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SANFORD — It took nine innings, but Reckers came up with the win they needed to clinch the championship in the Sanford Recreation Wednesday Men's Polar Bear Softball League.
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People

Psychic acumen is a natural

According to Psychic Jerry Stewart, everyone has psychic potential which, he says he believes, occurs quite naturally. As for training to become a psychic, Jerry says that may be debatable.
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BRIEFS

Fatal wreck

A Sanford woman was killed in a traffic accident yesterday afternoon on Sand Lake Road in Orange County. Barbara Denise Miller, 24, of Sanford, was a passenger in a car driven by Benjamin Taylor, 28, who was involved in the collision.

Miller's daughter, KeMonte Miller, 2, was seriously injured in the collision.

According to the Florida Highway Patrol, Taylor was being sought by Orange County deputies for a credit card related crime at the Florida Mall. Taylor reportedly ran out of the mall, got into a 1995 Lincoln occupied by Miller and her daughter, and fled from the parking lot.

Troopers said he attained speeds of 95 to 100 miles per hour during a subsequent chase, but approximately one-half mile from the mall, he apparently lost control, ran off the road and overturned in an adjacent wooded area.

While Taylor reportedly fled from the crash, he was subsequently apprehended by Orange County Deputies.

Taylor was charged by the FHP with vehicular homicide and leaving the scene of an accident involving a death.

The two-year old girl was taken to Arnold Palmer Hospital with a broken arm and facial lacerations, and is reported in stable condition.

FHP investigators say they believe Barbara Miller had known Taylor for several months.

Officials invited to visit Ireland

SANFORD — In a hands-across-the-sea gesture of friendship to further cement ties between sister counties, officials from County Wicklow, Ireland invited Seminole Board of County Commissioners chairman Randy Morris there later this summer to help dedicate a major road project. The invitation was extended during Tuesday's commission meeting.

Morris thanked the officials and without missing a beat, jokingly noted he might ask them to bury power lines and plant trees along the new highway.

The out-of-towners were slightly puzzled by the quip until it was explained Morris, while mayor of Lake Mary, had been involved in the widening and beautification of Lake Mary Boulevard a few years ago.

The local commissioners OK'd Morris' trip to the Emerald Isle at the end of their meeting. Jack Wert, county tourism director, may accompany the commissioner.

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So happy they that never saw the court, Nor ever knew great men but by report.
-John Webster



Today: Variable cloudiness with scattered afternoon showers and thunderstorms. High in the mid to upper 70s. South wind 5 to 10 mph. Except gusty near thunderstorms. Chance of rain 50 percent.

For more weather, see Page 2A

Study: Port, airport merger

By NICK PFEIFAU
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — The Seminole County Port Authority (SCOPA) studying Wednesday the question of a merger with the Sanford Airport Authority voted to form a study committee.

An extensive discussion was held at the meeting.
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Sanford Police Ofc. Tim Weller counts money in front of robbery suspect John Edward Green Jr. while Inv. Arthur Barnes radios headquarters.

Bank robbed, man nabbed

By VICKI DeBORMIER
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — Police Wednesday arrested a transient they say hours earlier robbed a Sanford bank, fleeing with about \$900 after threatening to "shoot up everybody."

John Edward Green Jr. was charged with armed robbery and grand theft after he made off with the money.
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Students get their day in court



Director of the county's law library, Jan Cara, speaks to Lake Brantley students.

Behind the legal scenes

By VICKI DeBORMIER
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — The courtroom was packed, nearly to capacity, with young people.

They listened intently, for the most part, to the court clerk, to the prosecuting and defense attorneys and even to the court reporter. The only thing missing was a judge.

Some of the 53 seniors from Lake Brantley High School in Altamonte Springs fidgeted in their chairs and studied the patterns in the ceiling or whispered to their neighbors, but most of the students were excited to learn about what happens behind the scenes in the legal profession.

As a part of the National Mentor Program, the students took part in a day-long event at the Seminole County Courthouse that is designed to "educate our youth in refraining from violence as well as help them understand the function and importance of our judicial system."
See Court, Page 7A

Businesses add input to display dilemma

By NICK PFEIFAU
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — Sanford business and professional leaders will be asked for input regarding regulation of outdoor displays and signs in the downtown historical district.

The city hopes to obtain responses from members of the Historic Preservation Board, Waterfront Master Plan Steering Committee, Greater Sanford Chamber of Commerce, Sanford Historical Downtown Waterfront Association (SHDWA), Sanford Main Street (SMS), Sanford Advertising Co-op, and Sanford Historic Trust.

In February, the Sanford Advertising Co-op had requested the city look into allowing certain businesses in the downtown area to display items in front of their stores. While some of the displays would be

on private property, many of them would be on the edge of the sidewalk area which is city right-of-way.

It was revealed at that time, while several other Central Florida cities containing a large number of antique and second-hand stores have displays outdoors, it is generally against city codes. The codes in these cities however, were determined to be poorly enforced, if at all.

In order to allow for the displays in Sanford, various sections of city codes dealing with sign regulations will require changing.

Although final plans will not be drafted for the changes until input is received from the various organizations and considered by the city, preliminary suggestions have been revealed.

They call for no more than one

item, per active store entrance, to be displayed outdoors. The displays shall not hinder pedestrian traffic, and must allow at least five feet of space for passers-by.

The Historic Preservation Board would be responsible for reviewing all outside display requests as part of the Certificate of Appropriateness approval process.

Displays must be located directly in front of the storefront sponsoring them; they may not hang from aerial braces and cannot be allowed out when the business is not open.

The displays would also be limited to eight feet in height. "This seems to be a bit high," observed Commissioner Kerry Lyons during commission discussion Monday afternoon.

"This might be something like a grandfather clock," responded City Manager Bill Simmons. "In any

case, it is something which would have to be taken in through the front door of the business, and anything of any significant height would be restricted by the height of the door."

Commissioner Lon Howell voiced the only objection to the entire concept of allowing the downtown outdoor displays. "We are not going to be able to control this," he said. "This is just going to get out of hand."

Howell had previously questioned the area where this would be allowed, and had suggested that other merchants elsewhere in the city would see themselves as similarly authorized to have the displays.

Simmons said he expects to have enough comments from the various organizations to present them by the next commission meeting, scheduled for March 27.

Historic area residents vs. cluster boxes

By SHARI BRODIE
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — There was no rain, hail, snow or dark of night last Thursday afternoon, but the mail did not get through to the cluster box which services residents of the 1200 block of Oak Avenue.

There was, though, a car parked six feet from the box which prevented the route carrier from delivering the mail, according to Oak Avenue resident Rob Crews.

Crews said his daughter had returned home from school Thursday afternoon, and parked adjacent to the cluster box, in order not to block a neighbor's driveway. The mail carrier did not deliver the mail and Crews was notified of this by his neighbors later that afternoon.

The cluster mail boxes have been an item of contention since they were proposed for use in the historic district a few years ago. Residents

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This cluster mailbox services the 1200 block of Oak Avenue.

Herald Photo by Tommy Vincent

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FLORIDA BRIEFS



Dog attacks while woman sleeps

TAMPA — A 67-year-old woman was hospitalized in stable condition after the family dog attacked her while she slept. Florence Bigbie's son had gone to check on her during the night and found her lying on the floor next to her bed with the mixed-breed pit bull nearby...

Newspaper sues state over HMOs

FORT LAUDERDALE — The Sun-Sentinel of Fort Lauderdale is suing the state to force state health officials to make public the findings of an investigation of Florida's health maintenance organizations for the poor. The lawsuit, filed in Leon Circuit Court in Tallahassee on Wednesday...

Desegregation court battle put on hold

JACKSONVILLE — A possible court battle over the Duval County school desegregation plan has been put on hold while the NAACP and community leaders conduct behind-the-scenes talks. NAACP President Bill Randall and attorney Michael Sussman have refused to identify those involved in the talks...

MIAMI — After 15 years of leading the nation's largest community college, its nationally recognized president is getting ready to retire. Robert McCabe, 65, tearfully said he is relinquishing the helm of Miami-Dade Community College because the job has taken too much out of him.

Miami-Dade college president retires

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From Associated Press reports

NEWS FROM THE REGION AND ACROSS THE STATE

I'm going to Disneyland Soap Box Derby participant wins award

By NICK PPRIPAUF Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — Shannon Brewer, a Sanford Middle School student, will be paying a visit to the mouse house. Not the one near Orlando, but Disneyland and Knotts Berry Farm in California.



Shannon Brewer (left) received the sportsmanship award last year for her participation in the Sanford Soap Box Derby races. The award was presented by Lisa Jones of the city Recreation Department.

The R.G. Canning Youth Award program selected Brewer for the award during her participation in the 1994 National Soap Box Derby Races, an organization for soap box racers. The 1994 Championship was held last August in Columbus, Ohio...

R.G. Canning commented on today's youth are tomorrow's leaders, and he is concerned

Butterworth, law enforcers seek sweeping changes in criminal justice system

By BILL KACOR Associated Press Writer

TALLAHASSEE — Attorney General Bob Butterworth used a rogues gallery of oversized mug shots to promote a set of sweeping proposals to get tough on criminals. Butterworth cited as examples of why the Legislature should bar defense lawyers from questioning victims before trial...

The criminal justice package also would abolish sentencing guidelines. Bills have been introduced in the House and Senate for each proposal. "Our failure to adequately address Florida's crime problem is due in large part to a criminal justice system that has gotten too lenient for criminals and too costly for taxpayers," Butterworth said.

Referring to his "poster children," Butterworth said: —Convicted rapist Daniel Eckhart, currently at the Leon County Jail in Tallahassee, further victimized the three women he assaulted by having his lawyer subject them to lengthy questioning. —Donald Halpin, serving a life sentence at Polk Correctional Institution for a murder in Pasco County, has filed more than 50 appeals, losing all.

Bids to go out on high-speed train

By The Associated Press

MIAMI — Proposals to build and operate a high-speed "bullet train" linking Miami, Tampa and Orlando — believed out of steam five years ago — are being resurrected, this time with the state offering to pay part of the cost. Florida officials hoping to link three of Florida's biggest tourist regions have launched a search for a company to build the train intended to shuttle thousands across hundreds of miles of flat South Florida terrain at speeds ranging from 120 mph to 185 mph.

Invitations for bids were mailed to companies around the world last week. "We can never build enough roads to keep up with the growing transportation demands in our state," said Gov. Lawton Chiles, endorsing the plan as a good way to help ease highway congestion and boost the state's economy, too.

from property deals along the proposed train's route, at a time when the real-estate market was collapsing. But under a new plan, the Florida Department of Transportation promises to subsidize the project indefinitely with \$70 million a year, beginning in 1997, when state planners believe the system could be up and running, says Charles Smith, FDOT's manager for high-speed transportation.

LOTTERY MIAMI - Here are the winning numbers selected Wednesday in the Florida Lottery. Fantasy 5 24-9-7-5-14 Cash 3 9-9-8 Play 4 8-1-5-0 Sanford Herald Thursday, March 16, 1995 Vol. 87, No. 177

THE WEATHER LOCAL FORECAST EXTENDED OUTLOOK NATIONAL TEMPS THURSDAY P'tly cldy 78-83 FRIDAY P'tly cldy 78-89 SATURDAY P'tly cldy 78-89 SUNDAY P'tly cldy 78-89 MONDAY P'tly cldy 78-89 NOON PHASES FULL March 16 LAST March 23 NEW March 30 FIRST April 6 BEACH CONDITIONS DAYTONA BEACH Waves are 2-3 feet and semi-choppy. The current is to the north. Water temperature is 62 degrees. NEW SMYRNA BEACH Waves are 3-4 feet and semi-choppy. The current is to the north. Water temperature is 62 degrees. BOATING St. Augustine to Jupiter Inlet Today: Wind southeast 10 knots. Wind waves 2 feet, northeast swell 5 feet. Bay and inland waters a light chop. Scattered showers and thunderstorms.

Irish festival starts today

By VICKI DeBORNER Herald Staff Writer

CASSELBERRY — Only recently the Seminole Greyhound Park sparkled with the bright lights of the Seminole County Fair. These days, there is a decidedly green tint to the park. Opening this afternoon at 3 is the Florida Irish Festival, presented by organizers as the largest Irish celebration this side of the Atlantic. The festival will provide a plethora of exciting entertainers and interesting events from Irish step dancing champions to a Catholic mass in the ancient Gaelic.

POLICE BRIEFS

Domestic cases

● Carol Marie Clark, 32, and Richard Matthew Vastola, 41, both of 102 Shannon Drive, Sanford, were arrested by Sanford police following a reported altercation early Tuesday. Each was charged with battery, domestic violence.

● Cynthia Lynn Adkins, 34, 739 Bay Ave., Longwood, was arrested at her residence by Longwood police Sunday following a reported dispute with a man. She was charged with battery, domestic violence.

Open containers

● Donald Keith Hunt, 37, 1105 E. Eighth St., Sanford, was arrested by deputies in a parking lot in the 1900 block of Southwest Road. Deputies said he was seen in possession of a can of beer. He was charged with possession of an open container.

● Christopher Hunter, 29, 116 Scott Drive, Sanford, was arrested by police Sunday in the 800 block of Celery Avenue. Police said he was seen outside a store with a can of beer. He was charged with violation of the open container ordinance.

Littering

Willie Thomas Harris, 43, 1100 Orange Ave., Sanford, was arrested near a convenience store Sunday in the 800 block of Celery Avenue, in response to a call regarding littering. He was charged with resisting an officer without violence.

Sheriff reports

● A burglary was reported Monday at Woodlands Elementary School on E.E. Williamson Road. Deputies said a camcorder, computer equipment and \$150 in currency, with a total value of \$1,825 were missing.

● A compressor motor valued at \$200 was reported stolen Monday from a yard in the 1800 block of Roseberry Lane near Sanford.

● A Kenworth truck and 1980 Chevrolet were reportedly burglarized Monday, in the 200 block of Rand Yard Road. An estimated \$1,000 in damage was reportedly done to a window and overhead console in the truck. Nothing was immediately determined to be missing from the car.

● A 1995 Dodge pickup, license number QCP-02T, owned by an Osteen man, was reported stolen Monday from an auto dealership on U.S. Highway 17-92 in Longwood.

Wire theft

Sheriff's deputies arrested Thomas James Beauchene, 36, of 2702 Magnolia Ave., Sanford, on Monday. Deputies were called by Sanford police who had stopped Beauchene's pickup truck. In the back of the truck, officers said they located a large amount of aluminum wire. It was eventually determined that the wire had been reported stolen from a Florida Power Corporation facility on County Road 427 in Longwood. The estimate of the value was determined to be \$250. He was arrested on charges of dealing in stolen property and theft.

Retail thefts

● Sheriff's deputies arrested Kristal Lea Marquis, 18, of 112 Alma Drive, Longwood, at a retail store in the 3700 block of Lake Emma Road in Lake Mary on Tuesday. She was accused of trying to take a \$4.99 hairpiece from the store without paying. She was charged with retail theft.

● Lee S. DeLong, 18, 204 Red Coach Court, Sanford, was arrested by Sanford police Tuesday at a retail store in the 3800 block of Orlando Drive. He was accused of attempting to take two mini-license plates and four pencils from the store without paying. The arrest report indicated he had also taken a can of soda from a shelf, drank it, then replaced the can. He was charged with retail theft.

Teens to play active role in government

By NICK PFEIFER
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — City commissioners this week confirmed most of the appointments to the Youth Advisory Committee, revived earlier this year by Commissioner Kerry Lyons.

The young board members will interact with government officials regarding youth issues. Recreation Supt. Tom Farnsworth had submitted the names of nine teens to serve on the board. They were, as follows:

- Seminole High School — Denise Alves, Chauncey Rickard and Tara Owens.
- Sanford Middle School — Julia Higgins and Calvin Merthie.
- Lakeview Middle School — Dasha Haws and Carson Stone.
- Sanford Housing Authority — The SHA nomination was Consuelo Le-Fay Johnson.
- Boys and Girls Club — The club's nomination was Nicholas Gordon.

While most of the appointments were agreed upon, two of the youngsters, Chauncey Rickard and Nicholas Gordon, were tentatively approved. The Boys and Girls Club had failed to give Gordon's address, and Rickard's address was questioned regarding its location within the city limits.

Farnsworth has established a listing of dates and locations for the group to meet. When it was originally conceived, the city commissioners said they believed it important that the group become well acquainted with the various operations of the city in order to assist in making appropriate comments regarding youth needs.

Farnsworth's schedule for meetings begins on March 30, and concludes in February, 1996. Visits and/or tours include attendance at the city commission workshop and meeting, meeting with various department heads, visits to the fire station, police department, engineering and planning, community development, public works and utilities departments.

Next January the group will become involved in Sanford Main Street and waterfront presentations. The final meeting in February will be a wrap-up and evaluation meeting.

The meetings are proposed for the third Thursday of each month beginning at 5 p.m. Except for on-site meetings, most of the gatherings will take place at the recreation office at City Hall.

Two other board appointments were on the agenda for the

regular Sanford City Commission meeting Monday night, but they were postponed until the next commission meeting scheduled for March 27.

The board appointments postponed included one on the Cemetery Advisory Board, to replace William E. Welborn,

whose term expired March 13. Welborn has served the maximum number of terms and cannot be reappointed.

The second board was the Charter Advisory Committee. Michael Skat has submitted his resignation, but was not immediately replaced.

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Teen arrested on information superhighway

By VICKI DeDONOUGH
Herald Staff Writer

CASSELBERRY — Another person has been forced off an exit on the Information Superhighway by law enforcement officers investigating a pair of burglaries at Lake Howell High School in Winter Park.

According to Ed McDonough, public information officer with the Seminole County Sheriff's Office, James Cunningham, 18, was arrested in connection with the two robberies in which \$98,000 in computer equipment was taken from the school.

McDonough said Cunningham did not participate in the Tuesday morning burglary in which \$51,000 in hardware was taken from 51 Dell computers at the school.

However, deputies found \$30,000 worth of hard drives and memory chips in his home in Casselberry. Much of the equipment was linked with a burglary at the school in January in which \$47,000 worth of computer parts was taken.

Deputies said he was not involved in the most recent burglary at the school.

He was charged with burglary, with grand theft of more than \$20,000 and with criminal mischief and taken to the John E. Polk Correctional Facility where he was held on \$5,000 bond.

Deputies said Cunningham and Andrew Shinn, a Lake Howell sophomore who was charged Tuesday morning in connection with the two burglaries, met through a computer network. The two were allegedly involved in the January burglary.

Two others who Shinn met on the computer network, known to him only by their computer handles, were involved in the most recent theft.

McDonough said investigators are "close" to identifying and arresting those two. He expects those arrests may come later today or tomorrow.

Meanwhile, Shinn was ordered held on 31 days home detention by a judge on Wednesday. He is also prohibited from using a computer.

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 Frederick deBary was born January 12th, 1815 at Frankfurt-am-Main in Germany. His family later moved to Rheims, the wine producing area of France. In 1840 he went to New York and started an importing firm for Mumm's Champagne and other fine wines.
 In 1870 Frederick came to Enterprise, Florida for a visit to Brock House. He bought 400 acres to start a hunting and fishing preserve. DeBary Hall was built for the family's winter home. His holdings grew to 9000 acres and included a steamship line.
 Frederick deBary died December 23, 1898. His son Adolphe, and his wife Augusta, inherited DeBary Hall. Frederick's great granddaughter Leanie Brewster, the last heir to enjoy visits to DeBary Hall, died in a plane crash in 1941.

Mail

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then rallied to protest the placements as contrary to the area's integrity.
Last year, the matter again surfaced when the Sanford Historic Preservation Board addressed the Sanford city commissioners and requested the city deny use of the boxes in the "Old Sanford Residential Historic District," which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.
Kevin Stubbs, then head of the board, said, "the appearance of curbside post boxes or cluster mail boxes is contradictory to the accurate portrayal of the historic district." In a work session on Nov. 28, 1994, all commissioners voiced objection to the use of the boxes.
In a letter sent to affected residents, Postmaster Patrick Brennan claimed the cluster mail boxes would modernize and speed up delivery through the use of the boxes, which would be more easily reached by passing mail deliverers.
Crews said he was a proponent of cluster mail boxes because they afford some security. "It's simpler than worrying about who would get into my mail," Crews said. He also said that he felt it was a cost-saving measure for the post office, which he supported.
But on the other side of the coin, Crews is concerned about a recurrence of the situation, because of limited parking on the street where he

lives. In the historic district, many of the homes, being built in a time when fewer automobiles existed, do not have garages, carports or even driveways, so parking on the street is a necessity.
Frank Saultz, officer in charge at the Sanford post office, said their regulations call for the approach to and from the cluster mail box to be clear in order for the mail to be delivered. Saultz said the carrier that day, who was not the regular route carrier, continued through the route and serviced the cluster box from the other side of the street. He said that at no time would mail not be delivered. "Mail is being delivered, and will continue to be delivered," Saultz said. Crews did acknowledge that he received his mail later that afternoon.
Sanford Historic Trust, Inc. President Jimmy Straehla said his group's position has always been "we just want them out because they don't go with the historic nature of the district." Straehla said a group of Trust members met with Brennan six to eight months ago and was assured by the postmaster that no new boxes would be installed.
City Commissioner Lon Howell, who lives in the historic district, continues to pursue remedies to the situation. "Eventually, I would want boxes on the porches and doors, like they used to be," Howell said.

Merger

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held during an afternoon work session of the Port Authority Board. During the regular meeting which followed, the board voted unanimously to authorize the chairman to send a letter to Seminole County, the City of Sanford and Airport Authority, calling for a study committee to be formed.
"The proposal calls for a full investigation of the implications of the merger," explained Port Director Dennis Dolgner. "The board feels that a small representation from each of the groups, getting together to discuss the many points involved in this, will do better than each individual group meeting on their own."
Only five members of the eight member board were on hand yesterday for an informal work session on the proposal. Also in attendance was Seminole County Commissioner Daryl McLain, who is the liaison between the commission and the two authorities.
Both pro and con comments were made at the work session regarding the proposed merger. Authority members Harry Hagle and Larry Dale voiced favor for the merger.
Member Clair Paul was against the proposal, and Chairman Sal Orlando and member Brenda Carey did not fully favor either the merger or keeping the two authorities separate.
When the regular meeting vote was taken, each of the five, whether supporters or opponents of the merger, were in unanimous agreement that more study is needed, and could be better accomplished through a smaller committee involving all of the entities and their staffs.
McLain gave a brief overview of the merger proposal at the work session. He pointed out how the merger would improve the overall tax base for the county, city of Sanford, and subsequently, both authorities.
Thus far however, McLain has not received much support. The Airport Authority has already indicated it was not in favor of the merger. The City of Sanford has determined it could not support the proposal without a great deal more specific information especially on financial matters.
During his comments at the meeting, Director Dolgner, who has served with the port for 20 years, admitted his position could become questionable if there was a merger. "But I've never played partisan politics," he said. "I have always worked hard with other groups such as the EDC (Economic Development Committee) and the Airport Authority whenever I could."
"Could this be of economic benefit to Seminole County," he asked. "Probably, yes. Through this merger the combination could produce a revenue stream currently not available to the airport." He suggested the port's unrestricted funds could be used to help the airport.
"Think about his," said Hagle. "How good is this for the county? If it's good for the county, then it should also be good for Sanford, and I don't see why they aren't in favor of it."
Regarding Dolgner, Hagle added, "We all know the excellent work Dennis Dolgner does, but they (city and airport authority) don't."
One of the big questions which remained unanswered dealt with whether the airport might have difficulty in obtaining Federal Aviation Authority or other government funding if the merger

came about.
While SCOPA Attorney Steve Coover said he believed the funding would still be available, he said he would study the situation. "The FAA controls the air field operation," he explained, "along with money from the federal government. These agreements are very restrictive however, and they cannot transfer funds for any economic development."
Coover serves as attorney for both of the authorities.
Dale observed, "Nobody has talked about using the airport grants for anything else."
Coover continued, "If the city of Sanford and both authority boards agree to this, along with the county, before anything could be enacted, it would have to have the blessings from the FAA. I don't know if the FAA would favor this or not but they will certainly be obligated to look closely at this merger."
Clair Paul came up on a different viewpoint. "All I've heard is how good this merger will be for the airport or Sanford," she commented. "But I haven't heard anything about how good it is for the Port Authority."
"There are too many unanswered questions," said Brenda Carey. "This may sound like an exciting approach, but I'm just not sure how much the port will benefit."
"If we don't hear anything good for the port," said Chairman Orlando, "then we should

vote against it. The thrust seems to be how we are going to help the airport, not how they will help us."
Carey suggested a joint meeting between the Port Authority, Airport Authority, and others who may have an interest in the project. The proposal wasn't accepted however.
"We've already spent a full hour right here on this," Orlando said, "and we still haven't got down to specific information. What we need is to have everyone convinced that this is a good thing."
McLain responded, "What this is, is a way to focus on increasing the overall tax base. That would help both the city of Sanford and the county. It's a win-win situation, but we still need support from all four of the entities involved in this."
He added, "And we strongly oppose any strong-arming by any single entity."
During the regular meeting, SCOPA members Clair Paul and Larry Dale were designated as the Port Authority's representation on the proposed joint committee.

Court

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Judy Carrico, the American government teacher from Lake Brantley, who organized the field trip, said some of the students really look forward to the field trip during their senior year.
"It's a chance to see how the legal system operates," she said. "They really enjoy it."
The informal nature of the instruction allowed the students to take a close look at the things that interested them most.
Stacy Melco was fascinated with the speedy fingers of the court reporter.
Jumping from her seat in the back of Courtroom A, she took up a position directly behind the stenographer.
"It's so-o-o-o weird," she reported back to her friends when she returned to her seat. "There are, like, letters all over the place and the keys are, like, all black with no letters. It's so-o-o-o weird."
Melco said she'd never been to the courthouse before, so she was excited to have the opportunity to get the behind-the-scenes tour.
Mike Mitchell said he liked getting out of school for a while.
"But I think this is interesting," he said. "I'm just curious."

The students warmed up slowly, but as the speakers progressed, questions were fired rapidly and loudly.
"Has anyone ever said no (when they were asked to swear to tell the truth)?" one student shouted at the trial clerk.
"What kinds of evidence do you get in here?" asked another.
"What happens to the drugs that are part of evidence once the trial is over?" one young man, arms across his chest, mumbled half-heartedly.
(No one has ever said no; everything from a piece of wood to a refrigerator door to drugs of every description has been entered into evidence; and the question regarding the fate of the drugs was either not heard or answered.)
Despite their classmates' enthusiasm, Mike Iglar and Nick Pontillo were bored.
"It just isn't interesting to me at all," Iglar said.
Pontillo said he didn't much care for what was happening behind the scenes.
"If we could see an actual case," he said, "that would be better."
Many of the students will return to the courthouse on May 2 for a mock trial in which they will serve as attorneys, judges, jurors and in other courtroom capacities.

Bank

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about \$900 in cash from the Sun Bank at 2910 S. Orlando Dr. in Sanford.
Green, 43, does not have a permanent address. Sanford Police Cmdr. Dennis Whitmire said Green has a long criminal record. His most recent address may have been a jail in Houston, Texas. Lately, he has been on the road in central Florida.
Wednesday afternoon at about 2, police said he entered the bank and requested that one of the tellers give him all her money. Believing he was "joking," she did not comply. He made the request again. This time, Whitmire said, she also scoffed at the request.
Frustrated, Green shouted

that he would "shoot up everybody" in the bank if she did not comply. Whitmire said Green never exhibited a weapon.
Faced with the possibility, however, the teller handed over about \$900 and Green fled on foot and headed south away from the area.
A perimeter was set up and local cab companies were contacted to be sure he did not use a taxi to get away.
Statewide Taxi reported they had picked up a fare on Airport Boulevard just south of the bank.
Officer Tim Welter stopped the cab and Green was questioned. Due to inconsistencies in his story, he was taken to the

Sanford Police Department to be questioned by the FBI.
Chuck Creaala of the FBI made the arrest at 4:15. Green was charged with grand theft and armed robbery.
Because a threat was made, armed robbery was charged though "no gun" was shown or found.
Whitmire said Green told investigators he "didn't remember" making mention of a gun, but that he "could have used a threat" during the robbery.
The FBI is still investigating a robbery at the Barnett Bank at Fashion Square in Orlando on Tuesday. Green admitted to the crime in which he said he got about \$150 in cash.

Briefs

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Get your Irish up
SANFORD — The Higgins House, a Victorian bed and breakfast on South Oak Avenue, will have its second annual Irish celebration Friday from 5 to 9 p.m. The St. Patrick's Day celebration will feature music by a bagpiper, a pianist and an Irish sing-along. A full Irish buffet with complimentary beer and wine will be served. The cost is \$18.50. Reservations are required. For more information call 324-9238.

Dancers to cook chill
SANFORD — The Ballet Guild of Sanford-Seminole will have a chili cook-off at 6 p.m. Saturday at the Sanford Chamber of Commerce, 400 E. First St. A silent auction of items donated by local merchants will be conducted. Tickets are \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for children. More information is available from Donna Hoffman at the Ballet Guild, 323-1900.

Irish

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Ireland's reigning comedy champion, will make a special appearance at the festival this evening at 7.
Also on the slate for this afternoon and evening will be the Celtic quintet Innishree, The Spirits of Gilbride, folk singer Cahir O'Doherty from County Antrim, Timmy Flaherty with The Bogrotters, the Irish-Canadian The Masterless Men

and comedian Eamonn O'Connor from Limerick.
On Friday at 2 p.m. the legendary Makem Brothers from County Armagh and Brian Sullivan will make an appearance. Other entertainers scheduled for Friday include the stars of the motion picture The Commitments and the House Band.
The highlight of Saturday's event will be a pair of appearances by the Clancy Brothers and Robbie O'Connell.

Sunday, a special mass featuring the ancient Irish language of Gaelic and live Celtic music will be celebrated at 11 a.m. by the Rev. Michael Cannon, associate pastor of the Church of the Annunciation in Altamonte Springs.
Festival tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children and are available at any Ticketmaster outlet or at any House of Ireland import shop in central Florida.

DEATHS

MARY E. GROVE
Mary E. Grove, 95, Brantley Hills Court, Longwood, died Tuesday, March 14, 1995 at Florida Hospital, Apopka. Born June 21, 1899 in Williamsport, Pa., she moved to Central Florida in 1985. She was an LPN. She was a member of Highland Avenue Seventh-Day Adventist Church, RSVP, and Dorcas Society.
Survivors include sons, J. Paul, Walla Walla, Wash.; Lloyd J., New Market, Va.; Earl M., Waco, Texas; Homer N., Longwood, Kenneth L., Orlando, Kermit R., Williamsport; daughters, Helen G. Manaval, Apopka, Harriet E. Stimpson, Longwood; sister, Flora Mahaffey, Vero Beach; 26 grandchildren; 37 great-grandchildren.
Baldwin-Fairchild Funeral Home, Apopka, in charge of arrangements.

ESTHER L. LEARNED
Esther L. Learned, 93, Panama Place, Sanford, died Wednesday, March 15, 1995 at Volusia Medical Center, Orange City. Born July 22, 1901 in Milwaukee, Wis., she moved to Central Florida in 1994. She was a homemaker. She was Protestant.
Survivors include sons, Gerald R., Tucson, Ariz.; Donald E., Washington, Ill.; Kenneth J., Sanford; daughters, Audrey M., Milwaukee, Marilyn J., Peoria, Ill.; 14 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren.
Altman-Long Funeral Home, DeBary, in charge of arrangements.

JOHN EDWARD TOLLE JR.
John Edward Tolle Jr., 49, East SR-46, Geneva, died Tuesday, March 14, 1995 at his residence. Born March 12, 1946 in San Bernardino, Calif., he moved to Central Florida in 1982. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army, having served in Vietnam. He was a former prisoner of war. He attended St. Peter & Paul Catholic Church, and was a member of DAV.
Survivors include wife, Nancy; stepsons, Eric, Alex Hanson, Rockledge, Aaron Hanson, Orlando, Brian Hanson, Geneva; stepdaughter, Krista Brewer, Lake Mary; brother, Gerald, Portland, Ore.; sister, Patricia Garnett, Fayetteville, S.C.
Carey Hand Cox-Parker Funeral Home, Winter Park, in charge of arrangements.

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Scholar uncovers rogue clerics; Vatican frowns

By DANIEL J. WAKIN
Associated Press Writer

VATICAN CITY — A scholarly book on clerical crime, including murder, witchcraft and sex, has outraged the Vatican — even though the sins are five centuries old.

The Vatican press office recently declared "Saints and Sinners" an "abuse" that should

be "strongly deplored." It said author Filippo Tamburini, a priest, had published Vatican documents without permission.

The Vatican rarely issues such condemnations, and three decades have passed since the Church discontinued its index of books forbidden to Catholics.

After the book came out to lurid newspaper headlines last month, Tamburini was called

onto the carpet by a high-level archbishop in the Vatican administration.

The condemnation is all the more surprising because the book was formally presented in a Vatican meeting hall.

Tamburini collected 100 applications to the Sacred Penitentiary, the Holy See tribunal.

The documents, dating from 1451-1588 and in Latin, were public statements of penitence from sinners who sought a return to their church or secular positions.

They include mainly monks, nuns and priests, with a few merchants and nobles thrown in. Fornication, theft, adultery, homosexuality, apostasy, forgery, beatality, piracy are among their sins. The Penitentiary pardoned every case in the book.

Officials have barred Tamburini from the Penitentiary's archives, where he worked for 12 years and before retiring several years ago, according to his publishing house.

"Maybe they thought it was material from sacramental confessions and I had published something I shouldn't have," he said in a recent interview. "But they are public cases."

When pressed, the 70-year-old priest conceded: "Maybe I didn't ask permission to publish the material." But he said Vatican officials knew he was studying the documents for a scholarly book.

"It doesn't matter to me. I've done a serious work respected by the academic community,"

he said.

The book tells lurid tales of people like Sister Blagina, who bore and killed two children. Pietro di Peyto, a Carmelite leader, sodomized fellow clerics and slept with women. Pietro Parral castrated a priest on behalf of a romantic rival.

Tamburini points out plenty of saints make it into his book. In document No. 87, two followers of St. Theresa of Avila ask permission to establish a convent under her teachings.

The book's 2,000-copy printing sold out in 10 days, like hotcakes for an academic work

in Italy's small book market, and has gone into reprint, said Nicola Cerbino, editorial director of Istituto di Propaganda Libraria, the book's publisher.

Controversy from the Vatican's displeasure has helped sales, but Cerbino insists the last thing he wanted was a scandal.

NATIONAL BRIEFS



GOP chopping domestic programs

WASHINGTON — House Republicans are marching on two fronts to chop about \$100 billion out of domestic programs as they seek savings to pay for tax cuts and shrink the federal deficit.

Amid Democratic protests that the GOP majority was robbing the poor to help the rich, the House Budget Committee planned to vote today to force about \$90 billion in broad budget cuts over the next five years.

The reductions, which won't be assigned to specific programs for months, were aimed at offsetting some of the revenue lost by the \$189 billion tax-cut legislation moving through the House.

On the House floor, Republicans edged toward final passage of a bill canceling \$17 billion in spending already enacted into law for programs ranging from summer jobs for youths to public broadcasting. These cuts were originally intended to pay for the tax relief, too, but GOP leaders backed off under Democratic attacks and instead assigned the savings to deficit reduction.

Fuhrman grilled

LOS ANGELES — The jury that includes eight blacks finally heard the "n-word" in the O.J. Simpson trial, but not from the mouth of the detective accused of uttering it.

At least seven times Wednesday, defense attorney F. Lee Bailey grilled Mark Fuhrman about the word "nigger." Each time, Fuhrman denied using the racial slur that Simpson's lawyers are trying to pin on him.

Asked point-blank if he uses the word to describe people, Fuhrman — who didn't even use the word in his testimony — responded with a firm yet simple, "No."

Defense attorneys have accused Fuhrman of framing Simpson by planting evidence, possibly out of racial hatred. Outside court, Bailey said the defense would produce a number of people to contradict Fuhrman.

GOP leaders avoid nasty fight

WASHINGTON — House Republican leaders avoided a nasty internal fight on abortion this week in the name of party unity. But they won peace at a price some GOP moderates may find high — by promising anti-abortion members a full floor debate in the near future.

"It's not a matter of if, but when," Rep. Christopher Smith, R-N.J., chairman of the House Pro-Life Caucus, said Wednesday after agreeing to go along with a leadership decision to drop a controversial abortion-related amendment from a major spending cuts bill.

"The fight on abortion will be absolutely comprehensive. You name the area, it will be fully debated," Smith said. "We are not backing off."

Easier for businesses to comply

WASHINGTON — Trying to beat Republicans to the punch, President Clinton plans to make it easier for businesses to comply with federal rules on drugs, medical devices and the environment, administration officials say.

Clinton was to unveil a series of steps today designed to streamline regulation by the Food and Drug Administration and the Environmental Protection Agency. He chose a print shop in nearby Arlington, Va., for the announcement, underscoring his emphasis on reducing the regulatory burden on small businesses.

White House spokesman Mike McCurry said the president was offering Americans "a sane way to go about the job of making the government leaner and more efficient and a better deal for taxpayers."

Republicans maintain that Clinton isn't doing nearly enough to rein in "regulatory madness" and have proposed more sweeping reductions in existing government regulations and a moratorium on all new rules.

Experts recommend privatizing shuttle

WASHINGTON — A panel of experts thinks NASA should turn over to private contractors more of the space shuttle work now done by federal employees and simplify procedures for launching the craft.

The panel said Wednesday that the space shuttle is now "a mature and reliable system" and "is about as safe as today's technology will provide."

Nonetheless, NASA continues to operate the space shuttle in a "quasi-development mode" that increases costs and paperwork for each launch, the report said.

The committee analysis was made at the invitation of Daniel S. Goldin, the administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

WORLD BRIEFS



Mir welcomes American astronaut

RUSSIAN SPACE CENTER — The Russian space station Mir welcomed aboard its first American visitor today.

A Soyuz capsule carrying NASA astronaut Norman Thagard and two cosmonauts docked at the orbiting outpost right on time at 2:45 a.m. EST.

"Contact," the Russian commentator told the packed control room.

Thagard and his Russian crew mates, Vladimir Vladimirovich Dezhurov and Gennady Strekalov, immediately began checking the connections between their Russian capsule and Mir. They needed to verify that the pressure seal was snug before opening the hatch and floating into the station.

They'll stay for three months, conducting experiments.

Most, if not all, of the docking was automatic.

Flight controllers at Russian mission control outside Moscow smiled and applauded when the two crafts linked. Nearly 100 NASA employees, including astronauts, applauded from a gallery overlooking the control room.

"It's definitely historic," said NASA astronaut Frank Culbertson, deputy director of the Shuttle-Mir program. "We've had a lot of history going on the last few weeks. In fact, it's happening almost too fast for people to digest it."

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STATS & STANDINGS

DOGS

Table with columns for dog names, owners, and performance statistics under 'AT SANFORD ORLANDO' and 'AT ORLANDO SEMINOLE'. Includes names like Dista Teas, Slick's Pride, and 3 Key Play.

SIXTH GAME

Table of basketball game results, including teams like Artoche Belltran, 1 Pile Ostrisola, and 5 Mendibite Ruyos.

SEVENTH GAME

Table of basketball game results, including teams like 3 Victor, 1 Saluce, and 1 Artoche.

EIGHTH GAME

Table of basketball game results, including teams like 2 Robles Aquirre, 3 Bascaran Odriozola, and 1 Berria Victor.

NINTH GAME

Table of basketball game results, including teams like 2 Berria Iru, 7 Bascaran Don, and 1 Artoche-Uralde.

TENTH GAME

Table of basketball game results, including teams like 4 Mendibite, 2 Iru, and 5 Aspillaga.

WEDNESDAY MATINEE

Table of basketball game results, including teams like 1 Dynamic De Right, 1 Dicks Hat Red, and 7 I'm A Treasure.

NBA STANDINGS

Table of NBA conference standings for Eastern and Western conferences.

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Table of college basketball game results, including matchups like Boston College vs. Wake Forest and Duke vs. North Carolina.

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Table of NHL conference standings for Eastern and Western conferences.

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Table of NHL game results, including matchups like Pittsburgh vs. Quebec and St. Louis vs. Chicago.

JAI-ALAI

Table of Jai-Alai game results under 'AT ORLANDO SEMINOLE' and 'AT SANFORD ORLANDO'.

ASTOR & MARLBORGS

Table of Astor & Marlboro's game results.

FLORIDA SCHOOLS

Table of Florida school basketball game results.

NETS IN MAGIC

Report on the Orlando Magic's performance and standings, mentioning players like Scottie Pippen and Magic Johnson.

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Report on Astor & Marlboro's game results and player statistics.

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Report on the New Orleans Saints football team.

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Report on the Philadelphia Eagles football team.

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Report on the Calgary Stampeders football team.

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Report on the Hamilton Tiger-Cats football team.

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Report on the Saskatchewan Roughriders football team.

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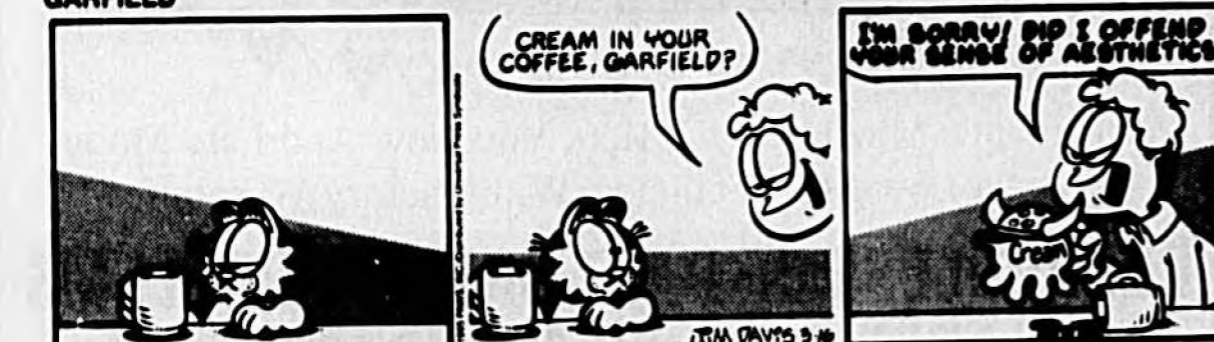
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by Jim Davis

ROBOTMAN



by Jim Meddick

Numbness linked to oral surgery

DEAR DR. GOTT: In 1985 I had two wisdom teeth removed. During the operation, the nerves were disturbed and as a result, I live with bilateral paresthesia. Some days the complete numbness in my bottom jaw doesn't bother me too much. On others, I want to rip my jaw off. At times my speech is slurred because it takes every effort to form some words. On the bright side, I don't feel any pain when having my bottom teeth filled and since it takes too long to chew, I don't eat much red meat. Is there an answer to this constant discomfort?

DEAR READER: I gather from your question that 10 years ago you suffered an injury to the nerves in your jaw. This damage has produced paresthesia (tingling and numbness), anesthesia (lack of pain) and neuropathy (nerve damage affecting certain muscles, especially of the tongue).

Almost everybody has experienced the numb feeling caused by an injection of anesthetic in preparation for major dental work. Ordinarily, the effects of this injection wear off in a matter of hours.

Nonetheless, sometimes the anesthetized nerve continues to malfunction. This causes persisting symptoms, such as yours. In many instances, the reason for this affliction is impossible to determine; it appears to be an unusual but recognized complication of the dental procedure.

I don't have any sage advice to offer you. Although your symptoms are unlikely to resolve spontaneously (after 10 years), a dental surgeon may be able to help you if, as unlikely as it sounds, a bone chip or portion of the dental root could be pressing on a nerve.

DEAR DR. GOTT: While in Vietnam, I observed a fellow Army officer occasionally sipping apple cider vinegar after a meal in an attempt to eliminate acid indigestion. I recently suffered from this condition and

when my antacid seemed no longer to work, I tried the vinegar. It really works. I know that Tums, Rolaids and Mylanta don't want to read this, but I'm sure that White House Vinegar will.

DEAR READER: Vinegar is simply flavored, dilute acetic acid. As such, I don't understand how it could relieve an over-acid condition. What I suspect hap-



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pens is that the vinegar provides extra fluid that itself dilutes the extreme acid gastric secretions, thereby reducing heartburn and indigestion. Probably even water would serve the same purpose.

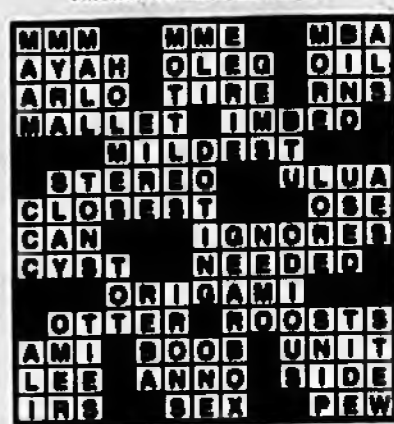
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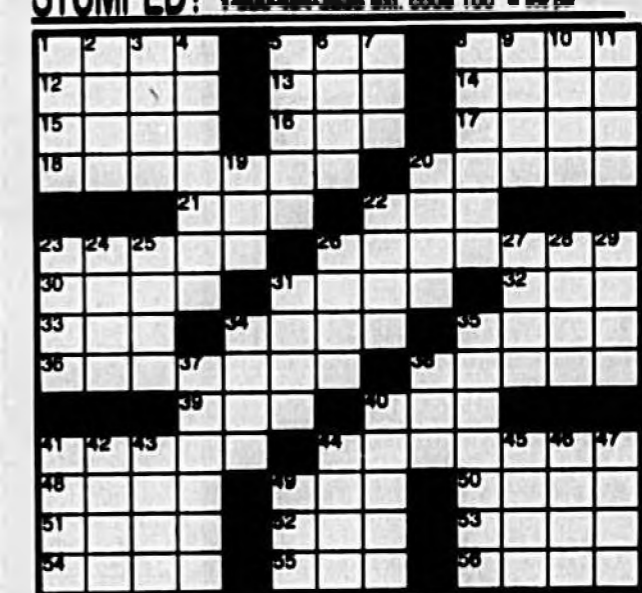
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WIN AT BRIDGE

By Phillip Alder
Terence Reese is arguably the best-ever bridge player-writer. David Bird is well-known for his articles about the monks of St. Titus. In tandem, they have written, by my count, 10 books. Their latest excellent offering is "That Elusive Extra Trick." Published by Gollancz, it is available for \$15.50 from The Bridge World, 39 West 84th Street, New York, NY 10025-7124.

The foreword sums it up well: "In this book we assume, for the most part, that the reader is familiar with the basic principles of play. We describe a variety of more advanced moves, the type that mark the difference between competent and expert play."

This deal is typical of those in the book.
North's three hearts is a limit

raise, showing at least four-card support and some 11 support points.

West leads the spade jack against four hearts. Which spade should you play from the dummy?

Suppose you rise with dummy's ace, draw trumps and take the diamond finesse. With this layout, you fail. West plays a spade to his partner's king, and a switch to the club queen gives the defenders four tricks.

If you finesse dummy's spade queen at trick one, you also die. East wins and switches to the club queen.

Now consider playing dummy's spade five. If East overtakes with the king, you have a discard for your diamond jack. If East ducks, you can win the second spade lead with dummy's ace, draw trumps and finesse the diamond jack. You

cannot lose more than three tricks: one spade and either two clubs or — as here — one trick in each minor.

NORTH 3-10-9-3
 ♠ A Q 5
 ♥ Q 9 5 3
 ♦ Q 10 7 3
 ♣ 8 4

WEST ♠ J 10 9 3
 ♥ 8
 ♦ K 9 4 2
 ♣ A 8 7 2

EAST ♠ K 8 6 2
 ♥ 7 4
 ♦ 8 6 5
 ♣ Q J 10 5

SOUTH ♠ 7 4
 ♥ A K J 10 6 2
 ♦ A J
 ♣ K 9 3

Vulnerable: Both
 Dealer: South

South West North East
 1♥ Pass 3♥ Pass
 4♥ Pass Pass
 Opening lead: ♠ J

HOROSCOPE

By Bernice Bada Oso
YOUR BIRTHDAY
March 17, 1995

A situation might develop in the year ahead that enables you to take advantage of two opportunities not apparent to others. Do not broadcast your discoveries prematurely.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Someone with whom you're involved might try to change something today so that it benefits him/her more than it does you. Ironically, you could receive its greatest advantages. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences that govern you in the year ahead. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today by mailing \$2 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4485, New York, NY 10163. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) If you are reluctant to make a critical decision today, someone might step in and call the shots for you. Either way, this could become a no-win situation.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Dedicate your time and efforts to truly meaningful tasks today. With some hard work, you could catch up now and even put yourself ahead.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Take time out today to enjoy pleasurable pursuits. If they are added to your agenda wisely, they shouldn't interfere with anything vital.

CANCER (June 21-July 21) Do not undertake assignments today if you don't think you can follow them through to a successful conclusion. They could become obstacles.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Some information you possess could be enormously beneficial to someone you recently met. If you don't pass it on, you may later regret it.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Continue to keep your financial affairs balanced. Prudent habits now may enable you to enjoy life's finer things a bit further down the line.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) After

you make an important decision today, have the courage of your convictions and stand by your decisions, even if it's picked apart by others.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) This can be a productive day for you, provided you work in an environment free from outside interference. Shut the door and unplug the phone.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Reflect on the future today and think of things you'd like to see happen. Your farightedness could help you visualize the right game plan.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Your ability to sense the mood of the moment could be your best attribute today. It can help you focus the necessary forces to achieve a desired goal.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Have confidence today in your concepts. If you feel you have a good idea, don't let others discourage you before you've had a chance to test it.

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