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For Life-Care Facility

Sanford Gives Feather More Time

By DONNA ESTES
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The pressure is off County Commissioner Robert G. "Bud" Feather for at least the time being.

The Sanford City Commission at a special meeting Monday afternoon agreed to waive temporarily its right to reacquire on March 1 the 8.8-acre tract on which Feather plans to build a \$16 million life-care facility.

But the waiver is going to cost Feather \$54,500. The sum must be paid to the city within 90 days or the property will revert to city ownership for a payment of \$100,000.

The new agreement between Feather and the city is to call for:

- The city to remove the reverter clause in the contract once the \$54,500 is paid.
- Feather is to pay the city \$10,000 on March 1 of each year beginning in 1984, in addition to regular property taxes. And that annual payment is to continue until the first phase of his project is constructed and the city has issued certificates of occupancy for the units.
- Feather must also include in the deed for the property a covenant that the property and its improvements will remain on the tax rolls.
- Feather was so pleased with the agreement hammered out during the 90-minute meeting Monday that he

hopped, skipped and jumped from his seat in the audience to the commission table to shake each commissioner's hand.

Feather's attorney Edgerton van den Berg and City Attorney Bill Colbert are to prepare the new contract for approval by the city commission and execution by Mayor Lee P. Moore at the commission's meeting next Monday at 7 p.m.

Before the compromise was reached, Commissioner Milton Smith stuck tirelessly to his position that the city should reacquire the property, have an appraisal conducted to determine its market value and then give Feather the right of first refusal.

The commission also discussed setting its own value on the property. A \$226,000 price tag was considered, minus the \$100,000 original sales price. The \$226,000 is the appraised value of the tract set by the Seminole County property appraiser's office for tax purposes. And Moore announced he felt a \$300,000 value was appropriate.

Feather came up with the final sum that started the compromise. He arrived at the figure by noting the \$226,000 appraised figure minus the \$117,000 the city received in the original sale to Altamonte Springs entrepreneur Tom Rucker several years ago. Feather offered to pay the city half the difference.

It was from Rucker that Feather acquired the property with city permission last June. Feather revealed a week ago to the city commission that he paid Rucker some \$300,000 for the property. That sum shows in documentary stamps on the deed as well as a \$150,000 mortgage to Sun Bank.

The proposed construction site is located behind the Evening Herald building and fronts on the Lake Monroe lakefront.

Feather brought with him to the commission meeting not only his attorney but also two prospective partners in the development of the life-care center—Dennis O'Keefe, a Clearwater architect with O'Keefe and Associates, and Harold Wining, both of whom have vast experience in the development and operation of nursing homes and health care facilities.

To city commissioners' complaints that he had not moved forward with his project since he acquired the property, Feather insisted he had acted in good faith, had a feasibility study completed and gained a certificate of need for 60 nursing home beds from the state during the period. He said he needed someone who knows about life-care centers and now he has done that also.

As the conversation went on and on, Smith said he wanted to talk about nuts and bolts. "I'm tired of procrastinating about the land," he said. "My nuts and bolts

are the \$400,000 I'm going to lose." (If the city takes the property), Feather said.

Conversation ended when Moore said he wanted Feather to go ahead with the project and he wanted Feather to pay for the privilege. Moore suggested to his colleagues on the commission that they discuss what they thought Feather should pay. Feather then came up with the offer to pay \$54,500.

While Smith was still standing with his position, stated earlier, Farr suggested the terms finally agreed upon. In pushing settlement, Farr said he was trying to have a little compassion for what Feather has done. Farr noted that the commission was "getting heat from the people of Sanford."

O'Keefe said brick on the first phase of the life-care facility could be laid within a year.

Farr said under the new deal it would be of benefit to the city of Sanford if the project never got off the ground. "This will benefit the city of Sanford in the long run," he said. "It will be on the tax rolls and we'll never get the property back. And if he doesn't pay, we'll foreclose."

Feather said while the plans for all phases of the development call for 400 apartment units, 150 nursing home beds and a 1/4 acre commercial strip, the first phase will contain 250 apartments and 60 nursing home beds.

Board, Unions In Talks

Negotiations will begin between Seminole County school officials and representatives of four unions which serve district employees today to set 16 teacher work days not included in the 180-day school calendar.

School Board negotiator Ernest Cowley said the negotiations will begin at 4:15 p.m. today at the Seminole Education Association office on 25th Street in Sanford.

Cowley will meet with the remainder of the union representatives later this week. Besides the SEA, which represents teachers, representatives of the non-instructional personnel, bus drivers and clerical workers' unions will also negotiate the contract with the district.

Cowley will also begin negotiations soon on the impact of a four-day work week for school board employees during the summer months.

The school board has considered reducing the work week in the summer in an effort to reduce costs.

Cowley said he would not reveal the district's plan but said the basic concept is to compress five days work into four days.

"Seventeen boards used it last year," Cowley said. "Orange County saved \$140,000 last year."

The school board has not decided to adopt the four-day work week but Cowley said the negotiations will provide information to them in the event board members decide to use the plan.

—MICHAEL BEHA.



SPREADING SUNSHINE

La Shawn Merrick, 7, had to stand on tiptoes when the second graders from Mrs. Nancy Kyle's class at Idyllwild Elementary School in Sanford each picked an orange from a tree in the yard of C. L. Butner on Vihlen Road. This year's citrus crop in Central Florida has been a good one, better than last year.

Goard Gets Elections Job

Sandra S. "Sandy" Goard was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Seminole County Supervisor of Elections Camilla Bruce today by Gov. Bob Graham.

Mrs. Goard, 38, who has worked in the elections office in Seminole for nearly six years, was Mrs. Bruce's personal choice for her successor. Mrs. Goard's appointment takes effect next Tuesday, the date when Mrs. Bruce's resignation becomes effective.

Frank Alvarez, Graham's deputy director for appointments, said he notified Mrs. Goard about her appointment this morning and the paperwork on the appointment was to be completed and sent to her this afternoon.



SANDRA GOARD

"I'm so happy, I don't know what to do. I am really pleased," she said immediately after being notified of the appointment.

Not only was Mrs. Goard the choice of Mrs. Bruce, she was also the favorite of most of the city clerks in the county with whom she had personally worked on city elections. And many of the courthouse officials had sent letters on behalf of her appointment to the governor.

Mrs. Goard said today that she received copies of 25 to 30 of the letters which had been sent to Tallahassee supporting her candidacy. "I will personally acknowledge each letter and express my appreciation to those people," she said. She noted she does not personally know some of those who sent letters.

Among the elected officials who urged the governor to appoint Mrs. Goard were: Sheriff John Polk, Clerk of the Circuit Court Arthur H. Beckwith Jr., county Tax Collector Troy Ray, county Property Appraiser Bill Suber and Longwood Mayor June Lormann.

"A lot of poll workers with whom I've worked in the past also wrote letters of support," she said.

A native of West Virginia, Mrs. Goard and her husband of 19 years, Garnett D., moved to the Geneva area of Seminole County in 1966.

For a period of five years, Mrs. Goard worked as a secretary for

the Bendix Corp. at the Kennedy Space Center before she accepted a job as a secretary in the Seminole County Commission office in 1973, moving to Mrs. Bruce's office in 1977. She has served as Mrs. Bruce's office manager. In recent years Mrs. Bruce said Mrs. Goard came to know more about the state election laws than she did.

The secretarial courses Mrs. Goard took in high school stood her in good stead in all the jobs she has held.

Mrs. Bruce has held the elections supervisor's office in Seminole County since her appointment in November 1951 by then-Gov. Fuller Warren, after the resignation of Lourine Messinger. She has been subsequently elected to eight consecutive terms.

Mrs. Goard will serve the remainder of Mrs. Bruce's current term which extends to Jan. 8, 1985.

Mrs. Bruce, 68, said today, "I'm just thrilled to death with the appointment. I couldn't see anyone else getting it. I'm delighted."

Mrs. Bruce's last day on the job is to be Monday after 31 years and a few months in the courthouse office.

"I don't know exactly what I'll be doing after Monday," she said. "My daughter said she will keep me busy."

—DONNA ESTES

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Crooms Merger With Seminole Eyed

By MICHAEL BEHA
Herald Staff Writer

A school district advisory committee recommendation that students at Crooms High School be merged into the student population at Seminole High School will be considered by the Seminole County School Board.

At its meeting Wednesday at district offices at 1211 Mellonville Avenue in Sanford, the board will set a work session to discuss the controversial issue of combining the two Sanford schools. The question has come before the board before and is actually two issues: what to do with the students and what to do with the school.

The Crooms High School Advisory Committee wants to deal with the two issues separately.

The committee, in a letter to school board members, said the current and projected enrollments at the two schools should be

combined at Seminole High.

The letter goes on to state that housing all four grades at Seminole would be more economical and would improve the quality of education.

"We therefore recommend and request that the ninth grade from Crooms be merged with Seminole High School's tenth, eleventh and twelfth grades as soon as possible," the letter said. "Since the Crooms facility is too small to accommodate such a merger, we recommend that the ninth grade be moved from the Crooms facility to the Seminole High School facility."

"The Crooms Advisory Committee is sympathetic to the issue concerning the future use of the Crooms facility. We need to deal with this issue but it must be handled as a separate question," the committee advised. "Regardless of the disposition of this facility, and regardless of when

such disposition might take place, this committee urges immediate action on the question of consolidation."

Crooms has 580 ninth grade students. It is the only school in the county which has only one grade and the only school in which the ninth grade is separate from the other three high school grades.

The report filed by the Crooms committee was reviewed by advisory groups from Sanford Middle School and Seminole High. Those groups concurred with the recommendation of the Crooms committee.

Cost figures prepared by district officials revealed that costs per student at Crooms are at least \$500 higher than at other schools. The annual cost per Crooms student in the basic school program is \$2,187.97. At Seminole High, the yearly cost per ninth grade student is \$1,649.44.

Costs for ninth graders at the county's five other high schools were also calculated. At Lake Mary, the cost is \$1,600.32; Oviedo, \$1,282.19; Lyman, \$1,416.18; Lake Brantley, \$1,472.35; Lake Howell, \$1,259.64.

Board members Jean Bryant and Nancy Warren said they welcome the chance to hold a public hearing on the issue.

Mrs. Bryant said "It's not a question of closing Crooms. It's a question of putting all four grades on one campus."

She said the educational process can be much better coordinated if the four grades are all on one campus.

"Crooms has a lot of meaning to the black community," she said. "But the time is going to come when we need to incorporate those two schools."

Seminole-No JROTC Next School Year

Seminole High School will not have an Air Force Jr. ROTC (Reserve Officers Training Corps) program for the 1983-84 school year as expected.

Principal Wayne Epps said today that he has received notification from the Air Force that for the first time in memory no unit is available in the coming year.

"Air Force JROTC usually loses 10-12 programs a year," Epps said. But this year none of the existing programs were discontinued.

Although Seminole High has been holding out for Air Force JROTC for six years and is now at the top of the list to get a program as soon as one becomes available, Epps said he is looking at

alternatives for the 1984-85 school year.

"There's a tremendous interest in the program here," Epps said. He explained that a lot of the Seminole High students do not plan to go on to college. "And they feel, particularly with the economy being what it is, that the military service is one of the best ways to go with their lives."

"I don't ever give up," he said. "If it is not to be the Air Force, then we'll have one of the other JROTC programs by the next school year."

Epps said Seminole High School is one of the largest recruiting areas for the various branches of the military service each year.

—DONNA ESTES

FLORIDA

IN BRIEF

It's Desk Jobs For Cops Who Can't Shoot Straight

TAMPA (UPI) — Tampa police officers who can't shoot straight will be reassigned to a desk job, according to a new policy issued by the city's chief of police.

"This is not a disciplinary decision," said Col. Joe Pelkington, chief of operations. "But we are subject to any liabilities that result from us putting an officer out on the street who has not attained a minimum level of proficiency with his firearm."

Police officers who fail the annual service revolver requalification will lose all combat authority, said a directive issued by Chief Robert Smith earlier this month.

Those officers failing the test will not be allowed to wear police uniforms, carry firearms or use police cars and will be reassigned to an administrative job.

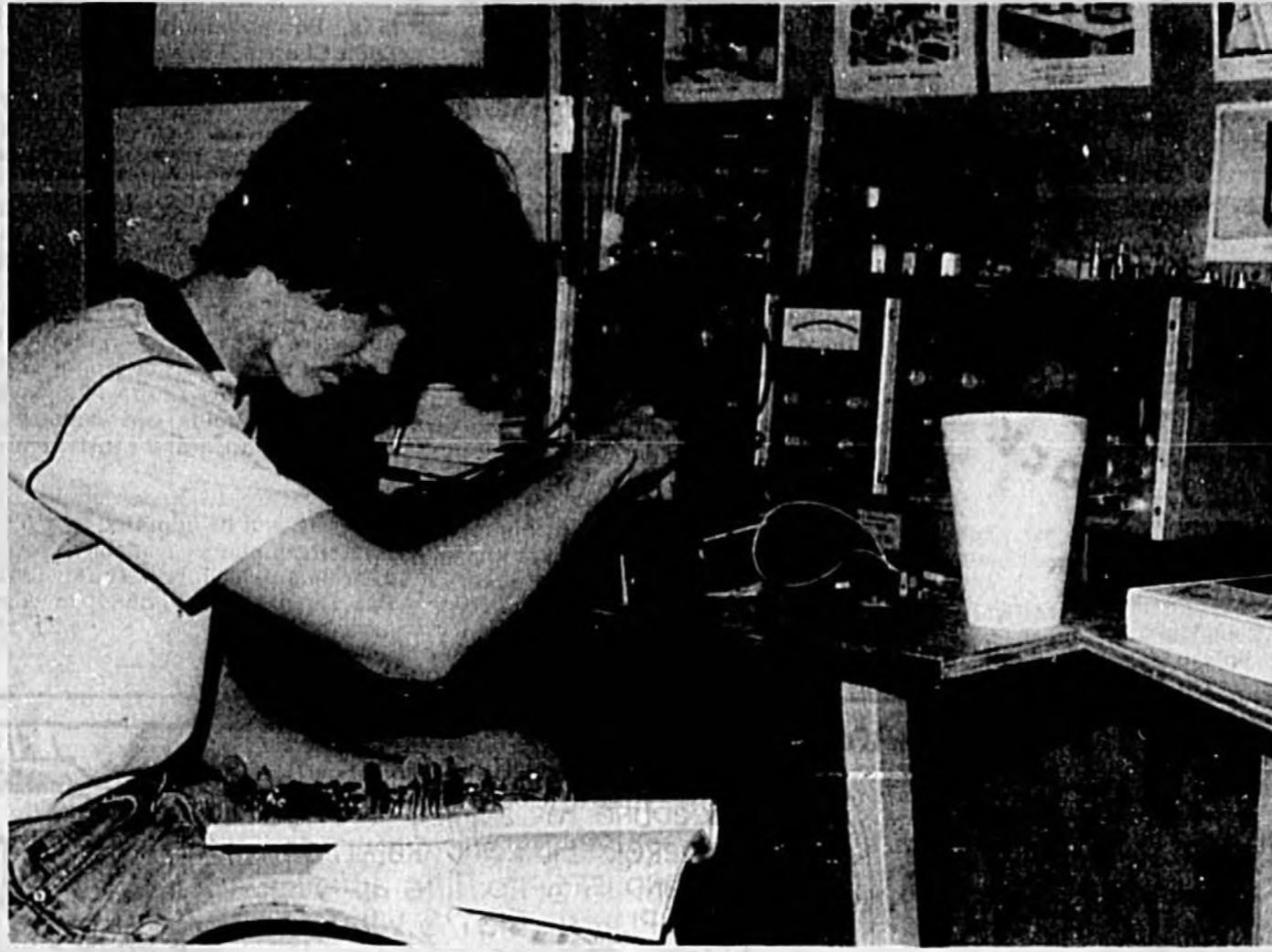
Previously, officers who failed the test could remain on duty while they attempted to raise their scores.

Body Found In Dumpster

MIAMI BEACH (UPI) — Detectives have launched a massive search for a man and a woman believed to have left behind the partially burned body of a 3-year-old black girl found in a garbage dumpster.

Witnesses say they saw a man and a woman arguing early Monday in an alley near the dumpster where an elderly woman later discovered the body of the unidentified youngster, wrapped in a plastic bag.

Dr. Arthur Copeland of the Dade County Medical Examiner's Office performed an autopsy late Monday and ruled the death was a homicide, but authorities refused to speculate on how the child died.



SHOCKING

Most youngsters would consider it a major feat just to be able to put together a simple crystal radio. For Chip Hayward, an electronics whiz at Lyman High School, however, such work is child's play.

Here, he puts the finishing touches on a push-pull amplifier at the ninth annual Seminole County vocational exhibit held over the weekend at the Altamonte Mall.

Herald Photo by Tom Vincoel

Medicare Faces 1988 Money Crunch

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Even as lawmakers move to shore up Social Security's funding woes, Congress' budget office is warning that Medicare also faces problems that — if unchecked — will deplete the program's funds by 1988.

"Projections of outlays and income for the Hospital Insurance trust fund (as Medicare is known) indicate serious financing problems later in this decade," the Congressional Budget Office said in the report Monday.

The report follows recent projections by Social Security's actuaries that the fund would run out of money by 1988 under a national commission's financing plan now under consideration on Capitol Hill.

Medicare, supported by payroll taxes, pays benefits to 26 million older Americans and 3 million disabled people.

CBO said, "Continued solvency of this program through 1995 will require either outlay reductions that are much larger than any program options currently under discussion, or very substantial increases in revenues."

"Under current law, balances in the Hospital Insurance trust fund are expected to be depleted by 1987 or 1988," it said. "Because the cumulative deficit is so large — \$300 to \$400 billion by 1995 — maintaining solvency through 1995 will require substantial policy changes."

CBO blamed the projected shortfall on soaring hospital costs outstripping payroll tax income. Payments to hospitals are expected to rise 13.2 percent, mainly because hospital costs are rising but also because the population is growing older, the office said. Taxes funding Medicare will rise 6.8 percent.

House Rules Chairman Claude Pepper, D-Fla., said Congress must deal with Medicare's problems immediately after passing a bill to shore up Social Security's old-age and disability funds, as it is expected to do this year.

"As with Social Security, what needs reforming most fundamentally to help Medicare are the national economic policies which in recent years have spawned rampant unemployment, and therefore a serious decline in wages and tax revenues," Pepper said in a statement.

Pepper, who warned against proposed administration cuts in the program, said "whatever is done to help Medicare directly must not be done at the expense of the elderly who are not ... to blame for the problems of Medicare."

Senate Aging Committee Chairman John Heinz, R-Pa., who commissioned the CBO report, was quoted by the New York Times Monday as calling the findings "ominous."

He said he will propose comprehensive changes to strengthen Medicare without hurting its beneficiaries

Inflation Gauge To Be Rearranged

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The government's inflation gauge, the Consumer Price Index, gets a big overhaul beginning Friday that the Labor Department says will make it more reflective of the economy.

Several elements and factors will be switched, including replacing home ownership costs with a new measure of rental costs.

Janet Norwood, head of the department's Bureau of Labor Statistics, said it is impossible to know whether the new system will make the inflation rate appear higher or lower than under the old system.

But one thing for certain, CPI factors will change.

The old index counted the entire cost of a new 30-year mortgage and also whatever inflation or deflation of house prices that occurred because of the volatile housing market.

The new index measures how much both renters and homeowners spend each month on shelter, while no longer including how much of the shelter expense department economists say should be counted as investment.

The new index will not be used to trigger cost of living adjustments in most private labor contracts, Social Security payments, food stamps or other entitlement programs.

Instead the cost of living increases will remain pegged to an alternate inflation rate using the old home ownership basis until 1985.

Shelter costs are not only being measured differently but they are being given less weight in the new index. That means other major categories from food to transportation will have slightly more influence.

Last year, the CPI finished with an annual rate of 3.9 percent, when December 1982 was compared to December 1981. It was the best annual rate for consumers in a decade.

WORLD

IN BRIEF

Marines Make Second Rescue Try In Lebanon

BEIRUT, Lebanon (UPI) — U.S. Marines shifted rescue efforts today to Christian-held territory with Syrian forces preventing them from entering an area where at least 50 people died in the nation's worst blizzard.

Political divisions holding firm even in the deadly storm, Marine helicopters were turned back Monday by the Syrians from reaching Dahr el Baldar, about 20 miles east of Beirut, where more than 100 motorists were reported missing.

Lebanese authorities asked the Marines to shift their efforts today to the city of Qarataba, an area inside territory controlled by Lebanese Christian Phalange militias about 20 miles north of Beirut.

Lebanese authorities feared more dead would be found in the snow-bound mountains around Qarataba, where the Marines do not need permission to travel.

Hijackers Demand Fuel

VALLETTA, Malta (UPI) — Three heavily armed Libyans demanded fuel today to fly a hijacked jetliner to Morocco, warning the alternative was an attack against the plane and more than 160 hostages.

The Libyan Arab Airways jet sat today isolated in a corner of Luca airport, surrounded by soldiers and lighted by spotlights, more than 24 hours after it landed on Malta, a small Mediterranean island nation between Sicily and Libya.

The Boeing 727 was commandeered Sunday on a domestic flight from the central oasis city of Sedha to the Libyan capital of Tripoli with 159 passengers, 30 of them children. It was not known how many crew members were aboard.

A government official said the three hijackers were Libyan and that all the passengers were believed to be Libyan. It was not known why the Libyans hijacked the plane.

PLO Keeps Door Open

ALGIERS, Algeria (UPI) — The Palestine National Council called a full debate today on President Reagan's Middle East peace plan, with PLO officials expecting it to accede to Chairman Yasser Arafat's request for moderation.

Arafat's demands won approval Monday in the Palestine Liberation Organization's political committee and sources said a moderate resolution would be thrown open to general debate today by the 355-member PNC.

The U.S. proposal calls for an autonomous Palestinian region in confederation with Jordan in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip but not an independent Palestinian state.

The political committee did agree on a PLO-Jordanian confederation — but only after establishment of an independent Palestinian state — and on the Arab League plan offered at last year's summit at Fez, Morocco. PLO officials said.

The Fez plan contains a clause implying recognition of Israel by stating that all states in the Middle East have the right to live within secure borders.

Several Charged With DUI

The following people were arrested and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs:

—Danny Merritt, 23, Apopka, was arrested at 12:15 a.m. Saturday on Interstate 4 near the Seminole-Volusia county line and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol. Police said his car was weaving on the highway and traveling at about 90 miles per hour. Merritt failed a sobriety test and was transported to the Seminole County jail where he was held under \$500 bond.

—Roger Ninkemulder, 30, Apopka, was arrested at 11 p.m. Friday along lake Mary Boulevard. Initially, he was charged with unlawful speed but the driving under the influence of alcohol charge was added after he failed a roadside sobriety test. Bond was set at \$500.

—Wanda Jean Bingham, 28, of 3803 Cypress Avenue, Sanford, was arrested on a charge of driving under the influence of alcohol and careless driving after she had been found sitting behind the wheel of her car which had gone into a ditch at East Airport Boulevard at 4:23 a.m. Sunday.

FEATHER FORECLOSURE SETTLED
A foreclosure suit against Seminole County Commissioner Robert G. "Bud" Feather was settled Thursday less than 24 hours after he sold Longwood property for \$611,000.

The property, a four-acre site on State Road 434 near Meredith Manor Boulevard, was sold Wednesday afternoon only a short time before the foreclosure on it became final. The property was auctioned last week in a foreclosure sale with the sole bidder being one of the three creditors, Fort Lauderdale artist Steven B. Clippinger whose bid was \$10,000.

With the sale going ahead, Feather was able to pay off the \$97,423 mortgage owed to Clippinger and \$81,000 to Dr. J. W. Hickman, a dentist and real estate investor. A sum of \$14,000 was also paid to Daytona Beach attorney I.W. Adams, who held a mortgage on the property.

Action Reports

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The order formally dismissing the Clippinger foreclosure sale was signed by Seminole Circuit Judge C. Vernon Mize Jr. Thursday afternoon.

INTRUDER JAILED

The quick thinking of a Longwood woman Friday allowed her to escape possible harm and led to the arrest of a man she discovered in her home.

According to a Seminole County sheriff's report, this is what happened:
When Betty Vernon, 38, of 1250 W. Lake Brantley Road, arrived home at 4:30 p.m., she noticed that the side door of her house had been left open. Thinking her teenage son had left the door open, she walked in and sat down to drink a glass of iced tea.

A few minutes later, a man placed his hands on her shoulders, told her he wanted to talk and then sat down across the table from her.

Mrs. Vernon offered him a glass of tea or a soft drink but the man said he just wanted to talk. She offered to go to the store for some beer but the man refused to let her leave.

Then, trying to keep him calm, she began showing him a photo album. Soon after, the man said he was going into the bedroom. When he did so, Mrs. Vernon ran out the door and called the police from a neighbor's house.

A short time later, sheriff's deputies arrested Stephen Peck, 32, of 278 Cambridge Drive, Longwood, as he walked along Sand Lake Road. Peck was charged with burglary and aggravated assault and placed in the Seminole County jail in lieu of \$10,000 bond.

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Should You Lease Or Buy Your Phone

NEW YORK (UPI) — The American consumer is about to be barraged with yet another series of complicated choices — what to do about the tele. phone.

Should you continue leasing or buy? Hang onto the standard desk model or go for something in leather or handcrafted wood? Buy a \$10 cheapie or invest in a \$600 model that will dial automatically, amplify your voice, wake you up and remind you of your anniversary?

American Bell and other major companies are gearing up to peddle phones that do everything from screening your callers to automatically calling for help in an emergency.

The advertising battle (AT&T will only say that it will cost "plenty") will try to convince Americans that leasing a standard phone is both uneconomical and unfashionable in an era of computer and electronic communications miracles.

The leasing habit has been hard to break in the past. The Federal Communications Commission ruled in 1977 that the American Telephone and Telegraph Co. had to allow its customers to use equipment made by other manufacturers.

But the custom of buying phones never really caught on, thanks in part to the lack of encouragement by Ma Bell. The phone company itself offered only exotic

decorator models like the Mickey Mouse model for sale — customers wanting the standard desk version had to lease. Until Jan. 1 of this year, the local phone companies routinely included a phone-rental charge in the bill.

But AT&T is now in the midst of a complicated splitting-up process that has changed its attitude toward phone purchasing. By next January, the company will have spun off its 22 local operating companies into independent entities.

When the dust settles, the local phone companies will be barred from manufacturing telephones and American Bell, an AT&T subsidiary, will be in the selling, leasing and servicing business.

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Mr. Begin's Statecraft

Not many Americans can name the defense ministers of France, Britain, Japan, or the Soviet Union for that matter. It is a measure, therefore, of little Israel's significance in the dangerous currents of the Middle East that former Defense Minister Ariel Sharon and his successor, Moshe Arens, are household names not only in this country but around the world.

The high democratic drama in Jerusalem has been headline news for days. Now, with Arens' acceptance of Prime Minister Menachem Begin's nomination to be Israel's next defense minister, the political crisis is simmering down and affairs are moving to the next stage. That probably will be the prime minister's call for early national elections, which he has reason to believe will widen his Likud Party's thin margin in the Knesset.

There was some doubt about Arens' acceptance of the nomination. He was known to be concerned over the continuing presence in the Cabinet of Gen. Sharon, who, it could be safely assumed, would not be shy about interfering in defense matters. Indeed, to cover the prevailing uncertainty, Begin signified that he would take over defense for the time being.

Arens, Israel's current ambassador to the United States, is a hard-liner on Israel's security in the Begin-Sharon mold. But he is more gentle and sophisticated — a product of extensive education in the United States. Any differences he may have with his predecessor will likely be procedural and not policy. As defense minister, Arens will undoubtedly contrive to make Israel's position more palatable to Washington, even if it is no less tough.

The prime minister's retention of Sharon in the Cabinet — including his membership on the Ministerial Committee on Lebanon — is another example of Begin's adroit statecraft whereby he retains his mastery over the tumult in Israel. The Begin compromise managed thereby to placate two diametrically opposed splinter parties required for the Likud's governing coalition. The National Religious Party threatened to pull out and bring down the government if Sharon did not step down, and the Renaissance Party would have bolted had its hero been sacked outright.

Even though this compromise has enraged the opposing Labor Party and leftist elements, it offers Begin an additional redeeming feature. It will serve him well in the future. It's far better to have the stormy general in the Cabinet, "doing things the prime minister will ask me to do" than to turn him loose to charge about Israel like a loose cannon on a rolling deck.

The Beirut massacre commission report laying primary blame on Sharon for, in effect, countenancing the indiscriminate murder of Palestinians in two refugee camps last September, has created an enormous backlash of sympathy within Israel. Many Israelis are bitter at the blame Israel has taken upon itself while the Lebanese militia that did the killing escapes even inquiry, let alone public condemnation.

A brief perspective suggests that Menachem Begin, contrary to most educated predictions, has emerged from the political crisis stronger than ever. While he was holding his fragile coalition together against the tempest, his opponents in the Labor Party appeared to be in more disarray than usual and less prepared than ever to regain power. Meanwhile, those who would understand the fast-breaking events in Israel these days have but one realistic choice, and that is to stay closely tuned.

Please Write

Letters to the editor are welcomed for publication. All letters must be signed, with a mailing address and, if possible, a telephone number so the identity of the writer may be verified. The Evening Herald will respect the wishes of writers who do not want their names in print. The Evening Herald also reserves the right in certain cases to edit letters to eliminate libel or to conform to space requirements.

BERRY'S WORLD



"Excuse me, dear! How long do you plan to be poised for the economic recovery?"



ANTHONY HARRIGAN On The Forties Spirit

A new year produces recollections of earlier years. Remembrance of things past, to employ the words Marcel Proust used as the title of his great novel, is a constant in human behavior. Perhaps one day we will look back on the 1980s and recall it as a time laced with happiness.

In 1983, at the time when the nation faces difficulty, it is worthwhile to look back to earlier decades — to the 1940s, for example, when the country faced the vastly great difficulty occasioned by war. Indeed difficulty isn't an adequate word for the struggle and losses of World War II.

Today, we have the walking wounded, psychologically and economically wounded, resulting from unemployment. Forty years ago the maimed and dead were a grim reality in thousands of families whose sons went to war. Nevertheless, the American people went to work in the 1940s with a resolute and bright spirit.

I was reminded of this the other day in reading Don Ball's account of America published in "The Decade Of The Trains — the 1940s."

"During the 1940s," he said, "America 'worked'. It seemed to be an era of good times and almost innocent merriment — even with the dark and terrible war. The forties were, as some say, natural — without pretense or guile. Still, responsibility was a meaningful term in the forties; no one forgot Pearl Harbor and the fact that a job had to be done... it was a time to enjoy yet not waste life. America's pride, friendliness, and grace were never for a moment lost during the war."

It would be wonderful if America in the 1980s could recover some of that 1940s spirit. It was, of course, a time before we were ravaged by ideology or engulfed in psychological interpretations of every act. It was, truly, a simpler time and, I suspect, a better one.

Some individuals are able to move through the greatest adversities — loss of loved ones and loss of financial underpinnings, and, nevertheless, retain a cheerful view of life. Nations can undergo such experiences in the same manner. America was able to do this in the 1940s, after a decade of the most terrible depression. The British managed to retain a bright spirit, a stiff upper lip and a willingness to accept hardship and grim duties, despite six years of brutal warfare against their homeland, including frightful air raids.

Why can't we do this today when we suffer only a dip in our prosperity? I get the impression — perhaps I am mistaken — that the America of the 1980s isn't evidencing the same strong spirit it had in the 1940s.

We need to look back to the forties and relearn old lessons of the spirit.

JACK ANDERSON

Arco Suspected Of Shady Tactics

WASHINGTON—Three federal agencies, two members of Congress and the state of Alaska are investigating the Atlantic Richfield Company's oil pricing methods. They want to find out whether ARCO's low prices at the gas pump are being made possible by improper calculation of the company's windfall profits taxes.

It's a bit complicated, but essentially what ARCO is suspected of doing is deducting about \$4 per barrel in fictitious transportation costs from the price on which its windfall profits are based. This would cut about \$2.40 per barrel from its windfall tax, allowing ARCO to shave competitively crucial pennies from its gasoline prices.

What ARCO saves in taxes, of course, must be made up by the other taxpayers. So the ARCO price cut allegedly is

financed by the taxpayers

ARCO denies any hanky-panky. Its price cuts at the gas pump are due to "ARCO's successful execution and implementation of its marketing plans and strategies, and are not the result of artificial increases in transportation costs," a company spokesman told my associate Tony Capaccio.

Nevertheless, the General Accounting Office, the Federal Trade Commission, the Internal Revenue Service and the state of Alaska are studying ARCO's pricing system. Rep. Berkeley Bedell, D-Iowa, asked the IRS to look into the matter, and Rep. John Dingell, D-Mich., has turned his energy subcommittee bloodhounds loose on the case.

The controversy involves oil that ARCO drills in Alaska and ships to the lower 48 states. For reasons that are

(5.0), Bernard Eady (4.9) and 'Steady' Eddie Charles (4.8) were next in line.

The Third Annual Ben White Harness Racing Matinee Day will take place on Saturday, March 5. Rain date is March 12.

The Ben White facility, known as one of the finest harness racing training facilities in the South, is located on Lee Road at the North Orange Blossom Trail intersection in Orlando.

Twelve harness races are on the program but there will be no pari-mutuel betting. The first race begins at 1 p.m. The Winter Park West Rotary Club will again sponsor the event. Profits are donated to the Edgewood Ranch and other Rotary charities.

Tickets are \$1.50 for adults. Children under 12 will be admitted free. There will be refreshments available. For further information, call Bob Burke (647-1223), Bill Thompson (644-5584) or Alan Moss (645-4775).

Basketball is far from over in Seminole County.

This week will give any cage addict more than he can handle. The 3A and 4A boys district tournaments begin Wednesday. Seminole High School will host the 4A while Bishop Moore hosts the 3A. Lyman, Lake Howell, Lake Brantley and Seminole compete in the 4A while Oviedo plays in the 3A at Bishop Moore High School in Orlando.

Girls play continues on both levels too. Lake Mary, the 3A-8 District champion, travels to Brooksville to take on Hernando at 8 tonight for the regional title. Lake Howell, the 4A-9 District champ, hosts Satellite Beach tonight at 8.

Seminole Community College's boys, meanwhile, will host the post-season second-place tournament Thursday. The Raiders, 19-11, play the winner of the Santa Fe-Central Florida game on Tuesday. Game time Thursday is 7 p.m.

SCIENCE WORLD

Hydrogen Cars Way Off Yet

By GARY TAYLOR

HOUSTON (UPI) — Hydrogen powers the space shuttles but specialists say you won't see it running the family car until the next century — if then.

Despite recent reported laboratory breakthroughs in producing hydrogen cheaply enough to make it available for wide use, the technological revolution seen just a few years ago is not coming to pass.

"The future may be a long way off," said Francis J. Salzano, director of the Brookhaven (N.Y.) National Laboratory, which is responsible to the Energy Department for development of hydrogen fuel storage systems.

"You can begin spending too much money for something that is too far away," he said. "By the first of the century we may be seeing the beginnings. We feel our activities are going along at a reasonable pace."

Salzano says it is possible hydrogen might be used as a "currency" for transmitting energy from hydro-electric or geothermal sources to cities.

Salzano was "shocked," as were other scientists, at an announcement last fall by Texas A&M University chemist John Bockris that made it appear hydrogen coating only \$1 a gallon could power cars pollution free before the end of the century.

"He may be justified in a scientific sense," Salzano said of Bockris' announced laboratory breakthrough. "But we're not at a stage where you get excited."

The technology does not exist to encourage industry that hydrogen can replace oil in everyday use. The costs of splitting water into hydrogen and oxygen are enormous, and engineers say systems to utilize hydrogen also are expensive.

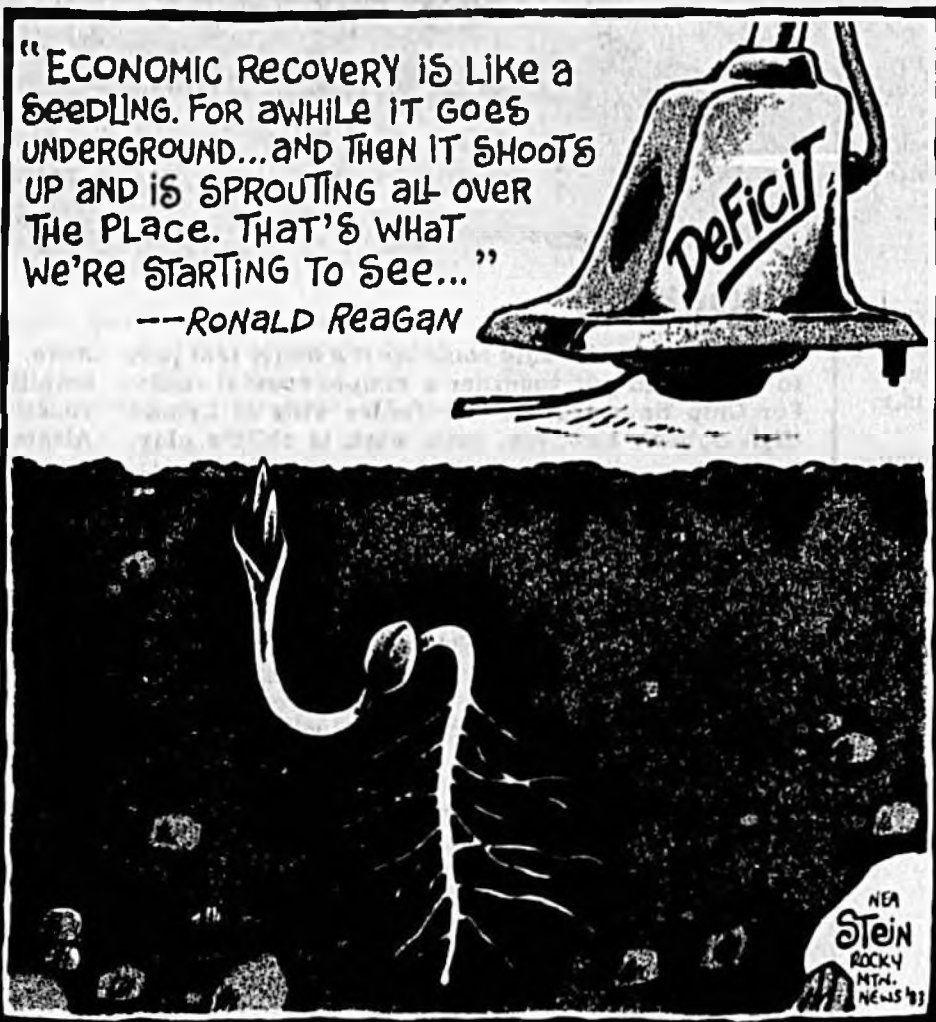
There are other problems. Hydrogen gas is dangerously explosive and would require huge storage vaults. Liquid hydrogen must be stored under high pressure and at a temperature of minus 423 degrees Fahrenheit.

But hydrogen is a popular favorite to replace nuclear and coal because, as a fuel, it is clean. The byproduct of burning hydrogen with oxygen is water.

Bockris considers himself to be hydrogen's biggest proponent. He directs the A&M Hydrogen Research Center, where new techniques in water splitting led him to believe he may have a commercially viable process.

"If it is successful — I tend to shy away from this because so much depends on big money and politics — then we would start seeing some type of commercial development in five, six or seven years," he said.

"If the companies go for it, the amount of money involved is very high, hundreds of billions of dollars," he added.



WILLIAM A. RUSHER

Having It Both Ways

NEW YORK (NEA) — Michael Straight's volume of confessional memoirs, entitled "After Long Silence," is now available in bookstores, and it affords a fascinating tour of the mental processes of a certain type of liberal who once flourished in this country.

Straight is a wealthy and socially prominent sprig of the Whitney clan who was educated in England before World War II and threw his weight around extensively in liberal and leftist circles in this country after the war. In 1946 and 1947, he was publisher of The New Republic; in 1948 he became its editor, and served in that capacity until 1956. He was one of Henry Wallace's closest associates in the early years of the Cold War, sharing the fatuous Wallace's opinion that Harry Truman was being much too hard on the Soviet Union. (Wallace, in fact, served as editor of The New Republic when Straight was its publisher.) I erred, however, in a recent column when I stated that Straight and his magazine supported Wallace's third-party bid for the presidency in 1948. To their credit, they parted with Wallace when American Communists effectively took him over and steered him into that dead end.

Straight remained a flaming liberal, though, battling "McCarthyism" and lobbying zealously for just about every fashionable leftist cause in the decade of the 1950s. During the '60s and '70s he quieted down, for some reason not immediately apparent.

Now, in his memoirs, Straight acknowledges that he had joined a Communist cell while a student at Cambridge University in 1937. Not only that, but he was recruited by a young Communist don there to commit acts of espionage for Russia when he returned to the United States in 1938 to become a social friend of the Roosevelts and to hold various jobs in FDR's second and third administrations.

Straight's version of these events is, perhaps naturally, highly self-serving.

He wants us to understand that he refused to become a Wall Street tycoon, which had apparently struck his Soviet superiors as the shrewdest course. And although he admits passing documents to a Soviet Intelligence agent known to him only as "Michael Green," he insists that these were not classified government papers, but merely his own "analyses" of events in Washington.

In 1941, Straight maintains, he broke his ties with communism, although he concedes that for 20 years thereafter he kept running into Cambridge contemporaries whom he had known as fellow Communists (e.g. Guy Burgess) who were now in sensitive jobs in British intelligence, the British Foreign Office and elsewhere. He resisted all temptations to unmask them, however, preferring to accept such assurances as Burgess' repeated claim that he would be retiring from government service soon anyway. (He finally did — escaping in 1951 to Moscow, where he died.)

Not until 1963 did Straight get around to telling the FBI, very privately, the truth about himself; and the public would not have this explanatory volume even yet if his name had not finally surfaced involuntarily in 1981, in connection with the long-delayed exposure and disgrace of that young Communist don: Sir Anthony Blunt.

Straight is not, of course, by a long shot the first or only Communist, or even Communist spy, to leave the party. Most of them, however, have subsequently turned sharply against it, and become passionate anti-communists. (Whittaker Chambers comes to mind.) To Straight, however, that would merely have been — as Richard Nixon might put it — "the easy thing to do." Straight wanted to have his cake and, yet, eat it, too: to distance himself from communism, while concealing his communist record and remaining a sturdy left-liberal, fiercely opposed to "red-baiters," "cold warriors" and the like. Which is exactly what he did.

hazy at best. ARCO has chosen to use as its selling price the going rate charged for a barrel of West Texas sour crude transported to the Gulf Coast.

This would be OK if all of ARCO's oil were actually shipped from Alaska to the Gulf Coast. Instead, virtually all of the oil stops at Los Angeles. Yet ARCO subtracts about \$4 per barrel in transportation costs as if it had been sent to the Gulf. This lowered the company's windfall tax on most of its Alaskan oil by \$2.40 or more per barrel.

Why did ARCO choose the West Texas oil as its initial selling price? The company says it's because its Alaskan oil is of comparable quality.

But investigators suspect that the West Texas crude was chosen precisely so the extra transportation costs could be deducted before the windfall profit is

calculated.

ARCO, which has paid almost \$2.6 billion in windfall profits taxes since 1980, managed to pay \$300 million less in these taxes in 1982 than in 1981. This was done even though the company's daily production increased by 85,000 barrels that year, total revenues remained constant and overall profits increased slightly.

An ARCO spokesman said the decline in windfall taxes was "the result of a general decline in all domestic crude oil prices."

As for the investigators' suspicions about its wellhead price, the ARCO spokesman said: "If we establish a wellhead price that we can't justify, we are not going to get away with that. The IRS is involved on a constant basis with us."

SPORTS

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Sam Cook
Sports Editor

Lady Hawks Laugh Last, ...And Best

She who laughs last, laughs best. Especially if she is a Lake Howell Lady Hawk. And believe me, there are a whole bunch of Lady Hawks, as well as Men Hawks, laughing at the rest of the District 4A-9 schools—especially at Lyman.

Coach Dennis Codrey's girls were flying along with a 17-1 record and a seventh place 4A ranking in the state poll. They were also undefeated in the conference and were pretty much a lock to wrap up the Five Star along with the number one seed in the district.

All those lofty goals came to a screeching halt, however, when it was discovered standout forward Chiquita Miller was ineligible. She was residing with her aunt and hadn't lived in the Lake Howell district for a year.

Lyman High School informed Lake Howell of the illegality and when Lake Howell Principal Dick Evans discovered she, indeed, was in violation, he contacted the Florida High School Activities Association and forfeited the 17 wins.

Hoping to salvage something of Miller's eligibility and the season, Evans applied for a hardship waiver. It cost the Hawks \$250 for a special hearing which turned into a six-way phone hookup with six directors of the FISAA.

Evans sent a missive with athletic director Harry Drivas to Gainesville to explain the circumstances of Miller's less-than-comfortable home situation in Cairo, Ga. and why she now lived in the Lake Howell zone.

Evans said the six members got Miller on the phone and started to ask her some questions concerning her moving/living in Florida. "There was a poor phone hookup and I don't think Chiquita understood some of the questions," Evans said. "I felt I should have been able to explain them to her, but I wasn't allowed to do so."

The hardship was denied. Evans is a pretty easy-going guy. He seldom gets upset or ruffled. But this upset him. He felt the matter was handled very shabbily. "These things (hardships) are very political," said Evans the afternoon of the ruling. "I can't understand why she wasn't granted the hardship."

Meanwhile, things didn't get any better for the Lady Hawks. They lost games to Seabreeze and DeLand. Morale, understandably, was down. But it wasn't down low enough. Remarkably, the Hawks ripped off five straight victories. Still, Lake Howell was seeded sixth in the district and no one gave it much of a chance to last past the first round, much less, win it. Codrey, ironically, picked Lyman to take it all.

But Codrey should have gone with his heart instead of his head. That's what his girls did. Rising to the occasion like the champions they portrayed earlier in the year, the Lady Hawks took three straight games in the district for the championship. That, in itself, was more than enough retribution. But the fact they beat Seminole, Lyman and DeLand in succession broke all the Silver Hawks into guffaws of vengeance. Especially that middle game.

Junior Tammy Johnson, in particular, and the rest of the starters—Cindy Blocker, Janene Brown, Mary Johnson and Christy Scott—played like a team possessed. They weren't going to lose and they didn't. Tammy hit two big free throws and Scott snatched 23 rebounds as the Hawks tipped DeLand for the title. The post-Chiquita winning streak has reached eight games. Tonight at 8, Codrey and his girls hope to get number nine against powerful Satellite Beach in the regional tournament at Lake Howell.

There will be more laughter if the Lady Hawks pull out another one tonight, but it wouldn't reach the crescendo which reverberated around Seminole County last Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Laugh on Lady Hawks, you've earned every chuckle.



Herald Photo by Bonnie Wiesbold

Lake Mary's Michelle Swartz has quite an obstacle in front of her in the presence of Jones' forward Alecia Johnson. The Lady Rams, nevertheless, took on favored Jones and beat the Tigers, 58-46, Saturday night to advance to tonight's regional game at Brooksville Hernando.

'Up Where We Belong' Is Lady Rams' Song

Maybe the new theme song for Lake Mary's Lady Rams should be "Up Where We Belong."

After winning the district title last season as a 2A school, the Rams moved up to 3A and the competition got a lot tougher. Saturday night at Lake Mary, the young Rams did it again. This time Lake Mary defeated one of the state's most powerful teams, the Jones Tigers.

"We did it, and it feels great," a jubilant Peggy Glass said after the stunning victory. "We're one step closer to our goal of going to state."

The next step for Lake Mary to climb will be Tuesday night's regionals against Brooksville Hernando's Lady Leopards at Brooksville.

"We had to play good defense and keep our heads in the game," said junior forward Michelle Swartz. "We got psyched up for them (Jones) and kept the momentum going."

Although Lisa Gregory only scored two points, she handed out nine assists and did an outstanding defensive job on Jones' Jackie Washington. "We really wanted this game," Gregory said. "We started freaking out at first, but we calmed down and started to look for each other in the second half."

Two other players who did well were Aileen Patterson and Courtney Hall. Patterson, who played only sparingly during the regular season, saw a lot of action Saturday night and played with reckless abandon, scrambling for loose balls, coming up with a few key steals and hanging in well on the boards. Hall, who was under the weather and missed Friday night's semi-final, did a good job filling in for Laura and Peggy Glass when they needed a rest.

Lake Mary's opponent Tuesday night, Brooksville Hernando, got to

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the regionals via a 46-29 rout of Tarpon Springs in the 3A-7 District Tournament.

For the Lady Leopards, 20-4 and ranked 10th in the state, 5-10 senior Monica Hysell is the leading scorer and rebounder. She scored 12 points against Tarpon Springs. Also

in the starting lineup are Marcia Lee, the Leopard's second leading scorer, Mary Hamilton, Dorcina Warren and Colleen Nelson.

"We don't have much height and we don't rebound well," Hernando coach Walter Cermak said. "Our biggest asset is defense, that's what we've been winning with all year and that's how we beat Tarpon Springs Saturday night."

—CHRIS FISTER



Herald Photo by Bonnie Wiesbold

Peggy Glass (no. 23) gets a victory hug from her twin sister Laura after Lake Mary's upset victory over the Jones Tigers.

Confident Valenzuela Beams Million Dollar Smile

LOS ANGELES (UPI) — The day was sunny, but no more so than Fernando Valenzuela's disposition.

Standing in front of his agent's house Sunday, caressing his 5-month-old son, Valenzuela broke into a million-dollar smile.

The Los Angeles Dodgers' 22-year-old left-hander had plenty to smile about. Besides Fernando Jr., Fernando has his amiable wife, Linda, and a million-dollar contract.

Arbitrator Thomas Roberts ruled Saturday the Dodgers must pay Valenzuela that whopping salary this season, rather than the \$750,000 the team had proposed.

But the money seemed secondary to Valenzuela, who was 19-13 last season following a 13-7 record and the Cy Young Award as a rookie. Vindication appeared to be more important.

Last year, Valenzuela refused to

sign his \$350,000 contract in protest, feeling he had been slighted by the Dodgers.

Since he did not have the two seasons of major league service required for arbitration, Valenzuela had no recourse in arguing for a \$1 million contract.

After the Dodgers would not accede to his demands, Valenzuela accused the team of refusing to treat him like a man.

He doesn't like to discuss that episode these days, but listening to his wife one gathers it has not been purged from the couple's memory.

Asked how she felt about Roberts' decision, other than richer, Mrs. Valenzuela turned serious and said, "I'm just happy because it means he will be paid what he's worth."

Valenzuela became the first Dodger to receive a \$1 million-a-year contract and joined Houston's

Nolan Ryan as only the second pitcher in the game to reach that plateau.

"I felt confident we were going to win because the decision would be made by an impartial person," Valenzuela said. "But even if we wouldn't have won, I would have been satisfied."

His agent, Tony DeMarco, presented the arbitrator with endorsements from Dodger Manager Tom Lasorda and General Manager Al Campanis. This was done in a 3 1/2-minute videotape which DeMarco culled from nearly 150 feet of film.

On the tape, Lasorda reportedly called Valenzuela a "once in a lifetime ballplayer," and Campanis described him as "the answer to all our dreams and prayers" — a Mexican player who would attract fans from the city's large Mexican population.

The Dodgers had emerged victorious in their previous three arbitration cases, involving Pedro Guerrero, Steve Howe and Mike Scioscia, but none of those players have Valenzuela's gate appeal.

Valenzuela's attorney, Dick Moss, compiled evidence of Valenzuela's drawing power, indicating that in 1982 the Dodgers averaged about 3,500 more fans when he pitched at home than when he did not.

"That probably had a lot to do with it," said DeMarco, explaining the reason's for the arbitrator's ruling.

Valenzuela, who grew up dirt poor in a family of 12 children in Sonora, Mexico, began pitching professionally at the age of 15.

"I never thought about how much money I might make," said Valenzuela, who can't recall how much he made his first season. "I

was just hoping to get to the major leagues.

DeMarco, who was accused by many of orchestrating Valenzuela's holdout last spring, said whatever differences he and his client had with the Dodgers in the past were long forgotten.

The Dodgers, meanwhile, extended their own peace pipe.

"You must have presented a very impressive case in arbitration," said Dodger President Peter O'Malley in congratulating DeMarco on a local radio show. "We look forward to Fernando reporting to spring training."

Valenzuela is expected to join his teammates in Vero Beach at the end of the week. He did not play winter ball for the first time in his professional career, preferring instead to rest his arm and to spend more time with his young family.

Jacobi's Condition 'Not Good' Auto Racing

DAYTONA BEACH (UPI) — Doctors say the prognosis "is not good" for stock-car driver Bruce Jacobi, critically injured in a spectacular accident at the Daytona International Speedway last week.

Jacobi, 47, has not regained consciousness since he suffered a contusion of the brain stem when his car crashed Thursday.

He remained in critical condition Tuesday at Halifax Hospital, a hospital spokeswoman said.

Jacobi, who is hooked to a respirator, has not responded to treatment and there is "no change expected in his condition in the near future," a hospital spokesman said. "The prognosis is not good."

The stock-car diver was injured during qualifying for Sunday's Daytona 500. He lost control of his Pontiac on the speedway's banked Turn 2 and was trapped inside the car as it somersaulted through the infield.

Jacobi, of Indianapolis, Ind., is married and has three children. He had not participated in a Grand National race for seven years prior to entering the 500.



WALTRIP WRECK

Wrecks are as much a part of the Daytona as the racing. In the top photo, Darrell Waltrip's car crashes into the tri-oval after he lost control of it. Below, it rebounds onto the track. Cale Yarborough had to slow down to avoid Waltrip, but still kept rolling to his third 500 victory.



Tonight

8 p.m. Girls 3A-4 Region Championship, Lake Mary at Brooksville Hernando

The Lady Rams, 21-6, are coming off a stunning 58-46 upset of 7th ranked Jones in the District Tournament to take on the Hernando High Lady Leopards in Brooksville. Hernando, 20-4 and ranked 10th in the state, advanced to regionals via a 46-29 rout of Tarpon Springs in the districts.

For Lake Mary, it could be a field day for the 6-2 Glass Towers, Laura and Peggy. Hernando's tallest player is 5-10 Monica Hysell, she is also the Leopards leading scorer and rebounder. Laura Glass poured in 21 points against Jones and pulled down 15 rebounds while Peggy scored seven points and grabbed eight boards while playing most of the second half with foul trouble. Also starting for the Lady Rams are point guard Lisa Gregory, Kim Averill who scored 17 points and was a key down the stretch against Jones and Michelle Swartz with bench strength coming from Courtney Hall, Aileen Patterson, Andrea Johnson and Andrea Fennig.

Highway 50 takes you right into Brooksville and Hernando High is located on Bell and Kelly Avenue.

8 p.m. Girls 4A-5 Region Championship, Satellite Beach at Lake Howell

Lake Howell will have a tough task tonight in going up against the Lady Scorpions of Satellite Beach who stand 25-1 on the season, the only team to beat the Scorpions is second ranked Orlando Evans.

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The Lady Hawks, 8-20, advanced to the regionals by knocking off favored DeLand, 55-54, in the district tournament. Tammy Johnson is Lake Howell's top scorer with a 13.8 average while Cindy Blocker averages 11.2 per game and leads the county in steals with 118. Mary Johnson leads the team in assists while Christy Scott leads the team underneath with a 12 per game rebounding average. At center, Lake Howell has 6-3 Janene Brown who has averaged in double figures in both scoring and rebounding since becoming a starter. Bench strength comes from Monica McNeil, Leigh Lowe and Keelia McPherson.

For Satellite Beach, Linda McCowan and Sherry Kaminski are the scoring leaders while guard Karen Kroen leads in assists.

Mid-Florida Conference Regionals

Tonight's games include Santa Fe at Central Florida Community College, Valencia at Daytona Beach CC and St. John's River CC travels to Florida Junior College with the winners advancing to the state tournament beginning Thursday night at Seminole Community College.

Coach Bill Payne's Raiders drew a bye in the regionals and will go up against the Santa Fe-CFCC winner Thursday night. Lake City is favored to win it all with the championship game scheduled for Friday night at 7:30.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Gators' Play Irks Sloan, Florida In SEC Basement

By United Press International

Florida is on the bottom of the Southeastern Conference basketball standings and Gator coach Norman Sloan has no illusions about leaving.

"We're not very competitive in this league right now," Sloan said Monday night after his team lost its 18th straight game on the road, 80-65, at Georgia.

"It's not a lack of effort," Sloan adds, "but rather too many weaknesses in too many spots. Georgia took advantage of all those weaknesses."

The loss dropped Florida to 4-10 in the SEC, one-half game behind Alabama, which also lost Monday night, 56-52 to Mississippi. Louisiana State beat Mississippi State 86-73 in the only other conference game.

Tonight's lone game has Auburn at Tennessee.

Gerald Crosby had 18 points and 7 steals in pacing Georgia to its 17th win in 24 tries overall. The Bulldogs are in fifth place in the SEC at 8-7.

Eugene McDowell's 18 points and 13 rebounds led Florida, which has lost seven of its last eight games.

Florida was limited to 8 points in the first nine minutes, falling behind 20-8.

"It's a game we could have come out and gone through the motions," said Georgia coach Hugh Durham, "but we played hard, with a lot of intensity."

Ole Miss stayed one game behind frontrunning Kentucky in the SEC standings with its victory over Alabama.

Carlos Clark scored 15 points and had eight rebounds for the Rebels, who now are 9-5 in the SEC and 16-7 overall. Alabama's Cliff Windham was the game's high scorer with 16 points.

In the second half, the Rebels held Alabama center Bobby Lee Hurt to one basket.

USFL Covets John Riggins

WASHINGTON (UPI) — An official of the Michigan Panthers confirmed Monday the club wants to lure Washington Redskins fullback John Riggins to the new U.S. Football League, it was reported.

Michigan vice president Shire Rothbart said the club hopes to arrange a negotiating session with Riggins, who became a free agent at the close of the NFL season, the Washington Post reported in its Tuesday edition.

"We intend to make him a very serious offer," Rothbart said. "He can't do anything but contribute to our team and the league."

Rothbart said Michigan obtained conditional negotiating rights on Riggins from the USFL Boston Breakers, the newspaper reported.

ICBA Closes Regular Season, Looks To Tournament

The Inter-County Basketball Association is winding down its first season of play with lots of action and lots of highlights. The league play will conclude on Sunday, Feb. 27 and playoffs will begin the following day.

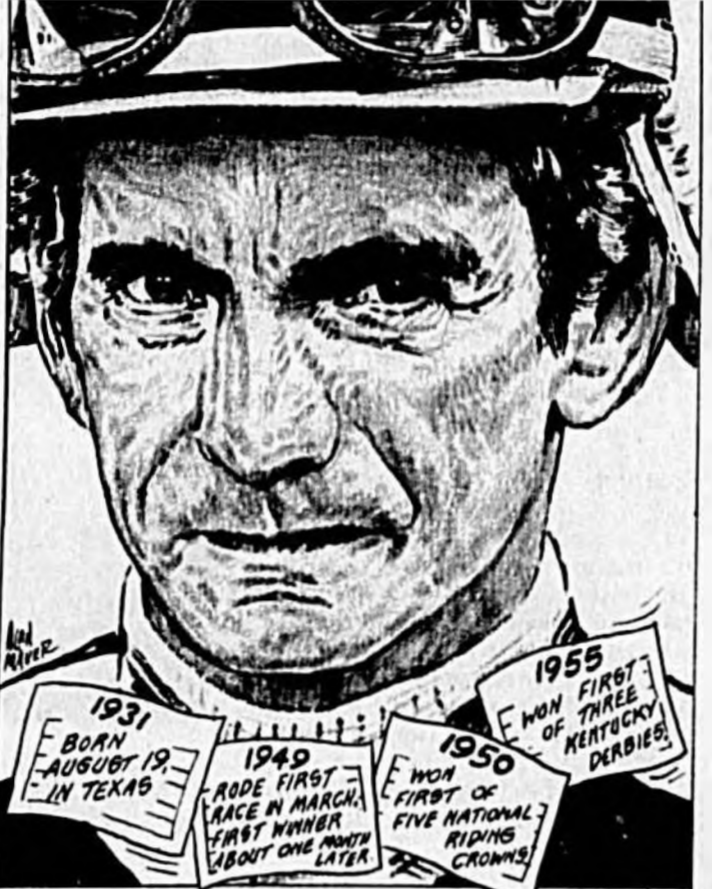
With two weeks to go in regularly scheduled play, unbeaten remain. Winter Park is 8-0 in the JV (6-7th grade) boys division and can wrap up the title with a win against the second place Jackson Heights Bruins this weekend. South Seminole's Kittens are 8-0 in the Varsity (8th grade) boys division and will probably not clinch their title until the last game of the season, if then, when they play the runner-up Jackson Heights Pacmen.

The playoffs will run Monday thru Thursday, Feb. 28 to March 3 with doubleheaders each night at both Lake Howell and Oviedo High Schools. The championship games will be played on Monday, March 7, a tripleheader starting at 5:30 p.m. at Oviedo.

Wednesday, March 9, all three divisions will conclude their seasons with all-star games at Oviedo, again starting at 5:30 p.m. The champions in each division will meet teams composed of all-stars from all the other teams in that division. MVP's will be picked in each game, plus the season awards (champs, runnerups, third place team & individual trophies and All-Star trophies) will be given out at that grand finale, March 9.

The ICBA will also be represented in

WILLIE SHOEMAKER by Alan Maver



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the Daytona Beach YMCA Tourney in both the JV (March 24-27) and Varsity (March 17-20) divisions, playing against teams from all over the country. All-star teams have been picked and will begin working out this week.

Elsewhere, the South Seminole basketball teams of the Inter-County Basketball Association have been quite active. In addition to their regular league play, all three teams have played two games each with St. Luke's of Slavia and the two boys teams have also met Mary Magdalen of Maitland, Daytona Beach YMCA and Holy Family of Hicksville, New York.

The Kittens split a pair of games with St. Luke's, dropping the first, 27-25 and winning the second, 29-26. Erin Hankins threw in 12 points, 10 in the last quarter to bring SS back into contention in the first game. Christy Duda led St. Luke's with 11, Michelle Herman and Christa Vlascher had 4 each. In the second game, it was Hankins again with 12, Rocio Barreto nine and Maorie Osgood with six for the Kittens. Duda scored 14, Susan Fair eight for St. Luke's.

The South Seminole Tomcats dropped a 27-26 game to Mary Magdalen. Garth Bolton was high for the Tomcats with 14. Brian Dill had 4. Burkett and Constantine, two 7th graders who do double-duty for Mary Magdalen, playing and starting for the 8th grade team, too.

led the 7th graders with six and eight points. The SS Bobcats rolled over Mary Magdalen in the 8th grade game, 80-22. All 9 Bobcats scored led by Oscar Wilder 16, Phil Florence 16, Vince Florence 14, Darryl Relfford 11, Tyrone Wilson eight and Darryn Crist eight.

The Bobcats also defeated St. Luke's twice in 8th grade play, 39-38 and then 55-49. In the latter game, SS trailed at halftime 24-18 but a furious 25-3 third quarter edge, turned the tide. Relfford had 17, Vince Florence 14, Wilder 10 and Ricky Deming 8 for the Cats in that one. Rob Hughes led St. Luke's with 18, Garth Bolton had 12 and Jim Stewart 9.

The Tomcats took St. Luke's with 19, Garth Bolton had 12 and Jim Stewart 9.

The Tomcats took St. Luke's twice, too; 38-14 and 33-13. Big John Flath had 16, J.J. Miller and Mike Sandeman eight each. Brad Bolton led St. Luke's with 12. In the second game Danny Rubin scored 10 for SS. Sandeman had six, Joe Flores five, Miller and Rick Wright four each. Bolton had seven, Hampton four for St. Luke's.

Both the Tomcats and Bobcats went down to defeat at Daytona as they played the YMCA Red Devils, all star teams that are prepping for play in their own tourney at the end of the season. The Tomcats were dumped, 36-18, and the Bobcats lost, 59-47. Dill and Flath scored six each for the Tomcats. Vince Florence, Wilder and Crist all had 10 apiece for the Bobcats. Big Greg Polite, a 6'3" terror, led Daytona in the 8th grade game with 30 points. Eric Polote had 13 in the 7th grade game.



SVENSSON RETURN
Ake Svensson, Seminole Community College's standout tennis player, leaves his feet to return a shot during a match earlier this year. The Raiders, 9-0, travel to Daytona Beach today for a 2:30 match.

Chiefs Name Aids

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (UPI) — Two more assistant coaches from the professional football ranks have joined the staff of the Kansas City Chiefs, head coach John Mackovic announced Monday.

Robinson: Keep Walker

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (UPI) — College football needs Herschel Walker and should fight to keep him from turning professional, Grambling coach Eddie Robinson said Monday.

Some reports said Walker, who won the Heisman Trophy last year as a junior running back at Georgia, signed a contract with the New Jersey entry in the United States Football League and then, through an escape clause, pulled out of the deal. If he signed the contract, however, he forfeited his final year of college eligibility.

Robinson, participating in an NCAA-sponsored football coaches panel, said, "I believe we need to be certain about Herschel Walker. I

Football

don't believe that the college ranks should give up Herschel without a fight.

"I believe they need him in college football. There's this business of people, who may be playing Georgia, saying let's get rid of him but I think he means a lot to college football. Whatever it takes, I would like to see us go on record that we should put up a fight to keep him in college football."

Kansas State coach Jim Dickey said the prospect of the USFL's draft timing has some coaches looking

over their shoulders. "I think the new league is scary to us because of the Herschel Walker thing," Dickey said. "But I hope someday I get a player good enough that they want him that much."

Robinson said he used to be very involved in all his players' negotiations with professional teams, but the number of pro-quality players in recent years and the charge by some people that he was really negotiating for himself, made him curtail that.

"I don't think a young man 18, 20 and 21 years old, listening to propositions with money and this type of thing, is capable of all the time making the right decision."

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Who Should Pay For Work To Waters?

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The government spends more than \$200 million a year to run the nation's internal waterways, but Reagan administration officials say someone else should be picking up the tab.

The administration has proposed shifting at least a portion of the operating expense to those who use the waterways, including farmers who transport their grains and oilseeds along the rivers to ocean ports.

An Agriculture Department report says a 1977 survey found 61 percent of the nation's soybean exports, half its corn exports and 29 percent of its wheat exports traveled on inland waterways.

Some of those shipments traveled as far as 1,700 miles along the rivers until they reached port, according to the report, published in the current issue of the department's "Farline" magazine.

Together, grain and oilseed shipments account for about 12 percent of the 535 million ton annual load transported over the internal waterways. But since farm products generally travel farther than lumber, chemicals, petroleum and other goods on the waterway system, they account for 30 percent of the 69 billion ton-miles, the report said.

At one time, the government picked up virtually all the costs of running the waterway system.

But a 1979 law ordered a tax on towboat fuel as a means of helping rebuild locks on the Mississippi River.

The tax initially was set at 4 cents per gallon, but gradual increases will push it up to 10 cents a gallon in 1985.

"Even at that level," the report said, "it will recover only 20 (percent) to 25 percent of the projection operation and maintenance costs for the entire system."

Administration officials consider those returns insufficient, the report said, noting that they already have proposed billing commercial users to recover all costs of operating and maintaining the rivers for commercial navigation.

"Administration representatives say user fees are the fairest way to fund needed maintenance on the waterway system and that full cost recovery would result in more efficient waterway use and development, as well as lower federal outlays," the report said.

"Proponents of full recovery also say it would end what is, in effect, a government subsidy to commercial users of the waterway system," it added.

But supporters of the proposal do not agree on exactly what form the user fees should take, who should pay them, and whether the fees should be the same for the entire system or higher for shippers who use those segments of the system that have higher operating costs.

The report identified a system-wide fuel tax — similar to the gasoline tax used to help finance interstate highways — as "perhaps the best collection scheme for farm interests."

Since grain barges generally can be loaded more heavily and travel longer distances, they are more fuel efficient, the report said, adding, "A fuel tax would reflect this advantage."

Other proposals would be more costly for the farming community.

Suggestions that fees be determined according to a formula that considers both the weight of the goods being shipped and the distance they travel would place heavy assessments on shipments of both grains and fertilizers, since both travel relatively long distances, the report said.

The report quoted transportation specialist John Gerald as saying that ton-mile tax would be more "direct and visible" than other proposed assessments. Therefore, he said, shippers would be more likely to pass the tax on to farmers as "specific, separate charges."

Buying Home At Auction Is Wave Of Future?

NEW YORK (UPI) — Auctioning of brand new homes could become an important sales tool in the U.S. housing market, says Gordon Ellinghausen, president of the midwest division of U.S. Home Corp. of Houston.

Ellinghausen is preparing to test his theory. He is building a group of 15 houses at Bowling Brook, Ill., to be sold at auction by Real Estate Auctions, Inc., of Chicago without any prior effort to sell them through ordinary channels.

He told United Press International the houses will be comparable to homes that sell for \$85,000 to \$100,000.

"We will suggest minimum opening bids of \$25,000 but there will be no legal upset bid figure," Ellinghausen said. "Once the sale starts the auctioneer legally could sell one of the houses for fifty bucks although, of course, nothing like that will happen."

Ellinghausen said he got the idea after hearing that auctioning brand new homes is a fairly common practice in Japan and Australia and is a successful marketing method there. Ellinghausen has sold a lot of residential real estate at auction in recent years but always under pressure, homes that had been repossessed or were leftovers after the close of a conventional sales campaign.

He said since the home market has been slow in the Chicago area for the past few years the auctions were not terribly successful from the point of view of prices realized. "But they did stop our carrying charges on the properties."

The big attraction in auctioning new houses, he said, is that it will slash selling expenses sharply and quickly close out the sale of all houses in a new development, within 30 days in all likelihood.

This, he said, will result in enormous savings to the developer on taxes, insurance, maintenance, security services and such expensive marketing devices as model homes kept up for more than a year. "Even in a very small group of houses you can pile up \$250,000 to \$500,000 in such extra expenses before you know it when you sell by conventional means," he said.

So, if the Oak Brook auction turns out reasonably well, Ellinghausen thinks it might start a trend across the country. He said he had not heard of any similar project in the United States of building homes to sell by auction although new homes in developments have been auctioned off because the developer got into financial difficulties.

Meanwhile, Gordon Greene, president of Real Estate Auctions, Inc., said resurgence of the conventional home market and falling interest rates would not seriously slow the business of auctioning real estate. His company has auctioned off about \$45 million worth of homes and apartments in the past year, most of them at discounts (up to 35 percent) from the prices asked for them in conventional sale channels.

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Real Estate Development Saves Clubs

NEW YORK (UPI) — The real estate developer, nemesis of suburban country clubs for the past decade, may turn out to be their savior, says Charles Perry, vice-chairman of Golden Bear-Nicklaus Companies. Perry's firm is controlled by golf star Jack Nicklaus, who since going into business in 1970 with two workers, has built an organization of 1,000 and constructed a score of golf courses, many in association with real estate developers. The Nicklaus companies also are in golf equipment and apparel and insurance and oil and gas. Golf is a booming sport and business, but the golf course business has had a paradoxical record in recent years. In the 1960s, several hundred new golf courses were built in the United States but most were in sunbelt retirement communities. Meanwhile, said Perry, a substantial number, perhaps half, of the more prestigious suburban country clubs and private links began losing members and revenue. Some became downright shabby. Real estate developers, hungry for land on which to build apartments, condominiums and other luxury housing, started gobbling them up. "This disturbed Jack Nicklaus," Perry said. "He hated seeing the bulldozers rip up fine old golf courses where he had played in notable tournaments and to see handsome clubhouses destroyed." So, after careful study, he and Perry and Fracorp, Inc., of Tulsa worked out a plan to save many of these old golf clubs from the housing contractor's bulldozer by making them centers of ideal suburban townhouse developments. They have raised \$70 million for the first of these projects at St. Andrews Golf Club at Hastings-on-the-Hudson in New York's Westchester County. Named, of course, for the famous St. Andrews course in Scotland, this is the oldest golf club in the United States. Fortunately, 25 acres of adjoining land was available and on this will be put up 209 of the most expensive condominium townhouses in the fashionable county. Three holes of the present course will be relocated and all the greens and the irrigation system will be improved. The handsome clubhouse will be rebuilt. "We will save this famous club and give the area a new community and improve its tax base at the same time," Perry said.

Mexico To Cut Prices Of Its Oil

MEXICO CITY (UPI) — Mexico indicated it would lower its oil export prices at the end of this week in line with cuts made by other major oil exporting countries that have triggered a world petroleum pricing war. A joint statement from the Ministry of Mining and the national oil monopoly Petrolera Mexicana said the new prices would be set Friday, retroactive to all sales during February. "The recent developments on the international petroleum market, in particular the events of the last few days in Nigeria and the North Sea, oblige all countries that export oil to review their price levels," the statement said. "Nevertheless, it should be underlined that price adjustments do not necessarily have to be on the magnitude of the ones in Great Britain, Norway and Nigeria," it added. Britain and Norway cut the price of its crude to \$30.50 a barrel last week. On Saturday, Nigeria also cut its oil price 15 percent to \$30.50, becoming the first member of OPEC to slash beneath the benchmark price set by the cartel. Saudi Arabia summoned the six-member states of the Gulf Cooperation Council to an urgent meeting today to determine what size cut to make in the benchmark price to retaliate against Nigeria. "Mexico, the world's fourth largest oil producer, currently sells its light quality crude at \$32.50 a barrel and heavy crude for \$25 a barrel. Mexico is not a member of OPEC. Prices have been forced down by a world oil glut caused by the worldwide recession, better conservation efforts by Western nations and a relatively mild winter in the northern hemisphere. On the spot market, oil has been available for less than \$30 a barrel. Aggravating the slump was OPEC's failure to reach a pricing and production agreement in Geneva on Jan. 24.

AMC's 1983 Loss Is \$153.5 Million

SOUTHFIELD, Mich. (UPI) — American Motors Corp. says the success of its new Renault Alliance improved 1982 fourth quarter earnings but the No. 4 automaker lost \$153.5 million for the year. The loss, announced Monday, was worse than a 1981 loss of \$136.8 million. AMC's annual loss works out to \$2.85 per share — up from \$2.44 a share in 1981. The automaker has 66.9 million shares of outstanding common stock. AMC had worldwide sales last year of \$2.87 billion, compared to \$2.58 billion in 1981. The popularity of the Kenosha, Wis.-built Alliance, however, helped AMC cut its losses in the fourth quarter to \$2.86 million compared to a \$47.1 million loss in the final quarter of 1981. Sales for the final quarter were \$856.8 million compared to \$621.1 million the year before. AMC is the third automaker to announce its 1982 results. General Motors Corp. last year made nearly \$1 billion while Ford Motor Co. lost \$658 million. Chrysler Corp.'s earnings were expected to be released Thursday. AMC Chairman W. Paul Tippet, Jr. and President Jose Dedeurwarder blamed the year's loss on the "difficult economic situation" in the United States and Canada. Other problems were caused by the problems of Mexico's economy and the devaluation of the Japanese yen. Tippet and Dedeurwarder noted the Alliance led AMC to a 49 percent increase in fourth quarter sales. The Alliance was also named the "Car of the Year" by Motor Trend Magazine. Results in the first half of 1983 also will be dismal, the executives said, because of continued economic problems in Mexico and the heavy costs involved in launching new models. AMC plans to introduce a new line of passenger cars that will be built in Kenosha as well as a new version of the Jeep, which is built in Toledo, Ohio.

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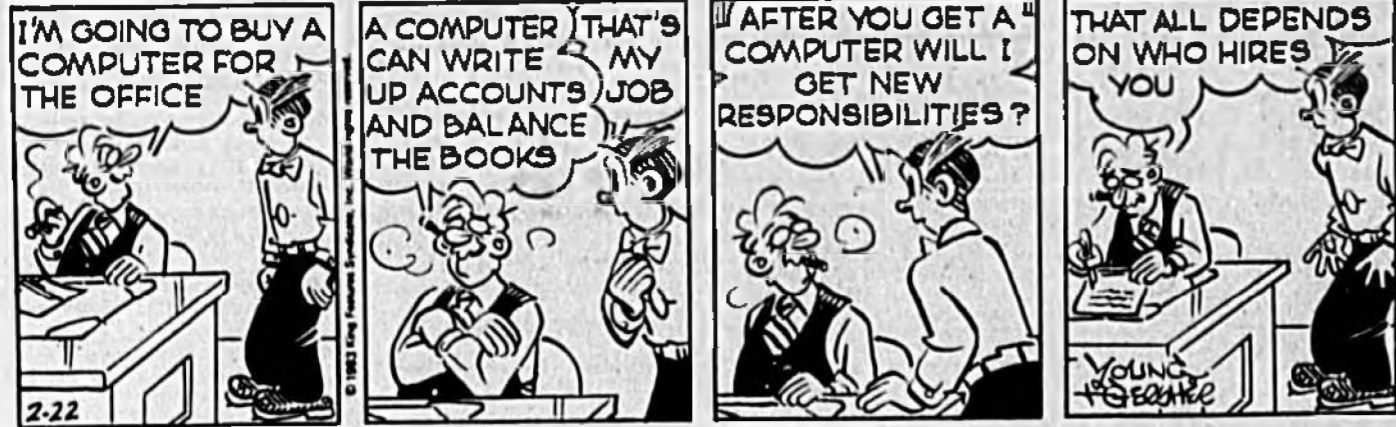
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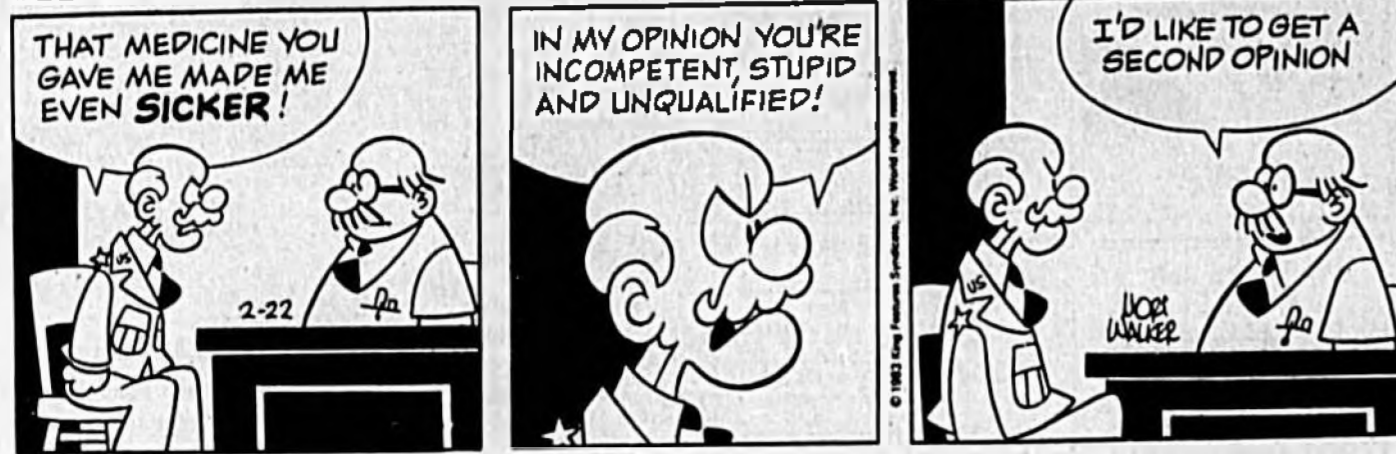
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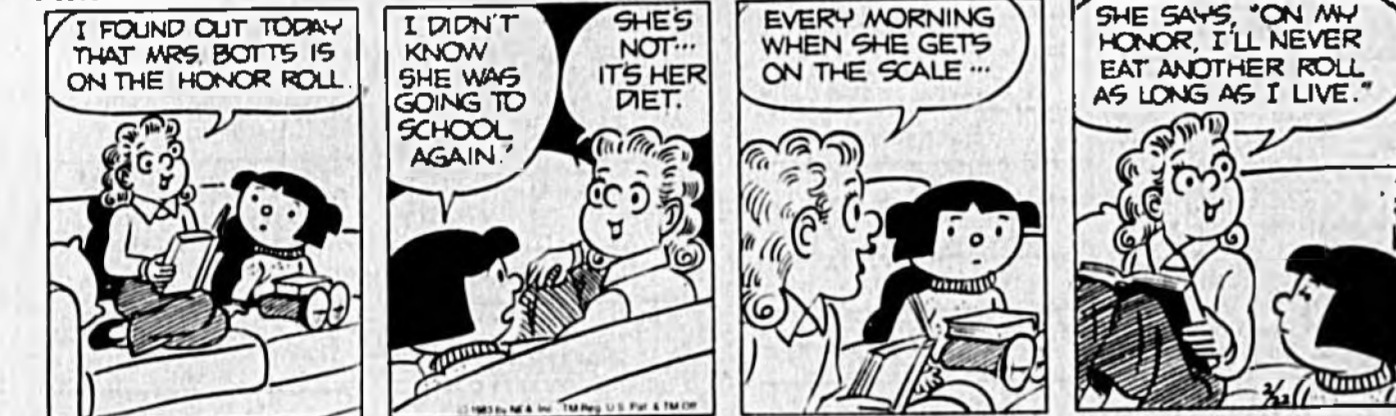
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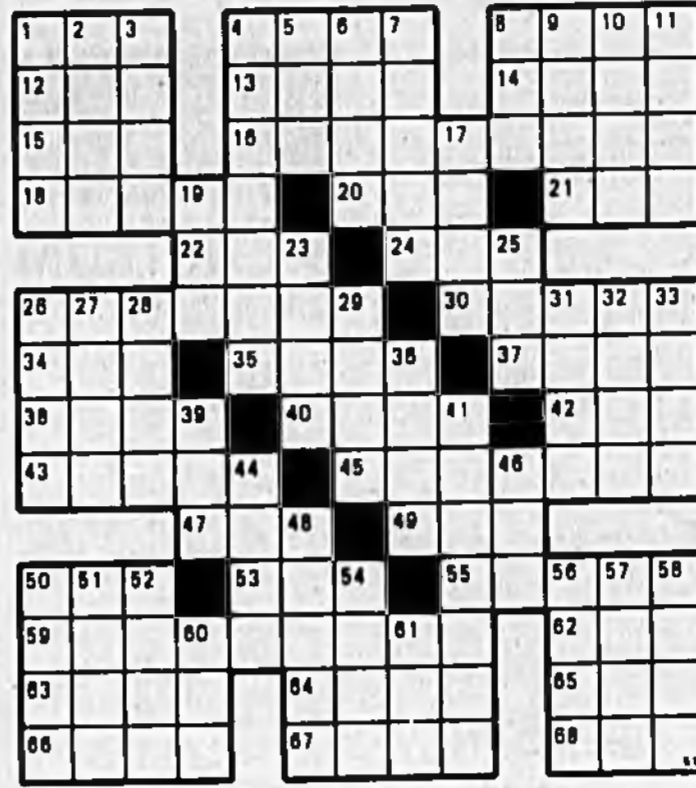
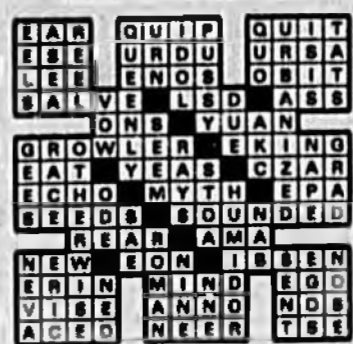


by T. K. Ryan

ACROSS

- 1 Poetic preposition
- 4 Reason
- 6 Shield (Lat.)
- 12 Sup.
- 13 Male swine
- 14 Water craft
- 15 Landing boat
- 16 Of Eastern Roman Empire
- 18 Sail rope
- 20 And so on (abbr., Lat. 2 wds.)
- 21 Greeting
- 22 Title
- 24 Organ for hearing
- 28 Quicken (2 wds.)
- 30 Negative ion
- 34 Proposed amendment (abbr.)
- 35 First garden
- 37 Jason's ship
- 38 Pear
- 40 City in Oklahoma
- 42 Make angry
- 43 Church body
- 45 Wives
- 47 Light meal
- 48 Hair
- 50 Energy unit
- 53 Environment agency (abbr.)
- 55 Arch-roofed
- 59 Commercial flight (2 wds.)
- 62 Wander
- 63 Amaze
- 64 Solid figure
- 65 Part of the psyche
- 66 Prove
- 67 Companion of odds
- 68 Upper surface
- 11 Fencing sword
- 17 College athletic group
- 19 Noun suffix
- 23 Impolite
- 25 Genetic material
- 26 Observes
- 27 Entreat
- 28 Deserve
- 29 Writes
- 31 Flower
- 32 Fairy tale creature
- 33 Negates (abbr.)
- 38 Bites
- 39 Homesite
- 41 Draws nonsense
- 44 Game animal
- 46 Spanish for one
- 48 Rapidly
- 50 Direction
- 51 Ceremony
- 52 Crane genus
- 54 Shakespeare's river
- 56 Encounter
- 57 Therefore
- 58 Small quantity
- 60 Powerful explosive (abbr.)
- 61 Stop

Answer to Previous Puzzle



Thinning Hair A Common Worry



DEAR DR. LAMB — My hair is very thin. I'm a full-blood Indian with typically dark complexion. Most Indians have thick black hair. As a matter of fact, my father, mother, sister and brothers have thick black hair. I have one child of 8 years. Her hair is normal for a growing girl. My hair is thin and dark brown. I shower every day. When I was in school I had very thick hair. My hair gets oily if not washed every day.

DEAR READER — I get enormous amounts of mail from readers who have hair loss problems. It is important for people to understand that hair loss is a symptom. It can be caused by many different things. That is why I often recommend that a person with hair loss should see a dermatologist for an evaluation rather than getting ripped off by many of the advertised products that are often worse than useless.

You will need an examination to find out why you have this problem. Most hair loss is from inherited characteristics of the individual hair follicles. In men that often leads to male pattern baldness, often early in life. In women it results in frontal thinning.

In a few people hormone imbalances can cause loss of hair. This includes both overactive and underactive thyroid conditions. You might have such a problem, resulting in excessive scalp oil and hair loss. Today fad diets that are deficient in calories and good quality protein are often a cause.

What you do to your hair can affect hair loss. This is explained in The Health Letter number 12-6, Hair Care, which I am sending you. Others who want this issue can send 75 cents with a long, stamped, self-addressed envelope for it to me, in care of this newspaper, P.O. Box 1551, Radio City Station, New York, NY 10019. What you do includes such things as styles

that pull on your hair and excessive use of bleaches.

Taking B vitamins, zinc and any number of things people write to me about is usually entirely useless. Some have asked what kind of protein they need. The answer is good quality protein that provides all the essential amino acids your body needs. These are found in meat and dairy products. A good balanced diet should meet all your protein, vitamin and mineral requirements you need for normal hair growth.

DEAR DR. LAMB — I do not write as a critic, but is there any explanation as to why a senior citizen, in good health, almost 80 years old is interested only in eating? I see a great deal of this in older people all the time. I do not mean they do not read or go for a walk, but this is their main concern and seems to be of a worrisome nature.

DEAR READER — Eating is one of the basic aspects of most people's lives. In my opinion, more people should be concerned about what they are eating and translate that concern into learning sound information about nutrition. Good eating often means good health.

Older people often do have a narrowing of their scope of interest. That is sometimes because they don't have the ability or opportunity to participate in the full range of life's activities that younger, and sometimes healthier, people do. So it is only natural that there may be a greater interest in food. That is far better than the other problem that occurs in some older people and in people who live alone, which is loss of interest in food and poor nutritional habits.

HOROSCOPE

By BERNICE BEDE OSOL

For Wednesday, February 23, 1983

YOUR BIRTHDAY

February 23, 1983
You are likely to be more ambitious and enterprising this coming year than you have been in the past. Several auxiliary ventures could provide new income.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)
The key to success today is to stick to proven methods, even if they are plodding and try your patience. Shortcuts could lead to dead ends. 1983 predictions for Pisces are now ready. Send \$1 to Astro-Graph, Box 489, Radio City Station, N.Y. 10019. Be sure to state your zodiac sign. Send an additional \$2 for the NEW Astro-Graph Matchmaker wheel and booklet. Reveals romantic combinations and compatibilities for all signs.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
Disregard hearsay information today in matters affecting your family's material security. Use only that which is factual to its best advantage.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
Associates who rejected your proposals yesterday could be more compliant today. It might be worth your while to restate your propositions.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
Circumstances with a direct bearing on your finances or career appear favorable today. Instead of being hesitant, move boldly in these areas.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
Your ideas will be better received by persons in authority today than they will be by their subordinates. Try to avoid using intermediaries.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)
Personal ambitions can be advanced today, provided you're singular and persistent. In order to accomplish what you're capable of doing, don't get off on tangents.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)
Your good judgment and self-discipline will serve you well in many situations today, but they may desert you in your financial affairs.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)
One way to assure your needs will be looked out for today is to first look out for the needs of others. Kindness generates a reciprocal action.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
The signs look encouraging today if you are embarking on a new project or venture. However, timing is vital so keep everything in proper phase.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
Your possibilities for personal gain look encouraging today, but you mustn't let unrealistic expectations cause you to make the wrong moves.

WIN AT BRIDGE

NORTH 2-22-83			
♦ 9 8 3	♣ 7		
♥ A 10	♠ J 10 8 5 4		
♣ Q J 10 8 7 6 5	♦ Q 7 6 4		
WEST EAST			
♦ Q J 5	♣ 7		
♥ K 7 3	♠ Q J 10 8 5 4		
♣ 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2	♦ Q 7 6 4		
♠ 7	♥ K 9 5		
SOUTH			
♦ A K 10 8 7 6 5 4 3 2			
♥ 5 2			
♠ K			
♦ A 6 3			
Vulnerable: Neither			
Dealer: South			
West	North	East	South
Pass	2♣	Pass	3♣
Pass	4♣	Pass	5♣
Pass	6♣	Pass	Pass
Opening lead: ♦ 10			

By Oswald Jacoby and James Jacoby
In war a commanding general often sacrifices troops to win the battle. In chess the sacrifice known as the gambit involves sacrificing an important piece to develop a winning position. Bridge has similar tactics. If your objective in a slam contract is to take 12 tricks, sometimes you must give one up.

North-South let out all the stops to arrive at the ambitious contract of six spades. However, declarer's play confirmed what our 100 years of collective bridge experience have taught us: the most flammable overbidders in the game are the most skilled at bringing their contract home. Declarer could easily have won the diamond king and played the ace-king of spades. If that suit split favorably, no problem. But what if spades did not behave? Today's declarer realized two chances are better than one. He rose with the ace of diamonds, thus sacrificing his king and took the club finesse. When that won, he took another club finesse. West trumped that trick and led a heart. South won the ace and played ace-king of spades, dropping the queen-jack. Then he played the club ace, felling that king and a low spade to dummy's nine. Good clubs took care of the heart losers. We applaud the play, don't think much of the bidding, and may stop the deluge of reader's letters by stating that West made the wrong opening lead. When defending against a 12-trick contract, if you see one trick for your side, make the most aggressive lead to develop another trick. The lead of a heart away from the king sets the hand.

GARFIELD



by Jim Davis

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by Leonard Starr