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Sports

8K race set for September

SANFORD — The sixth annual Sanford Lakeside 8K Race will be held by the City of Sanford Recreation Department and the Sanford Kiwanis Club. See Page 1B

People

Scholarship awarded

Optimist Club of Sanford recently presented a \$500 scholarship to an outstanding musician who graduated from an area high school. See Photo Page 3B

BRIEFS

Sanford signs \$11.9 million bond

SANFORD — The City of Sanford has now enacted the final paperwork for a \$11,970,000 bond issue. Most of the official documents were signed yesterday early afternoon, with the transfer of funds completed this morning.

All of the final work took place at the law offices of Honigman, Miller & Associates in Orlando, attorneys for William R. Hough and Company, who will handle the underwriting.

Financing of the bond will be handled through an increase in water and sewer rates, adopted July 22, and effective with utility bills issued after September 1 of this year. For the average home owner, with an estimated 10,000 gallons per month usage, the increase is estimated at \$7.45 per month.

Validation of the bond was approved by the City Commission on June 24, with an agreement to use Hough and Company approved on August 6.

Wuornos gets January trial date

DELAND — A judge delayed until January the initial murder trial of Aileen Wuornos, who investigators say has confessed to killing seven middle-aged men along Florida roadways.

Circuit Judge Gavle Graziano granted a defense request Monday for additional preparation time in the Volusia County slaying of Richard Mallory, a video technician from Clearwater.

The judge rescheduled the trial for the week of Jan. 13 in Daytona Beach. It had been set for Sept. 9.

Wuornos' lawyer, Assistant Public Defender Tricia Jenkins, temporarily withdrew a request to suppress confessions and statements in which Wuornos admitted killing and robbing the seven motorists.

In one document, she said she killed the men in self-defense. She also said she needed the money.

Rocket blown with secrets

CAPE CANAVERAL — A small rocket carrying secret Star Wars experiments was destroyed 1 1/2 miles above Cape Canaveral Air Force Station today when the booster veered sharply off course seconds after liftoff.

The 29-foot Arius rocket took off on time at 5:45 a.m. but almost immediately went out of control. A boom could be heard in the distance and a shower of sparks could be seen as Air Force officials issued self-destruct commands 23 seconds into the flight.

Coast Guard Master Chief Tom Grant said much of the burning debris slammed into a fairly remote area of the Air Force station, a few miles from the launch pad. A few pieces also may have landed just off shore in the Atlantic Ocean, he said.

No injuries or property damage were reported, Grant said.

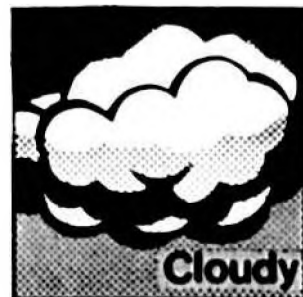
Air Force officials said the rocket was 1.5 miles high and 1.7 miles downrange from the pad when it was blown up by remote control. The rocket was supposed to head east-northeast, but instead was aiming for the south-southeast, they said.

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Cloudy, cool and wet



Variable cloudiness with a 60 percent chance of scattered thunderstorms. High in the upper 80s to low 90s. Wind southwest at 10 to 15 mph.

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Schools ready to open

By VICKI DeSORMIER
Herald Staff Writer

School parking lots across the district are crowded for the first time in months yesterday.

With teachers and administrators already back in session making plans for the new school year, the youngsters can't be far behind.

"I can't believe school is ready to start again," said Lori Smith, 16, who will be a sophomore at Seminole High School next week. "I just finished summer school. I haven't had a chance to rest yet. Maybe summer school students should get an extra week off."

Smith said she likes school, but she just wasn't

"mentally prepared" for the rigors of learning. "I'll be OK," she laughed. "I just didn't realize that school started Monday."

Clad in jeans and t-shirts that will, for the most part, be put aside for more professional attire next week, teachers who are spending their days in meetings with administrators getting ready for the changes the new school year will bring and the challenges their students will present to them, scrambled from classrooms to auditoriums like students on the first day of school.

Papers crammed into folders were jammed into sturdy backpacks. Supplies were checked, pencils carefully sharpened. Stocks of red marking pens were replenished.

Ken Dennis, who said he will be an eighth grader at Lakeview Middle School, said he couldn't wait for classes to start.

"I've been bored with summer vacation since the end of June," Dennis said. "I just want to go back to school."

Larry Goudreaux, 16, said he is going back to school at Seminole only because he wants to keep his drivers license.

"I'd rather go to work than school," he said. "But if I drop out of school they told me I would lose my drivers license, so I guess I better go back."

Goudreaux said he'll be in the tenth grade for the second time when classes start again on Monday.

For your health



Lisa Schultz, director of marketing, and Roy Vinson, administrator, look over a copy of HCA Central Florida Regional Hospital's new newsletter entitled "Quarterly," which is distributed throughout the area. The informative new publication will include healthcare information, new developments at the hospital and miscellaneous medical news.

Opposition rises throughout USSR

By BRIAN FRIEDMAN
Associated Press Writer

MOSCOW — Resistance to the hard-line coup that ousted Mikhail Gorbachev was spreading today, spearheaded by Russian President Boris Yeltsin. Hundreds of thousands of people took to the streets to shout for the downfall of the coup leaders.

The new government faced an immediate economic threat from coal miners in Siberia and the Soviet far north who walked off the job, heeding Yeltsin's call for a general strike. But elsewhere, the strike was not widespread.

The coup's architects, who represent conservative military and Communist forces opposed to Gorbachev's democratic and economic reforms, flexed their military muscle, but not all Soviet troops were loyal to the new leaders.

"The junta that has come to power will not stop at anything to keep that power," Yeltsin told a cheering crowd of more than 150,000 people at the Russian Parliament building.

"They understand that things have reached the point that if they lose, they will lose not only their armchairs, but they will be seated on court benches," he said.

In another development, a Soviet Foreign Ministry official said Foreign Minister Alexander Bessmertnykh had taken "sick" after returning from vacation, "but was expected to return to work in a few days."

The coup leaders also claimed Gorbachev, who was overthrown Monday while on vacation in the Crimea, was ill. Few believed it.

Russia, the largest republic, has

Bush backs Yeltsin, Gorbachev

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Bush phoned the president of the Russian Republic, Boris Yeltsin, today and said he assured him that he will have "continued U.S. support" in his effort to force the return of Mikhail Gorbachev as president of the Soviet Union.

"There will not be normal relations with the Soviet Union as long as the coup is in place," said Bush. He has suspended, for now, economic assistance to Moscow while evaluating events.

"We're just sitting here for a while, leaving everything on hold," he said.

"We have no interest in a

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moved to the forefront of the resistance. Today, the republic's Ministry of Foreign Affairs issued a diplomatic note saying it refused any responsibility for actions or obligations incurred by the coup leaders.

It asked all foreign governments to freeze the gold and hard-currency assets and transfers of the Soviet Union until the coup committee is disbanded.

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Lake Mary Commission meets tonight

By NICK PFEIFAU
Herald Staff Writer

LAKE MARY — The Lake Mary City Commission will hold a special called meeting tonight to discuss a variety of financial matters. First on the agenda is a discussion on the proposed \$5 million Public Improvement Revenue bond.

Two of the three parts of the bond issue deal with beautification of

Lake Mary Boulevard and construction of the sports complex. Very few objections have been voiced over the sports complex proposal, and the only basic problem in the beautification project proposal that has been discussed a number of times is the burial of the power lines.

The third part of the bond proposal, pertaining to paving and drainage, has proven to be the most

controversial. That section alone calls for \$2 1/2 million, half of the total proposed amount. Mayor Randy Morris believes the matter might end up to be separated from the present proposed bond. "We will probably discuss this further during our September meetings," he said.

"The Paving and Drainage proposal may end up becoming a separate bond issue, depending on the feelings of the total Commission."

Other financial matters to be discussed during the meeting tonight include the proposed fiscal year 1992 budget, including the water and sewer utility enterprise fund and the vehicle maintenance internal service fund.

One of the major items carried over from last Thursday's meeting centers on traffic problems on

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Longwood OKs utility charge

By NICK PFEIFAU
Herald Staff Writer

LONGWOOD — The Longwood City Commission approved a Stormwater Utility ordinance Monday night. The measure will generate approximately \$183,400 in annual revenues.

Although Seminole County has been discussing a similar stormwater utility move that would be county-wide, City Commissioners and several citizens expressed the desire to handle their own needs. Longwood resident Gale Phillips summed it up: "We've had this problem since 1984 but the County has not been willing to help," she said. "It's time we let the City of Longwood control its own destiny."

The final vote for Monday night's second reading was 49 in favor of adopting the ordinance. Commissioner Rex Anderson was unable to attend the meeting.

The ordinance will assess a fee of \$3 per month for each residence in the City of Longwood to be used in fighting stormwater runoff pro-

City hall plan up to voters

By NICK PFEIFAU
Herald Staff Writer

LONGWOOD — Purchasing the historic Village Inn building for use as a city hall is now up to the citizens of Longwood. An ordinance calling for a public referendum on Nov. 5, was approved unanimously last night.

No price has been officially determined for a possible purchase, and, even if

which will be charged the minimum rate. During the discussion, several commissioners voiced their concern over the cost to the citizens. Commissioner Paul Lovstrand initially suggested starting off at a lower charge. "We could begin by suggesting a fee of \$2.50 per month for the first year, then move the amount to \$3 after that," he suggested. Commissioner Clara Keith also suggested a lower amount for the start of the project.

Commissioners Adrienne Perry, Keith and Lovstrand were all concerned about how long the assessment would continue. "I know we have to set a time limit," Lovstrand said, "but these things will never go away. Years from now we'll still have to maintain what we do now." He suggested a 5-year time limit be placed on the assessment. Then we can study it and maybe continue it at a lower rate if it's still needed.

The discussion was presided by a lengthy presentation from the city's Engineering Division supervisor.

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Gun program rejected 2,908 purchasers

By BILL BERGSTROM
Associated Press Writer

TALLAHASSEE — The state made 108,042 criminal history checks in the first six months of a firearm purchase program and rejected 2,908 would-be gun buyers, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement said.

In addition to blocking the sales to applicants with criminal histories, such as felony convictions, the checks that began Feb. 1 turned up 433 misdemeanor and 92 felony warrants. FDLE spokesman John Joyce said Monday.

The warrants were immediately reported to local police, Joyce said. "We have had instances, I'm not sure how many, where law enforcement would pull up and the person would still be there, or would

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NEWS FROM THE REGION AND ACROSS THE STATE

FLORIDA BRIEFS



Dad, daughter reunited after 25 years

JACKSONVILLE — Although Michael Reliah is a private eye, it was his daughter's investigation that resulted in the pair being reunited 25 years after she was put up for adoption.

Two down in sinkhole

CHIEFLAND — Two South Carolina residents drowned while cave-diving in the Catfish Hotel sinkhole at Manatee State Park, authorities said.

Man sentenced to four life terms

INVERNESS — A man convicted of arranging a botched hit last year that left four men dead in Floral City was sentenced to four consecutive life terms.

Man shot in front of children

MIAMI — Police said a restaurant owner preparing to deposit the night's proceeds was shot to death while his two children looked on.

Prostitute's clients to remain nameless

MIAMI — The men whose names appear on an alleged prostitute's client list will remain unidentified, her defense attorney said.

Traffic: More but crashes drop

By GUY ANDERSON Associated Press Writer

TALLAHASSEE — There were more vehicles clogging Florida's roads than ever in 1990 but fewer crashes than any time in the last 20 years, a new state report shows.

Certainly the DUI laws are tougher and Mothers Against Drunk Driving has been around for 10 years.

only slightly lower — and the death rate compared to miles driven was much higher.

Birk said there are numerous reasons for the decline, including increased seat belt use, increased attention to safety by auto makers and better awareness of safe driving habits.

Casino proponent's name fake

Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE — A man campaigning to put a casino gambling constitutional amendment on the 1992 ballot is operating under an assumed name and was banned from stockbroking because of fraud, a newspaper reported.

Lawmakers balk at right-sizing efforts giving employee raises

By GUY ANDERSON Associated Press Writer

TALLAHASSEE — Employee raises through government "right-sizing" efforts shouldn't be approved if they will have an impact on future state budgets, state lawmakers say.

Northam was part of a committee that met Monday to examine proposals to make state government more efficient.

Task force members said they were surprised that many agencies asked to use part of their "right-sizing" money for permanent salary hikes, not for one-time bonuses that wouldn't affect next year's budget.

The National Association of Securities Dealers in April found that Ward, his former partner, Eric Walloga, and American Wallstreet Securities Inc., charged customers excessive, unfair and fraudulent prices in 654 transactions over a 7½-month period in 1989.

I have some real problems unless there's some way to justify the recurring expense," said Rep. Sandra Northam, R-Largo.

Each agency must submit a plan on how it wishes to use the money to the nine-member panel that met Monday, which

Opponents of captive-breeding program express serious doubts

Associated Press

NAPLES — Animal rights activists told wildlife officials that a captive-breeding program for the endangered Florida panther is futile unless steps are taken to preserve the animal's natural habitat.

hearings this week to determine whether the plan is feasible.

protect and preserve the existing panther gene pool and provide an opportunity to expand the wild population, according to Dennis Jordan, Florida Panther Recovery Coordinator for the Fish and Wildlife Service.

Juvenile detention centers less violent

Associated Press

TAMPA — Violence and overcrowding have decreased at Florida's juvenile detention centers, a new audit shows.

below the centers' capacity and may account for reduced violence and escapes, the audit said.

staying there illegally" after a judge has committed them to a rehabilitation program.

But lawmakers only budgeted \$32 million toward the reforms for the fiscal year that began July 1 even though the need is growing.

LOTTERY MIAMI - Here are the winning numbers selected Monday in the Florida Lottery Cash 3: 7-1-7

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THE WEATHER

LOCAL FORECAST

Today: Variable cloudiness with a good chance of thunderstorms. High in the upper 80s to low 90s.

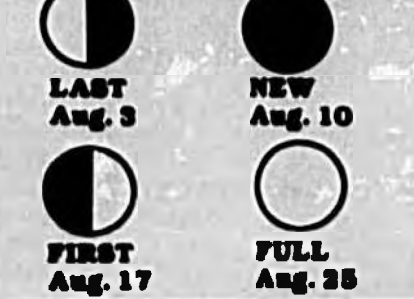
Tonight: Variable cloudiness with a chance of mainly evening thunderstorms. Low in the mid 70s.

Wednesday: Partly cloudy with thunderstorms likely mainly during the afternoon.

EXTENDED OUTLOOK

Table with 5 columns: Day, High, Low, Wind, Clouds. Tuesday: Cloudy 68-70

MOON PHASES



BEACH CONDITIONS

Daytona Beach: Waves are 1 1/2 feet and choppy. Current is to the north with a water temperature of 81 degrees.

TIDES

WEDNESDAY: SOLAR TABLE: Min. 2:55 a.m. 3:10 p.m.; Maj. 9:00 a.m. 9:45 p.m.

NATIONAL TEMPS

Table with columns: City, High, Low, Precip, Clouds. Anchorage: 69, 64, dr, cly

Other Weather Service data: Monday's high...80, Barometric pressure...30.01, Relative humidity...85 pct, Wind...Southwest 14 mph

POLICE BRIEFS

Intruders found at Hopper

Sanford Police officers, responding to an alarm at the Hopper Center, 1101 Bay Ave., in Sanford, were able to arrest two persons found on the property. They reported observing a gate open upon arrival and seeing a man peering from the window of the portable building on the property. They summoned a K-9 officer.

After the K-9 unit arrived, the man in the building came out, and was taken into custody. He was identified as Frank Mitchell, 21, of Hickory Avenue, Sanford. A woman who was in the building, Beverly Ann Phillips, 24, reportedly tried to escape, but was chased and apprehended at her residence at 1121 Locust Ave. The officers did not report any injuries from the altercation.

Both Mitchell and Phillips were charged with burglary, and transported to the John E. Polk Correctional Facility.

Wanted man awaits extradition

Anthony Charles Malone, of Land-O-Lakes, Fla., was transported from the Pasco County Jail to Sanford, Sunday. Malone was wanted in Seminole County for violation of parole, connected to a conviction on charges of sale and delivery of a controlled substance.

A further check of his record revealed he is also wanted by the Sheriff's Department of Cuyahoga County, Ohio, on additional drug related charges. Malone is being held at the John E. Polk Correctional Facility without bond, pending his extradition to the State of Ohio.

Speeder charged with resisting arrest

Michael Gregory Pizutti, 21, of Nanvet, New York, was stopped on Douglas Avenue near S.R. 434 Sunday, when his vehicle was reported to have been speeding. When two Longwood Police Department officers approached Pizutti, he reportedly attacked both of them, and managed to break free during several attempts to apprehend him. In addition to the traffic charge of driving with a suspended drivers license,

Pizutti was also charged with resisting arrest with violence. He was taken to the John E. Polk Correctional Facility.

Disorderly Intoxication arrest

Sanford Police were called to 103 Sanora Boulevard Sunday, in response to a call of a loud disturbance outdoors. Loretta Jane Davis, 44, reportedly of 2513 Georgia Ave., Sanford, was charged with disorderly intoxication, and taken to the John E. Polk Correctional Facility.

DUI arrests

The following persons were charged with driving under the influence of alcohol.

• Frank Harris Jr., of Orlando, was arrested Sunday morning by the Florida Highway Patrol, when his vehicle reportedly was seen crossing the center traffic lane six times on Interstate-4 near Longwood.

• Reinaldo Alfonso Bechler of Orlando, was charged by Lake Mary Police with driving under the influence of alcohol after his vehicle was involved in an accident on Lake Mary Boulevard, near the Interstate-4 overpass.

Both Harris and Bechler were placed in the John E. Polk Correctional Facility.

High-rise 'spy' yields arrest

A Midway man was arrested Monday for car burglary after a man reported seeing his car burglarized from a fifth floor window in downtown Sanford.

The victim, who was not identified by Sanford police, reported seeing a man sitting in the passenger side of his car. He ran downstairs and saw the man walking west on Commercial Street with his car radio, he reported. The victim reported he called out and the man ran. As they ran towards French Avenue, the victim reported he was picked up by an unknown woman to aid in the pursuit.

They chased the man into a wooded area off of French Avenue. Police searched the area and found Rodney Lewis Woods, 34, 2350 Dolar Way, Midway, in an abandoned North Laurel Avenue building. The victim reported he never saw the burglar's face, but Woods' clothing matched the apparel of the man he saw with his radio. Woods was charged with auto burglary and theft.

Search for new parks director quite a task

By **MOSE PFEISPAUF**
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — Efforts to replace retiring City Parks Director Jim Jernigan may begin within two or three months. Jernigan's retirement is effective Feb. 21.

Although a letter of retirement has been sent to the mayor and city commissioners, the announcement will not be made official until it becomes a matter of record during the next city commission meeting, scheduled for Aug. 26.

Sanford City Manager Bill Simmons has outlined the procedure which is expected to be followed. "First of all," he said, "we will follow all standard civil service procedures. The first task will be to determine the personnel requirements for the job. Then, in-house applications will be requested."

If it is determined that none of the applicants already on the city's payroll qualify for the position, Simmons said, "If necessary, we will then advertise the position to the general public."

While Jernigan's salary is higher due to longevity, the starting salary for the director of parks for the city of Sanford is \$35,312.

As the position is part of the

city staff, under the supervision of the city manager, Simmons will become the "selecting official."

Whoever is accepted as Jernigan's replacement will find \$909,629 budgeted for the 1991-92 fiscal year. This includes a number of individual areas of operation including parks, park maintenance, cemeteries, library and museum operations, and all related buildings, equipment and manpower.

Additionally, the city has been working toward a multi-pronged recreation project that will include construction of an olympic size swimming pool and major sports complex on Seminole High School grounds, plus construction of a complete recreation community center building and outdoor sports facilities.

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Gallery to host local tourism talk

By **MOSE PFEISPAUF**
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — The First Street Gallery in downtown Sanford, will host a tourism seminar this evening. The seminar will follow the regular meeting of the Sanford Historic Downtown Waterfront Association (SHDWA).

A number of guest speakers are scheduled to lead the discussion and will also seek input from the audience, in a program entitled, "The Who, How and What of Attracting Tourists."

Among the discussion leaders are persons already heavily involved in promoting tourist activities in the area. They include Nancy Yurion, president of the Riverbank Grand Romance; John Lombardi, Sanford Auto Train manager; Andrea Farmer, marketing coordinator for the Central Florida Zoological Park, and Jack Wert, executive director of the Seminole County Tourist Development Council.

Questions to be discussed are:

• Is Sanford considered a stopping point for tourists?

• What do visitors expect when they come here?

• Are they disappointed with what they find?

• Before they arrive, do they know anything about the historic area?

The SHDWA business meeting will begin at 5:30 p.m., with the tourist discussion seminar scheduled to begin at 6:00 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

For further information, contact the First Street Gallery, 203 E. First St., at 323-9178.

Busy river is scene of death

By **Associated Press**

CROWS BLUFF — The St. Johns River is one of the deadliest waterways in a state that leads the nation in boating deaths.

John Burton, a Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission officer, has investigated about 50 accidents on the crowded river.

"I'm tired of people dying," Burton said.

Two of the most recent deaths were the fifth and sixth deaths recorded on the St. Johns this year.

A funeral wreath of roses, carnations and the name "Kenneth" hangs on a navigation marker near the State Road 44 bridge near DeLand. It marks the spot where the body of Kenneth Mahaffey surfaced 54 hours after his boat hit another and sank two weekends ago.

Oddly, the body of Paul Creel surfaced at the same spot 39 hours after he fell out of his boat earlier this month.

Some boaters fish the shoreline, others drift and sunbathe while still others race by in a spray of water. Some of them meet death on the winding waterway.

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EDITORIALS

Reform due

Virtually everyone agrees that America's product liability system needs to be fixed. It is slow to compensate deserving victims. It is costly to all parties. It is inconsistent because of widely varying state laws.

Congress first addressed the problems of product liability in 1981. Every year since, some lawmakers have tried and failed to enact much-needed reforms. This year, however, there appears to be some real progress. Reform bills introduced by Sen. Robert Kasten, R-Wis., and Rep. J. Roy Rowland, D-Ga., have elicited broad support in both chambers.

The companion measures include several key provisions:

- A defendant would pay pain and suffering damages commensurate to individual fault. This is patterned after reforms adopted by California in 1986. In many other states, a "deep pocket" defendant who is only minimally at fault may be forced nonetheless to pay most of the damages to an injured party when other defendants aren't rich.

- Punitive damages would be assessed only when a manufacturer or product seller is found to have engaged in "egregious conduct."

- Manufacturers of drugs and medical devices would be able to use Food and Drug Administration approval of their products as a defense against punitive damages. They still would be liable for pain and suffering.

- People injured by a product while under the influence of drugs or alcohol would not be able to collect any kind of damages if their inebriety was the primary cause of their injury.

These reforms are needed because, during the last decade, the number of product liability cases in the United States has tripled. In fact, between 1975 and 1986, the number of million-dollar damage awards jumped by 85 percent, with the average award quadrupling to \$1.8 million.

On the surface, these exorbitant awards appear to be a victory for consumers. But the large increase in liability claims and awards has contributed to a five-fold increase in insurance costs for American businesses in the last 10 years. These costs have been passed on to consumers, resulting in higher prices for all sorts of products.

The Kasten-Rowland reforms would help restore balance to the product liability system.

LETTERS TO EDITOR

Letters to the editor are welcome. All letters must be signed, include the address of the writer and a daytime telephone number. Letters should be on a single subject and be as brief as possible. Letters are subject to editing.

Berry's World

Jim Berry
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WILLIAM A. RUSHER

Who speaks for the middle class?

Have you noticed how carefully, in recent months, prominent Democratic spokesmen like House Speaker Foley and Senate majority leader Mitchell have tried to identify the Democratic Party with the "middle class"?

Of course, class identification is an old game in American politics, and both parties are forever playing it, both offensively and defensively. Thus the Democrats have always, and by no means unsuccessfully, tried to depict the Republicans as "the party of the rich." The Republicans, in turn, are not above hinting that the Democrats are mostly interested in various organized "minority" constituencies: blacks, homosexuals, and American Indians, for example.

But the central psychological fact of American politics is that most voters think of themselves as "middle class," or at least aspire to belong in that spacious category. The chief reason why socialists never got anywhere in the United States was that so few Americans conceived of themselves as members of the "proletariat" — a "working class" exploited by its employers. Rightly or wrongly, most Americans think of themselves as in control of their own destiny, and as bargaining with their employer, who in turn is in control of his.

This concept, decorated with a wife and two children, a modest house and a car, is so

pervasive that it is called "the American dream," and practically everyone — even Australian

aborigines and peasants on the Peruvian altiplano — is presumed to aspire to it. (As a matter of fact, of course, a great many envious foreigners do.)

So both parties will tell you, with a straight face, that they best represent the American "middle class." But there is clearly something going on in the inner circles of the Democratic Party, because references to its identification with the middle class have recently become so standard a part of its rhetoric that one can only conclude a concerted campaign is under way.

The Democrats are forever making these



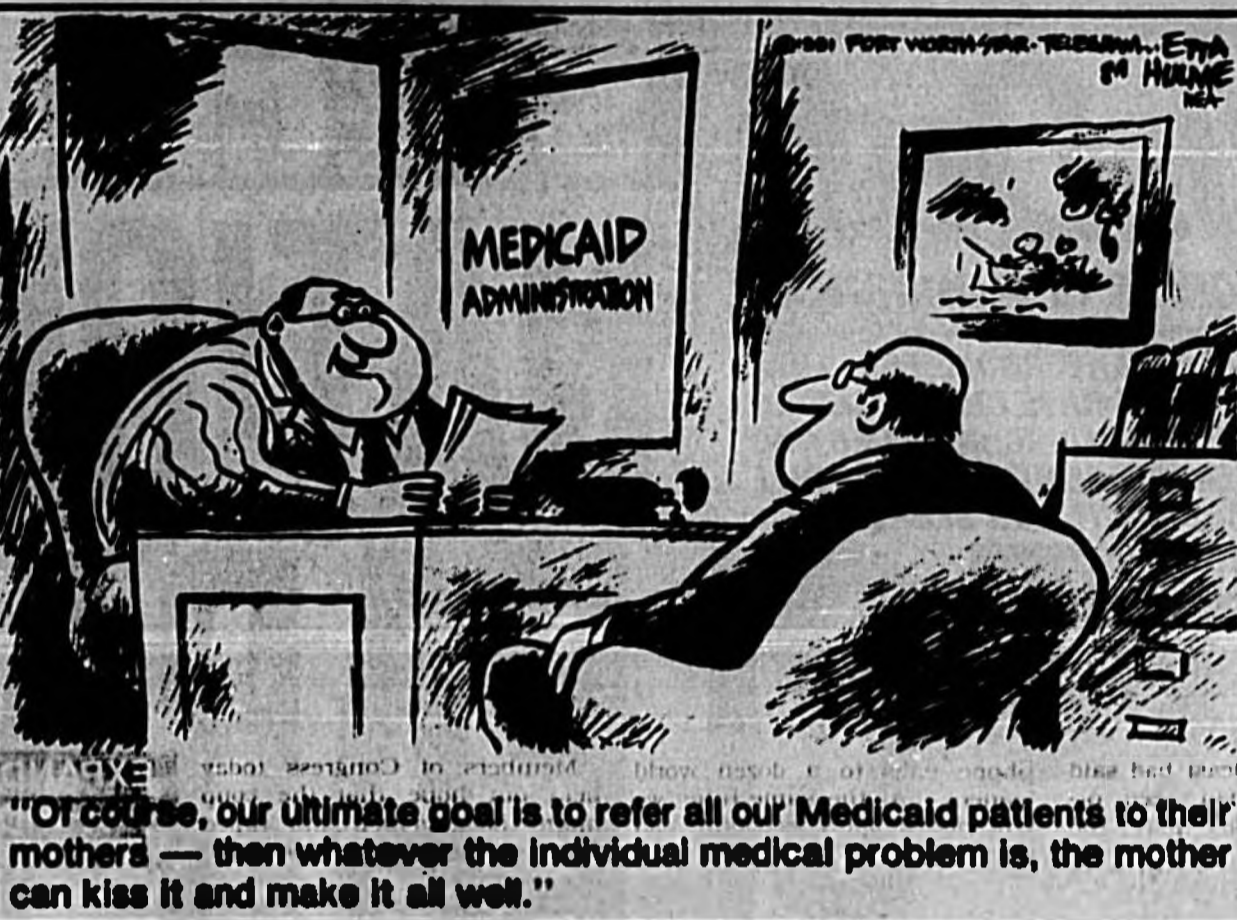
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pathetic attempts to graft favorable attributes onto their party's image. Remember their 1984 convention in San Francisco? The Republicans were making headway with the accusation that the Democrats always wanted to "blame America first." So some inspired PR man equipped virtually every delegate in the Moscone Center with a small American flag, to wave at the TV cameras as an earnest of the Democrats' patriotism.

In Atlanta in 1988, the worry apparently was that the Republicans were walking off with the issue of concern for "the family." So on the last night of the convention, after Dukakis had made his acceptance speech, not only his children but those of practically every other aspirant for the nomination were brought onstage, to demonstrate that Democrats had families too.

What will the Democrats do in 1992 to intensify their identification with the middle class? It's difficult to imagine; but I do have a suggestion as to what they might try to avoid.

Lay off that stuff about "the party of compassion." Insofar as there's a "compassion vote" in this country — a great aching desire to tax money out of those who have it and give it to those who don't — the Democrats have it anyway. But as far as the middle class is concerned, "compassion" is a loser.



HODDING CARTER

Don't let kidnappers scare us

The recent flurry of events involving Westerners held hostage in Lebanon raises anew a number of familiar questions about the right way to deal with hostage taking.

Who is not made happy by the release of hostages? Who does not rejoice when vacant-eyed or exuberant men walk off the planes that have whisked them back to their loved ones and the resumption of more normal lives? But who, too, does not understand deep down that our nation's near obsession with hostage dramas is unhealthy on several counts and counterproductive on others?

To begin with the most obvious point, presidents should not — must not — expend as much focused energy on the release of individual hostages as many Americans seem to demand. It is true that the president is constitutionally enjoined to look after the welfare of all American citizens. It is also true that there are 250 million Americans, thousands of whom are in dire straits at every minute of the day. And it is equally true that, with a million Americans traveling or stationed abroad at any given time, the pool of potential hostages is extremely large.

Thus, when Americans are seized by terrorists or bandits, the president has an obligation to balance their undoubted tragedy against his multiple responsibilities. How many other citizens will be penalized or hurt if government agencies are required to concentrate on the hostages? Can or should distinctions be made between those who voluntarily put themselves in harm's way, or whose professional obligations put them there, and those who inadvertently happen to be in the wrong place at the wrong time?

To be even more cold-blooded about it, what should the government be willing to trade for the release of an individual hostage? For a large group of hostages? It is official policy, incessantly recited, that the United States does not negotiate with terrorists. That is simply not true. Unofficial emissaries and friendly nations do constant service as our diplomatic surrogates. When it seems useful, American officials themselves deal directly with those purporting to speak for the terrorists or claiming to have influence with them. As Israel can attest, direct and indirect pressure is brought to bear on nations whose policies are thought to hold a partial key to the hostages' release.

Out of this murky background, deals are made and agreements reached, however indirectly. Even as we claim otherwise, payoffs are made. Even if there is no direct quid pro quo, terrorists are rewarded indirectly. At the least, they are not penalized for their crime.

From "America held hostage" in Tehran to President Reagan's exchange of TOW missiles for hostages five years later, to the present day, our instincts have betrayed our intelligence.

President Carter and his spokesmen — most particularly, me — talked too much about the hostages in Iran. Each time we talked, their worth to the Iranian revolutionaries rose. Reagan promised to do it differently, and did, paying blackmail in private rather than professing non-stop concern. While we do not know all the details of how the most recent hostage releases were arranged, President Bush's public gratitude to those most responsible for their long ordeal is not reassuring.

Unfortunately, there is no "right way" to deter hostage taking. The Israeli approach of two eyes for an eye, four teeth for a tooth, ventilates rage but, as Israel's history proves, does not deter future terror. That is not an argument against attacking known terrorists, which has the utility of exacting a price, but a statement of reality.

There is general agreement in this country that nations that tolerate hostage taking or encourage it should be made to pay. The problem is that the rhetoric masks massive hypocrisy. Washington's hands are not clean. Remember the Nicaraguan contras, our "freedom fighters" who were often unable to distinguish civilian from military targets? Until there is international agreement that terrorism is terrorism, however noble the rationale, effective sanctions are impossible.

So we are left with the grim likelihood that hostage taking will not vanish anytime in the foreseeable future. Understanding that, we must hold to a policy that offers as little encouragement to kidnappers as possible. The official line should reflect the operative approach. When Americans are held hostage, the nation must not be, no deals, no concessions. Anything more all but guarantees there will be more hostages down the line.

This is one of those cases where the conventional wisdom happens to be wise. Virtually everything in our society's ethos argues to the contrary, but the fate of individual hostages must not be of more than peripheral importance to the president and the government he leads. It is politically difficult to say and humanly impossible to remember, but it is the best antidote available for the poison of hostage taking.



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JACK ANDERSON

Hungary welcomes the West openly

BUDAPEST, Hungary — American investors are venturing with timidity into Eastern Europe and finding that the most fertile soil for their money is Hungary. So far, according to sources here, almost half of the Western currency invested in Eastern Europe since the fall of the Berlin Wall has ended up in Hungary.

Part of the credit must go to Hungary's "goulash communism" of the past two decades that allowed step-by-step economic reforms that sneaked up on capitalism.

In 1989, Hungary invited the West to change the pace to a stampede. That was the year the country passed a new law allowing foreigners to head companies there, and even own 100 percent interest. Other Eastern European countries, and the Soviet Union, require a local partner to own 51 percent.

Hungary also allows foreigners to take their profits out of the country in Hungarian currency, gives them a five-year free ride on taxes and lets them set wages without asking the labor unions. It's no wonder that Western business people are running to Budapest like it was a new gold rush.

Our sources predict that the foreign venture boom will continue and that Budapest will become a major world banking center. Hungary has some particularly tough banking privacy laws that will appeal to those who want to keep their money in a secret, secure place. At the same time, the traditional bastions of secret bank accounts, including Switzerland, are opening up their books to Western law enforcement and are starting to turn away dirty money from dictators who fleece their countries.

American joint ventures already under way in Hungary involve General Motors, which is building an auto manufacturing plant in northwest Hungary to compete with a new Suzuki plant. The domestic market for cars is large because there is no Hungarian car maker. The waiting list for new cars is 400,000 names long.

General Electric has bought Tungaram, Hungary's huge electric company. Hungary is getting an American cellular phone system and American Express has opened up credit card services there. Other newcomers from the West are Levi Strauss, McDonald's, Proctor and Gamble, Eastman Kodak, Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing and Ralston Purina.

The boom town bug even bit Mark Palmer, the former U.S. ambassador to Hungary. He quit his post to join a large North American business consortium to make deals in Hungary.

Innovation was the hallmark of Hungary long before the wall came down. It was considered the most reformist of the Warsaw Pact countries. Hungary was the first on the Bloc to:

- make millions off a cube — Rubik's Cube being the brainchild of Hungarian Erno Rubik;
- allow the sale of bonds to companies and private citizens (1982);
- abandon the utopian Communist principle of equality and declare that people should be paid what they are worth on the job (1985);
- try competitive politics (1985);
- sponsor a Formula-1 grand prix auto race (1986);
- receive "Playboy" for local distribution and then publish a magazine of its own, "Reform," which pictured nude playmates including the inaugural issue reporting on "The Best Breasts of Budapest" (1988);
- cut down its barbed-wire fence with the West, in this case Austria.



Hungary has some particularly tough banking privacy laws.

Tax bills create 'normal' inquiries

By J. MARK SANFORD
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — Seminole County Property Appraiser said preliminary property tax notices mailed last week have generated a normal amount of inquiries, despite an outcry over increased property assessments.

"It's not unlike any other year after the notices first go out," Suber said Monday. "You get a lot of curious people the first week or so then it levels off."

Suber's customer service supervisor, Cindi Robinson, said the office received 300 telephone calls on Friday, along with about 50 people who came into the First Street property appraiser's office. Monday, 400 people called

and 350 people were served at the counter, Robinson said the response is typical.

"The lines have been pretty steady," Robinson said. "For the most part, they have a lot of questions. If they had a value increase, they want to know why. Most of them leave understanding we have to appraise at just value. There's been a few that were a little bit angry."

Sanford Commissioner Lon Howell and other residents owning older homes have complained loudly about new assessments Suber has placed on their homes and rental property this year. They said increases of 30 percent to 100 percent were unfair.

Suber said he was simply

adjusting the values to be closer to their market value, noting Howell was offering one of his homes for sale at 50 percent more than the new appraised value.

Suber rejected suggestions he should have increased the assessments gradually over two or three years, instead of all at once.

"The law says I have to assess property at just value," Suber said. "It doesn't mention anything about stepping it up to just value. It might make my job a little easier and my adjustments a little more palatable."

Robinson said customer service clerks have also had numerous requests for forms to file petitions to lower assess-

ments. Suber said anyone contesting an assessment should first explain why they think the assessment should be lowered and bring any documents they have to bolster their arguments.

If talk fails, they have until Sept. 9 to file a petition with the Property Appraisal Adjustment Board. Few homeowners actually appear before the board, made up of county commissioners and school board members. The PAAB appoints "special masters" to hear the dozens of individual petitions and recommend acceptance or rejection of the appeal.

The PAAB then accepts the master's recommendations without considering individual cases.

Charge

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to be done now, if you pay for it out of your current funds."

Fernand "Tib" Tibbler, who presented a video tape showing flooding from the July 13 rainfall, in several areas of the city. "Some of the work on drainage problems is already underway," he said, "but we can't respond to all of the city's needs." He urged the Commission. "Give us a reliable funding source so we can do what needs to be done, whether its replacement or upgrading. We need a stormwater utility system that would be self supporting."

Rice, who assisted in preparing the ordinance, said, "Without the money this ordinance will produce, we estimate it will take you at least 15 1/2 years to do the work that needs

Tibbler predicted it would take \$1,000,400 worth of work to handle improvements needed at the present time. He said, "I expect the \$183,000 per year income from the utility ordinance will go a long way toward getting that work underway as soon as possible."

Citizen support was strong, with a half dozen speaking in favor of the measure, and no one stepping forth to speak against it. At one point, Mayor Hank Hardy asked for a show of hands from the audience of approximately 30 persons. Those who responded were unanimous in their approval with no one indicating opposition.

Yeltsin

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A day after the thunderbolt of the takeover, world leaders and global markets were trying to come to grips with the Soviet crisis.

President Bush summoned top aides to the White House today in the wake of what he called the "misguided and illegitimate" ouster of Gorbachev. Yeltsin's office announced today he was sending his foreign minister, Andrei Kosyrev, to Washington to consult with Bush.

The foreign ministers of the 12 European Community countries met today in The Hague to suspend hundreds of millions of dollars in aid. Secretary of State James A. Baker III prepared to travel to Brussels to meet with foreign ministers of the NATO defense alliance.

NATO's secretary-general, Manfred Woerner, suggested today the alliance might slow down or freeze its planned military cutbacks in Europe if the new Soviet government went back on promises to pull all Soviet troops out of Germany and Poland.

Financial markets, sent gyrating on Monday's news, stabilized somewhat today. Stock prices in Europe and much of Asia rose, rebounding from steep drops triggered the day before. The dollar and gold lost some ground.

Yeltsin and other Russian republic officials demanded the coup leaders allow them to meet with Gorbachev, who has not been heard from since the takeover.

Officials of the Russian republic also demanded an end to media restrictions, a troop withdrawal and the restoration of communications with Russian Parliament building. They brought broadcasting equipment into the Parliament.

In Leningrad, crowds jammed Palace Square and cheered for

Mayor Anatoly Sobchak, a radical reformer like Yeltsin. Protesters filled the center of Khabarovsk, the capital of the southwestern republic of Moldavia, according to Moldavian television.

Rally organizers, including Moldavia's independence-minded leaders, issued a resolution calling for the resignation of the coup leaders, the reinstatement of Gorbachev, and for Moldavians serving in the Red Army to "follow the people, not the fascists."

A demonstration in Leningrad drew 200,000 people — many of them heeding a call by Yeltsin to protest the coup by going on strike — and one in the capital of the Moldavian republic drew an estimated 400,000 people.

In his speech outside the Russian Parliament building, Yeltsin derided the coup leaders and told the crowd to disobey.

"Was it not Pavlov who brought prices and inflation to the level that the people are poor and hungry? Pavlov!" Yeltsin shouted, referring to Prime Minister Valentin Pavlov, one of the hard-line leaders.

"Does not Yazyov have blood on his hands, the blood of people of other republics? Does not Pugo have bloody hands from the people of other republics?" Yeltsin continued, referring to Defense Minister Dmitri Yazyov and Interior Minister Boris Pugo.

One speaker told the crowd that a radio broadcast had said Yeltsin's arrest had been ordered. "Will we allow that?" the speaker shouted, to cries of "No!" and "Yeltsin! Yeltsin!" However, the report that Yeltsin was ordered arrested could not be confirmed.

The Russian president spoke for less than 10 minutes, saying he could not stay long at the podium because snipers had been sighted on the rooftops of nearby buildings.

Hotel

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approved, the transaction could not be undertaken during this coming fiscal year. Never-the-less the discussion concerning the possible use of the century old structure for the center of the city's government took on an almost joyous atmosphere.

During the citizen participation period of the discussion, no one spoke in opposition to the measure. Longwood resident Don Delaney said, "I was against the multi-million dollar city hall you wanted to build over a year ago, but I think we'd be remiss if we didn't allow the voters the opportunity to vote on this. I think it's a move in the right direction."

Sharon Wright, chairman of the city's Historic Commission suggested, "It's a wonderful idea. I feel certain it will help preserve the entire downtown historical district."

Earlier, Commissioner Adrienne Perry had read a letter she received from an unidentified commercial business owner in Longwood, suggesting

that if the city took over the old hotel building, it might be destroying some future opportunity for the hotel to be used as the center of downtown business.

Commissioner Candi Keith said she had heard a few similar arguments, but added, "If the old hotel becomes the city hall, I don't see why it would preclude downtown growth. I think it would help build continuing enthusiasm over the entire downtown redevelopment area."

Keith also repeated a comment made during the original discussion about the possible purchase. "I think we should still consider giving the citizens an opportunity to public access of the building if it becomes a city hall." She was referring to a suggestion that one room of the ground floor be considered for a public museum or historical center.

Commissioner Paul Lovestrane also supported the proposal. "We can get this at one quarter to one third the price it would have cost us a year ago for a new city hall. I'm in favor of this, where I was opposed to that

large expenditure a year ago."

Perry suggested the city needed more points of view over the entire historical area. "If we take over the old hotel but don't do anything with the rest of Church Street, we'll still have a rundown area," she said. "There are a lot of improvements needed. Just moving into the hotel won't do it."

A show of hands from the audience, requested by Mayor Hank Hardy, resulted in 100 percent approval of those present. No one indicated any disapproval.

Final details have not been fully completed on the possible

purchase. The answer to a number of questions including whether to purchase or lease-purchase the building have not been answered. The next move will be decided by the voters of Longwood on November 5.

When the commission voted unanimously to place the matter on the ballot, Commissioner Lovestrane summed it up by saying, "If we obtained this building for a City Hall, we would have something unique, not just another expensive brick building like many cities have. We can't out-build other cities, but we would certainly outclass them with this."

Bush

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new Cold War or in the exacerbation of East-West tensions," Bush said in a statement issued Monday night after a series of meetings with advisers and telephone calls to a dozen world leaders. "At the same time, we will not support economic aid programs if adherence to extra-constitutional means continues."

Secretary of State James A. Baker III, Defense Secretary Dick Cheney and the new U.S. ambassador to Moscow, Robert Strauss, all flew back to Washington Monday night, cutting short vacations. Strauss was to be sworn in today, although his

departure to Moscow was uncertain.

Baker was flying to Brussels later today to discuss the situation with other foreign ministers of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization countries.

Members of Congress today held out hope that the coup might be reversed and urged Bush to use economic leverage to restore Gorbachev to power.

Bush's strongly worded statement Monday evening followed a more measured response the president delivered in the first hours after Kremlin hard-liners ousted the vacationing Gorbachev and sent tanks into the streets of Moscow to demonstrate their power.

Gun

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have just left the store."

The department said the computer searches of criminal history and wanted files at the National Crime Information Center and Florida Crime Information Center took an average of 3 minutes, 16 seconds on the telephone, though gun dealers reported longer delays during busy periods.

Most of the state's 5,789 dealers have adapted to the checks but will object more strongly to a three-day handgun waiting period that starts Oct. 1, National Rifle Association spokeswoman Marion Hammer said.

"The feedback that I'm getting is that it's working very well," Hammer said.

Glenn Barker, proprietor of Glenn's Gun & Pawn Inc. in Tallahassee, agreed.

Lake Mary

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Broadmoor Road. During the discussion, the city staff is expected to present several solutions to the problem caused by motorists using Broadmoor as an access road to Seminole Community College.

Also on the agenda is a request from Florida Power Corporation for the city to pay \$5,213.05. The money was the power company's court costs connected with the law suit regarding who shall pay for burial of power lines on Lake Mary Boulevard.

The suit, in the State Supreme Court, resulted in the city being declared as responsible for the line burial cost.

The FPC item, as well as the Broadmoor Road traffic discussion, were originally scheduled for last Thursday's meeting, but were postponed when only the Mayor and two Commissioners were able to attend the meeting.

Tonight's meeting will begin at 7 p.m., at Lake Mary City Hall.

William Edward Bradford

William Edward Bradford Sr., 74, 2296 Red Ember Road, Oviedo, died Sunday at Florida Hospital, Altamonte Springs. He was born Nov. 11, 1916, and moved to Oviedo in from Sarasota in 1969. He was a commercial painter.

Survivors include son, William Jr., Oviedo and Carlan; daughters, Ernestine Bettis, Tampa, Dorothy Winingar, Stark.

Beacon Cremation Service, Winter Park, in charge of arrangements.

GEORGE FRANKLYN
George Franklyn, 80, of 1005 W. 8th St., Sanford, died Aug. 17 at his residence. Born April 10, 1910, in Sorrento he moved to Sanford 20 years ago from Enterprise. He was a farm laborer and a Baptist.

Survivors include wife, Susan Washington, Sanford.

Sunrise Funeral Home, Sanford, in charge of arrangements.

Harold S. Lavoie

Harold S. Lavoie, 62, West Parkway, DeLand, died Sunday at his residence. Born March 1, 1929, in Astoria, Long Island, N.Y., he moved to DeLand in 1983 from Camp Hill, Pa. He was an electrician for International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers in Wilkes-Barre, Pa., and a Catholic. He was a former treasurer and board member of DeLand Radio Control Club.

HEARN MARY

Funeral services for Mrs. Mary Hearn, 67, of Sanford, who died Saturday, will be 11 o'clock Wednesday morning at Gramkow Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Dr. Don DeBevoise officiating. Interment will be in Evergreen Cemetery. Friends may call at Gramkow Funeral Home this evening (Tuesday) from 6-8 p.m.

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Soviet coup may unite reformers

By MARK J. PORUBANSKY
Associated Press Writer

MOSCOW — Reformers who weakened their cause with endless bickering over how to change the Soviet Union say the coup that ousted President Mikhail S. Gorbachev may finally draw them together.

President Boris Yeltsin of the Russian republic is now a focal point for the reform movement that is protesting the actions of the Communist Party and military hard-liners that toppled Gorbachev.

Yeltsin has issued a call for a strike and coal miners began walking off their jobs in response.

Reformers as diverse as former Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze and Yelena Bonner, widow of Andrei Sakharov, closed ranks Monday with Yeltsin. They acknowledged that their inability to agree among themselves had hurt their cause.

Oleg Kalugin, a former top KGB official who joined the reformers last year, said the coup "can be blamed not only on the conservatives. The democrats, instead of ousting the old structures, were settling accounts with each other."

Dozens of political parties and movements sprang up when Gorbachev eased Communist Party control over Soviet society. But they splintered because of personality clashes and squabbling over tactics and policies — largely repeating the errors of the much larger moderate forces that allowed Lenin's tightly disciplined Bolsheviks to seize power in 1917.

Deep personal and political differences between Yeltsin and Gorbachev were one major reason for the split among reformers. After their initial enthusiasm for Gorbachev, most eventually sided with Yeltsin because Gorbachev held back on fundamental changes.

Earlier this year, Gorbachev and Yeltsin put aside their differences and were ready to sign a treaty outlining new relations between the Kremlin and republics that are eager for more autonomy. But by that time, Gorbachev was nearly alone, trying to hold the eroding center of the Communist Party.

On Monday, a group of hard-line Communists, including the defense minister, KGB chief and interior minister, seized power.

A state of emergency was proclaimed in the capital, and the city was swarming with soldiers and tanks.

Reformers said they could not afford to keep making the same mistakes, and that a united opposition would try to stir Soviet citizens to reject the coup.

"This is a coup d'etat, but it will help all democratic forces of the country to unite," said Vladimir Lukashin, a member of the coordinating council of the reformist Democratic Russia. "The people will see who is afraid to part with their privileges."

Shevardnadze, who remained loyal to Gorbachev long after Yeltsin had deserted him, said he and other reform-minded leaders would coordinate their actions with Yeltsin.

"We must arouse a response," Shevardnadze said. "We have to appeal directly to the people. We must appeal to all democrats in the country."

Bonner, one of the few remaining veterans of the pre-Gorbachev dissident movement, has strongly criticized Gorbachev.

But in an appeal printed by the Moscow News weekly, despite a ban placed on the paper by the new authorities, Bonner asked Soviets to defend the Russian parliament, Yeltsin and Gorbachev against the coup.

She called for mass protests in the capital. Alexander Samokhvalov, another member of Democratic Russia, said he believed the hard-liners could not hold on and that Yeltsin would be the ultimate victor.

He called the coup "the last agony of a dying beast."

"I think that what happened will finish very quickly," he said.

Gorbachev ouster affects the world

By EDITH H. LEDERER
Associated Press Writer

LONDON — The hard-liners who ousted Mikhail S. Gorbachev probably can't turn back the clock on arms control and the democratization of eastern Europe. But their sudden takeover created uncertainty about virtually every global trouble spot.

Soviet experts predicted a delay in ratification of the U.S.-Soviet treaty reducing strategic arms and questioned the new regime's stature to co-sponsor a Mideast peace conference.

Iran worried about possible civil war in its giant neighbor, Pakistan feared that peace talks with anti-Soviet guerrillas in Afghanistan would be derailed. Israel wondered whether emigration of Soviet Jews would end, or become a flood. Japan was concerned about what would become of a territorial dispute.

Iraq, which sees itself as a victim of Soviet-Western cooperation, enthusiastically greeted the Soviet coup. Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi also welcomed the hard-line revolt.

Economists worried that turmoil in the Soviet Union could endanger the world economy's fragile recovery by pushing up interest rates.

"The saving grace is that a great deal of the progress made as a result of Gorbachev's new thinking on foreign policy cannot be undone," said Professor Paul Wilkinson, head of the department of International Relations at the University of St. Andrews in Scotland.

"It is not feasible for the hard-liners to turn the clock back in Europe and impose monolithic communist regimes once again on the newly liberated and democratized eastern European countries," he said.

"But it does underline the urgency of establishing fresh security arrangements to protect these countries, which cannot guarantee their own security alone."

Western leaders studied developments and Soviet experts predicted that any pending talks, agreements or aid programs for the Soviets would be put on hold.

King Hussein of Jordan went to Syria to meet with President Hafez Assad and discuss "the dismissal of President Gorbachev ... and its effects on the Middle East peace process," said a senior Jordanian official.

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Vern Spears is a local man, born and raised in Sanford. He even had a Sanford Herald paper route. He retired from the Army two years ago and came back to his home town. He has been in the insulation business for 15 years now, 13 years while in the Army, working nights and weekends.

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'Russian White House' guarded

By WENDY BLANE
Associated Press Writer

MOSCOW — A baby-faced Russian soldier reclining atop his tank turned down a cigarette early today but accepted a carton of milk while keeping vigil with demonstrators protecting the Russian parliament building.

The white marble building, nicknamed the "Russian White House," became a focus of attention in the coup because it houses Russian President Boris Yeltsin's office.

Yeltsin called on Soviets to strike and resist the coup by hard-line military and Communist leaders, and many people feared Soviet soldiers would move against him.

Thousands of people encircled the parliament building after tanks, armored personnel carriers and trucks loaded with soldiers swarmed the Soviet capital on Monday to enforce the ouster of Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev.

After most of the armor left late in the day, 10 loyalist tanks from the elite Taman battalion rumbled up to the building, becoming the first military units to come over to Yeltsin's side.

They were joined by 400 to 500 paratroopers from the Ryazan Division, dressed in camouflage and carrying guns, who drove up in about 30 armored vehicles.

A major from the Taman battalion said his entire group of 96 people decided to defend Yeltsin.

"We will do nothing against the law. We are for the people," he said.

But a paratrooper standing in front of a tank had a different story.

"It wasn't our personal desire to come here," he said. "Our personal wishes don't come into it. In the military, as a rule, senior officials give orders to their inferiors."

All of the soldiers were reluctant to identify themselves.

Stas, a 19-year-old, looked nonchalant as he sat high atop a tank, one in a row parked along one side of the parliament building.

"We are here to bring about justice, to do what the people want, to do what's best for the people," he said.

Another soldier said he was there only because he had been drafted. Asked if he was prepared to shoot, he replied: "A soldier won't shoot at another soldier, and a soldier won't shoot at the people."

Demonstrators greeted their reinforcements with cheers and applause. Many stayed with the battalion all night.

"Tanks were sent to Moscow not to trample Boris Yeltsin — you wouldn't need a tank to trample just him — but to trample us, the people," said an angry man standing in front of a tank.

"I'm not scared because I know that it won't get worse than it is," he said.

At one point, demonstrators offered the soldiers blue-and-white cartons of milk. Several soldiers accepted, preferring them to cigarettes.

Playing guitars and singing, teenagers and old people waited together nervously to see if other Soviet troops would show up. Several tables of provisions offering hard bread, sugar cubes, frozen fish and tinned seaweed had been set up, and cups of tea were passed back and forth.

Computer copies of newspapers banned by the hard-liners were posted on walls and barricades demonstrators had constructed of pipes and old crates.

Protesters blocked traffic along three major streets near the building by parking trucks and blue-and-white trolley buses.

A trolley bus that blocked a bridge had two flat tires and sat in the middle of the road.

Valery Lemaikov, a 27-year-old businessman, was demonstrating at the building to protect his way of life.

"If this so-called government stays in power, I will lose everything — my job, quiet life, and most importantly, my friends," he said.

"I'll try not to just be an observer, but to help the little soldiers who are too young to be thinking of what they are doing," he said. "They are being really courageous. They are prepared to face bullets and I'd like to help them somehow."

Western leaders may cut aid to Moscow

By MICHAEL WEST
Associated Press Writer

LONDON — Western leaders today considered cutting off hundreds of millions of dollars in aid to Moscow to protest Mikhail S. Gorbachev's ouster. Concern also rose that regional crises could be affected by the coup.

In financial markets today, stocks stabilized on most major exchanges after plunging when Gorbachev was ousted Monday. The dollar and gold, popular investments in time of crisis, lost some ground.

Czechoslovakia today restricted travel by Soviets in its country for fear of a wave of Soviet refugees fleeing the new regime, the official CTK news agency reported.

The foreign ministers of the 12-nation Economic Community met today at The Hague. A Dutch Foreign Ministry spokesman said the possible suspension of hundreds of millions of dollars in EC aid was on the agenda.

The United States, Britain and Australia have frozen their aid to Moscow.

The EC also prepared a declaration urging the new Kremlin regime to honor existing treaties on arms control, human rights and the withdrawal of Soviet troops from eastern Germany, said the Dutch Foreign Ministry.

Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher said Germany would demand at the EC meeting the re-establishment of constitutional order in the Soviet Union.

"This means the reinstatement of President Mikhail Gorbachev in all his authorities," Genscher said in a statement.

German Chancellor Helmut Kohl said Monday that Western aid to the Soviet Union would depend on the uninterrupted pursuit of Gorbachev's domestic and foreign policies.

In June, the EC began sending emergency food aid worth \$322 million to the Soviets. The Community also was considering a further aid package worth \$452 million before Gorbachev's overthrow.

There was alarm in former Communist Eastern Europe, where leaders feared the change could lead to renewed Soviet influence.



Manager John Melanson in his shop at Pinecrest Center.

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Melanson is originally from Montreal, Canada, immigrating to The United States in 1969, and settling in Daytona Beach. Melanson did a three year stint with the U.S. Army, in the Military Police CID Division. He then attended Daytona Beach Community College for two years, majoring in business. He has lived in the Orlando area for the past twelve years and opened Best Pawn and Jewelry, Inc., in Sanford, this past March.

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ATLANTA — Panicked office workers smashed windows to escape thick smoke after a possible arson fire broke out on the ninth floor of a bank building, officials said. At least 25 people were treated for smoke inhalation.

"It was like burning car tires," said Robert Mihlbaugh who was on a job interview when the blaze started Monday at the downtown Wachovia Bank Building.

"We saw it start, we saw flames shoot out, and not five minutes later the hallway was filled with smoke. The next thing, we were smashing windows so we could breathe."

The cause of the blaze was under investigation, but authorities called the fire suspicious. Fire Chief David Chamberlin said the fire appeared to have started in a janitorial supply room that held chemicals and equipment.

Poisoning report ruins melon sales

WASHINGTON — West Coast and Texas cantaloupe markets have been virtually shut down since the federal Centers for Disease Control linked a nationwide outbreak of food poisoning to contaminated cantaloupes.

Angry growers say they're losing thousands of dollars by the day as ripe melons sit in the fields and migrant workers wait to go back to work in packing sheds or help with the harvest.

Properly handled, cantaloupes are safe to eat, said Emil Corwin, a spokesman for the Food and Drug Administration. The melon rind should be washed with tap water. The fruit should be cut with a clean knife and either refrigerated or thrown away within four hours, he said.

From Associated Press reports

Kids' suicide tries fool parents

By MALCOLM MITTEN
AP Science Writer

SAN FRANCISCO — Most parents of adolescents who attempted suicide failed to acknowledge the event when asked, apparently because they usually didn't know about it or convinced themselves it didn't happen, a study found.

Less frequently, the parents knew about the incident but did not consider it a real attempt, said researcher James Zimmerman.

Parents of a child who required emergency medical treatment might shrug off the incident by saying, "He was just doing it to get attention," Zimmerman said.

Parents were no more likely to acknowledge a suicide attempt when the adolescent had received medical or psychiatric treatment for it, which suggests they were denying the seriousness of the event.

Zimmerman is co-director of the Adolescent Depression and Suicide Program at the Montefiore Medical Center in New York. He spoke in an interview after presenting the work Monday at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association.

The relatively low numbers for

parents who did report the suicide attempt on a questionnaire are "either on target or maybe a little bit high" for what one would expect, William Reynolds of the University of British Columbia said after the presentation.

"Often, the parents are the last people to know," said Reynolds, who studies suicide and depression in children and adolescents.

Zimmerman's study included 59 sets of adolescents and parents or custodial guardians. They had been referred to an outpatient clinic for depressed or suicidal adolescents and their families. In 52 cases, the parent was the mother.

The parent and the adolescent separately filled out a questionnaire that asked such questions as, "Have you ever tried to kill yourself?" and "Has anyone in your family tried to kill him/herself?"

Thirty-six of the 59 parents, or 61 percent, answered "No" to the second question even though the adolescent acknowledged a suicide attempt. Even in the 25 cases where the attempt had been in the past week, 16 of the parents did not report it.

Seventeen of 28 parents whose children had attempted suicide more than once did not ac-

knowledge it on the questionnaire.

About three-quarters of the adolescents said they had told nobody about their plans before their first attempt, and 24 percent said they told nobody about it afterward.

The adolescents became progressively more likely to tell somebody in advance of later attempts, with only 54 percent keeping plans for a third attempt secret. Thirty-one percent told somebody after a second attempt, and 23 percent after a

third. Many adolescent suicide attempts are not highly lethal, involving such inefficient strategies as swallowing a few aspirin, Zimmerman said.

But that often reflects ignorance rather than lack of intent to kill oneself, he said, and repeat attempters tend to find more effective means for killing themselves.

"I think you have to take it really seriously no matter what the actual action is," he said.



'Hot Shots!' still hot at box office

By JOHN HORN
AP Entertainment Writer

LOS ANGELES — The flyboy spoof "Hot Shots!" held onto its seat at the box office and was No. 1 for the third week in a row.

The comedy starring Charlie Sheen as a hot flier and Lloyd Bridges as an ad-lib-pated admiral pokes fun at everything from "Top Gun" to "Superman." It sold \$6.3 million in tickets over the weekend, for \$39.9 million to date.

In second place was Arnold Schwarzenegger's "Terminator 2: Judgment Day," with \$6.5 million, Exhibitor Relations Co. reported Monday.

"City Slickers," starring Billy Crystal, fell off the charts after a strong 11 weeks. The dude ranch comedy has made \$107.8 million.

Here are the top movie ticket sales Friday through Sunday according to Exhibitor Relations, with distributor, weekend gross, number of theater screens, average per screen, total gross and number of weeks in release.

Figures are based on a combination of actual box-office receipts and studio projections where actual figures are not immediately available.

1. "Hot Shots," 20th Century Fox, \$6.3 million, 1,900 screens, \$3,167 per screen, \$39.9 million, three weeks.
2. "Terminator 2: Judgment Day," Tri-Star, \$6.5 million, 2,263 screens, \$2,450 per screen, \$168.4 million, seven weeks.
3. "Doc Hollywood," Warner Bros., \$5.2 million, 1,646 screens, \$3,160 per screen, \$26.3 million, three weeks.
4. "The Doctor," Disney, \$4.6 million, 801 screens, \$5,796 per screen, \$13.5 million, four weeks.
5. "Double Impact," Columbia, \$4.5 million, 1,747 screens, \$2,579 per screen, \$15.3 million, two weeks.

Hurricane Bob leaves U.S.

Associated Press

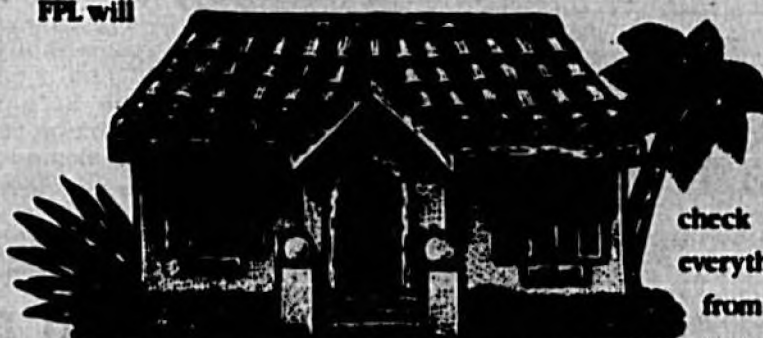
BOSTON — The remnants of Hurricane Bob swept eastern Canada today after the storm tossed boats around and tore off roofs in a race up the Eastern Seaboard. At least four deaths were blamed on the season's first hurricane.

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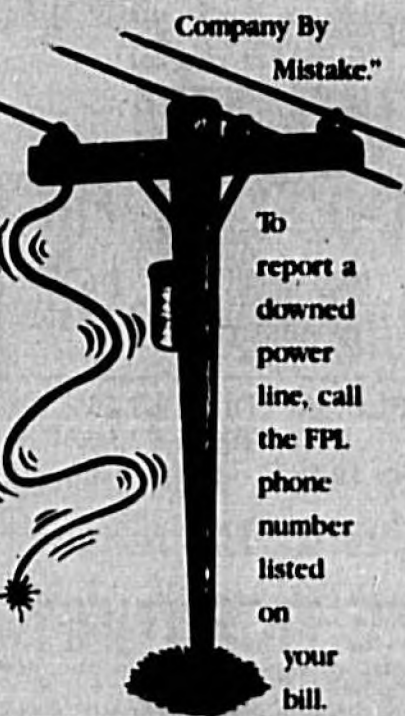
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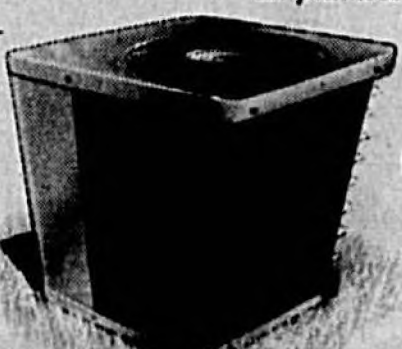
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Tournament announced

SANFORD — The Sanford Recreation Department will hold the first Summer Blowout, double-elimination softball tournament, Aug. 23-25, at Chase and Pinchurst parks.

Entry fee is \$110 and two ASA regulation softballs.

Deadline for registration is Thursday, Aug. 22, at 5 p.m. with drawing at City Hall at 6 p.m. that same day.

The tournament will be played under ASA Class "C" rules. Teams will be limited to league rosters plus two pick-ups.

Awards will be presented to the sponsors of the first, second and third place finishers, individual awards to first and second place teams and the journey Most Valuable Player.

For additional information call: the Sanford Recreation Department at 330-5697.

League organizational meeting

SANFORD — The Sanford Recreation Department will hold an organizational meeting for the fall softball leagues Wednesday, Aug. 21 at 8 p.m. at the Downtown Youth Center, 300 N. Park Avenue, First Floor of Sanford City Hall. For more information call 330-5697.

Bucs cut seven

TAMPA — The Tampa Bay Buccaneers reduced their active roster to 61 players Monday by waiving seven players and placing two others on injured lists.

Coach Richard Williamson still faces a Tuesday deadline to trim the squad to 60 players. The final cut to 47 players is Aug. 26.

Wide receiver-kick returner Treameille Taylor, a ninth-round draft pick from Nevada-Reno, was among the players released. The others were defensive back Eddie Godfrey, defensive lineman Shelton Thompson, offensive linemen Chip Nitowski and Ron Vargo, running back Ken Watson and tight end Bennie Jennings.

Place-kicker Kendall Trainor was placed on injured reserve with a shoulder injury, while defensive lineman Marlon Jordan, who recently had back surgery, was placed on the "reserved — non-football injury" list.

Pack Closes in On Earnhardt

DAYTONA BEACH — Dale Earnhardt has seen his lead shrink in the NASCAR Winston Cup national standings following his 24th place finish in this weekend's Champion Spark Plug 400 at Michigan International Speedway.

Second-place Ricky Rudd, who finished 11th in Sunday's race, is now just 69 points behind Earnhardt. With ten races left in the 29-event, \$22 million NASCAR season, Earnhardt leads Rudd, 2489-2780.

Davey Allison, who finished in second place on Sunday, moved into third in the standings with 2712 points. Ernie Ivan is fourth with 2695 points. Mark Martin is fifth with 2690 points, 189 out of the lead.

The sixth through tenth place drivers are Ken Schrader with 2496 points; Darrell Waltrip, 2476; Rusty Wallace, 2451; Sterling Marlin, 2410; and Harry Gant, 2365.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Gators defense shines

GAINESVILLE — Florida Coach Steve Spurrier said he was impressed by the Gators' defense in practice Monday.

"I really think the defense is going to be really good this year," Spurrier said. "I just hate to get this excited this early."

The practice ended with the first team offense squaring off against the first team defense in a 10-yard goal-line drill. The defense repeatedly didn't allow the offense to score.

"Smurf" Important to Canes

MIAMI — Kevin Williams' teammates call him "smurf." But Hurricanes coach Dennis Erickson says the undrafted return man may be the largest contributor to another championship.

Williams, 5-9, a third-year sophomore from Texas, will take over for Randal Hill and Wesley Carroll as the No. 1 return man on kickoffs and punts.

Williams shattered the Miami record in the 40-yard dash last year with a 4.29 mark that eclipsed Hill's 4.31. Playing for Roosevelt High in Dallas, he returned kicks for 10 touchdowns.

Erickson said Williams also will see a lot of time at receiver. Williams caught 14 balls for 206 yards and three touchdowns in spring scrimmages.

Compiled from wire and staff reports.

BEST BETS ON TV

BASEBALL
 5:30 & 8:30 p.m. — WTBS, Atlanta Braves at Cincinnati Reds, doubleheader. (L)

Complete listing on Page 28

Get your sneakers ready

Sanford Lakeside 8K Race set for Saturday, Sept. 21

By **DEAN SMITH**
 Herald Sports Writer

SANFORD — Over 100 people are expected on the streets of East Sanford the morning of Saturday, September 21 as the sixth annual Sanford Lakeside 8K Race will be held by the City of Sanford Recreation Department and the Sanford Kiwanis Club.

Last year 140 runners took to the streets with Rob Bennett of Palm Coast coming home the overall winner. Orlando's Ruth Tyman was the women's overall winner while 10-year-old Scott Templin of Orlando was the first youngster to cross the finish line.

If you like to run and want to help underprivileged children this is the event for you.

Once again the race day activities will consist of three races, the 2-mile Fun Run, the 6,000 meter run and the 4-mile Kiddie Run. The 2-mile Fun Run is set for a 7:30 a.m. start with 8K going off at 8 a.m. and the Kiddie Run at approximately 9:30 a.m.

The Fun Run usually attracts several teachers from the local schools, most notably principal Karen Oger and members of the Hamilton Elementary staff.

The Kiddie Run is for younger children who are not quite ready for the longer distances.

The events start at the Sanford Civic Center, downtown on Lake Monroe, and are run over a smooth asphalt, relatively flat, well shaded course. Aid stations are set up at the 2-mile and 4-mile mark for the 8K race.

The entry fee is \$8 in advance and \$10 day of race with all proceeds going to benefit underprivileged children. All competitors will receive a Sanford Lakeside 8K Race T-shirt.

Awards will go to the top 3 Male finishers in the Open Division, the top 3 females in the Open Division and the top 3 male and female finishers in each of 12 age group categories.

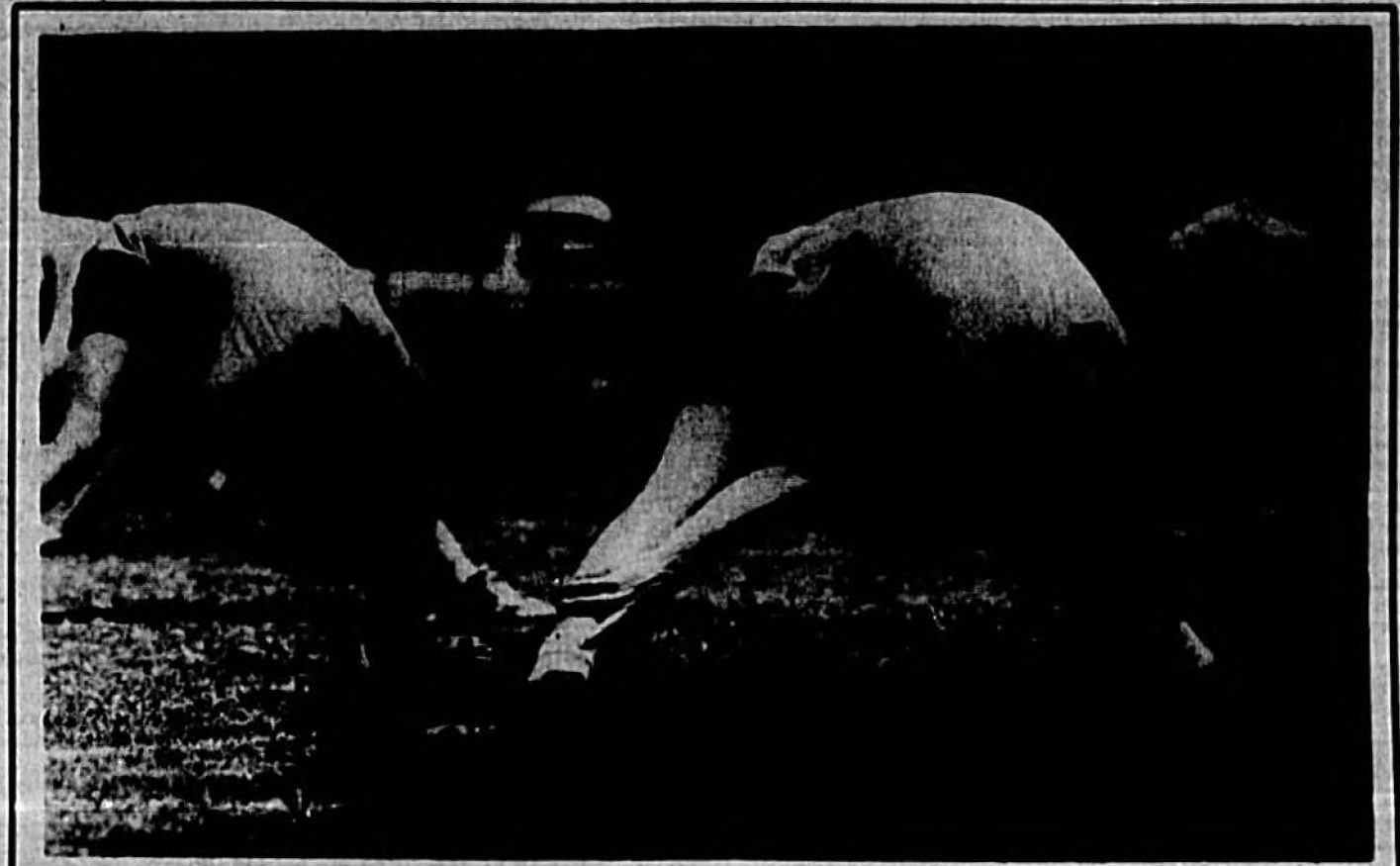
The age groups are:
 13 & Under, 14-18, 19-24, 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50-54, 55-59, 60-65 and 65 & Over.

In addition to the Sanford Recreation Department and the Sanford Kiwanis Club other contributors who make for a successful race are Publix, Crystal Water, The Urology Center, Able Custodial Equipment and Supply, The Sanford Police Department, the Sanford Fire Department and the Police Explorers.

All entries should be made payable to: Sanford Recreation Department, P.O. Box 1778, Sanford, Florida 32772.

You can pick up an entry form by going by the Sanford Recreation Department, Downtown Youth Center, 300 N. Park Ave., first floor Sanford City Hall, from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday.

For more information contact the Sanford Recreation Department at (407) 330-5697 during same times as above.



Getting ready for contact.

Both Lake Mary (top photo) and Seminole show that football is more than just putting on the pads and bashing into one another. A lot of the early fall practice sessions are spent doing stretching exercises and running so the athletes are in shape when contact drills start later this week.



Seminole Softball Club finishes 17th at Nationals

From Staff Reports

TIFTON, GA. — The Falcons from the Seminole Softball Club traveled to Tifton, Georgia for the Amateur Softball Association (ASA) Girls 18-and-Under National Slowpitch Softball Championships the weekend of August 8-11 and came away with a 17th place finish among the 68 teams entered.

The team of manager Jim Forston won its opening game 16-6 over the Lawrenceburg, Tennessee, but suffered a 4-3, 8-inning loss to the Kentucky Tomboys in their second game to fall into the losers bracket.

The girls tried to make a run at the title out of the losers bracket knocking off Charles Angels of Vada, Louisiana 18-5 and the Glencoe Pacers from Glencoe, Alabama 9-5 before being ousted from the tournament by the Gwinnett Panther of Lilburn, Georgia 12-1.

The locals finished the event with a 3-2 record and were led by Monica Dale (.708 batting average), Carrie

Scranton (.611), Michelle Bishop (.500) and Julie Helmers (.471).

Game 1, Friday, August 9
 The Falcons broke a 5-5 tie by scoring three runs in the top of the fourth inning and then broke the game open with a six-run, sixth inning. Scranton cracked a three-run, home run in the top of the first inning to get the locals off to a good foot.

Scranton led a 22-hit attack by adding two singles to her home run. She also scored one run and drove in five.

Other contributors were Helmers (three singles, three runs scored), Dale (double, single, run scored, RBI), Jennifer Forston (two singles, two runs scored, four RBI), Rachelle Poppe (two singles, three runs scored, RBI), Bishop (two singles, run scored, two RBI), winning pitcher Tiffany Deeb (two singles, two runs scored, RBI) and Kelli Woodall (two singles).

Game 2, Friday, August 9
 Seminole held a 3-1 lead going into the seventh but Kentucky came up with a pair of runs to tie the

score then scored the winning run in the top of the eighth inning as the locals' bats fell silent.

Dale was the lone bright spot on offense going 3-for-3 with an RBI.

Game 3, Saturday, August 10

The girls came back with a vengeance rapping 16 hits and playing solid defense to eliminate the Angels in five innings. Diane Duber was the big boomer ripping three triples, scoring two runs and driving in five. Scranton also was hot going 4-for-4 with three runs scored and four RBI.

Also contributing were Poppe (two singles, three runs scored, RBI), Bishop (two singles, run scored, two RBI), Dale (two singles, run scored, RBI) and Stacie Stuller (triple, run scored, two RBI).

Game 4, Saturday, August 10

The Falcons came up with their second best hitting day of the tournament finishing with 20 hits against the Alabama team.

Seminole trailed 3-1 entering the top of the third inning but Scranton followed singles by Bishop, Helmers and Forston with a triple to put her

Dolphins edged by Broncos

By **JOHN HODGMAN**
 AP Sports Writer

DENVER — Rookie running back Greg Lewis scored twice, and John Elway passed 62 yards to Ricky Nattiel for another touchdown as the Denver Broncos broke out of an offensive slump with a 21-13 preseason victory over the Miami Dolphins Monday night.

The Broncos (2-2), who had scored just one touchdown in their first three preseason outings, showed signs of life on their first offensive play, when Elway hit Mark Jackson on a 46-yard pass play.

That series ended when safety Jarvis Williams intercepted Elway at the Miami 12-yard line, but Elway later found Jackson on a 31-yarder to set up Lewis' 3-yard run for a 7-3 Denver lead midway through the second quarter.

Denver then scored two TDs just 27 seconds apart in the third quarter.

Nattiel got behind cornerback Chris Green on a streak pattern and hauled in Elway's long pass in stride at the 20, putting Denver up 14-6 with 6:59 left in the third quarter.

On the next play from scrimmage, Denver linebacker Karl Mecklenburg stripped the ball from rookie running back Aaron Craver and defensive end Warren Powers recovered at the Miami 25. Lewis swept the right side on the next play for his second TD with 6:32 remaining in the period.

Elway, calling his own plays for the second straight game, completed seven of 15 passes for 185 yards.

Dan Marino, who had led the Dolphins to a pair of field goals by Charlie Baumann, gave way to Scott Secules after Denver's third score, and Secules promptly engineered an 80-yard drive for Miami's lone TD. Secules kept the drive alive with a shovel pass to Craver that went for 31 yards on fourth-and-five, and he hit rookie wide receiver Scott Miller on a 6-yard pass for the score.

Baumann's first field goal, a 47-yarder, put the Dolphins (2-2) ahead 3-0 late in the opening period. Marino's 28-yard pass to Mark Duper set up that score.

team ahead for good. Dale followed with a single to score Scranton and Dale later added a fifth run.

Scranton and Forston combined on a beautiful double play in the bottom of the third to kill a Pacers rally and Seminole went on to post the four run win.

Scranton also added a pair of singles to her triple. Other hitters were Dale (three singles, run scored, two RBI), Helmers and Bishop (three singles and two runs scored each), Forston (double, single, two runs scored, RBI), Duber (double, single, run scored, RBI), Woodall (two singles, RBI) and Jennie Longstaff (two singles).

Game 5, Saturday, August 10

The third game of the day proved too much for the Falcons as they were eliminated from the tournament. The game was closer than the score indicated as the locals only trailed 6-1 going into the seventh inning. But the Georgia team doubled their score in that frame to end all hope.

STATS & STANDINGS

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People

IN BRIEF

Correction

In a Sunday feature story, Chuck Futrell's parents were misidentified. He is the son of Rose and Ben Futrell, Sanford.

Volunteer opportunity

You can make a difference in the lives of older people if you have an hour or two to spare each week. Hillhaven Healthcare Center, 950 Mellonville Ave., Sanford, is looking for volunteers to carry out small group activities. No experience is necessary and training will be provided. If interested, call 323-8566.

Benefit planned for animals

Lisa's Animal Clubhouse, Aviary and Sanctuary, a licensed haven for homeless, unwanted abandoned birds, exotic pets and orphaned wildlife, is accepting donations of new or clean, used household items, clothing, books and decorative items for a benefit garage sale. Proceeds will go toward purchasing additional pens, feed and needed medical supplies for the animals. If you can help, call the clubhouse at 324-0807.

Symphonic Band season to start

The 20th season of the Community Symphonic Band of Seminole Community College will begin on Tuesday, September 3. Rehearsals are held every Tuesday at 7 p.m. in G-108 of the Fine Arts Building on the Sanford campus. Membership in the Seminole Community Symphonic Band is open to all area residents who play band instruments. There are no auditions, so come and join for an enjoyable and worthwhile experience. For further information, contact Dr. William Hinkle, director of Instrumental Music, 323-1450, ext. 280.

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Toastmasters meet

Seminole Community College (SCC) Toastmasters Club #6881 have assumed a summer schedule and will meet the first and third Tuesday, at 7:30 p.m. at Seminole Community College. Contact Rosella Bonham at 323-8284 for more information.

Kennel Club to meet

The Central Florida Kennel Club meets the third Tuesday of every month, 8 p.m., at the Lake Island Recreation Center, 450 Harper, Winter Park. Anyone interested in the betterment and protection of pre-bred dogs or in breeding or showing dogs is welcome to attend meetings and apply for membership. Call 671-7440 or 862-2872.

Panic Attack group to meet

Agoraphobia/Panic Attack Support Group meets each Tuesday at 8 p.m. at West Lake Hospital, 589 W. State Road 434, Longwood. The support group is for those who are afraid to go out of their house and be active in public.

Overeaters to gather

A regular meeting of Overeaters Anonymous is conducted on Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. at Florida Power and Light, 301 Myrtle Ave., Sanford. For more information, call Carol at 322-0657.

TOPS chapters to meet about eating

Take Off Pounds Sensibly Chapter FL-79 will meet Tuesday at 7:15 p.m. at Howell Place, 200 W. Airport Blvd., Sanford.

Nar-Anon to offer help

Nar-Anon, a self-help group for relatives and friends of addicts, will meet Tuesday at 8 p.m. at Orlando General Hospital. For more information, call 868-8364.

Group targets good health

Deltona Health Education Club meets the third Tuesday of the month at the Center for Better Living, 2922 Howland Blvd., Suite 4, Deltona, at 7 p.m. Anyone interested in health and well-being is invited to attend. For information, call (904) 532-9290.

Scholarship awarded

Berit Sauls, center, a 1991 graduate of Seminole High School, was honored recently by Optimist Club of Sanford at a luncheon meeting, after which the civic club presented Sauls with the \$500 John Blair Musical Achievement Scholarship. Sauls participated in band through middle and high schools where she was principal trombonist. She is a member of the National Honor Society and has won the John Philip Sousa Band Award and the Seminole High Hall of Fame Award. She has participated in the Seminole All-County High School Band, and the Ensemble Festival where she was a soloist, the Disney World Honor Band and Destiny Show Bands. She was Band Librarian. Pictured with Sauls, from left: Tom O'Day, Optimist Club, John Blair, Sauls, Jeff Jordan, band director, John Sauls Sr., grandfather, and John Sauls Jr., father and band director at Tusculwilla Middle School.

Special Photo by Lucy Benson



Couple's snore war causing sleep loss

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Abby is on a two-week vacation. Following is a selection of some of her favorite past letters.)

DEAR ABBY: My husband says that I snore, but I know I don't. One thing I know for certain is that he snores; and if I don't fall asleep before he does, I am up all night. He tells me that he is up all night because of my snoring, which is ridiculous because if he were up, he wouldn't be keeping me up with his snoring.

How can we find out the truth? Don't suggest we have a third party sleep with us, as I am very old-fashioned.

HATTIE **DEAR HATTIE:** Buy, rent or borrow a tape recorder and turn it on when you both retire. Whoever is awake while the other is snoring should say, "I am awake, so you must be snoring!" And that should settle it!

DEAR ABBY: My problem is a husband who thinks he's funny. I had a very nice dinner party at home the other night and was especially proud of the way everything turned out.

Well, when the guests were leaving, my husband said, "Come back soon because the only time I get a decent meal around here is when we have company." Everybody laughed, but I wanted to crawl into a hole.

He said that once before and it got a big laugh, so he pulled it again.

In the first place, Abby, it's not true. I pride myself on always feeding my family very well. I told him later I didn't think that crack was very funny, but he said, "I was only kidding."

Is there a clever retort I could use in case my husband the



Abigail Van Buren

comic says that again?

TICKED OFF IN TULSA **DEAR TICKED OFF:** You could say (only kidding, of course). "The only time my ever lovin' Scrooge gives me money for fancy groceries is when we have company."

DEAR ABBY: You had a letter in your column about people who were always mooching rides, and these moochers were called "schnorrers."

I would like to know where that term came from. We are one of the 200 families in the United States with the name of "Schnorr," and we object to the use of our name with such a meaning.

We hope that the Schnorr families in Oregon, New Mexico, Illinois and all other states feel as we do and that you get 199 more letters of protest.

THE SCHNORRS OF ARIZONA **DEAR SCHNORRS:** The verb "to beg" is "schnorren" in German. From it comes the noun "schnorrer" — which means "a beggar, a panhandler, a moocher, a cheapskate, a chiseler, a bum, a drifter or a borrower." It can also mean a compulsive bargain hunter, bargainer or an impudent indigent.

The above information was "schnorred" (borrowed without permission) from "The Joys of Yiddish" — a delightful and authoritative book written by

Leo Rosten.

DEAR ABBY: A friend of mine who lives in Phoenix lost her wallet while she was shopping one Saturday. The next day she got a telephone call from a man who told her he had found her wallet in a garbage can in a small town 30 miles from Phoenix. He said there was no money in the wallet, but her checkbook and credit cards were intact.

My friend offered to drive down to get it (she's 75 years old), but the man insisted that she "allow him the pleasure" of returning it to her Monday morning on his way to work. She was very grateful.

Naturally, she didn't report her credit cards lost or stolen. You can guess the end of the

story — the wallet was never returned, and she was out over \$4,000 between the credit charges and checks that were cashed. Abby, please warn your readers so they can protect themselves against scams like this.

ELLEN **DEAR ELLEN:** Thanks for telling your friends' sad story as a warning to others. Readers, should your credit cards be out of your possession (stolen, lost or misplaced) — report the loss immediately!

TUESDAY'S PRIME TIME

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BLONDIE by Chic Young

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DEAR READER: Cytomegalovirus is a member of the herpes family and causes widespread infection in humans. For the most part, these infections are harmless and may be discounted as the "flu" or a "cold." By adulthood, about 90 percent of people have antibodies to CMV, indicating past infection.

BEETLE BAILEY by Mort Walker

WHERE ARE YOU GOING WITH THAT BUCKET OF WATER, GARG? I WARNED BEETLE I'D POUR THIS ON HIM IF HE DIDN'T GET UP ON TIME!
 YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE GIVEN HIM ADVANCE WARNING!

THE BORN LOSER by Art Sansom

I'VE BEEN OFF CHANGING FOR FIVE DAYS NOW!

PEANUTS by Charles M. Schulz

I READ IN THE PAPER THAT SOMEONE WHO WEARS SUNGLASSES ALL THE TIME COULD BE HAVING EMOTIONAL PROBLEMS...
 I HAVEN'T BEEN SLEEPING WELL LATELY...

BEK & MEK by Howie Schneider

WHY IS IT THAT IN A WORLD BECOMING MORE CROUDED BY THE MINUTE...
 LONELINESS STILL FLOURISHES?
 BECAUSE EVEN MISERY DOESN'T LOVE COMPANY THAT MUCH!

TUMBLEWEEDS by T.K. Ryan

DOLLAR NICOLIC BUFFALO EVERY DAY THAT YOU LAUGH ME IS SO NERD!

ARLO AND JANIS by Jimmy Johnson

I DON'T WANT TO EAT IT!
 I DON'T WANT TO TURN OFF THE TV!
 I DON'T WANT TO GO TO BED!
 REBEL WITHOUT A PAUSE!

FRANK AND ERNEST by Bob Thaves

I THINK MY BIOLOGICAL CLOCK NEEDS NEW BATTERIES.

GARFIELD by Jim Davis

TAPPITY TAPPITY TAPPITY
 IT'S MUCH SAFER DOWN HERE IN THE ORCHESTRA PIT

ROBOTMAN by Jim Meddick

I SEE A MAN... HE'S WEARING A HAT AND CARRYING A BAG... HE'S KNOCKING ON A DOOR...
 I SEE... I SEE... DEATH...
 I SEE YOUR COPY OF "DEATH OF A SALESMAN" IS OVERDUE AT THE LIBRARY.

Cytomegalovirus may mimic mononucleosis

DEAR DR. GOTT: Would you please discuss CMV, its levels and how long it should last?
DEAR READER: Cytomegalovirus is a member of the herpes family and causes widespread infection in humans. For the most part, these infections are harmless and may be discounted as the "flu" or a "cold." By adulthood, about 90 percent of people have antibodies to CMV, indicating past infection.

However, some patients experience acute febrile illnesses (with lethargy, fatigue, swollen glands and sore throat) that mimic mononucleosis. These more serious infections are more common in "closed populations" (such as day-care centers and boarding schools) and in patients who inadvertently receive transfusions with CMV-contaminated blood. Patients with immune deficiency, such as AIDS, may suffer a particularly virulent manifestation, leading to lung or kidney damage. Finally, CMV can infect unborn babies, causing stillbirth or brain damage.

In the typical case, usually a young adult, the disease may, as I said, mimic mononucleosis; therefore, in such patients blood tests (a complete blood count and a CMV titer) should be obtained along with the mononucleosis test (Monospot or heterophile antibody). The ailment ordinarily follows a benign course and resolves within a few days, although some patients may experience fatigue for several weeks or months, and a few unfortunates may develop CMV hepatitis.

There is no treatment for CMV infection. Blood-antibody levels against CMV may remain indefinitely, but this merely indicates past (not active) infection.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I've been diagnosed with benign essential tremor. Please explain what this means.

DEAR READER: Benign essential tremor is a harmless but embarrassing nuisance

marked by a slow shaking of the hands, head and voice. It appears to be inherited; 50 percent of cases have at least one parent with the affliction. The tremor, which appears early in life, is minimal or absent at rest, brought on by performing skilled acts, and substantially aggravated by anxiety, stress and stimulants (such as caffeine).



MEDICINE
PETER GOTT, M.D.

Ordinarily, benign essential tremor needs no treatment. However, more severe forms often respond to Inderal, a beta blocker, in low doses.

ACROSS

- Verse maker
- 1000, Roman
- school
- Evolution
- Got's Secret
- Son of Inge
- Madison slave
- Portuguese saint part
- Believe — not
- Dogal
- Sherry's head
- British Navy abbreviation
- Female pronoun only
- Technical
- Living on other creatures
- Goodbye, in Hindi
- Two, Roman

DOWN

- VP's superior
- Fernese
- Lab burner
- 40th
- 38
- 37 Arab country
- 36 West Indian
- 41 Not many
- 42 Knack
- 43 Highway
- 44 Deal
- 45 Poked fun at
- 46 Underground
- 47 Thousand
- 48 — with
- 49 Speaking (2 wds.)
- 50 — do mor
- 51 Narrow
- 52 Horse
- 53 Actor Pan — commands
- 54 Type of love

Answer to Previous Puzzle

4 Meters, c.g.
 5 Campaign and orange juice
 6 Tennis player — Lendl
 7 Comparative suffix

8 Providence
 9 Victim
 10 Adam's grandson
 11 Pool
 12 Demos
 13 Pool
 14 —
 15 A plant
 16 Accord one
 17 —
 18 —
 19 —
 20 Tennis player — Hoad
 21 Clutch of utility
 22 Run
 23 Small bite
 24 —
 25 Dance step
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WIN AT BRIDGE

By Phillip Alder
 When declaring a contract or defending, an expert will try to find the play that works against all possible distributions. Most of the time, allowing for some strange lie of the cards produces no benefit; a simple line of play would work because every suit is breaking beautifully and every finesse is winning. But occasionally the extra care pays a dividend. The expert makes his contract while the less able player goes down.

Today's hand is one in which the extra edge works, of course — otherwise I wouldn't be using the deal, would I? Cover the East-West cards and plan your campaign in six spades against the lead of the diamond king.

Perhaps you are wishing you were in seven, but your job is to make six, not seven. And that is exactly what the declarer did. He won the first trick with dummy's diamond ace, played a club to his ace, led a heart to dummy's king and then discarded his diamond loser on the club king. Now he made the key play: He led dummy's heart six and played low from hand.

East did the best he could, winning with the nine and returning a trump. But declarer won with the spade king and ruffed the heart eight in dummy with the spade ace. At this point declarer had only top trumps and the heart ace in his hand, so he tabled his cards.

Who was South? Arthur Robinson, who won silver medals for the United States in the World Team Championships of 1963, 1964 and 1968 in partnership with Robert Jordan. (C) 1991, NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE ASSN.

NORTH 1-10-11
 ♠ A Q
 ♥ K 4
 ♦ A 7 3
 ♣ K J 5 4

WEST 6-3-2
 ♠ J
 ♥ K Q J
 ♦ Q 10 9 8 3
 ♣ Q 10 9 8 3

EAST 5-4
 ♠ Q 10 9 8 3
 ♥ 10 6 3
 ♦ 7 2

SOUTH K J 10 9 8 7
 ♠ A 7 3
 ♥ A
 ♦ A

Vulnerable: Neither
 Dealer: North

South	West	North	East
1 ♠	Pass	2 ♠	Pass
2 ♠	Pass	4 ♠	Pass
4 NT	Pass	5 ♠	Pass
6 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♠ K

HOROSCOPE

By Bernice Bede Osof
YOUR BIRTHDAY
 Aug. 21, 1991

Your ambitions are likely to become much more intensified in the year ahead than they have been in the past. They will be stimulated by desires for material growth and recognition.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) If you think your recent efforts merit it, apprise your superiors of your accomplishments. It could mean a special perk you would not have received otherwise. Leo, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for Leo's Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing \$1.25 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Business and pleasure blend compatibly today, provided they're conducted in an amicable setting. Don't be in too big of a hurry to make your presentation.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) To-

day marks the beginning of a favorable shift in domestic conditions. What transpires could be to everyone's benefit and enhance your family life as a whole.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Persistent, constructive thoughts that dominate your thinking today should not be treated lightly. These ideas could lead to something worthwhile.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Your financial prospects look extremely encouraging today, especially if you're involved in an endeavor with a material-minded associate.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) New enterprises launched today have better than the usual probabilities for success. This is not a time to be chicken about taking a reasonable risk.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) A well-informed insider may pass some helpful information on to you today. In order to reap its potential, follow this individual's exact instructions.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)

Organizational involvements are favored today. Something propitious could result from the contacts and friends you have in clubs or large companies.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Don't be afraid to set tougher than usual objectives today. Conditions are conducive for success — if you're prepared to pay the price.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Recently, you've learned a significant lesson from observing the effective performance of one you admire. Today is the time to put your knowledge to use.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) A reliable, older associate who usually looks out for your interests may have something worthwhile to discuss with you today. It should be investigated.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Something advantageous can be derived from a treasured relationship today. However, to reap its real rewards, you must focus on giving rather than on receiving.

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ANNIE

THERE'S NO WAY OUT OF IT? THEY'RE GOIN' T' PUT IM LITTLE GUY DOWN?
 'FRAD SO, CHOPPER, ER... ARE YOU AN' YOUR BROTHER GOIN' T' MAKE UP?
 HARD T' SAY... IT'S LIKE I CAN'T STAND BEIN' AROUND HIM 'CAUSE HE'S SO UGLY!
 OH, DO TRY, CHOPPER! IT'S NOT HIS FAULT THAT HE'S SO UGLY!
 ...AN' YOU'RE SO HANDSOME! G'BYE, CHOPPER! I'LL MISS YOU SO...