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NEWS DIGEST

BRIEFS

Gilbert brewing in Caribbean

MIAMI — A tropical depression that swept into the Caribbean Sea Friday was upgraded to tropical storm Gilbert early today and forecasters said it could become the 1988 Atlantic Caribbean hurricane season's third hurricane.

A second tropical weather system that formed Friday dissipated overnight.

At 0600 a.m. EDT, Gilbert's center was located at latitude 15.1 north longitude 64.2 west or about 250 miles south-southeast of San Juan, Puerto Rico. Maximum winds were around 40 mph and the storm was moving west near 15 mph, said forecaster Jim Cross at the National Hurricane Center.

Meteorological conditions favor continued strengthening and the tropical storm could become a hurricane in the next day or two, he said. Rainfall amounts in excess of five inches accompany Gilbert and may begin to affect the Caribbean and the Dominican Republic later today.

U.S. condemns gas warfare

WASHINGTON — Having released significant U.S. evidence against Iraq, Secretary of State George Shultz appears ready to seek international action against the illegal Iraq use of poison gas against rebel Kurds.

Shultz told the General Federation of Women's Clubs Friday the United States remains concerned that Syria, Libya and Iran also have the capability and the will to use poison gas, and he endorsed global intransigence of such practices.

Under U.S. leadership against Iraq's work, a State Department official said that Friday, few American diplomats were expected Friday. Kurdish leaders, however, were expected to meet in London and discuss their strategy. It is expected to help 30,000 Kurds escape U.S. suspicions.

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Sports

Jackson improves to 21-6

LOS ANGELES — After a sluggish Friday, Red Jackson's 1-0 record against Florida improved to 21-6 as the Orange County Lumber City 1000000 Series golfer shot a 67 (101) to finish with a 21-6 record.

Florida's Tom Watson led the group with a 67 (101) to finish with a 21-6 record. Watson's score was a 67 (101) to finish with a 21-6 record.

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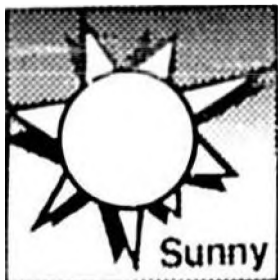
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Warm, mostly sunny today



Mostly sunny with light to moderate clouds. High temperature of 75-80 degrees. Light to moderate showers. Warm and humid days with highs in the mid-90s and lows in the high 70s.

Lawmen stage drug raid

Fourteen arrested in Oviedo roundup

By SUSAN LODEN
Herald Staff Writer



SWAT members hold suspects outside B.J.'s pool hall.

OVIEDO — Lawmen stormed an Oviedo market and pool room Friday night and rounded up eight of 14 men who allegedly sold drugs to city County Investigative Bureau agents.

The suspects were targeted during a CB undercover investigation that spanned approximately three months and centered on Browley's Market and B.J.'s Pool Hall, located in the same blue and yellow brick building in a no-man's-land off State Road 417.

After the initial 40-man roundup, CB agents, the 10-man Oviedo County SWAT team and other deputies, a CB undercover agent, returned to appear the remaining eight of the men. Two had been arrested before the raid, the other six were arrested during the raid.

They were taken to the Oviedo Jail, all charged with CB offenses. Lt. Donald E. Singer, 39, of the Oviedo Police Department, said that the majority of the targeted men were captured in the area of Franklin Street and Avenue B. That brought the night's arrest total to 14, with three remaining.

One man targeted in the raid, Lorenzo Brooks, 41, is also charged with weapons offenses, as well as other charges, Brooks said.

The investigation was part of a three-month undercover operation by the Oviedo Police Department, which began in July. The investigation was part of a three-month undercover operation by the Oviedo Police Department, which began in July.

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Other suspects in the raid include...

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- Darrell Bowers, 20, three counts each charge
- Merion A. Bowers, 24
- Lorenzo Brooks, 41, three counts each charge
- Tracy D. Bryant, 19
- Craig A. Gaines, 27
- Mike G. Golden, 25, four counts each charge
- Demetrius M. Hill, 21, two counts each charge
- Harry C. Horne, 29, four counts each charge
- Vernon L. King, 30
- Fredrick Lewis, 35, two counts each charge
- Lantz McNeely, 37
- Perry Lee Robertson, 30, two counts each charge
- Kenneth Williams, 26, two counts each charge
- Lorenzo Brooks, 41

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Advisor program gets good marks

By CAROL RUMSEY
Herald Staff Writer

Although the program is only a few years old, the advisor program at Sanford Community College has earned excellent marks from the Florida State Board of Education.

The board's report praised the college for its commitment to providing quality education and for its innovative use of technology in the classroom.

The college's success is attributed to the dedication of its faculty and staff, as well as the strong support from the local business community.

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Sixth graders read, listen for fun.

County budget hearing set for Tuesday

By J. MARK DARFIELD
Herald Staff Writer

Sanford — Statewide bond issues being approved by voters this year will have a major impact on the county's budget, which will be discussed at a public hearing Tuesday.

The hearing will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday in the county commission chambers at the County Services Building, 1101 E. First Street, Sanford, at 7 p.m.

The countywide millage rate is slightly less than last year's rate of about \$1.45 per \$1,000 of taxable property. The current proposal is about \$1.40 per \$1,000. Although the average home value increased

significantly in the past year, residents should still pay a smaller amount to school this year.

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City will sell services to development

By WAYNE MIZE
Herald Staff Writer

WAYNE, Fla. — A proposed development in Wayne County will be financed by the county, and the city of Sanford is set to sell its services to the project.

The project, known as the Wayne County Development, is located in the northwestern part of the county. It will include a large residential area and a commercial center.

The city of Sanford is set to sell its services to the project, including water, sewer, and trash collection. The city's Board of Commissioners is expected to vote on the proposal next week.

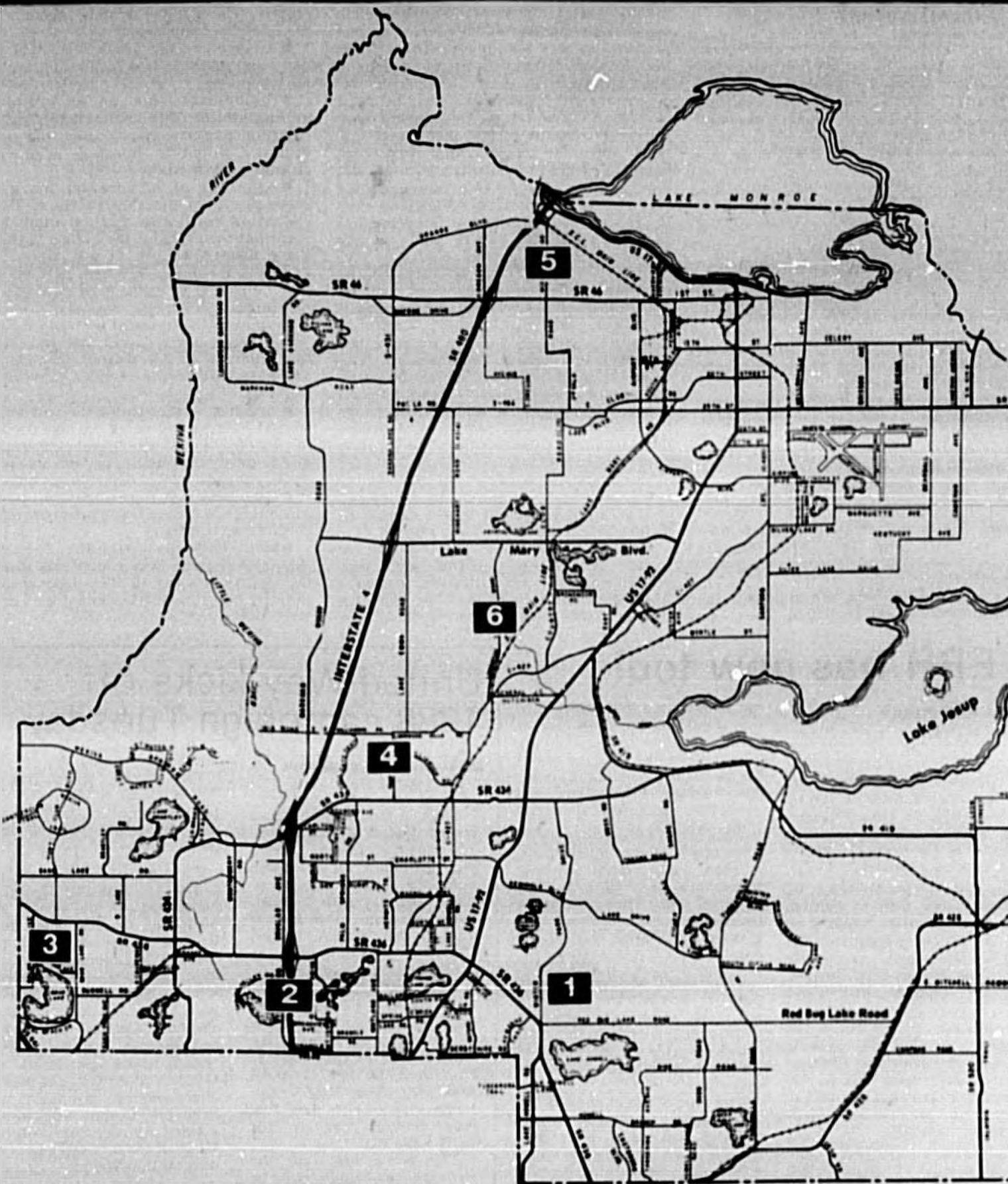
The project is expected to create hundreds of jobs and increase tax revenue for the county. It is also expected to improve the local economy and attract more investment to the area.

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ROAD WORK THIS WEEK



Here are the projects in Seminole County that may affect the flow of traffic:

- 1** Red Bug Lake Road from east of State Road 436 to Autumn Glen Lane. Road widening. This major project includes substantial underground drainage work and removal of the existing road surface. Flagmen or detours may be used, but traffic backups are not expected to be worse than they were previously. Expected completion: November. Jurisdiction: Seminole County.
- 2** Interstate 4 from Lew Road in Orange County to just north of State Road 436. Resurfacing, with all work requiring lane closures to be done between 7 p.m. and 6:30 a.m. Expected completion: mid-February. Jurisdiction: Florida DOT.
- 3** Construct left turn lane on Bear Lake Road at State Road 436. Expected completion: Sept. 30. Jurisdiction: Seminole County.
- 4** Improvement of intersection of E.E. Williamson Road and Range Line Road, including realignment and construction of turn lanes. Expected completion: Oct. 7. Jurisdiction: Seminole County.
- 5** County Road 15 near its intersection with Iowa Street in the community of Lake Monroe. Culvert extension and pavement widening. Motorists may encounter flagmen. Expected completion: Sept. 30. Jurisdiction: Seminole County.
- 6** Construction of an entrance to Lake Mary High School on Greenway Boulevard. Expected completion: Oct. 14. Jurisdiction: Seminole County.
- 7** Lake Jesup Avenue intersection in Oviedo. Construction of turn lanes and installation of traffic signals. Expected completion: late September. Jurisdiction: Florida DOT. (Not on map)

Agencies share the duties on I-4

By SANDRA BOUCHANINE
Herald staff writer

The Florida Highway Patrol and several municipal police departments maintain an unwritten agreement concerning monitoring of traffic on Interstate 4.

The agreement, according to FHP Captain Bill Sanders, is intended to foster a combination of efforts among the FHP, Lake Mary and the Seminole County Sheriff's Department. Other police departments, such as Altamonte Springs and Maitland are also included in the agreement, which gives FHP the major responsibility for investigating accidents on the interstate, even if they occur within city boundaries.

Interstate 4 spans a total of 14,147 miles between Orange and Volusia counties, according to Gabriel Jones, Fifth District Traffic Coordinator of the Florida Department of Transportation (DOT). The highway is FHP's responsibility, but portions of it fall within city limits. Many of the smaller police departments such as those in Lake Mary and Altamonte Springs do not keep police cars on I-4 solely for traffic monitoring.

"We do not run any radar on I-4 or issue any tickets unless we follow them (drivers) out onto the highway," Lake Mary Captain Sam Belfiore said. Belfiore is acting police chief for Police Chief Charles Lauderdale, who is acting city manager.

"If we're on I-4 for any reason and see a violation of state statutes, we will write a citation," Belfiore said.

Normally, the FHP runs radar on the highway and issues speeding tickets.

Sanders said that Lauderdale had asked him if the FHP could handle all the accidents if, because of manpower needs, his department could not. Sanders agreed since FHP is on Interstate 4 anyway.

"We used to work all the wrecks," Sanders said. "We just assist each other when we can."

According to the DOT, the average daily traffic count in 1987 south of State Road 46 was 29,007 cars traveling east and 27,101 cars going west. North of S.R. 46, 27,219 cars were eastbound and 23,919 cars were westbound per day.

Lake Mary's police force is comprised of 23 people including auxiliaries, police chief and a captain. There is a fleet of nine cars, five marked and four unmarked. Unmarked cars are driven only by administrative and investigative staff, Belfiore said.

With a budget of \$588,903 for the 1987-88 fiscal year, Belfiore said there is not too much of a problem with manpower at the present time. Lake Mary has a population of 5,500 and covers 11 square miles. The police force works in four shifts that stay

within city limits most of the time.

"Because FHP works I-4 so heavily, we keep them (police) off the highway and within city limits," Belfiore said.

Jeff Hawkins, public information officer for Altamonte Springs, also is aware of an informal agreement between that police force and FHP.

"It's an agreement, nothing written. A lot of them (police departments) have agreements that FHP will work accidents. We don't run radar out there," Hawkins said.

About a mile of I-4 falls under Altamonte Springs' jurisdiction. The average daily traffic counts last year were 52,664 eastbound and 49,126 westbound within that section, according to the DOT.

There are about 80 sworn officers in the Altamonte Springs police force and two traffic squads. Each squad is made up of a sergeant and five officers who do nothing but traffic enforcement, Hawkins said. The budget for 1987-88 was \$3,330,088, according to Hawkins.

The Altamonte Springs police force is kept busy within its own city limits. Five of the 10 most accident-prone sites in Seminole County are located within its borders. Those are at the junction of S.R. 436 and I-4, where 75,000 cars travel daily; 436 and Wymore Douglas Road, state roads 436 and 434; S.R. 436 and Pattaway Drive and 436 and County Road 427 (Langwood Avenue).

Hawkins said that in a three-month period there were 551 accidents with one fatality within the city alone.

"There are a couple of days like Wednesday and Thursday when we have both squads out," Hawkins said. According to a study, these are the highest accident days, with peak hours between 11 a.m. and 9 p.m.

Hawkins said more police are needed in Altamonte Springs and that the city is trying to get more authorized in the city budget.

"By the year 2000, it is projected that an additional 220 officers will be needed on the street due to growth," he said.

The Maitland Police Department also works well with the FHP.

"I think we always had a very good relationship with FHP," said Dave Robb, public information officer for the Maitland Police Department.

Robb said his department does not patrol I-4 at all, even though a portion north of Maple Boulevard south to Kennedy Boulevard falls within the department's limits.

"FHP has responsibility for I-4. Take that as a basic premise," he said.

Robb said that the two departments will help one another.

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The search is on for new Seminole County medical examiner

By SUSAN LODEN
Herald staff writer

SANFORD — Seminole County's search for a new medical examiner continues, with State Attorney Norman Wolfinger assuring local officials the plan is to expand the post to full-time and hopefully fill the slot with a forensic pathologist.

Wolfinger said rumors that he planned to permanently contract with Brevard or Orange county to do Seminole County's 200 or so autopsies a year, are not true.

If such a possibility, which would be "inconvenient," is what it took for Seminole County to realize it needs a full-time forensic pathologist to replace Dr. Sarah Irrgang, a clinical pathologist who has resigned, Wolfinger said. "That's good."

Irrgang, who replaced Dr. G.V. Garay, who after more than a decade of service retired in December, "has worked beyond the call of duty for the citizens of Seminole County," Wolfinger said. With her resignation, to take a private sector post in Orange County, "Seminole County recognizes it's time to move on," he said. She has, he said, volunteered to serve for up to three more months at her regular pay of \$42,000 a year while the search is on for a new medical examiner.

In addition to a full-time medical examiner, with a salary of about \$80,000 a year, Wolfinger said he believes Seminole County needs a full-time investigator assigned to that office, which is a routine practice in other Florida counties. "We can only work with the resources available. An investigator would be a tremendous asset in natural deaths too, to get all the facts."

With such an investigator, who would probe all suspicious deaths, two Seminole County cases in which the bodies of the victims were not identified in a timely manner through traditional channels, might have been prevented.

Beyond the concerns of using autopsies as a tool in criminal cases, Wolfinger said, the function of the medical examiner, who performs autopsies on all victims of unattended or suspicious deaths, is "very important, being concerned with death, the most traumatic incident in life. Seminole County has reached a level of sophistication. The people deserve for the job to be done properly and I think are willing to pay the price for a full-time medical examiner."

"I think the medical examiner's office in Seminole County has to be there, and my

preference is to have a forensic pathologist," Wolfinger said.

A forensic pathologist is trained to specifically look for evidence of crime, not just to evaluate injuries or conditions of a body from a medical perspective. In addition to performing autopsies in criminal cases, the medical examiner collects evidence and testifies on his or her findings. They also provide clues to police to aid in investigating deaths.

In the past, the Seminole County medical examiner has also examined rape victims for law enforcement agencies. On Tuesday, Wolfinger said the county contracted with Dr. Benjamin Newman to provide that service at his Altamonte Springs office. That may become a permanent practice, Wolfinger said. Newman is medical director for the county public safety department.

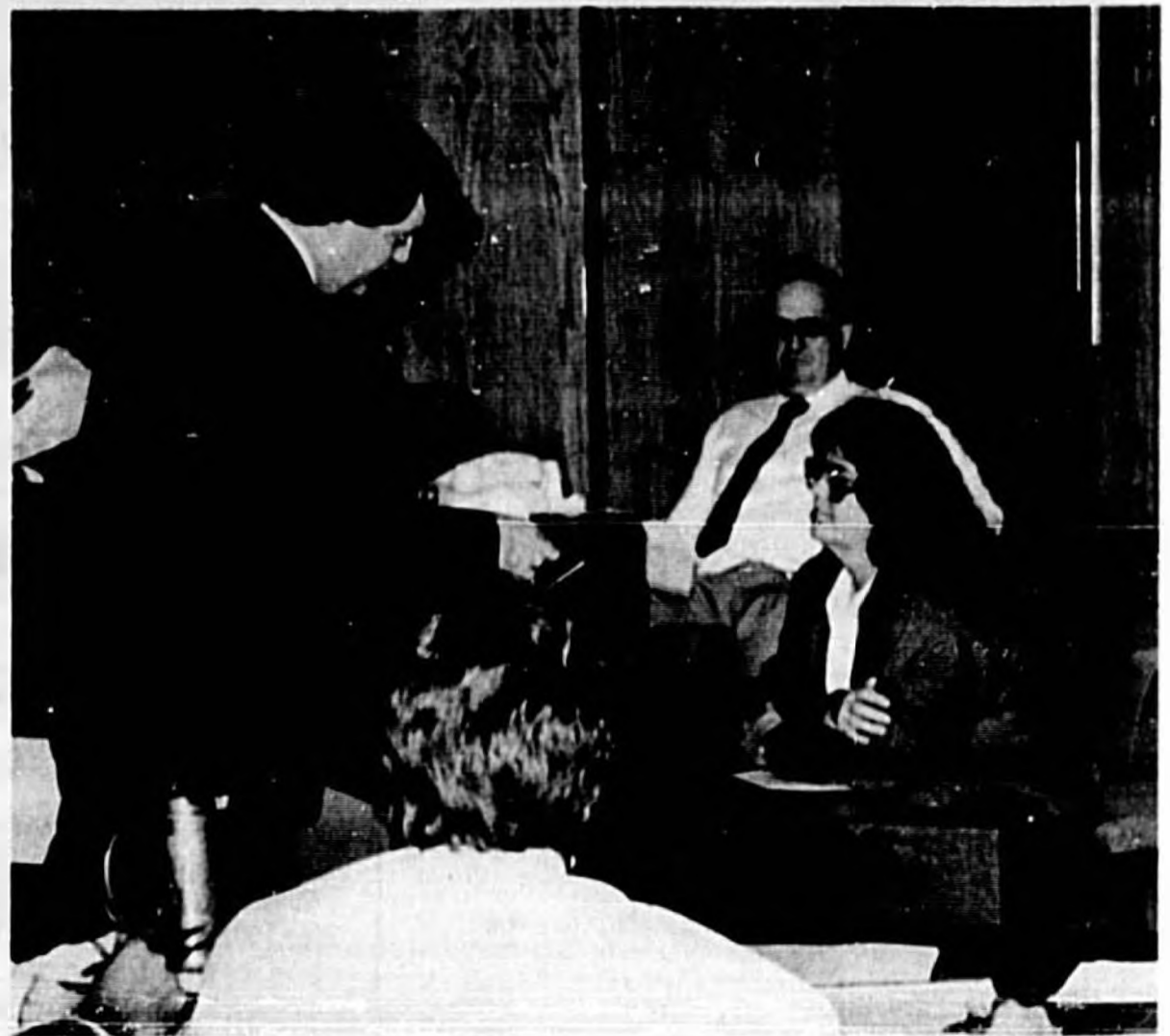
County Administrator Ken Hooper said Newman agreed to provide that service for a \$1,100 fee for September. If he continues in that capacity after September, Hooper said, Newman will be paid \$150 per exam from state funds provided to the county, in addition to the \$1,100 monthly fee.

Although it is his responsibility to appoint the medical examiner, Wolfinger said the Seminole County Commission will have to approve the selection. County officials agree, he said that Seminole County needs a full-time medical examiner, at about double the \$42,000 a year cost of a part-time medical examiner.

County Commission Chairman Fred Streetman said he personally supports this advance for Seminole County. He said he sees no reason why the majority of the commission would not support the plan, which is called for because of the urban growth and increased population of the county. He said there is absolutely no reason for the county not to have its own medical examiner.

In addition to the medical examiner's salary cost, the county also contracts with Central Florida Regional Hospital in Sanford for \$150,000 a year for space, equipment and support services to the medical examiner, Hooper said. Wolfinger said that facility is excellent for the medical examiner.

Hooper said there has been no discussion with the county commission about the possibility of permanently contracting for medical examiner services outside the county. "The board would have the say so," he said. "I support Wolfinger in finding a qualified medical examiner. I don't think the board would recommend we farm out to



Acting Seminole County Medical Examiner Dr. Sarah Irrgang, right, in a Sanford hearing tells sheriff's attorney Frank Kruppenbacher, left, her autopsy finding in a jailhouse suicide case.

another county for anything, except on an emergency basis."

Labor Day was to be Irrgang's last day of voluntary service to the county, after her resignation about a month ago. Wolfinger said during the last two crisis weeks he considered asking Brevard or Orange county medical exam-

iners to assist Seminole County temporarily, but said it would be expensive and inconvenient to lawmen, who have to attend autopsies, and to families of victims.

Both medical examiners in those counties have offered whatever support Seminole County might

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NATIONAL BRIEFS



Battle over textile bill continues

WASHINGTON — Opponents of legislation that would limit U.S. imports of textiles, clothing and shoes will be getting a hand from President Reagan, who has vowed to veto the bill he considers "protectionism at its worst."

If allowed to become law, the measure would bring "retaliation against U.S. exports, harm to U.S. international competitiveness and would cost American jobs," White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater warned after the Senate voted 57-32 for the package Friday.

"That is a disastrous prescription for America's economic future," Fitzwater declared, conveying Reagan's intent to veto the measure if it emerges in like form after being resolved with differences in a previously House-passed bill.

In 1986, the president successfully vetoed a similar package, and backers of this year's version are not sure they can get the two-thirds majority in both chambers needed to override him.

"I'm hopeful, but the president has a lot of power and at the last minute he can change them back," acknowledged Sen. Ernest Hollings, D-S.C., one of the bill's major sponsors.

Friday's vote came after three days of Senate debate, which included often technical discussions and conflicting statistics. Senators had limited debate to 30 hours to avoid a possible filibuster.

Nevertheless, the fight continued even after the measure was passed.

"It's protectionism at its worst," Reagan was quoted as saying, and U.S. Trade Representative Clayton Yeutter decried the legislation as "anti-jobs, anti-growth and anti-competitive."

Bakker fails to prove he has PTL funds

FORT MILL, S.C. — Jim Bakker, vowing to fish or cut bait, has learned he just doesn't have the right hook to haul in the PTL ministry he founded and lost over a sex scandal.

Bakker met with bankruptcy trustee M.C. "Red" Benton Friday to try to convince him he has an overseas investor who will transfer funds to a U.S. bank so he can buy PTL for a hefty \$165 million.

But Benton — who sent out for pizza while listening to Bakker's agents offering assurances the money was in place — concluded there is no reason to believe Bakker has the funds for PTL.

The trustee said, however, Bakker is not out of the running for the bankrupt ministry, but he must come up with more secure financing.

"We were not assured in this conversation that the funds are in place," Benton said. "We made no progress whatsoever. I think he has exhausted about all he can in this situation."

"At some point it will become obvious to everyone — and maybe even to Mr. Bakker — that he doesn't have the financing to make it work," Benton said.

"It's not completely over," Benton said. "We have no other offers. That doesn't mean that we aren't negotiating, but we can't pull the plug on anyone because we don't have anything to report."

Benton, 70, has conducted extensive negotiations with several potential buyers for the bankrupt television ministry, and had a \$115 million offer from Canadian businessman Peter Thomas, which was withdrawn this week.

Bakker said Thursday foreign investors had stashed \$115 million in Swiss bank accounts to be used as collateral on loans to help finance his \$165 million bid. Benton insisted on proof the funds exist, and Bakker agreed to provide it.

Miss America to be named in pageant

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. — After three nights of preliminary competition and much anticipation, 51 of the nation's most beautiful women will stroll down the runway in Convention Hall tonight in their quest to become Miss America 1989.

Tens of millions of viewers will watch the nationally televised pageant, in which a panel of celebrity judges will choose a successor to Miss America 1988 Kaye Lani Raye Rafka, a 25-year-old oncology nurse from Monroe, Mich.

Game show host Gary Collins will emcee the pageant with his wife, Miss America 1959 Mary Ann Mobley.

Viewers will see a somewhat updated pageant, with more contemporary production numbers coordinated by a new musical director and a live interview question added during the evening gown competition designed to bring out the intellectual abilities of contestants.

In Friday night's final round of preliminaries, Miss Utah Sophia Christine Symko showed off her 17 years of piano training to capture the talent competition and Miss Florida Melissa Angeles won the swimsuit contest.

From United Press International reports

Yonkers City Council moves on housing plan

United Press International

YONKERS, N.Y. — A City Council facing million-dollar-a-day fines and the layoff of one-quarter of the municipal workforce agreed to a court-ordered housing desegregation plan that turned neighbor against neighbor in New York's fourth-largest city.

"We did nothing less than save the city of Yonkers," Mayor Nicholas Wasteko said after the City Council voted 5-2 at 1:15 a.m. EDT today to approve the desegregation plan. "The work is just beginning."

U.S. District Judge Leonard Sand held the city in contempt Aug. 2 for defying his order to build 1,000 units of subsidized housing in predominantly white, middle-class neighborhoods. The court order was the result of a desegregation suit filed against the city by the NAACP eight years ago.

A \$1 million fine was scheduled to kick in at midnight Friday and to be paid by Monday, forcing layoffs and giving two councilmen opposed to the housing plan second thoughts about their earlier defiance of the federal order.

Those fines were halted with the council's vote, and city officials said the 447 municipal workers handed layoff notices could return to work Monday.

Cavazos' Senate confirmation is assured

United Press International

WASHINGTON — Lauro Cavazos, the first Hispanic chosen for the Cabinet, seems assured of confirmation as the new education secretary despite a Senate hearing dominated by attacks on the Reagan-Bush administration record.

Cavazos, the 61-year-old president of Texas Technical University, would be President Reagan's third education chief, and two Republican senators at the hearing Friday expressed hope that he would be reappointed if Vice President George Bush wins the White House this fall.

With Bush having pledged to name a Hispanic to the Cabinet if elected, both prospects appear excellent for Cavazos — because he won the support Friday of both Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., head of the Education and Human Resources Committee, and Sen. Orrin Hatch of Utah, the panel's ranking Republican.

The committee is expected to vote next week to recommend his confirmation.

Still, though Kennedy was gentle and friendly in his questioning of Cavazos, he spent much of the session ripping into the Reagan-Bush education record.

Kennedy charged the administration has been "profoundly hostile" to the federal role in education, "relentlessly" seeking to cut funding and even attempting to abolish the Education Department.

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Florence downgraded to tropical storm

United Press International

NEW ORLEANS — Hurricane Florence whipped southeastern Louisiana with heavy rains and winds of 80 mph early today, then weakened as it neared the Mississippi border with rapidly diminishing winds and was downgraded to tropical storm.

At 5 a.m. CDT, Florence was centered near latitude 30.5 north, longitude 89.7 west, or about 40 miles east-northeast of New Orleans. It was moving toward the north between 12 and 15 mph.

Before downgrading it to tropical storm, the National Weather Service in Miami said Florence had maximum sustained winds of 75 mph.

At its peak, Florence generated maximum sustained winds of 80 mph with reported gusts to 92 mph over water. However, the storm did not generate hurricane force winds over land.

During its height, hurricane warning was in effect from Morgan City La. to Pensacola Fla.

The National Weather Service forecast tides of 7 to 9 feet above normal near and to the east of the center of the storm, and up to 5 feet above normal elsewhere in the warning area.

The eye of the storm churned across the Mississippi River delta region late Friday between Burwood and Huras in lower Plaquemines Parish, the National Hurricane Center in Miami reported.

No major problems were reported in Louisiana, although scattered power outages occurred in some coastal areas.

Among those in the path of the eye was state District Judge Michael Kirby of Empire, who called Florence mild compared to other hurricanes he has experienced since the 1950s.

"I'm glad it wasn't any worse than it was," he said, adding he stepped outside his home once the gusts subsided. "I could see when I went out briefly — When I looked up, it was overcast, I couldn't see the stars," Kirby said.

Norris Babin, a Red Cross volunteer at Belle Chasse on the banks of the Mississippi, said 1,000 people spent the night at a makeshift shelter at the high school.

"It's not anything close to a major hurricane," he said, adding shelter residents were restless but

calm. "Everyone's been through this."

A 23-year-old man in Orange Beach, Ala., fell and drowned while trying to secure a fishing boat Friday in anticipation of hurricane-force winds. His name was withheld pending notification of relatives.

"It was associated with the storm because they were there with the boat but it wasn't associated with the storm because the weather wasn't all that bad," Orange Beach Acting Police Chief Marvin Glass said.

The storm forced Democratic presidential candidate Michael Dukakis to cancel a public rally in Jackson Square in New Orleans' French Quarter that had been scheduled for 5 p.m. EDT, as well as two private fundraisers.

The highest wind speeds reported were 92 mph headwinds encountered by Coast Guard helicopter pilots on an unsuccessful rescue mission.

The helicopter from Mobile flew out to rescue four barge crewmen near the mouth of the Mississippi but were forced by high winds to abandon the effort. The crewmen were left to ride out the storm aboard their barges.

"There is nothing else we can send out until the weather situation changes at the scene," Coast Guard spokesman Dan Dewell said.

Several hours earlier, another Coast Guard helicopter plucked two men from a 16-foot boat that was being tossed about in 6-foot waves near Southwest Pass at the river's mouth.

Florence prompted Louisiana Gov. Buddy Roemer to cut short a weeklong trade mission to Taiwan and head home a day before originally planned, said his spokesman Jeff Cowart. Roemer was expected in Baton Rouge tonight.

Luke Petrovich, the president of Plaquemines Parish, said skies were clearing in his low-lying area by midnight.

"We've had a good evacuation — 99 or 98 percent of our people have been evacuated. We've evacuated some 12,000 to 15,000 people," he said. "We have suffered no damage to property, no loss of life or injuries. Whatever we've had has been from tree branches and inexpensive signs knocked down. We had very little effect from tide."

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WORLD BRIEFS



Burmese government agrees to elections

RANGOON, Burma — Burma's ruling party, rocked by weeks of nationwide demonstrations and violence, gave in today to opposition demands and announced it will hold multiparty general elections, official Radio Rangoon reported.

The state-run radio station said the Central Committee of the Burma Socialist Program Party, the country's only political party, met at the call of party leader and President Maung Maung.

The radio station said the delegates at the hastily called session voted "unanimously" to hold multiparty elections at an unspecified future date.

There was no immediate response from opposition leaders to the government's announcement. It was not known whether the announcement would end the most recent wave of demonstrations and strikes, which erupted in late July.

Neither was it clear whether the decision to hold elections would affect plans for additional evacuations of diplomatic personnel's families.

The government's announcement came amid defections by military personnel whose support had swung to the demonstrators. About 200 air force officers joined protest marches Friday, and smaller groups of army and navy troops paraded with demonstrators earlier.

The announcement came one day after 237 foreigners — including 46 dependents of U.S. Embassy staff — were flown out of Burma. The first wave of family evacuations was considered precautionary as conditions continued to deteriorate and Burma bordered on anarchy.

Before the major government concession, a renewed strike by airport workers in Rangoon delayed further evacuations of dependents of American Embassy personnel, airline and embassy officials said.

Crash investigators focus on weather

BANGKOK, Thailand — Investigators were focusing today on turbulent weather as the probable cause of the crash of an Air Vietnam jetliner that killed 75 of 81 people aboard. Thai and Vietnamese officials said.

Vietnamese aviation experts were headed for Bangkok today to join Thai investigators in probing the cause of the Friday crash.

The plane, Flight VN831 from Hanoi, was scheduled to arrive at Bangkok's Don Muang International Airport at 11:40 a.m., but it plunged into a nearby rice field, smashed through an empty roadside shop and broke into three sections as it burst into flames.

Five of the six survivors remained in critical condition today, said Kiti Yensuttaj, director of Bhumibol Hospital.

"The most serious is an unidentified Vietnamese woman who is still undergoing surgery to stop internal bleeding," he said.

The dead included Vietnamese Health Minister Dang Hoi Xuan, Indian Ambassador to Hanoi Arun Patwardhan and his wife, Vietnamese Ambassador designate to the Philippines Nguyen Phuong Vu and his wife, and Kiyokata Ida, second secretary at the Japanese Embassy in Hanoi.

An embassy official had earlier quoted pilot Phong Dinh Phuang, 41 — the only survivor not listed in critical condition — as saying, "It was raining heavily, and it felt like the plane was struck by lightning."

Sommat said the pilot asked permission to land normally and that the plane was at 2,000 feet and in proper alignment with the runway when the aged Soviet-built Tupolev 134 disappeared from the radar screen.

Bangladesh awaits flood of foreign aid

DHAKA, Bangladesh — High coastal tides induced by an approaching full moon and lunar eclipse prevented water levels from dropping in flood-stricken Bangladesh today as new rains swept the devastated nation, driving thousands more people into relief camps, officials and news reports said.

Most of the water inundating Bangladesh came from its three main rivers — the Ganges, Brahmaputra and Meghna — and their numerous tributaries that overflowed late last month following monsoon deluges in their catchment areas in northeastern India.

"We will have to bring Noah's ark to Bangladesh," lamented a water control board spokesman.

The setbacks were tempered by word that relief efforts would be boosted with the anticipated afternoon arrival of a Saudi Arabian cargo plane at Dhaka's Zia International Airport — the first of an expected wave of aircraft bearing critical foreign aid for the tens of millions of people marooned by the worst floods in Bangladesh's 17-year history as an independent country.

Pope leaves for African tour

ROME — Pope John Paul II left Saturday on a 10-day trip to five "front line" states bordering South Africa to preach peace, reconciliation and human rights.

The pope's special Alitalia Airline Boeing 747 left Rome's Leonardo Da Vinci airport at 8:05 a.m. (12:05 a.m. EDT) for the 8 1/2-hour flight to Harare, the capital of Zimbabwe.

John Paul made no statement before leaving the Rome airport where he was seen off by Vatican and diplomatic officials.

South Africa was conspicuous in its absence from the pope's itinerary. On the advice of the bishops of South Africa, he declined an invitation from leaders of the white minority government in Pretoria to visit their country.

In a surprise announcement on the eve of his departure, however, John Paul pledged to visit South Africa on a future trip. Sources at the Vatican said the pontiff might combine a stopover in Pretoria with a tour of Angola he is expected to make in the near future.

After leaving Zimbabwe, John Paul was scheduled to go to the three Commonwealth nations of Botswana, Swaziland and Lesotho and then conclude his trip in Mozambique, the former Portuguese colony plagued by more than a decade of guerrilla warfare.

In Harare, the pontiff was to deliver a major address at the closing session of a regional meeting of bishops from throughout southern Africa, which was convened to discuss the role of the church in the promotion of justice and peace.

Sakharov cites dangers to Soviet reforms

MOSCOW — Politburo member Yegor Ligachev is a "dangerous" force threatening to dismantle reforms initiated by Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev, human rights activist Andrei Sakharov said at a reception in his honor at the U.S. ambassador's residence.

Sakharov, recipient of the 1975 Nobel Peace Prize, spoke to journalists after being made an honorary member of the American Academy and Institute of Arts and Letters in a ceremony at Spaso House.

"Perestroika (economic restructuring) is a historical necessity," Sakharov said. "It would have happened sooner or later."

The nuclear physicist, known as the father of the Soviet hydrogen bomb, added: "I have the impression that since May of this year, perestroika has come into a very difficult stage — even a reversal."

Sakharov, exiled to the closed city of Gorky for seven years because of his dissident activities, returned to Moscow in 1986 and went back to work at the Soviet Academy of Science.

Hundreds dying weekly at Sudanese famine camps

United Press International

NAIROBI, Kenya — Sudan's catastrophic famine is killing hundreds of people each week at relief camps, and hundreds of survivors are "walking skeletons," relief workers say.

"The bells of the Apocalypse started to toll," the French medical organization Medicine without Borders said in a dramatic report distributed to diplomats and aid workers.

The report was based on firsthand accounts from members of the medical group working in the El Meiram refugee camp in southern Sudan.

A traveler who returned to Nairobi on Friday from the El Meiram camp, 420 miles southwest of the Sudanese capi-

The bells of the Apocalypse have started to toll.

—report from Medicine Without Borders

tal of Khartoum, said those who remained alive were in critical condition.

"The survivors were little more than walking skeletons," the traveler said.

The stricken region is the site of a five-year civil war pitting African Christians from the south against troops loyal to the Khartoum government, which draws most of its support from the Moslem Arab northern sector of the country.

A Western diplomat said in Khartoum that 364 of 1,940 200-pound bags of grain on a

train destined for the El Meiram camp were given to employees of local Moslem Arab farmers, who he said received as much as six times their normal ration one day before the remaining food was distributed in the camp.

The French medical organization said the weekly death rate at El Meiram is averaging nearly 5 percent and that an average of 40 people are dying each day at the famine camp 80 miles south of El Meiram.

The highest death toll at El Meiram was recorded in the last

week of July, when 475 people — most of them women and children — died after torrential rains and floods ended a 3-year drought and isolated much of southern Sudan.

Earlier this week, an influential southern Sudanese politician gave much higher figures on the death rate in southern Sudan. He said 8,000 people had died of hunger during the past five weeks in the town of Awel near the El Meiram camp. He said the famine has killed 50,000 people this year in southern Sudan.

Medicine Without Borders said it had never "experienced such high and alarming" mortality rates, not even in the famine camps of Ethiopia during that country's killer 1984-85 drought.

Violence sparks general strike in Argentina

United Press International

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina — Argentina's largest trade union confederation has called a new general strike to protest a government austerity program that hiked inflation 27 percent last month and police repression of anti-government demonstrations sparked by the economic hardship.

At least 67 people were injured, four of them seriously, during a day of rioting Friday in the aftermath of an eight-hour general strike. The violence was the worst political and labor unrest since President Raul Alfonsin ended the South American country's military rule when he took office in 1983.

Saul Ubaldim, secretary general of Argentina's General Labor Confederation, which is dominated

by the opposition Peronist Party, called for a 24-hour nationwide job walkout to begin Monday.

He blamed the violence that followed an anti-government rally and the general strike Friday on "brutal repression" by police.

But television broadcasts and reports from independent witnesses indicated that police held back for nearly an hour before stepping in to halt vandalism at shops in downtown Buenos Aires by Peronist demonstrators, who later began to fight among themselves with clubs and rocks.

Other witnesses said they saw members of right-wing groups attack a column of marchers from the Argentine Communist Party.

Hundreds of the demonstrators were armed with four-foot-long poles, which they used to smash store windows, battle police and spar with each other. The rioters also set bonfires in the streets of the capital.

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Stalin linked to Trotsky assassination

United Press International

MOSCOW — Josef Stalin hounded his bitter enemy, Leon Trotsky, for years and probably orchestrated his 1940 assassination in Mexico City, according to the late dictator's official biographer.

Excerpts from the state-sanctioned biography, written by Dmitri Volkogonov, were published Friday in Pravda newspaper, the official organ of the Communist Party.

The implication that Stalin ordered his arch-rival killed in 1940 by an ax-wielding assassin — contained in an excerpt of Volkogonov's biography, "Triumph and Tragedy" — represented an unprecedented admission by the Soviet government, which has previously disclaimed any responsibility in the murder.

Pravda devoted a full page to excerpts of the biography. Volkogonov, a military general and historian, was commissioned by an official party committee to write the first accurate biography of Stalin.

Before the advent three years ago of Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev's reform policies of "glasnost," or openness, Trotsky was an officially designated "non-person" who was never

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—From Dmitri Volkogonov's biography of Stalin

mentioned in the media, despite his role as a main leader of the 1917 Bolshevik Revolution.

Trotsky was second in rank to Vladimir Lenin, founder of the Soviet state, until Stalin outmaneuvered him in a succession struggle following Lenin's death in 1924, Volkogonov said.

Stalin eventually had Trotsky expelled from the Communist Party, exiled him to Central Asia and finally had him deported in 1929.

Volkogonov suggests in his biography that Stalin hounded Trotsky from country to country, masterminding two unsuccessful attempts on his life and then the fatal assault in Mexico in 1940.

After surviving one of the shooting attempts, Trotsky was paid a visit by Mexican police, Volkogonov writes.

"The police visited Trotsky and asked him whether Trotsky suspected anyone in the assassination attempt," he writes. "Of course, Trotsky answered. Leaning toward the ear of the police and not dispensing with his characteristic clowning, he said: 'Josef Stalin.'"

Finally, in August 1940, a man who had identified himself only as Jackson began working as an editorial aide to Trotsky. One day, he entered the exile's office with corrected proofs of an article.

Ironically, Trotsky at the time was bent over a table working on his own biography of Stalin.

"Jackson put his raincoat on a chair and, still unobserved, took out (a pickax) and, closing his eyes, struck Trotsky's head with

all his might," Volkogonov writes. "An awful shriek ensued. Trotsky's agony lasted for a day. Yes, Stalin wanted Trotsky dead ... Trotsky managed to understand Stalin inside and out, his motives and his intentions."

The assassin, whose real name was Ramon Mercader, a Spanish-born communist, was sentenced in 1943 to 20 years in prison for the murder of Trotsky. When released in 1960 after serving 17 years, he came to Moscow to receive a decoration and later died in Cuba.

The murder was never traced to Stalin, but Volkogonov derides the theory that Lavrentia Beria, the chief of Stalin's dreaded secret police, organized the assassination without direction from his brutal master.

Stalin, with a tight rein on propaganda machinery, was generally viewed during his life as a hero credited with winning World War II and industrializing the Soviet Union during his rule from 1924 to 1953.

But beginning with Nikita Khrushchev in 1956 and then again under Gorbachev, Stalin has been exposed as a murderer of his own people, who killed more than 10 million during his forced agricultural collectivization and had others worked to death in labor camps.

Firefighters brace as winds pick up

United Press International

OLD FAITHFUL, Wyo. — More than 9,000 firefighters braced for the "worst day" in the history of Yellowstone National Park, as winds that could reach 60 mph threatened 150,000 acres of previously untouched land.

A raging wildfire crept within 6 miles of the park's Mammoth Hot Springs headquarters on Friday, prompting 300 park workers to prepare for an evacuation as the last campground and lodge in the park were closed to visitors.

The shutdown marked the first time in the 116-year history of Yellowstone that the park has been closed to overnight visitors during the tourist season. National Park Service spokeswoman Debbie Rockwell said.

At the same time, an army of helicopters and ground crews combed the hills around the unpredictable Dinkelman fire near Ennis, Wash. to search for a missing helicopter piloted by two people.

Fire information officer Paul Hart said the Bell 204 has not been seen since before 7 p.m. Friday and no contact was made before that time to indicate the aircraft was in trouble.

The helicopter was being used to carry water from rivers to douse the fire.

The 39,000-acre Dinkelman blaze, the largest of several wildfires that have scorched 70,000 acres of timber in Eastern Washington, jumped a fire line and raced toward the Columbia River after forcing families in Lower Swakane Creek to flee. About 750 firefighters struggled to contain the blaze.

In Montana's Glacier National Park, a firefighter was killed by a falling tree Friday, becoming the fifth person to die in wildfires that have charred 3.8 millions acres of forests and rangeland in the West this year.

In Washington, meanwhile, President Reagan signed emergency legislation Friday that cleared the way for Canadian firefighters to join the battle against the western blazes.

The measure authorizes the U.S. Forest Service to reimburse the Canadian government for the cost of mobilizing its firefighting personnel and equipment. Congressional staffers have said 35 Canadian planes could be put into action as soon as Reagan signed the bill.

In Yellowstone, about 50 miles to the south of the park's headquarters, the North Fork blaze threatened the Old Faithful geyser compound again. Firefighters worked to hose down the historic Old Faithful Inn and other buildings.

Congress, courts step in to halt rail strikes

United Press International

Quick action by the courts and Congress sidetracked strikes in New York and Chicago by rebellious railroad workers that were causing delays for tens of thousands of commuters.

A wildcat strike by track workers in New York over mandatory overtime stranded thousands of Metro-North Commuter Railroad patrons Friday until the railroad obtained a temporary restraining order against the strikers.

U.S. District Judge Inzer Wyatt in Manhattan issued the back-to-work order, and by 1 p.m. Friday, the union ordered picket lines taken down.

Metro-North, which serves New York City's northern suburbs and Connecticut, ran a

reduced schedule for evening rush hour because trains had been stranded in outlying terminals in the morning, but commuters could get service at 20-to-30-minute intervals out of Grand Central Terminal, officials said.

"Everybody who shows up in Grand Central will be able to get a train and get home," railroad spokesman Noah Caplin said. "We have service in each station but there are fewer trains than usual and there may be more stops."

Trains were not overcrowded because some passengers chose instead to drive to the city, he said.

Police said highways did not appear more jammed than usual despite the extra evening traffic, but morning congestion created

long delays for frustrated commuters.

The railroad sued the union because of the walkout, asking \$1 million in damages.

The wildcat strike by members of the Brotherhood of Teamsters Local 808 left an estimated 180,000 commuters on Metro North's Harlem, Hudson and New Haven lines stranded in the suburbs.

Workers of 17 other unions, including engineers and conductors, honored picket lines of the workers who maintain tracks, trestles and other right-of-way facilities.

In Chicago, 16-months of fruitless negotiations, punctuated by two short-lived strikes, ended when federal lawmakers helped settle the labor dispute over train en-

between the Chicago & North Western railroad and the United Transportation Union.

The latest strike lasted nearly one hour Friday until President Reagan signed a bill that imposed a settlement on both sides, eliminating about 700 union jobs over the next six months, compared with the 1,150 the railroad originally planned to cut.

Union members criticized Congress for intervening in the labor matter, but C&N's 41,000 rail commuters expressed relief that the lingering dispute was over.

"We've achieved the best solution we can under difficult circumstances," said Sen. Paul Simon, D-Ill., the chief architect of the legislative action to impose a settlement.

OUT OF CONTROL

- **DAMAGE:** More than one million acres within the park have been burned. More than 150,000 acres of previously untouched land is threatened this weekend.
- **WINDS:** Firefighters are being hampered by unusually high winds that are expected to reach about 60 miles per hour this weekend.
- **PERSONNEL:** Some 9,000 firefighters are bracing for another day of battles against the fires. That number includes several National Guard and Army troops.
- **EVACUATIONS:** Park officials evacuated the last campground and lodge in the park on Friday.
- **A FIRST:** The park has been closed to visitors during the tourist season for the first time in 116 years.

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IN BRIEF

GOLF

Barr, Gallagher tied for lead

FRANKLIN, Wis. — Co-leaders Dave Barr and Jim Gallagher Jr., have different objectives in trying to win the \$700,000 Greater Milwaukee Open.

Barr wants revenge for his playoff loss to Corey Pavin for the 1986 GMO title while Gallagher is simply trying to win back a regular spot on the tour.

They both positioned themselves Friday after two rounds to accomplish their goals. Barr, who was a co-leader after the first day with Pavin, shot a 4-under par 68 and Gallagher a 67.

They were both at 10-under 134 for 36 holes. David Ogren, who had a 66, was two shots behind.



YACHTING

America's Cup: Conner rolls

SAN DIEGO — Dennis Conner may have won the America's Cup for the third time, routing the Kiwis by more than 21 minutes, but the tireless chairman of the New Zealand challenge team has vowed to fight the victory in court.

After losing the lead briefly on the first leg of the triangular course, Conner used his catamaran's superior speed to leave the monohull New Zealand miles behind and turn back the Kiwi's challenge in three hours, 27 minutes and 38 seconds. New Zealand's monohull finished 21:10 later.

"It would be hard for me to say that this was one of the most memorable or exciting (cup victories)," Conner said Friday. "It was a case of we had a job to do and we went out and did it."

FOOTBALL

Aggies ineligible for bowl

COLLEGE STATION, Texas — Texas A&M's reign over Southwest Conference football has ended.

The Aggies, who this year were seeking their fourth straight SWC title, were responsible for their own downfall as the NCAA Friday declared them ineligible for a bowl game. The SWC also banned them from competing for the league's football championship because of a series of major recruiting violations.

The NCAA, following a lengthy investigation, ruled Texas A&M had committed 16 violations and said the school had failed to "exercise appropriate institutional control" over its athletic department.

"The university's assistant football coaches, student-athletes and representatives of its athletic interests engaged in a variety of activities that demonstrated that these individuals had little knowledge of, or regard for, NCAA standards," the NCAA Committee on Infractions said in its report.

Texas A&M coach and athletic director Jackie Sherrill, in a two-hour news conference, accepted responsibility for the improper actions and apologized.

OLYMPICS

Winter site decided Thursday

SEOUL, South Korea — With the site for the 1994 Winter Olympics to be decided Thursday, the four rivals are lobbying for votes with enticing cuisine, polished presentations and pleas from heads of state.

Yying for the games are Anchorage, Alaska; Sofia, Bulgaria; Lillehammer, Norway; and the combined entry of Are and Osteraund, Sweden. All of those contending are losers in previous bids.

"We're offering to hold the event in a whole new area of the world," said Rick Nerland, executive vice president of the Anchorage Organizing Committee.

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'Noles blast Astronaut

Quick strikes pave way in 29-12 SHS triumph

By CHRIS FISTER
Herald sports editor

TITUSVILLE — There were plenty of lightning strikes to go along with the miserable weather in the Titusville area this past week, but none struck as quickly or were more lethal than the bolts that came from Seminole High's Fighting Sentinels.

The 'Noles came up with big play after big play Friday night as they lit up Titusville Astronaut's War Eagles to the tune of 29-12 in season-opening action before 5,501 fans at Draa Field.

"With our young kids, we were bound to make some mistakes," Seminole coach Emory Blake, said. "So we wanted to go ahead and knock them out in the first couple rounds."

Seminole will look to deliver another knockout blow this Friday when it opens defense of its District 4A-7 title at home against Orlando

Edgewater. Astronaut has another tough task this week as it hosts powerful Wildwood.

While Astronaut spent most of the first quarter working the ball up the field but unable to seriously threaten, Seminole struck for two touchdowns in less than two minutes — and both were scored by the defense.

The first came with 6:25 remaining in the opening quarter when David Willis picked off a pass from John Rothell and bolted 23 yards for a touchdown. Chuck Roll added the conversion kick for a 7-0 SHS lead.

On Astronaut's next possession, Seminole's defense struck again. This time, linebacker Kevin Nathan, who practically pitched a tent and camped out in the Astronaut backfield all night, broke through and put a vicious hit on Rothell who coughed up the ball. Ron Cox then picked up the loose pigskin and rambled 38 yards for a touchdown. Roll's kick made it 14-0 with 4:53

left to play in the opening quarter.

"The defense knew what we needed to do and they went out and got the job done," Blake said. "We had excellent performances from everyone who played. We made some young mistakes, but that was expected. Now, it's just a matter of correcting them."

Astronaut seemed to correct some of its early mistakes on its next possession, as it drove inside the Seminole 30 behind the running of Octavius Wooten. A holding penalty, though, moved the ball back to the 34 and the Seminole defense held tough on a fourth-down play as the Astronaut drive stalled.

The War Eagles finally did get on the board with 2:57 left in the half when Rothell connected on a pass over the middle to Bruce McKinney who raced untouched into the end zone to complete the 43-yard TD pass. Nathan then

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Oviedo upends Brantley

By MARK BLYTHE
Herald sports writer

OVIDEO — Frank Diaz racked up 130 yards rushing and Ron Worst connected on a 31-yard field goal with 6:12 remaining as the Oviedo Lions surprised a strong Lake Brantley team, 17-14, in a wet and muddy battle Friday night before 2,001 fans at Oviedo High School.

Oviedo, 1-0, will return to action next week at Dr. Phillips. The Patriots will open their District 5A-4 play next week against county rival Lake Mary.

"We couldn't throw the ball tonight because of the condition of the field and knew we had to control the football against a team like Lake Brantley," Oviedo coach Jack Blanton said. "I think the condition of the field helped us, they seemed to have a little trouble with their footing."

The Lions took control early and were unable to put the ball in the end zone. Brantley managed to score first in the second quarter to take the initial lead.

Brantley took the opening kickoff deep in its own territory and Oviedo was able to force a punt after three downs. The Patriots were forced to punt from their 10-yard line and Matt Miller got off a 38-yard boot.

The Lions Dana Allen returned the ball to the Brantley 18-yard line and gave them great field position on their opening possession. Oviedo marched down to the one-yard line before Brantley came up with a goal line snarl and took over on downs.

After punting the ball away

See Oviedo, Page 2B



Oviedo had its good moments both offensively and defensively Friday night. Above, defensive lineman Joe Black knocks Brantley ballcarrier Elroy Dantzel for a loop. Below, running back Frank Diaz outruns the Brantley defense for a touchdown. Oviedo triumphed, 17-14.



Final: Graf vs. Sabatini

United Press International

NEW YORK — With Chris Evert's default from the semifinal of the U.S. Open, the passing of a generation in women's tennis appears complete.

Neither Evert nor Martina Navratilova will take part in the women's singles final of the U.S. Open for the first time since 1974. Instead, the title will be decided today by a pair of teenagers, 19-year-old Steffi Graf looking to complete the Grand Slam by defeating 18-year-old Gabriela Sabatini.

Evert withdrew from the tournament due to a violent stomach virus that, she said in a prepared statement, made her body feel "like it's been through a war."

Dr. Gary Wadler, the tournament physician, said that if Evert attempted to play, it would be an "exercise in futility."

Graf did not lose a set to Evert in their last six meetings, but the 33-year-old veteran still wanted a chance to stop the West German.

"I got through all my previous matches with the girls I was supposed to beat," she said. "I was really looking forward to being part of her Grand Slam bid."

"I could have gone out there with no pressure, just hit out and really have given it a shot against Steffi."

Wadler said Evert's disappointment was obvious. "This is the twilight of her career and to have it now was particularly distressing."

Graf, winner of 33 consecutive matches, has lost only 13 games in her five Open matches. She learned of her semifinal walkover while watching television in her hotel room.

Lake Howell stuns Apopka, 14-3

Defense paves way as Silver Hawks stymie Blue Darters

By DEAN SMITH
Herald Sports Writer

APOPKA — Earlier in the week Lake Howell Coach Mike Bisceglia said he felt his team would have to play an almost perfect game to defeat Apopka. And that is what he got Friday night as his young Silver Hawks played near-perfect football to land Apopka a 14-3 defeat before 7,001 fans at Roger Williams Field Friday night.

"We were much improved over the jamboree last week," Bisceglia said. "We finally put a whole game together. Everyone played well. It was a great team effort."

It was another typical Apopka-Lake Howell battle that the fans have come to expect. Apopka had won the last two years by scores of 10-7 and 27-20.

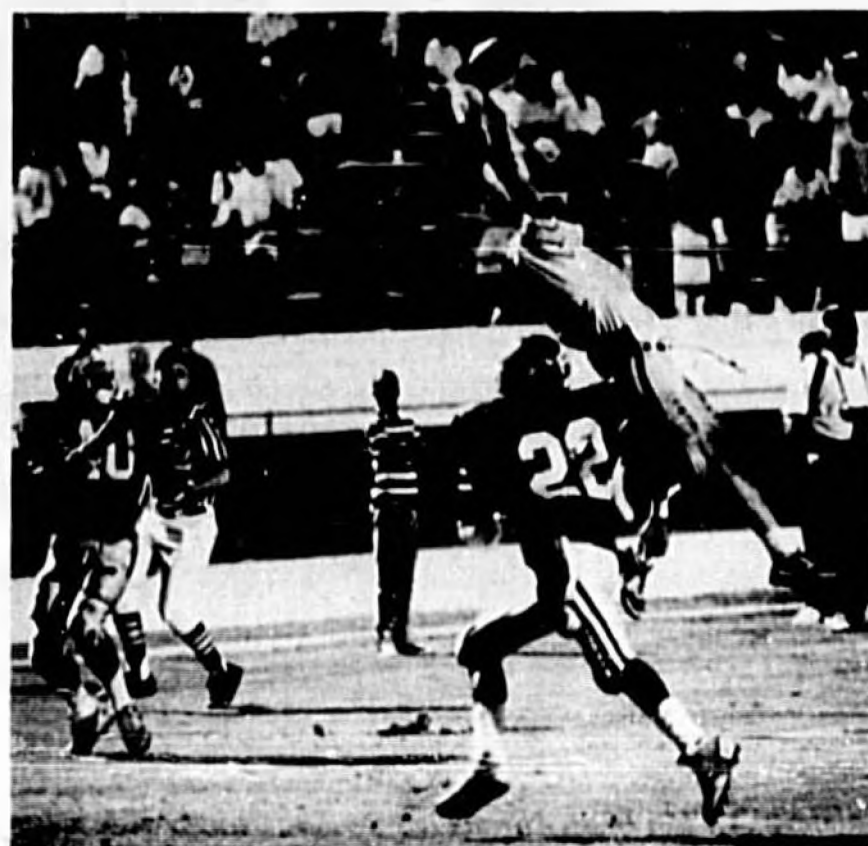
At the start, it did not look like it would be Lake Howell's night as on the third play from scrimmage a fumbled snap was recovered by Shawn Monroe of the Blue Darters at the Lake Howell 30 yard line. Monroe carried the ball three times for nine yards. Curtis Pollard ran for

one yard, and Wallace Henderson ran the ball six times for 17 yards, before Mike Tully was called on to kick a 24 yard field goal to make the score 3-0 Apopka.

After the kickoff Lake Howell took over on its own 17 yard line where Marquette Smith ran the ball four times for 34 yards down to the Apopka 49 yard line where Dan Vercek's pass bounced off Bob Leiflander's hands into the waiting hands of Apopka linebacker Derrick Clark who returned it to the Lake Howell 20 yard line, a personal foul moved it back to the 45, where Apopka was unable to move the ball against the strong Lake Howell defense and was forced to punt. Key plays were back to back losses of one and 17 yards on big hits by Greg Asile and Alex Ramirez.

Lake Brantley started from their own 17 after the punt and once again was moving the ball when the turnover bug bit. They had moved the ball down to the 11 yard line when another fumble stopped the drive. Apopka took over and ran it back out to mid-field before having to punt.

See Howell, Page 2B



Lake Howell defensive back John Bill goes high in the air to try and tip away an Apopka pass headed for receiver Lorenzo Woods (40). Lake Howell's defense held its own Friday night in a 14-3 victory.

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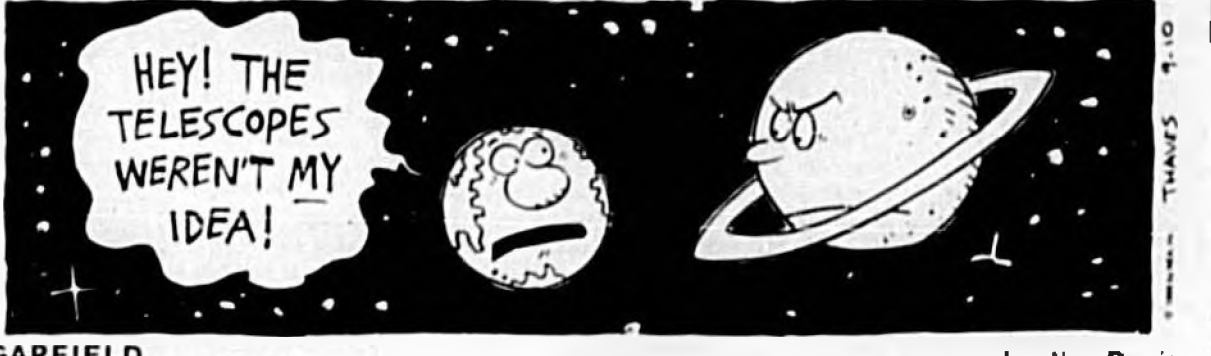
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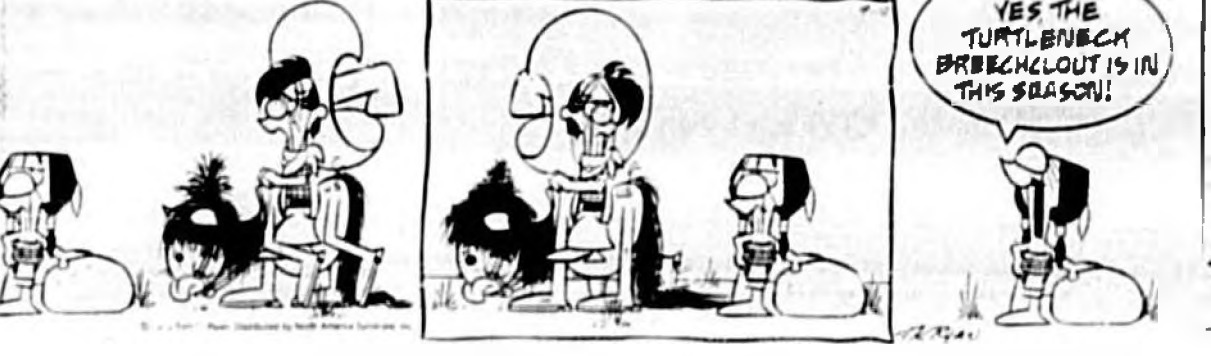
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What the day will bring...

By Bernice Bede Osol
YOUR BIRTHDAY
September 11, 1988

Interesting conditions will be developing for you in the year ahead where your career is concerned. Internal discord between principals could put you in an advantageous position.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Your leadership inclinations will be rather pronounced today, but make sure your directives and ideas are sound or you won't have many participants in the parade. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Today is not the day to make comments on something a friend did in the past which you still resent. Let the issue rest.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Today you may be tempted to take a gamble on something because of a misplaced confidence in a proponent of the venture. It's best that you reassess this person's validity.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) There will be more people observing your behavior today than you may realize. One who cannot be classified as friendly is hoping you'll stub your toe.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Fess up if you don't know how to do something today rather than trying to bluff your way through. It will be far less embarrassing than faking up.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Today, don't stick your nose into situations where it doesn't belong. You might get mixed up in something you wish you had avoided.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Decisions you make under duress today aren't apt to be wise ones. Don't let a manipulator put in you a corner where this could happen.

By Bernice Bede Osol
YOUR BIRTHDAY
September 12, 1988

Business arrangements that are built around conventional practices should work out well in the year ahead. When you depart from the norm, you'll be risking failure.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) It's best not to make sudden changes today in matters that have a direct bearing on your financial well-being. What you stir up might work against you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Matters you personally control should be generally favorable today. However, too much interference from others could change all that.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Possibilities for personal gam look very encouraging today, but you must strike while the iron is hot. If you tarry, your position could weaken.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) This should be a fun day, provided you mix with people with whom you're already friendly. An unfamiliar crowd doesn't hold as much promise.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Success isn't apt to elude you today if you are persistent in pursuing your goals. However, halfhearted measures will only produce lukewarm results.

ACROSS

- Ascot
- Scrooge
- Contender
- Over there
- Pope's scarf
- Author — Levin
- Turn the page (abbr.)
- Academy Award
- Poetic contraction
- Water holes
- Silly
- For two
- Explosive (abbr.)
- Composer: Jerome
- French shooting contest
- Actor West
- College group
- Chinese philosophy
- Cry of affirmation
- That thing's in the past
- Actress: Deborah
- The best
- Policeman
- God of love
- Sort
- Valley, Idaho
- Very small (pref.)
- Dog
- Thou
- Oxygen compound
- Spanish aunt
- Wheel track
- Nut pine of the Southwest
- Coal product
- Enzyme (suff.)
- Located
- Alley

- Adam's grandson
- Antlered animal
- Apr. 15 addressee
- Pouch
- High note
- Showed anew
- Small monkey
- Flower
- Poet Ogden
- Famous volcano
- School org.
- Onslaught
- Army
- Make a sweater
- Opp. of ends
- Coarse file
- Shakespearean villain
- Clothes tinter
- Of aircraft
- Damages
- Relative of bingo
- Male title

DOWN

- Steno's blunder
- Smallest particle

ARIES (March 21-April 19) If you have to perform a task you don't particularly relish today, be cognizant of safety precautions. Frustration or anger could lead to impetuous behavior.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) At a gathering with friends today, a pal might do something you'll find objectionable. Avoid admonishment in front of others.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Don't let things get off on a wrong foot today by criticizing your mate over minor infractions.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) You might have to deal with someone today whose opinions diametrically oppose your own. This person is just waiting for someone to knock the chip off his or her shoulder.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Joint ventures that don't cost you money could be worthwhile today. If you're asked to dip into your purse, start hauling out the microscope.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Go a few extra steps for associates who contribute to your well-being today. A lack of reciprocity could turn them off when you need them most.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Erratic reactions must not be allowed to creep into matters that affect your career or

earnings today. Strive to be cool, practical and level-headed.

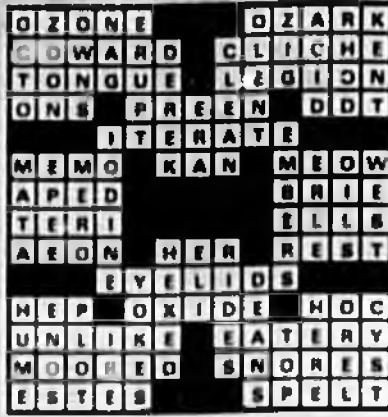
GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Overlook the minor faults and foibles of loved ones today. Cutting comments said even in jest could provoke an undesirable response.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Don't let the comments of an outsider influence your opinion of someone you like. This other party doesn't know this person as well as you do.

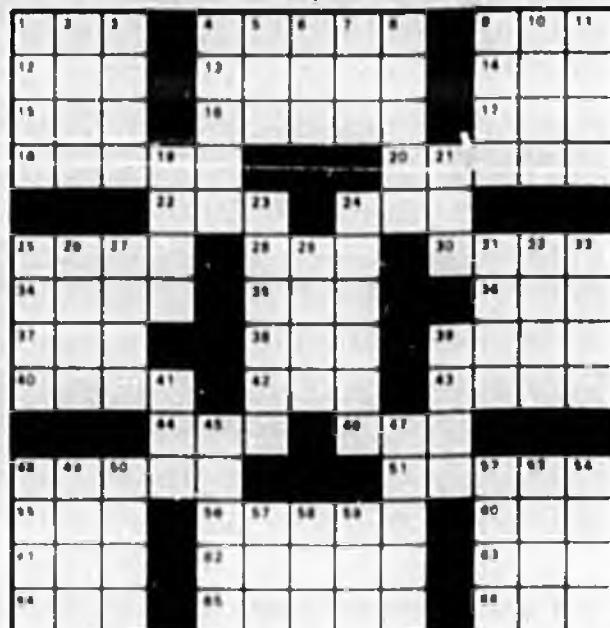
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Be yourself today and avoid all affectations in speech or demeanor. When you put on airs, the image you create won't measure up to the real you.

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Answer to Previous Puzzle



45 Circles
47 Overturn
48 Breckinridge
49 Adjective suffix
50 Adorable
52 Director
53 Hi or bye
54 Owl unduly
57 12, Roman
58 Bank payment (abbr.)
59 Female antelope



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QEMUAFOT BE OAKLBO LFO
ZKDDOFMTI DFEJ BBO
AMZOLZO ED JLUBKMBMET

CLU WLUFJOF
PREVIOUS SOLUTION "I've done the most awful rubbish in order to have somewhere to go in the morning" — Richard Burton.

WIN AT BRIDGE

By James Jacoby

Knowing the right percentage plays is certainly valuable. However, when you have been around competitive bridge a few decades, you realize that there are a few great players who seem to know when to throw percentages out the window and just play their table intuition. In this hand from "Murder at the Bridge Table," watch how Vic Mitchell played a simple little three-diamond contract to confound West, who thought he had a sure set in hand.

When the opening queen of spades lead was allowed to hold the trick, it seemed reasonable to West to continue the suit. South won the king, crossed to dummy with a club and cashed the spade ace, on which he threw his singleton heart. He then ruffed a heart, played a club back to

dummy, ruffed another heart and played another club to dummy. He ruffed a spade, noting that East did not ruff in with a diamond honor. Following his table intuition, he now exited with the jack of diamonds. West had to win and give up the last trick to the declarer's 10-spot.

Certainly it is a better percentage play to win the ace of spades at trick one and play a diamond from dummy. That will allow declarer to make the contract whenever diamonds split 3-2. But the point of the actual play is that Vic Mitchell knew from some sixth sense that West had all the diamonds, so he played the hand the only way it could be made. Follow my advice — don't you try to do that.

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♠ A 4 4 2			
♥ K 10 8 5 3			
♦ 8			
♣ A K Q			
WEST	EAST		
♠ Q J 5	♠ 10 8 7		
♥ 7 2	♥ A Q J 9 4		
♦ A K Q	♦ 4		
♣ 5 4 3	♣ J 10 7 2		
SOUTH			
♠ K 3			
♥ 6			
♦ J 10 7 6 5 3 2			
♣ 8 6 6			
Vulnerable East-West Dealer: South			
West	North	East	South
Pass	Pass	Pass	3♦
Opening lead ♠ Q			

PEANUTS



by Charles M. Schulz

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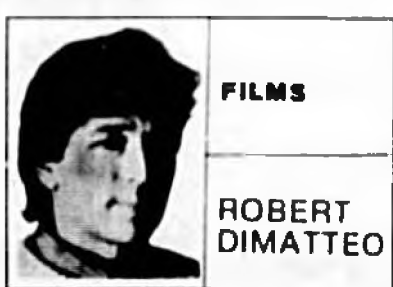
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Strength of white supremacy too embellished in 'Betrayed'

In Movie Theaters BETRAYED (R) Greek director Costa Gavras, master of the political thriller, tries his hand at an American setting in this intermittently powerful, ultimately overblown movie.



ROBERT DIMATTEO

Winger's dual life—especially in the tension created by her divided loyalty to the two men. The movie allows for some shades of gray complexity here: After a while, the methods of the FBI and the racists start to look almost equally corrupt.

But the film goes too far, giving the white supremacists too much power, and suggesting a conspiracy that extends to other levels of society. In the past, Costa Gavras has shown a sometimes limited, largely negative understanding of the United States. Here, it gets out of hand. After working up a full head of steam, the movie falls apart in the second half as Winger puts herself in compromising situations that make her seem downright stupid. GRADE: 2½ stars

New Home Video HAIRSPRAY (PG) RCA/Columbia, \$89.95. From John Waters ("Pink Flamingos") comes this comedy of teens in

1962 Baltimore. The result is a deliciously campy musical satire. Waters' casting of the lead role is inspired; Bibbly Becki Lake makes her screen debut as Tracy Turnblad, an overweight miss who becomes the hottest mover on the local TV dance party "The Corny Collins Show," and the leader of a protest against the all-white policy of the show.

In this, his last movie, the late Divine is triumphantly funny. He plays two roles: Tracy's mountain-chested, perpetually ironing mom, and the slimy male owner of the TV station. GRADE: 3½ stars

PROMISED LAND (R) Vestron, \$89.98. A coming-of-age movie that was developed at Robert Redford's Sundance Institute, this is an earnest, lyrical portrait of four Middle-American kids (Meg Ryan, Kiefer Sutherland, Jason Gedrick and Tracy Pallan) after high school. It's meant to be a study of a generation growing up without a clear sense of the future, but a lot of the evidence seems familiar and melodramatic. GRADE: 2½ stars

(Film grading: 4 stars — excellent, 3 stars — good, 2 stars — fair, 1 star — poor)

(Robert DiMatteo is a movie critic for Newspaper Enterprise Association.)

University heads instilling altruism in students' hearts

United Press International PROVIDENCE, R.I. — In the 1960s and early '70s, involvement in social issues—be it anti-war protests or helping a neighbor—was as big a part of college life as classes and homecoming.

It gave way in the '80s to the personal career aspirations and self-generated materialism of the "Me Generation." And that trend bothered higher education officials.

A survey by UCLA and the American Council on Education found college freshmen of one year ago overwhelmingly interested in making bundles of money, but not overly concerned about helping others, with commitment to public service at a 20-year low.

College presidents have taken the lead in bringing back an atmosphere of altruism and social consciousness on their campuses.

At the behest of the presidents of Brown, Georgetown and Stanford universities, the Education Commission of the States created the Campus Compact in November 1985. It is a coordinated project for public and community service designed to develop volunteerism as a key part of the college experience.

It is working. A Campus Compact survey taken in 1985 showed 15 to 20 percent of college students were involved in community service projects. A November 1987 Gallup Poll showed the number had risen to 35 percent.

It is a coast-to-coast movement now involving 142 colleges and universities from Arizona to Wisconsin and Maine to Oregon. The schools are large and small, both two-year and four-year.

A dozen Brown students spent the summer in 15 urban neighborhoods in the Bronx, N.Y., clearing vacant lots for parks and getting neighbors to take care of the sites in the future.

College students are becoming more aware that they have a responsibility to the community. They are already responding to the urgent needs they see around them and becoming deeply involved in public service," says Commission president Frank Newman, former president of the University of Rhode Island.

At Brown University, Brown Student Outreach is the largest campus organization, and has grown from 500 to 900 students in the past three years. Its 57 projects include a big brother-big sister program for children whose siblings or parents suffer from cancer.

At Susquehanna University in Selma, Pa., students adopt community service programs by residence hall. They include adopt-a-grandparent visits to the elderly, big brother programs and working in senior citizen day care centers.

At Vassar College in Poughkeepsie, N.Y., students teach basic literacy and English as a Second Language programs to prisoners at Greenhaven state prison, a maximum security facility in nearby Stormville.

The University of Michigan has 10 programs in which students can earn college credits while tutoring "at-risk" students, those most susceptible to dropping out.

The message these programs hold for students is that freedom carries some responsibilities.

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VIEWPOINT

Music can help tell a whole lot of stories

It's true, so say those who are supposed to know such things, that music is the language of love.

It is also the language of a lot of other things. Music plays a great part in our lives every day. It can put us in the right mood for a romantic evening. It can make us angry, sad, happy or just plain depressed.

Music is as much a part of our everyday routines as changing our socks.

And speaking of changing our socks, it's time to talk about the Florida State Seminoles and their rap video.

You remember the story, don't you? It seems someone talked the football players in Tallahassee into making a video in which players — primarily ones from the starting lineup — discuss their various gridiron talents and expound on their invincibilities — both as a team and individually.

The idea didn't set well with head coach Bobby Bowden. He wasn't particularly pleased with the result. He didn't scream or yell about it but he didn't invite the participating players to a celebration dinner either.

The only usable quote from Bowden in discussing the video was, "If they lose, they'll have to eat that thing."

But the players seemingly shrugged it off and went about their business last week of preparing to do battle against intra-state rival Miami, the defending NCAA champion.

After their trip to Miami and a 31-0 drubbing at the hands of the Hurricanes, a rap video was the last thing on the Seminoles' minds when Monday morning rolled around and later that afternoon when practice started.

I don't know exactly how it turned out but knowing Bowden, he probably showed up in the locker room with a bunch of copies of the video, some appropriate comments and reminded the players about the "they'll have to eat that thing" quote.

Anybody got a fork?

That particular incident was intriguing to me. You'll recall the Chicago Bears made a similar video the year they won the Super Bowl. It apparently worked for them.

Last year, the L.A. Raiders made a video much like the one Chicago did and promptly fell flat on their collective faces. It didn't work for them.

In an attempt to take advantage of this new interest in music, and being especially interested in the presidential election, I decided it was high time I came up with my own version of song to tell what needs to be told about who should occupy the White House next year.

There is a difference. This is not a rap song. I can't rap and I don't mind admitting it. Instead, this particular number is sung to the tune of "The Battle of New Orleans," a very popular melody which was the creation of Johnny Horton several years ago. The song doesn't have a title, but it does sum up, and accurately I think, the race for the White House.

In 1988 we took a little trip. Along with George Bush down the mighty Mississippi. We took a real strong platform and the country's favorite dreams. And we fought Michael Dukakis in a town called New Orleans.

We fired our guns but the liberals kept a-coming. There wouldn't as many as there was awhile ago.

We fired once more and they began to running. Back up toward Massachusetts just as fast as they could go.

Old Mikey tried to hide behind the budget deficit. And he said that he could fix it if we'd help him just a bit. We asked him if his home state wouldn't just about sink. They owe \$400 million and they're drowning in red ink.

(Repeat Chorus)

Old Jesse was out there jamming with the best. Kept talking about coalitions, talked a rainbow on his chest. Mikey called him in one day and told him not to pout. Asked him to be patient, told the man to just chill out.

(Alternate Chorus)

They ran through the briars and they ran through the brambles. And they ran through the bushes where Gary and Donna used to hide. They ran so fast, Lloyd Bentsen couldn't keep up. He wheezed and slipped and fell before they reached the other side.

On election day Mikey, he was nowhere to be found. He was embarrassed by the totals and was living underground. The day that Bush took office there were parades, balloons and birds. We said the Pledge of Allegiance but Mikey didn't know the words.

See what I mean.



It's a dead heat

Dukakis, Bush dueling for critical footholds

United Press International

WASHINGTON — As the presidential campaign hits its traditional Labor Day intensity, a hard-charging George Bush is making strides outside of his base, a struggling Michael Dukakis is trying to keep open holes he punched in Republican strongholds and the race appears as close as possible.

In one of the most dramatic shifts of the campaign, the GOP vice president in the past three weeks has stolen the momentum from Dukakis who now finds himself searching for a new theme to re-energize his candidacy and allow him to set the agenda, rather than defensively react to Bush.

At the same time, due to the early stage of the race and the fact that public opinion polls have shown tremendous volatility, it seems likely that much of the critical support for both candidates is soft and the contest is susceptible to a number of other shifts before November.

Those observations were backed up by a newly completed United Press International survey of the 50 states and the District of Columbia, which showed that two months before Election Day, both camps have locked up very few states and they each hold only tiny leads or are deadlocked in the five or six large states that will eventually decide the race.

With about eight states so close that it is impossible to determine even which way they are leaning, neither Bush, the GOP vice president, nor Dukakis, the Democratic governor of Massachusetts, lead in

enough states to generate the 270 electoral votes needed for victory in November.

Also, many of the leads the candidates hold appear to be so slim that minor changes could completely shift a number of states — prompting potentially massive movements in electoral votes since a state's popular vote winner takes all of its electoral votes.

The survey, based on published statewide polls and interviews with voters and political analysts in the states, shows Bush apparently holding his "firewall" support base in the South and West, with 27 states totaling 236 electoral votes leaning his way.

Dukakis, meanwhile, is basing his strength in the Northeast, according to the survey, but also has made some headway in the Midwest and West, which faithfully supported Ronald Reagan in both 1980 and 1984. The 15 states where he has an apparent lead, plus the District of Columbia, gave him an electoral vote total of 171.

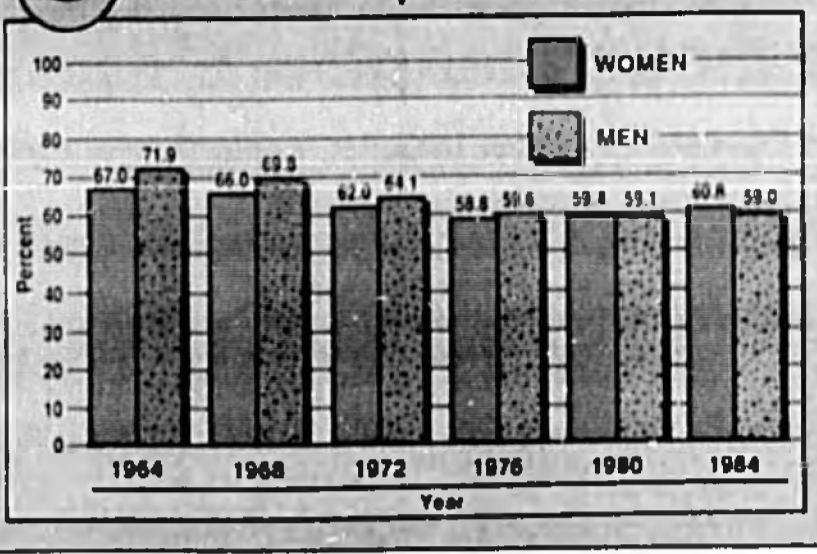
The eight states rated as toss-ups hold the remaining critical 131 electoral votes, including a 47-electoral vote bonanza in California and 24 from Illinois.

Although revealing a virtual dead heat, the results are far better news for Bush than they are for Dukakis, who appears to have had substantial leads evaporate in a number of states in the last three weeks as Bush has mounted a strong campaign since the Republican National Convention.

That theory is supported by the actions of the Dukakis campaign, which recently has been searching

WHO VOTES

Voting patterns of men and women in presidential elections



for a new message to counter Bush's persistent attacks that the governor is too liberal and inexperienced to effectively lead the nation.

In campaign stops across the country Dukakis has been on the defensive, finding himself responding to Bush's charges and not being able to get his message across.

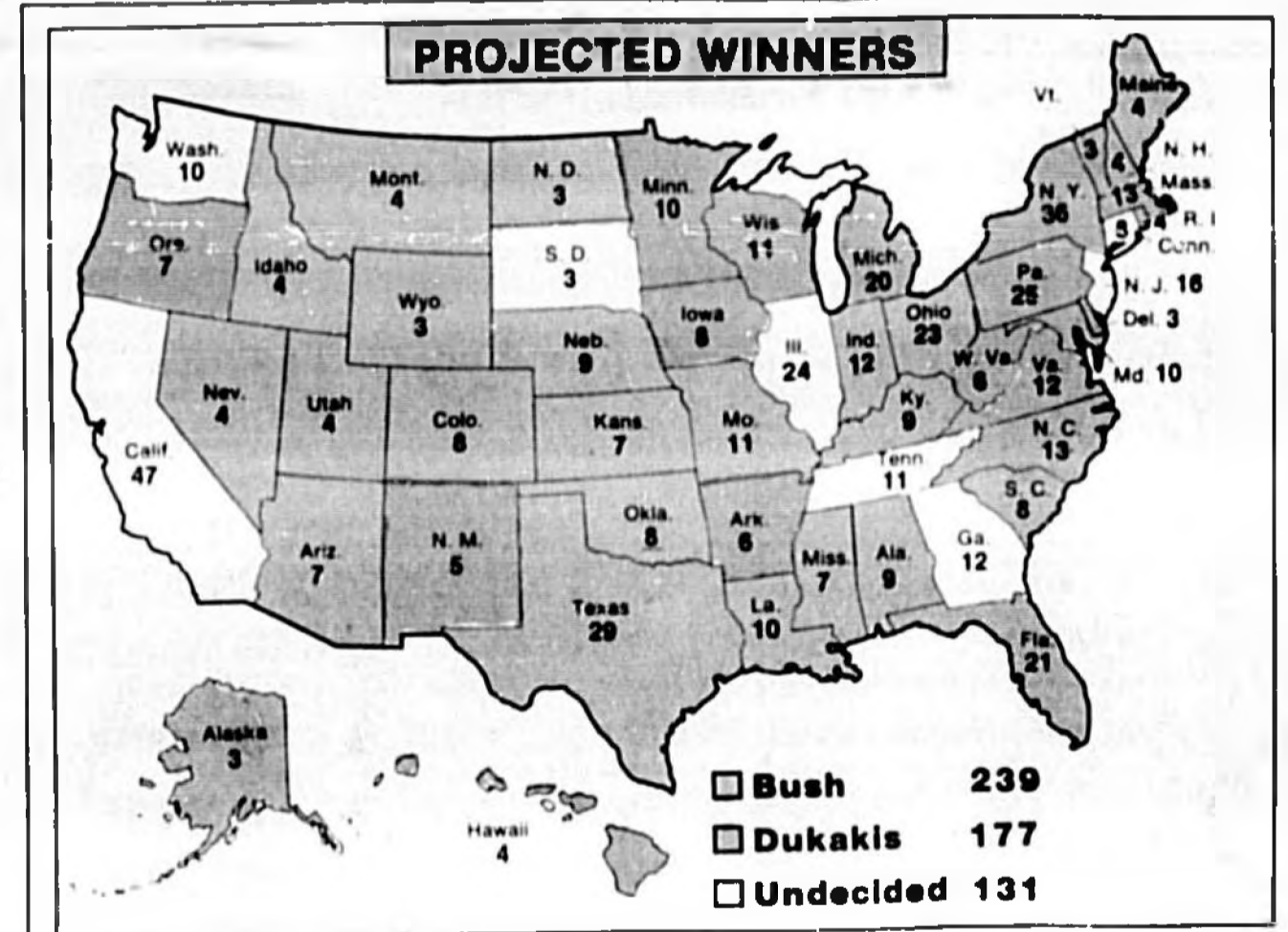
He has tried several different tactics, but for the last two weeks has been unable to control events to the same degree as Bush. Even as he has insisted that he wants to keep the campaign on issues and above personal attacks, Dukakis has been trying to match Bush's attacks with his own negative campaigning.

And, in what could be interpreted in some corners as a desperation move, Dukakis late last week rehired former top aide John Sasso, a virtual Dukakis alter ego who last year was forced out of the campaign

after he helped undermine the presidential bid of Democratic Sen. Joseph Biden of Delaware.

Sasso's actions — secretly compiling and releasing a videotape comparing Biden's speeches with those of British Labor Party leader Neil Kinnock — were not by themselves devastating. However, he was forced to leave after Dukakis had insisted that no one in his campaign had anything to do with the tape.

Dukakis also has tried throughout the campaign to make a major issue out of the so-called sleaze factor — repeatedly attacking former Attorney General Edwin Meese and arguing that public officials must be held to an extremely high standard. In announcing the rehiring of Sasso, Dukakis defended his aide by noting, "There was nothing illegal." **See Duel, Page 6D**



Each state is crucial in a close race

United Press International

WASHINGTON — The presidential race between Republican George Bush and Democrat Michael Dukakis is showing every sign of being dead even after Labor Day.

The following are the results of a United Press International survey of the battle within the 50 states, grouped by region. Included are each state's electoral vote.

NEW ENGLAND

Massachusetts — Dukakis is expected to carry his home state and its 13 electoral votes, although new polls have shown the race tightening.

Connecticut

Democrats have not carried the state in a presidential election in 20 years, but neighbor Dukakis has a shot at its eight electoral votes. However, Bush was raised in the state and his father represented it in the Senate. A toss-up.

Maine

With four electoral votes, Maine is leaning to Bush, who has a summer home in Kennebunkport. Dukakis could be helped by the proximity of Massachusetts.

New Hampshire

With four electoral votes, New Hampshire is Bush territory. Dukakis's New England connection could help, especially since he effectively blocked New Hampshire's Seabrook nuclear plant.

Rhode Island

Dukakis is a solid bet to carry neighboring Rhode Island and its four electoral votes.

Vermont

The state, with three electoral votes, appears to be leaning toward Dukakis, although it has gone GOP in every presidential election in 134 years, except for Lyndon Johnson's 1964 landslide.

New York

The biggest prize of the region, with 36 electoral votes. However, the candidates have not paid much attention to the state, which is leaning toward Dukakis mostly because Democrats outweigh Republicans in voter registration. Democrats have won the last four gubernatorial contests, but the state has gone to the GOP in three of the last four presidential elections.

Pennsylvania

The Keystone State and its 25 electoral votes is close but appears to be leaning to Dukakis. Bush has been trying to appeal to Reagan Democrats and seems to be making inroads with his opposition to gun control, favored by Dukakis. In Dukakis's favor is that despite the economic recovery, there are pockets of heavy unemployment in the state.

New Jersey

With 16 electoral votes, New Jersey last went Democratic in a presidential election in 1964. But Dukakis has high hopes and considers it a crucial swing state. It is rated as a toss-up.

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Governor's races may spell doom for Republicans

United Press International

WASHINGTON — Republicans made major strides two years ago, but the trend likely will end when voters in 12 states choose governors in November elections.

Currently, 27 states have Democratic governors and 23 states are run by Republicans, seven more GOP governors than in 1984-86.

An official of the Democratic Governors Association predicts the GOP win streak will end.

"I think we'll probably pick up two to four states," said Charles Dolan, the group's executive director. He said he thinks Democratic candidates in Utah, Indiana, North Carolina, West Virginia and New Hampshire have good chances of seizing GOP-controlled statehouses.

Dolan's counterpart at the Republican Governors Association said if Republicans only hold the line, it will be a victory.

"Historically, if the party in the White House is defending the White House during a presidential election year, that party loses two to three gubernatorial seats," said Michele Davis, the group's executive director. "So based on that trend, we should lose two to three seats. I feel confident that won't be the case."

Governors seats are up for grabs in Delaware, Indiana, Missouri, Montana, New Hampshire, North Carolina, North Dakota, Rhode Island, Utah, Vermont, Washington and West Virginia.

Former Salt Lake City Mayor Ted Wilson, a Democrat, appears likely to win his primary opponent to go on and oust Utah Republican Gov. Norm Bangert, who is taking the blame for a 1987 tax increase of \$160 million — the largest ever in the state.

In Indiana, the 1980 defeat of three-term Democratic Sen. Birch Bayh by GOP vice presidential candidate Dan Quayle is being recalled because Bayh's son, Evan is running for governor.

Bayh's huge lead has dwindled considerably since Quayle joined the Republican presidential ticket. Bayh, a Democrat, is facing GOP lieutenant governor John Mutz. Gov. Bob Orr is ineligible to seek a third term.

Arch Moore is the first governor in West Virginia history to seek a fourth term. A Republican in a Democratic-dominated state, he is **See Governors, Page 6D**

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EDITORIALS

Realistic pledge for candidates

"What is it about the Pledge of Allegiance that upsets him (Michael Dukakis) so much? It is very hard for me to imagine that the Founding Fathers, Samuel Adams and John Hancock and John Adams, would have objected to teachers leading students in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States."

—Vice President George Bush

"If a serious candidate for the presidency seriously suggests that he would sign a bill even though the Supreme Court of the United States told him it was unconstitutional, then how can he be qualified to be president of the United States? What does it mean to take the oath of office?"

—Gov. Michael Dukakis

Indeed, it's difficult to believe that two grown-ups running for president in this perilous age have nothing better to argue about than whether school children should recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Pledge of Allegiance is an emotional issue. Those who believe children should have the right to recite it in unison want to instill patriotism in our youth. But those who believe children should not be forced to take an oath have an equally important goal — to protect freedom of belief.

Both sides have a strong point to make. Who can say which side is right? The Founding Fathers aren't available for comment on the issue. The Supreme Court rejected such a requirement in the early 1940s, but the opinion dealt with a single sect. Fathers and mothers of school-age children disagree about it among themselves.

The issue arose because Gov. Dukakis vetoed a bill that required the pledge to be recited in Massachusetts schools. He first consulted the Supreme Judicial Court of that state. Its opinion said:

"Any attempt by a government authority to induce belief in an ideological conviction by forcing an individual to identify himself intimately with that conviction through compelled expression of it is prohibited by the First Amendment."

The Massachusetts Legislature overrode the veto and made the pledge bill into law. But it's not enforced in the schools and probably is unenforceable.

This bothers some people and not others, as could be expected for such a symbol-laden issue. The question arising from the candidates' pseudo-debate is: Are Bush and Dukakis running for school board?

A president certainly doesn't have the authority to order schools across the country to say the pledge. And would we really want someone in the White House who tried to enforce recitation of the pledge with the might of the commander-in-chief?

The next president of the United States will have far more important things to do than deciding what school children say in unison, or voluntarily.

Perhaps Bush and Dukakis and their running mates should take another pledge:

I pledge allegiance to the highest levels of political debate.

I pledge not to play on emotionalism.

I pledge not to bring up bogus campaign issues.

I pledge not to throw spitballs at my opponent.

I pledge not to drag children into the mud of politics.

Of course, no candidate would take such a pledge. It would violate the first principle of politics in the media age: Avoid real issues at all costs.

Berry's World



"I was NOT in a brawl at a bar. I was in a brawl on the Morton Downey Jr. show."

ROBERT WALTERS

U.S. foreign food aid is misguided

SAN FRANCISCO (NEA) — Billions of dollars worth of foreign aid disseminated throughout the world "are neither eradicating poverty abroad nor buying security for the United States," asserts a liberal research group here.

On the other side of the country, a conservative research organization distributes a policy paper accompanied by a press release whose headline proclaims: "U.S. Foreign Aid Policy Has Failed."

Although left and right rarely agree on contemporary public policy issues, they long have shared thoroughly justifiable contempt for this country's foreign aid program.

Notes the San Francisco-based Institute for Food and Development Policy, also known as Food First:

"The results thus far fail to satisfy either side in the debate that has long dominated foreign aid policy — the liberal desire to meet humanitarian needs and the conservative position that aid should serve our national security by protecting our strategic interests."

Because foreign aid is channeled through the political and military elites of recipient countries, it reinforces an existing social and political order that invariably subjugates the poorest members of society most in need of the assistance, explains Food First co-founder Frances Moore

Lappe. "It often hurts the very people it's meant to help. Over two out of five foreign aid dollars are

military. They're often used to put down dissent. That doesn't feed hungry people — or build democracy," she adds. "Contrary to popular belief, most U.S. aid goes to governments which chronically abuse human rights."

Of the approximately \$15 billion in foreign aid distributed by this country annually, slightly more than two-thirds consists of Economic Support Funds and Military Assistance, collectively known as Security Assistance.

The federal government says those funds are earmarked "to stem the spread of economic and political disruption and to help allies in dealing with threats to their security and indepen-



Money is used to perpetuate the status quo

dence." In other words, the money is used to perpetuate the status quo rather than to aid the needy.

Moreover, of the just under \$77 billion distributed in all types of foreign aid between 1981 and 1986, almost 37 percent went to only two countries — Israel and Egypt — in the form of Security Assistance.

Food assistance constitutes only slightly more than 12 percent of all foreign aid, with most of it provided through the Food for Peace program — an operation harshly criticized by the Heritage Foundation based in Washington, D.C.

"While sometimes alleviating hunger in the short run, the program usually lowers the price at which Third World farmers can sell their crops. This depresses local food production making it harder for poor countries to feed themselves in the long run," says a Heritage-commissioned analysis.

"Food for Peace, in fact, is mainly an aid program for U.S. farmers, allowing them to dump their crops in Third World countries while the U.S. taxpayer foots the bill," adds that critique.

In some countries, the Food for Peace program has led the same people for years, encouraging the formation of a semi-permanent welfare class. (C)1988, NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE ASSN.

JACK ANDERSON

Boom, bust cycle looms

WASHINGTON — Ten committees and subcommittees of Congress and a presidential panel are investigating the stock market crash of last October. But, to date, all of their fusing has done little to protect the market from a similar disaster.

In fact, conditions are ripe for another boom and bust cycle, and they will not change until Washington bureaucrats stop wasting their energy on turf battles and start cooperating for the public good.

We have interviewed top Wall Street and regulatory officials, and their conclusions are all the same. As one expert told us, "Stock markets are headed for a repeat of Oct. 19, and this time we will do it faster because we can handle more volume quickly."

One factor predicted to push the market up

is the return of individual foreign investors. Foreign corporations have continued to buy on the New York Stock Exchange, but their aim is to get a foothold in American corporations. Individual foreign investors were a major factor in the booming markets of 1986 and 1987. But after the crash they cashed out of the market and went home. Wall Street money men expect to see those individuals return in the very near future.

The flow of foreign money could give the market a push that could send the Dow Jones Industrial Average to about 2,500. Currently, about 42 percent of the money invested in world stock markets is in the Tokyo Stock Exchange and 32 percent in the New York Exchange. Our sources are watching for foreign investors to begin pulling their money out of Tokyo and putting it in New York.

With the indicators pointing toward another boom-bust disaster, the federal effort to put some brakes on the market is floundering.

There is little political motivation in Washington to reform the system. The interagency regulatory panel appointed by President Reagan is hobbled by the egos of agency heads who don't want to give up an inch of their power to a cooperative effort. The Chicago Board of Options and the New York Stock Exchange are arguing over who should handle the futures trading. Much of the blame for the October crash was heaped on the Chicago market.

Congress itself, with its 10 committees and subcommittees working on the issue, is more interested in looking for someone to blame if the market collapses again than in coming up with reforms to prevent another crash.

RECRUITING SPIES — The case of Clyde Conrad, the former U.S. Army sergeant suspected of spying in West Germany, is just the tip of the iceberg. Our Pentagon sources fear that many other American soldiers have been lured into espionage by the Soviet bloc.

Soviet and satellite intelligence services have dangled bait in front of thousands of American servicemen in a massive effort to recruit spies from the U.S. armed forces.

Here is how the recruiting often works. It will begin with a letter from some front group, with a West European address, offering money for "research." If the serviceman bites the hook, the research will start out innocently enough with unclassified material. But gradually, the serviceman will be paid to move into classified areas, until the research turns into espionage.

Our sources believe there are dozens of servicemen supplying the Soviet bloc with classified information.

By Jack Anderson and Joseph Sosa
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There is little political motivation in Washington to reform the system

GEORGE F. WILL

Use money to buy time

WASHINGTON—People like Michael Fortino are probably necessary, but is it necessary for him to be so depressing? Probably. He lives in Pittsburgh (which has suffered enough) and runs a consulting firm specializing in "priority time-management training," a new form of efficiency studies. His slogan should be, "You shall know the truth and it shall make you neurotic."

He says he has determined that over a lifetime the average American spends seven years in the bathroom, six years eating, five years waiting in lines, four years cleaning house, three years in meetings, one year searching for things, eight months opening junk mail, six months sitting at red lights. He also says the average married couple spends four minutes a day conversing and the average working parent converses 30 seconds a day with children.

Even if not all of those numbers describe your life, they are nevertheless cumulatively depressing. They underscore the fact that life is cumulative and we do in fact measure out our lives in coffee spoons or small activities.

Think of something, anything, you do for the minor pleasure of it. When you calculate its cumulative cost in time, the pleasure will evaporate. At least it will if you are, as Americans tend to be, determined to streamline your life for enhanced efficiency.

You say that for about 175 days a year you devote 15 minutes a day to reading baseball box scores? You wastrel. Try enjoying the sports pages tomorrow knowing that over 50 years your diversion devours 2,187 hours, or nearly 55 weeks of eight-hour working days.

Much of what we do we cannot avoid doing—shaving, commuting, shopping and all the rest of life's maintenance functions. It is shattering to calculate that you will spend 120 hours in the next decade brushing your teeth (assuming just two minutes a day). A depressing sense of being nibbled to death by ducks comes over you when you think how much time is consumed by demands that are little in themselves but not in their accumulation.

Let it be said of Fortino that he is as American as mass-produced apple pies and his profession has a fascinating pedigree. Its founding father was Frederick Taylor, pioneer of the "science of shoveling" and other applications of scientific management.

As historian Daniel Boorstin writes, it was not until clocks and watches became common that it became possible to analyze work in small units of time. Mass production made such analysis profitable: Assembly lines can move only as fast as the slowest task can be

performed.

This was one of those perceptions that, years later, look banal. But at the time it was a blazing insight. It blazed from Taylor, one of those creatively obsessed persons whose mania for efficiency led him to wear loafers in an era of high-button shoes, thereby saving Lord knows (and Taylor knew) how many minutes a year.

The exertion of being a valedictorian of his Exeter class produced in him a physical breakdown, for which a doctor prescribed manual labor. Taylor became a machinist and then a revolutionist, reshaping the concept of work.

His method was to break every factory operation down to its elementary components of workers' movements and then find the most efficient way to perform each. After three

years of studying shovels and shovelers at a steel mill, 140 men were doing work previously done by 600 and were being paid 60 percent higher wages.

"Scientific management" became famous in 1910 when Louis Brandeis, representing shippers, convinced the Interstate Commerce Commission to deny some railroads a rate increase because more efficient management of the railroads would produce sufficient profits. The human cost of the passion for efficiency was the reduction of workers from craftsmen to interchangeable parts in a relentless process of the sort Charles Chaplin satirized in "Modern Times." But this human cost led to a new science.

A long, close study of six women assembling telephones at a Western Electric plant showed that no matter what variable varied, from the organization of the work to the sleep, the women got the night before, their productivity improved. Suddenly it dawned on the researchers: Research itself—the show of concern for the workers—was enhancing efficiency. As Boorstin says, the "science of human relations" was born. The quest for efficiency led to a more humane workplace.



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Health/Fitness

IN BRIEF

Stop smoking classes set at CFRH

Getting to the reason a person smokes is basic to learning how to quit during the Smoking Cessation classes beginning September 12 at Central Florida Regional Hospital.

The free introductory session set for the 12th from 10 to 11 a.m. will be followed by the treatment phase scheduled for September 19, 20, 21 and 22 from 10 to 11:30 a.m.

Maintenance classes will be held from 10 to 11 on September 28 and October 3. All classes are held in the hospital classroom.

"There are many reasons an individual smokes," explained Nancy Edwards, RN, the CFRH instructor. "Stimulation, relaxation, craving, habit, tension reduction and just the simple ritual of smoking are the major ones, however, none of these out weigh the hazards to one's health if smoking is continued."

Peer pressure, co-workers complaints and society's changing views are being added to the over riding reason to quit smoking for health reasons. Behavior modification techniques are employed to help attendees discontinue the habit, hopefully permanently. However, if one needs a refresher, a participant can attend additional classes during the year free of charge.

To register and for additional information, call Central Florida Regional's education department, 321-4500 or 668-4441, extension 607.

Adolescent hospitalization seminar slated

Mental-health professionals who treat adolescents with emotional or drug-abuse problems sometimes must recommend hospitalization as the last treatment modality.

When in the course of treatment is hospitalization advised, what to look for in a psychiatric hospital program for adolescents, and the pros and cons of the various treatments will be some of the questions answered during the September 16 Grand Rounds.

Martin Lazaritz, M.D., Medical Director at HCA West Lake Hospital, and a board-certified Child Psychiatrist will speak on this controversial subject during the educational seminar to be held at the hospital from 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

The program is free of charge and is open to the public. One contact hour will be offered to professionals including nurses, marriage and family therapists and school psychologists.

HCA West Lake Hospital is an 80-bed psychiatric facility owned and operated by Tennessee-based Hospital Corporation of America. Located at 589 West State Road 434 in Longwood, this hospital offers programs in Child Psychiatry, Adolescent Psychiatry, Adolescent Chemical Dependency Treatment, Adult Psychiatry, Adult Chemical Dependency Treatment, Geriatric Seniors and Prime Time, a day-treatment program for senior adults.

Cancer patients series planned

Cancer treatment, nutrition, body image and self esteem/sexuality are among the many topics covered in an American Cancer Society education program for cancer patients and their families called, "I Can Cope."

"I Can Cope" seeks to help participants deal with the disease and take an active role in their own health care. The course will be offered for the third time at South Seminole Community Hospital starting Wednesday, September 21, 1988 from seven to nine, p.m., and will continue through seven consecutive Wednesdays, ending November 2nd.

"I Can Cope" classes give participants an opportunity to share their concerns with others having the same experience and realize they are not alone in their adjustments to everyday life," said Lisa Smith, Director of Education at South Seminole Community Hospital. "Those with cancer and their loved ones need ways to cope with fears and anxieties as well as with the disease."

During the course, information will be offered in an education format by professionals in the field of cancer management, including James Geratley, M.D., Radiation/Oncologist, on Living with Cancer; Dr. V. Iyengar, Hematology/Oncologist, on Cancer Diagnosis, Treatment, New Methods and Research Progress; Ms. Pam Mosure, R.D., Dietician at South Seminole Community, on Dealing with Daily Health; Ms. Debbie Shannon, M.S.W., Director of Social Services -SSCH, on Understanding your Emotions, Self-Esteem and Sexuality. Ms. Shannon will also coordinate a session with speakers from various support groups and resources in the community. A session on Keeping Active in Mind and Body will also be offered featuring Kert Flores, Director of Physical Therapy-SSCH, and Helen Sullivan, Stress Management Specialist.

Registration for the free, seven-week course is limited. For information and to register, call Lisa Smith, Director of Education or Debbie Shannon, Director of Social Services at South Seminole Community Hospital, at 767-1200.

40 million PMS sufferers find hope

Young women spell relief d-i-e-t

By CAROL RUMBEY
Herald staff writer

Forty million women in this country suffer from premenstrual syndrome. Most are in their late 20s or 30s, leading active lifestyles with families, careers and hobbies. Many don't know it's PMS they suffer from, perhaps, have never even heard of it. All they know is the discomfort, pain, depression and anger they're feeling.

But today the number of women seeking out information on PMS is growing. They have heard about it through newspaper and magazine articles, television programs and just chatting with friends. They're learning they're not alone. The result — women are beginning to ask questions and demand real answers from physicians and counselors.

Some 150 physical and emotional symptoms have been associated with the disorder, according to the PMS Research and Information Center, Inc., in Clearwater. Symptoms include dizziness, migraine headaches, sore throat, food cravings, breast tenderness, fatigue and even asthma.

For Starlyn First, 34, of Orlando, the monthly bouts with depression began to interfere with her career, and weaken her sense of well-being.

"The last time it happened, I stayed home for two days," she said. "I didn't want to tell anyone, I mean I told my friend but no one else knew. I lied — made something up. I felt horribly depressed. There was an overwhelming feeling of doom."

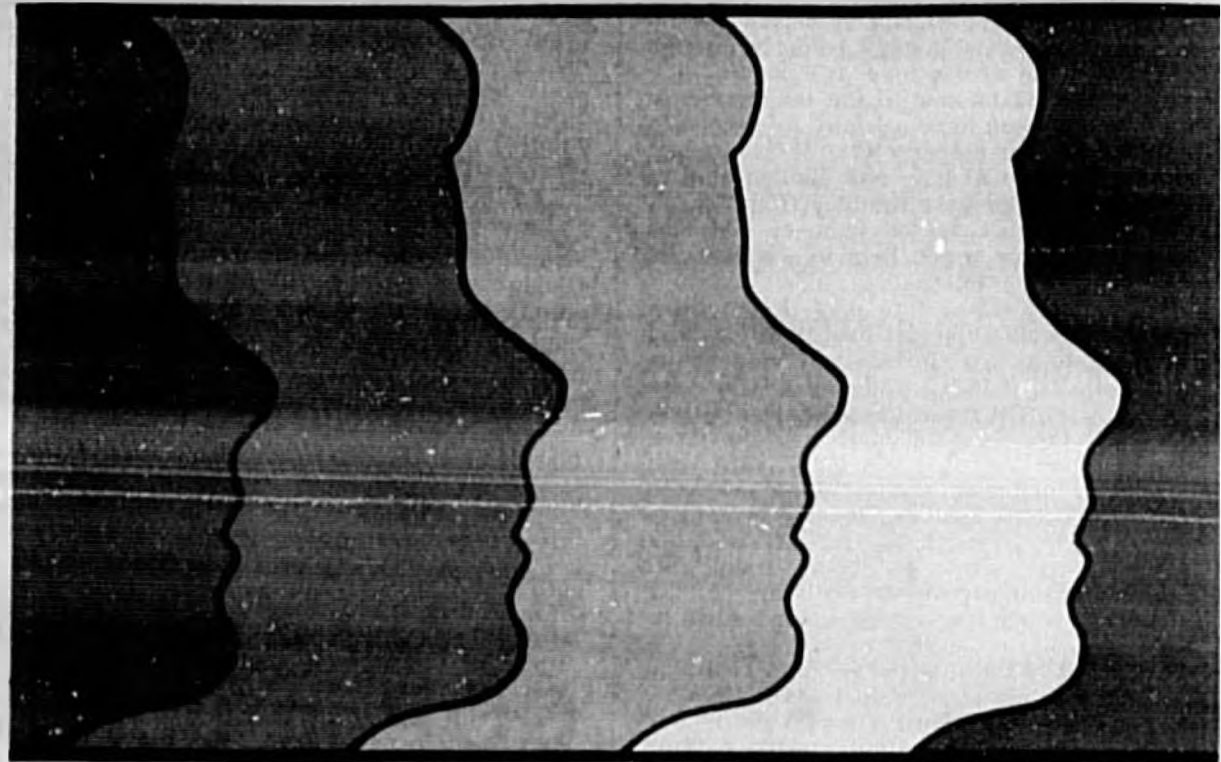
Like many PMS sufferers, her problems surfaced in her late 20s and worsened with each year that passed. Finally it got so bad, she didn't want to face anyone or anything. She feared she might be crazy. What was happening to First was a very real symptom common to PMS.

First is a bright woman with a career in advertising, good friends and a love for reading. She is normally active and happy, so her inability to control her emotions frustrated her, and even stirred up a little guilt.

She had heard of PMS, read about it, began to suspect she might have it, and mentioned it to two of her friends. They in turn responded with further articles from health magazines and medical journals for her to read. This was the first positive step.

She began charting her down slumps and found it happened quite consistently 10 days before the start of her period. The timing of attacks is commonly cited as the most important aspect to diagnosing PMS, and the first real move toward finding some relief.

The number of women eager to learn about PMS surprises



even Nancy Christiansen, nurse education coordinator for The Center for Women's Medicine at Florida Hospital in Orlando. The center organizes seminars four and six times a year addressing the topic. Christiansen says it is the most popular of the seminar series, with 50 to 75 in attendance each time. A seminar on breast cancer drew far less than half that number. Husbands and boyfriends also come to the PMS seminars to educate themselves about the disorder and learn ways they can help their mates cope.

The program at Florida Hospital encourages women to reduce their intake of salt, sugar and carbohydrates, and to avoid caffeine, alcohol, cigarettes, canned or processed foods and artificially sweetened foods. The diet focuses on complex carbohydrates and lowfat milk products.

First calls it just normal healthy stuff, but the deletion of caffeine has made a major change in her life. "I won't say I'm cured, but so far so good," she said.

Once diet and exercise pro-

grams have been exhausted, sometimes vitamin supplements or hormone therapy are recommended. First began taking vitamins B-6, C, D, and alpha-E plus calcium, magnesium and zinc supplements. She had read about the vitamin therapy in a magazine and was anxious to try it, to try anything that would provide relief.

Lisa Hadley, director of the PMS Research and Information Center, formerly had severe bursts of anger and found progesterone to be helpful for her PMS. "At first (seven years ago) I didn't recognize that this was a cyclic phenomena. I wasn't charting at all and it didn't seem

to have any cyclic pattern." The Florida Hospital program suggests a reduction of stress in women's lives. Although the purpose is not to provide specific techniques to lessen the PMS, rather that women adopt a realistic and positive attitude for managing stress.

First said the only drawback to her diet, exercise and vitamin program has been a week of headaches that followed her dropping of caffeine from her daily menu.

For more information contact The Center for Women's Medicine at Florida Hospital, 767-2260. Or contact the PMS Research and Information Center, Inc. at 813-725-2120.

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Scientist suggests bacteria alter DNA to ensure survival

By DELTHIA RICKS
UPI Science Writer

LOS ANGELES — New Harvard studies have revived interest in a theory of evolution scientists had cast aside years ago.

The idea of acquired characteristics was advanced by 18th century French naturalist Jean Baptiste Lamarck, who asserted that all life forms acquire crucial traits because of needs created by their environment.

These new characteristics, he reasoned, were then transmitted to offspring.

But as data on the process of heredity accumulated, scientists rejected Lamarckism, most believing there was no way it could work. Now new hints from Harvard researchers offer a return to the old debate.

The scientists altered a type of bacteria in the lab making them unable to survive on a certain type of sugar. But they found the bacteria counteracted with genetic mutations — changes in their DNA — which permitted them to thrive on the food source.

Once mutated, the bacteria passed the trait along to their progeny, which also were able to utilize the sugar, the experiments showed.

Back in Lamarck's day, some scientists wondered if the idea of

acquired characteristics made any sense, while others pondered how such passage of traits might work.

"This was also something that worried Darwin," explained biologist John Cairns who led the Harvard analyses. "He was a great believer in acquired characteristics. He just didn't know of a mechanism that would allow it to work."

Cairns, who said he is still searching for that mechanism and who believes he has clues that it may exist, focused on the bacteria known as E. coli in experiments reported in a recent issue of the British journal Nature.

"We're not extrapolating this to other animals," said Cairns. "That's like saying because you pump iron and develop strong arm muscles you will have children with muscular arms. Virtually everyone would be disinclined to believe that."

"This really doesn't mean much beyond E. coli unless someone can find evidence of this in higher animals," he said.

Cairns, who works in a laboratory at Harvard's School of Public Health, plans to focus only on bacteria.

He found in two sets of experiments that organisms genetically altered so they could not use lactose (simple milk sugar) neither died nor initially

proliferated when placed in a lactose medium.

Within days, however, evidence of genetic mutations were apparent when the bacteria showed signs of adapting to their environment by thriving and growing in what should have been a chemically inhospitable environment.

Such adaptation allowed the bacteria in Cairns' studies to be in control of their own evolution, essentially initiating genetic changes that ensured both their survival and, in a sense, that of the species.

Lamarck's theories had been further undermined by experiments in the late 1940s by scientists at Caltech and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

These studies showed that mutations in a colony of bacteria may pre-exist, aiding in their survival when exposed to viruses, drugs and other harmful conditions.

"We really don't know if bacteria can direct their own mutations," said molecular biologist Barry G. Hall of the University of Connecticut, who noted that the mutated genes in Cairns' bacteria may have existed all along.

"They may have kicked in when things got rough," he said, allowing the bacteria to thrive on lactose.

Infant lung disease survivors stay healthy

By **REBECCA KOLBERG**
UPI Science Writer

WASHINGTON — Most babies who win their battle against a life-threatening respiratory disorder can be expected to grow into normal, healthy adults with no major breathing problems, a new study shows.

Doctors at Vanderbilt University Hospital in Nashville, Tenn., looked at the lung function of 22 young adults who as premature infants were treated for hyaline membrane disease in the mid-1960s. President John Kennedy's newborn son, Patrick Bouvier Kennedy, died of the disease in 1963.

The disorder, which occurs primarily in premature babies, is characterized by failure of the lungs to expand properly and a

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Dr. James Sheller
Vanderbilt University

deficiency of the fat-protein mixture coating the lungs' inner lining. It gets its name from a glassy membrane found in victims' lungs.

Although many infants can be saved by therapy involving forced air flow and antibiotics, about 25,000 U.S. babies die of hyaline membrane disease each year.

Survival rates appear to hinge on a baby's birth weight. Infants

weighing 3.5 pounds have a 95 percent chance of survival while those with weights just over a pound have only a 30 percent to 50 percent chance.

Of the 22 adult survivors of hyaline membrane disease, all but two showed normal pulmonary function in a battery of tests, said Dr. James Sheller, who directed the Vanderbilt study.

"This confirms that most such

infants are growing up with normal lungs," Sheller said. "We were very gratified to see that."

The survivors, who ranged in age from 18 to 22, also proved to be no more susceptible to asthma than members of a control group and did fairly well on exercise trials, he said.

The pulmonary medical specialist said as the infants grew up, they were generally "looked after very carefully" when they contracted colds, bronchitis or other respiratory problems common in childhood. However, they received no special breathing exercises, he said.

Of the two patients found to have impaired pulmonary function, one smoked cigarettes and also suffered from recurring bouts of bronchitis, Sheller said that case may indicate some people who survive hyaline membrane disease may be more susceptible to environmental hazards like cigarette smoke and viral infections.

But most of the survivors, Sheller said, "could do pretty much what they wanted in terms of physical activity." He said one of the young adults currently plays a wind instrument in a major symphony orchestra.

"I think the message is that children who survive hyaline membrane disease are going to turn out to be normal and that really is very encouraging," Sheller said.

WW II POWs still suffer

ATLANTA (UPI) — More than 40 years after the end of World War II, former American prisoners of war still suffer emotionally and physically from their experiences, psychological researchers indicate.

Former POWs, some now in their 80s, suffer sleep disturbances, irritability, guilt, depression, aggressive tendencies and thoughts of suicide.

Physical symptoms reported by the aging former POWs include chest pain, rapid heartbeat, numbness in the extremities and numbing weakness.

Japanese-held POWs have a "significantly higher percentage" of physical symptoms than German-held POWs, psychologists reported at a recent national conference of the American Psychological

Association. Japanese-held POWs also suffered higher percentages of depression due to loneliness, nightmares, thoughts of suicide and prolonged helplessness, the researchers reported.

"There are clear indicators that some veterans continue to experience traumatic stress associated with their capture and POW status," said Thomas Miller, a psychologist at the Veterans Administration Medical Center and the University of Kentucky in Louisville.

Miller and his associates studied 86 former POWs to assess current adjustments to post-military life and to determine their susceptibility to post-traumatic stress disorder.

Another study yielding similar results was conducted at the Veterans Administration Medical Center at the Medical College of Georgia in Augusta, Ga. That study involved 71 former POWs, predominantly from World War II and ranging in age from 56 to 80.

The Augusta study, headed by psychologist Shelby Spert, also revealed what he called the "surprising finding" that the duration of imprisonment did not cause significant differences in the results, although this might have been thought to be a prime stress factor.

Charles Stenger of the American Ex-prisoners of War

Association said "if you go through those kinds of deprivations, you continue throughout the rest of your life to have damage."

Stenger said the belief that "when it's over, it's over" is a myth. "Those in the profession realize it's not over. The symptoms recur later in life."

Some former POWs functioned reasonably well throughout life "but are now falling apart," he said.

Stenger said most POWs are not ashamed that they were taken prisoner, adding that a POW medal recently authorized by Congress had given former prisoners a tremendous morale boost.

The deprivations suffered by World War II prisoners and American prisoners in other recent wars is nothing new, Stenger said. He noted that during the American Revolution, the British kept American prisoners on a ship in New York harbor where dysentery and smallpox killed them at a rate of 10 a day.

Stenger said based on data supplied by the Department of Defense, National Archives, National Re, the U.S. has 78,264 living former POWs from World Wars I and II, the Korean and the Vietnam wars. A total of 142,227 Americans were captured during those wars and 17,026 died in captivity.

Childbirth said risky for diabetics

Mothers-to-be with insulin-dependent diabetes run twice the normal risk of bearing a child with birth defects, unless they keep their disease under strict control during the critical first weeks of fetal development, according to a University of Florida obstetrician.

Although special programs exist at UF's Health Science Center and at many other medical facilities to guide expectant mothers with diabetes through safer pregnancies and childbirth, most women seek help only after they are well along in the pregnancy, says Dr. Kenneth Kellner. Kellner directs the special obstetrics and gynecology team within UF's Diabetes Research, Education and Treatment Center.

"There is mounting evidence that much of the increase in congenital malformations in infants of women with diabetes results from high blood glucose levels during the first 8 to 12 weeks of fetal development," said Kellner, an associate professor of obstetrics and gynecology at UF's College of Medicine. "We need to enroll women in programs of special medical care prior to pregnancy, achieve good glucose control and maintain it through that critical period while the fetus is developing."

UF's diabetes and pregnancy program is made up of a team of specialists, including nurses, nutritionists and obstetricians who provide care tailored to each woman's needs, and reduce most of the risks associated with diabetes and pregnancy to levels experienced by women without the disease.

High levels of blood glucose have been implicated in medical problems that range from overweight, difficult-to-deliver infants to abnormal fetal development. Because tremendous hormonal changes take place during pregnancy, it becomes especially difficult to control blood glucose levels in women with insulin dependent diabetes.

"Most complications in newborns and in mothers with diabetes can be controlled through strict regulation of the mother's blood sugar levels," Kellner said. "We educate patients to take better care of themselves by keeping track of their own blood sugar. Once they learn to predict how their levels will react to a given food or activity, they can make appropriate insulin adjustments and establish good control. It usually takes several weeks."

Elizabeth Maynard of Gulf Hammock is the proud mother of a healthy baby girl named Sarah. "The program made me realize I was responsible for my baby while she was inside me," Maynard said. "I learned the right and wrong things to eat, and how to keep my blood sugar

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