds. He was issued a warning Sept. 16, 1993 and was arrested Monday after he was seen near an auto mechanics class.
- Sanford police arrested two people for trespassing on the grounds of Sanford Middle School Monday. David Andrew Smith, 18, and Linda Kay Warren, 32, both of 1001 Laurel Ave. were arrested about 9:30 p.m. Monday after police saw them inside the fenced compound near the environmental center.

Traffic stops lead to arrests

- Billy R. Ellerbee, 29, 206 Dorchester Square, Lake Mary was arrested by Lake Mary police for driving with a suspended license and a tag violation. A computer check following a traffic stop showed five license suspensions and the tag on Ellerbee's vehicle was assigned to another car.
- Alfred Zenvelous Sprawl, 25, 2527 Poinsetta, Sanford, was arrested by Sanford police Monday after a computer check during a traffic stop revealed he had a suspended license. Sprawl's license was suspended/revoked in February 1993 as a habitual offender, the arrest report states.

Incidents reported to Sanford Police

- A woman in the 100 block of Cedar Creek reported a kicker speaker was stolen from her car overnight Sunday.
- A woman in the 100 block of Sabal Palm Court, reported someone threw a concrete stepping stone at her door, unsuccessfully attempting to gain entry Saturday.
- The foreman of a construction site in the 1400 block of Marsa Court reported \$800 worth of roof decking and PT lumber was taken over the weekend.
- Police recovered a vehicle stolen from Orlando in the Seminole Community College Adult High School parking lot Monday.
- A resident in the 300 block of Springview Drive reported a 1987 Ford was taken after the keys were left in the vehicle. The car was recovered at 11th St. and Pine Avenue in a drainage ditch.
- A 1986 Chrysler New Yorker was taken from an apartment complex in the 1100 block of Florida Avenue Sunday night.
- The steering column of a 1986 Oldsmobile was broken in an attempted car theft at an apartment in the 900 block of Georgia Arms Monday night.
- A 1990 Buick Regency was stolen in the 1200 of Mellonville Ave. sometime Monday afternoon.

Domestic battery

- Jesus Reyes, 24, 2625 Sanford Avenue was arrested for battery/domestic violence after police were called Monday about a fight between the man and his live-in girlfriend. The woman, Ellen Lynn Weaver, 22, same address, refused to cooperate with officers and was arrested for resisting without violence. Reyes allegedly is not a citizen and the border patrol was notified, according to a police report.

DUI arrest

- A Winter Springs man was arrested by Lake Mary police just after midnight Tuesday for driving under the influence. Carl Arthur Olson, 49, 208 Williams Road was arrested on Lake Mary Boulevard after field sobriety tests were recorded. The car was towed and a passenger arranged alternate transportation.

Warrant arrests

- Juan Rivera, 30, 150 Burns Ave., Longwood, turned himself in on a warrant for obtaining property by worthless check.
- William Wallace Presley, 38, 405 Beth Drive, Sanford, violation of probation/burglary and grand theft.
- Robert Dean Johnson, 38, 14509 Little Oakley Court, Orlando, failure to appear(FTA) driving while license suspended or revoked (DWLSR).
- George Walter Jolicoeur, 22, 580 Tradewinds Dr., Deltona, Violation of Probation(VOP) sale cocaine and VOP/Dealing stolen property.
- Kenneth Kent Chisholm, 33, 2410 Center St., Sanford, two warrants, burglary to a dwelling and VOP/burglary to a dwelling.
- Melissa Evonne Ren, 23, 356 Sun Oaks Court, Lake Mary, FTA/tag not assigned.
- Steven Vincent Minott, 38, 2821 Sunlake Loop, Lake Mary, Orange County warrant/uttering forgery.
- Ray Charles Sweat, 39, 1046 S. Hwy. 17-92, Longwood, FTA/DWLSR.

Historical Society thinks Irish

By NICK PFEIFAUF
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — The Seminole County Historical Society is looking into establishing an "Irish Connection" along with the history of Seminole County.

The project is being conducted to coincide with the Irish Soccer Team's selection of the Seminole County Sports Training Center for practice prior to World Cup Competition.

The Irish team will be starting practice on June 7, with sessions

Casino group: Voters' OK means jobs, tax revenues

By IRE FLORES
Associated Press Writer

ORLANDO — About 1.5 million more tourists would pour into Florida each year and generate an additional \$5.8 billion over five years if Floridians allow casino gambling to take root in the state, a group says.

The Proposition for Limited Casinos Inc. released an economic forecast Tuesday that also showed casino gambling would create 67,700 jobs and \$686 million in annual tax revenue.

The group is proposing a statewide voter referendum on a maximum of 47 casinos in Florida and is backed by hotel developers, casino companies and members of the parimutuel industry.

The proposal for a constitutional amendment would allow operating casinos at a dozen large hotels and free-standing facilities in the state's largest counties. It also would permit existing pari-mutuel operators to build on-site casinos, while providing for five casino riverboats.

"Limited Casinos is an economic bonanza for Florida," C. Patrick Roberts, chairman of the voter campaign, told a news conference in Orlando. "It will provide more jobs and tax revenue."

When asked about arguments against casino gambling by law enforcement authorities, religious groups and others, Roberts said, "Crime is in Florida now. You can't tie crime issues and law enforcement issues to gaming now. ... The image has changed."

Jack Praschnik of WFAA Group, an economic forecasting firm in Hala Cynwyd, Pa., said if the expanded gambling amendment is approved, site preparation and construction of new gaming facilities and hotels would begin in 1995, with developers spending \$2.5 billion in 1995 and \$2.2 billion in 1996.

The 67,700 jobs forecast is for all sectors of Florida's economy, not just casino operations, Praschnik said.

Roberts said forecasts by proponents of a rival constitutional amendment for riverboat gambling estimated an annual increase of 31,000 jobs. But he said that was a gross figure and does not take into account that most of the 36,000 people employed in the pari-mutuel industry would lose their jobs.

Floridians, Roberts maintained, do not want a "riverboat alley" like Biloxi, Miss., or a glut of casinos like Las Vegas and Atlantic City.

Campaign officials said they have 220,000 petition signatures of the 345,000 they need to get the Limited Casinos referendum on the ballot this fall.

The Limited Casinos proposal would have one casino each in Duval, Escambia, Hillsborough, Lee, Orange, Palm Beach and Pinellas counties; two casinos in Broward; and three casinos in Dade County.

It would allow casinos in existing pari-mutuel facilities such as racetracks and jai-alai frontons in up to 30 locations, and it would authorize five floating casinos.

open to the public.

Lorraine Whiting, president of the society is asking if descendants of ancestors of Irish descent, to contact the county museum and relay such identification and any information which may be known.

Whiting said residents with Irish ties are asked to report on when they, their parents, grandparents or any other relatives came from when moving to this area, (remembering that Seminole was part of Orange County until 1913), and where

they came from in Ireland.

Also of interest, if known, is why the descendants left Ireland, what business they were in after arriving, and what special skills they may have possessed.

Whiting also said that if relatives so desired, they would be welcome to bring any family items representative of Ireland to loan for a display at the museum.

As an example of the Irish heritage, Whiting commented on the role played by Gen. Joseph Finegan, who sold 12,000 acres

to Gen. Henry Sanford, when he established the city in 1870. Finegan is being researched further with the goal of mounting an exhibit at the county museum concerning this Confederate Army officer's colorful background, particularly here in Central Florida.

The county museum is located at 300 Bush Boulevard. It is open Tuesday through Friday from noon until 5 p.m.

Those wishing to participate can leave their phone number at the museum by phoning 321-2489.

JCPenney

MEMORIAL SALE

DAY

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Firefighters enter the home at 704 Baywood, gutted by fire this morning. Herald Photo by Tommy Vincent

Fire

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underway at the time. No people were in the structure when the fire occurred.

When firemen arrived, they reported finding a number of animals in the structure, and phoned for assistance from Seminole County Animal Control.

Animal Control officer Mike Wittmer said one cat was killed in the fire. A dog and a second cat, both believed to be suffering from smoke inhalation, were taken to Murphy Veterinarian Clinic to be treated by the local veterinarian.

Brennen Murphy, DVM, said such smoke inhalation can often

be deadly to small animals. "But at the present time," he said at 9:30 this morning. "It appears as though both of the animals are going to pull through."

Fire investigators meanwhile, were still at the scene of the fire, to determine the cause, and estimate the extent of damages.

Main Street membership blitz, open house begins

By MICK PPIFAUP
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — "Today is 'W Day' for Sanford Main Street," said Main Street manager Faye Fulton. "Our phone blitz started this morning and will continue all day, ending with an open house this evening."

The event is the third phase of Main Street's second annual membership drive. Three competing teams, headed by Helen Stairs, Charles Rowe and Mike Seures, will man the phones all day requesting both businesses and residents to become a

member of the organization dedicated to revitalization of the downtown area.

Bill Barwick, chairman of the MS fund drive said, "This entire four-step drive demonstrates what community spirit is all about. As a fairly new member of the business community here, it warms my heart to see so many volunteers giving their time and businesses donating material and services, showing that they care about this community."

Fulton commented, "Our concentrated effort today could not have taken place without the help of Commissioner Lon

Howell, BellSouth Mobility and Eckler Communications."

Those wishing to join the Main Street team to help bring about a vibrant, economically healthy downtown, can call in their membership to the MS office, 322-5600," she added.

Following the membership drive today, Sanford Main Street will be holding an open house party from 6 until 8 p.m., at the Greater Sanford Chamber of Commerce building, 400 E. First Street, with the public invited to attend, and new members urged to be on hand.

Three found guilty of murder in student beating

By Associated Press

FORT LAUDERDALE — Terry Jamerson buried his face in his hands and wept as a jury returned a guilty verdict against him and two others in the beating death of a Vietnamese-American student.

Jamerson, 22, and Christopher Anderson, 20, both of Coral Springs, and William Madalone, 23, of Tamarac, were found guilty of second-degree murder Tuesday in the slaying of Luyen Phan Nguyen.

The state will recommend that Anderson and Jamerson be sentenced to between seven and 22 years in prison, said Prosecutor Peter Magrino.

But if the state has its way, Madalone would spend life in prison without parole. Prosecutors plan to ask a judge to use Florida's habitual offender law against Madalone, who has

been convicted of three prior felonies.

Since they were not charged with first-degree murder, which involves premeditation, the defendants can only be sentenced to a maximum of life in prison and do not face the death penalty.

Family members of the three defendants repeated "Oh, no," and held hands, weeping as each guilty verdict was read.

"I think that the verdict is despicable," said Anderson's attorney, Ross Zimmerman. Like the other attorneys, he promised a quick appeal.

Nguyen's mother, Thang, and brother, Long, were quickly shepherded out of the Fort Lauderdale courtroom.

"We lost Lu forever," Thang Nguyen said later. "We have no emotion."

Nguyen, a 19-year-old Univer-

sity of Miami pre-med student, was at a party Aug. 15, 1992, when someone called him racist names, Nguyen objected.

Prosecutors said Anderson came down from the second-floor apartment and confronted Nguyen, then started the melee by slapping Nguyen.

Jamerson pushed or punched Nguyen in the chest, then was seen walking away from where the student lay. Several other youths then joined in beating and kicking Nguyen. Nguyen died two days later.

Magrino reminded the jury of a witness to the beating who said the defendants were like animals preying on a hapless victim.

But defense attorneys contended that their clients did not beat Nguyen.

District Judge Richard Eade scheduled the defendants' sentencing June 28.

Eade earlier sentenced another man convicted in 1992 in Nguyen's murder, Bradley Mills, to 50 years in prison.

Three other defendants in the beating — Derrick Cozma, Chris Madalone and Michael Barychko — are scheduled to be tried for second-degree murder June 20.

Handy Way request for gas pumps hits a snag

By J. MARK BARFIELD
Herald Senior Staff Writer

SANFORD — Faced with a new obstacle to build a Handy Way convenience store on State Road 48 west of Interstate 4, Miller Enterprises may fight to have a store gasoline service across from the Lower Wekiva River State Preserve.

"We haven't decided what to do with either site," said Don Davis, Miller's manager of real estate. "We'd prefer the Longwood-Markham site."

Blocked in their efforts to build a Handy Way with gasoline service at Longwood-Markham Road, Miller sought permission to install gasoline pumps at their store site at the corner of Lake Markham Road a mile or so east. Now they're finding complications at that site as well.

County development reviewers told Miller officials their Lake Markham Road property lies within the Wekiva River Protection Area and must meet the requirements of the state law. Under the law, development must have no greater impact on the surrounding areas than a home.

Miller's gas pump request, originally scheduled for the Monday night meeting of the Board of Adjustment, was delayed to next month to allow Miller to respond, said Ginny Markley, county zoning coordinator.

It was a similar low impact requirement which forced Miller to turn away from their Longwood-Markham Road site. After successfully fending off a challenge from the state for permission to build a convenience store on the property, commissioners blocked their request to install gas pumps

there in 1990.

Commissioners were concerned about the possible contamination of the nearby river.

Davis said Miller needs gasoline sales to assure the success of the store.

Frustrated, Miller turned its attention to the Lake Markham Road property, although the westerly site is more preferable, said Miranda Fitzgerald, Miller attorney.

"It's the first site inside Lake County, there's more developed rooftops in the area; it's better all around," said Fitzgerald.

Fitzgerald said Miller may decide to submit a new development plan for the Longwood-Markham Road site. If turned down, Miller may choose to challenge the county.

"It looks like we're going to go through the dog and pony show to do anything out there," said Fitzgerald. "Miller is thinking it might as well be for the site they want."

The Friends of the Wekiva River has joined the fray. In a May 16 letter, president Phillip Wick wrote the store proposal represents "creeping urbanization at its worst." Wick wrote there is already a Handy Way at Orange Boulevard at the edge of

the protection zone.

Wick said while the Lake Markham site poses less of a risk to the environment, he would not rescind opposition to the Longwood-Markham Road site over the other.

"The Lake Markham site is preferable because it's further from the river," said Wick. "But it might be helpful to hear it in court. The merits of the other case were never heard."

Wick also wrote the Lake Markham Road site could contaminate the Wekiva River by way of Sulpher Creek. The streambed leads from Yankee Lake through the county wastewater treatment facility to the Wekiva River. Yankee Lake critic Art Davis challenged the treatment plant construction permit, in part, saying Sulpher Creek might allow pollution to flow to the Wekiva River.

James Bible, former deputy county administrator, said the issue was dismissed because the stream had not flowed in recent memory. Davis dismissed the complaint and the Friends did not object.

Wick said while the stream doesn't flow routinely, it might. "If we ever return to normal rainfall, it could flow," Wick said.

School

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Teacher-student ratios will be reduced during intersessions at elementary schools, thus eliminating the practice of combining students of different grade levels and increasing individual attention to students.

The district will put aside enough money to ensure a

teacher-to-student ratio of 1-to-15 at the Alternative High School at the Crooms School of Choice in Sanford. The district has applied for a grant that should cover those costs, but they have made a commitment to the plan regardless of the receipt of that grant.

Motel

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time," Fonde said, "is to try to protect the Holiday Inn franchise here in Sanford."

Beyond that, Fonde said he would not make any comments pending the outcome of the court's decision next week.

On May 2, Sanford City Manager Bill Simmons received a statement from Fonde cautioning that the future of the Holiday Inn in Sanford may be in jeopardy. "In the event that, for whatever reason, the hotel is de-franchised," he wrote, "it will be extremely difficult and probably impossible to reflag as another brand, or bring back into the Holiday Inn system until someone buys the hotel."

He concluded, "The potential exists for the hotel to be forced to operate as an independent. Without a reservations system, the business could conceivably fail."

Simmons said the conflict between the city and motel is nothing new. "This has been going on since before I came to Sanford," Simmons said there were many complex points to the overall situation, including a bankruptcy by a former operator of the Holiday Inn, a mortgage foreclosure against the former lender which was subsequently taken over by RTC, and a continued disagreement over resolving these matters.

Several times since the beginning of this year, Bernie Sandler, representing RTC, has addressed city commission work sessions and conferred with Simmons and City Attorney Bill Colbert.

Also on several occasions, drafts of a possible resolution

have been made, only to have one side or the other find sufficient objections to turn down the offers.

On March 9, as an example, Sandler submitted one of several suggested draft leases to the city. Simmons and Colbert reviewed the contents, and disagreed with a number of items in the proposal. The matter was then to be resubmitted to Sandler for additional changes.

To date, no agreement toward resolution has been agreed upon by all parties. As a result, it goes to court next week.

Simmons said he doesn't expect the court hearing will produce any immediate solution to the dilemma.



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DEATHS

ELIZABETH ANN CHORPENING

Elizabeth Ann Chorpening, 64, Editha Circle, Sanford, died Monday, May 23, 1994, at her residence. Born July 30, 1929, in Newark, N.J., she moved to Central Florida in 1956. Mrs. Chorpening was a retired school bus driver. She was a member of Lutheran Church of the Redeemer.

Survivors include sons, Mark, Leesburg, Randy, Deltona; daughter, Susan Szabo, E. Brunswick, N.J.; sister, Sandy Weldon, Los Gatos, Calif.; brother, Howard Gagen, Hampton, Va.; three grandchildren.

Gramkow Funeral Home, Sanford, in charge of arrangements.

NANCY LOUISE FIRIOS

Nancy Louise Firios, 46, Woodling Place, Altamonte Springs, died Tuesday, May 24, 1994, at her residence. Born Feb. 9, 1949, in Wavercross, Ga., she moved to Central Florida in 1980. Mrs. Firios was a homemaker. She was a member of Orlando Christian Center.

Survivors include husband, John N.; daughter, Buffle Gibbs, Winter Park; sons, Ryan Richardson, Dewayne Gibbs, both of Atlanta; sisters, Jan Fein, Atlanta, Shirley Casey, Carrollton, Ga., Peggy Carlton, Tulsa, Okla.; mother, Melba Alexander, Smyrna, Ga.

Woodlawn Funeral Home & Memorial Park, Orlando, in charge of arrangements.

FUNERAL

CHORPENING, ELIZABETH ANN

Funeral services for Mrs. Elizabeth Ann Chorpening, 64, of Sanford, who died Monday, May 23, 1994, will be 10:30 Friday morning at Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, with Pastor Elmer A. Reuscher officiating. Interment will be in Hillcrest Memorial Gardens, Ft. Pierce, Fla. For those who wish, memorial contributions are suggested to Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, 2333 Oak Ave., Sanford, FL 32773. Arrangements by Gramkow Funeral Home, Sanford.

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STATS & STANDINGS

DOGS

Table showing baseball statistics for various teams including Baltimore, Toronto, and Detroit. Columns include W, L, Pct., and GB.

BASEBALL STANDINGS

Table showing baseball standings for National League, American League, and Florida State League. Columns include team names and win-loss records.

RAINES GAUGE

Tim Raines is a Sanford native and Seminole High School graduate now playing for the Chicago White Sox. His stats are for the 1994 season in the first column, personal-best season totals in the second column and current career totals (including 1994 games) in the third column.

Raines Gauge table with columns for Category, '94, best, and career. Rows include Games, At-bats, Runs, Hits, RBI, Doubles, Triples, Home runs, Steals, and Average.

NBA PLAYOFFS

All Times EDT CONFERENCE FINALS (Best of 7) EASTERN CONFERENCE Indiana vs. New York...

NBA AWARDS

NBA Most Valuable Players 1994 - Bob Pettit, St. Louis Hawks; 1993 - Bill Russell, Boston Celtics...

SOFTBALL

Continued from 1B. James Thompson hit a triple and a single for Whelchel and Howard. Vince Howard added three singles and a run...

ROYALS

Continued from 1B. single and scored on a double by Jason Sheffield, who was thrown out at third trying to stretch the hit into a triple...

Christian Rued, Norway; del. Oliberi Schaller, Austria; 6-4, 6-4, 6-2. Jim Courier (7), Dede Sisk, del. Jean Philippe Fleurbaey, France; 6-4, 6-4, 6-4...

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL American League BOSTON RED SOX - Called up G. Linton, infielder, from Prospect of International League...

NHL PLAYOFFS

All Times EDT CONFERENCE FINALS (Best of 7) EASTERN CONFERENCE New Jersey vs. N.Y. Rangers...

TENNIS

French Open PARIS - Results Tuesday of the \$8.5 million French Open tennis championships of Roland Garros stadium...

TV/RADIO

AUTORACING 11:30 pm - SUN, Summer Legends Series '94. 12:30 pm - SUN, NASCAR Goodwill Sportsman 100...

Advertisement for Bridgestone and Michelin tires. Features 'FREE EXTENDED WARRANTIES' and lists prices for various tire models.

Advertisement for 'HAVE FUN WIN MONEY DOG RACING' at Seminole Greyhound Park. Includes phone number (407) 699-4510.

Advertisement for 'BIG 'T' TIRE & AUTO SERVICE' featuring '90 DAYS SAME AS CASH' and various tire models with prices.

BLONDIE

by Chic Young



BEETLE BAILEY

by Mort Walker



THE BORN LOSER

by Art Sanson



PEANUTS

by Charles M. Schulz



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by Howie Schneider



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by Bob Thaves



GARFIELD

by Jim Davis



ROBOTMAN*

by Jim Meddick



See a doctor to diagnose high fever

DEAR DR. GOTT: My wife has had constant fevers every night of 102-103 degrees for three years now.

DEAR READER: Fever is one of the most reliable indicators of disease. Recurring fever means that something is wrong.

I have seen patients with "fever" who didn't have elevated temperatures. The thermometer was registering incorrectly.

If she truly has elevated temperatures in the range you mention, she needs a meticulous examination, blood tests and X-rays to discover which of many ailments is to blame.

Fever of unknown origin, a medical term, can be an enormous challenge to doctors and may result from innumerable disorders, ranging from infection and cancer to autoimmune diseases and inflammation of various sorts.

If your wife's doctor has thrown in the towel, request a referral to an internist (a specialist in diagnosis) or to the diagnostic clinic at a teaching hospital, where special tests and scans are available.

To give you more information, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "Medical Specialists." Other readers who would like a copy should send \$2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 2433, New York, NY 10163.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My wife and I are worried because our 10-year-old son is already showing signs of puberty. He has developed pubic hair, hair under his arms, and he's started

ejaculating in his sleep. Should we consult a doctor?

DEAR READER: Without a doubt, in a 10-year-old boy, such sexual precocity could indicate the presence of a tumor. Of course, it's possible that your son may simply be maturing much earlier than the usual 12 to 14 years of age.



MEDICINE

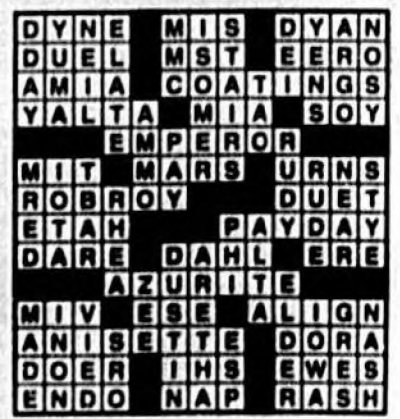
PETER GOTT, M.D.

Nevertheless, you should definitely address this issue with his pediatrician, who may obtain blood and urine tests to make sure that a serious health problem isn't to blame.

ACROSS

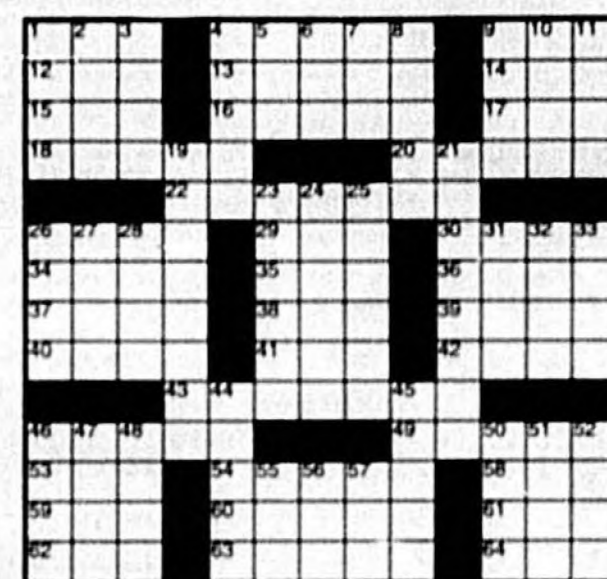
- 1 Totem pole
4 Loop of rope
9 Medical suffix
12 Mountains (abbr.)
13 Muse of poetry
14 Roman 12
15 One -- lime
16 Flower holders
17 Sea eagle
18 Strong upward movement
20 Money back -- satisfied
22 Grand Canyon State
24 Arab sailboat
25 Damage
30 Future LL.Bs. exam
34 Plow part
35 Phonetic symbol
36 Small salmon
37 Jai --

Answer to Previous Puzzle



DOWN

- 1 Dec. holiday
2 Aleutian island
3 Emperor (var.)
4 At no time



WIN AT BRIDGE

By Phillip Alder

In the Netherlands, you are not allowed to play on an 18-hole golf course unless you have a Golf Ability Card.

Should we do the same in bridge, giving players who are leaving beginners classes a few simple bidding, declarer-play and defense problems?

If so, do you think today's deal would be slightly too difficult for the test, or just right? West leads the club queen against your four-heart contract.

There are three passes and South opens one heart. Would you pass, double or bid two clubs with that West hand?

values opposite a partner who couldn't even open in third position, there is a good case for passing. However, especially in a pair event, you should strive to contest the part-score.

Playing in four hearts, declarer must not win the club lead with dummies king and play a trump.

West wins with the ace and continues clubs, you discard two spade losers on dummies K-Q of diamonds, play a trump to the ace and then another trump.

Bridge hand layout showing North, West, East, South cards and vulnerable/dealer information.

HOROSCOPE

By Bernice Bede Osol YOUR BIRTHDAY May 26, 1994

In the year ahead hobbies or side interests you consider labors of love could provide additional income for you.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Strive to devote as much time as possible today to tasks and activities that afford you pleasure and helps eliminate mental stress.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) In your commercial dealings today try to treat others as generously as possible without giving away something of value you might need later for yourself.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Be wary of making impulsive commitments today. Promises made in haste might not be well thought out and could prove difficult to unwind later.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Be very open-minded today if someone whose success you admire talks about a new endeavor or enterprise. There might be a place in this situation for you.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Be appreciative of any good things that happen to you today and don't measure what others get in comparison to what you receive.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) In dealing with a loved one today, let your heart rule your head, even if he/she wants to do something of which you disapprove. Be vigilant from a distance.

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SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) You're likely to be rather restless today, unless you find some profitable ways to utilize your time. Select projects that are practical, artistic and creative.

19) At a social gathering today, try to direct your conversations to topics which are of general interests, rather than to those that are significant only to you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Your effectiveness as a promoter or salesperson will be marred today if you don't know when to stop selling. Keep your presentation brief and succinct.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) It's best not to disclose family matters to persons who aren't kith and kin. What you say might be misconstrued and used in negative ways.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) If you're thinking about attempting a do-it-yourself project today, be sure you know what you're getting into, or else you might waste a lot of time and money on nothing.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Today if you need the support of a group, first determine who the key people are and work on them. If they go along with you, the others will as well.

ANNIE

by Leonard Starr

