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NEWS DIGEST

CHIEFS

Egyptian plane shot down

CAIRO, Egypt — A French-designed Egyptian Alphajet fighter plane was shot down in error by an Iraqi soldier in Baghdad, the Middle East News Agency reported Friday.

In a dispatch from the Iraqi capital, monitored in Cairo, the news agency said the Alphajet was shot down after it entered a prohibited section of Iraqi air space en route to Baghdad to participate in an exhibition of military equipment.

Egypt's semi-official news agency said an Iraqi air defense unit April 22 fired a surface-to-air missile at the Alphajet, which is built in Egypt under French license.

The jet's pilot and an assistant bailed out of the plane and are undergoing medical treatment for unspecified injuries, the agency said.

Two wounded by car bomb

FAIRMONT, W.Va. — A suspect faces multiple charges in a car bombing that critically injured a sheriff's deputy and wounded a tow truck driver.

William Bowman, 30, of Mads Run, W.Va., was arrested Friday night by county, federal and state officers.

He was charged with two counts each of malicious wounding and assault during a felony as well as possession of explosives and placing explosives.

Bowman was accused of putting explosives in a car that exploded Wednesday evening when Deputy Ron Watkins tried to open its door.

Watkins was in critical condition Saturday at Ruby Memorial Hospital in Morgantown, and tow truck driver Tim Stout was in fair condition.

Worthington Mayor Tracy Smith said he found Watkins, who took the brunt of the blast, lying in the middle of the street on his left side.

From United Press International reports

Nation

Quayle has plane scare

PORT DOUGLAS, Australia — A plane carrying Vice President Dan Quayle touched down safely Saturday in the Australian resort city of Cairns after a warning light falsely indicated a possible engine fire, a spokesman said.

In Washington, Craig Whitney, Quayle's deputy press secretary, said the pilot of the Boeing 707 airliner dubbed Air Force Two received what proved to be a false signal that one of its engines was on fire.

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Florida

Swamp fire covers 8,200 acres

TAYLOR — A swamp fire in the Osceola National Forest grew to 8,200 acres Saturday, raging over boggy timberlands northeast of the forest and blowing thick smoke over a north Florida highway.

Gusting winds from the southeast spread the fire from 7,500 acres to 8,200 acres Saturday, dimming firefighters' hopes of containing the flames by Sunday night.

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Sports

Lake Mary falls in tourney

LAKE MARY — For a team that's supposed to have relatively weak pitching, the Lake Brantley Patriot baseball team sure seems to have some outstanding mound performances at key times.

On Friday night, for example, Mark Gabrovic came back from a Thursday night shelling against Lyman and wove a masterful two-hit shutout as the Patriots beat the host Lake Mary Rams 10-0 in five innings to win the 4A-District 9 championship.

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Partly cloudy and hot today



Today will be partly cloudy with a high of 90 and a 40 percent chance of afternoon showers. Tonight will be partly cloudy with a low in the mid to upper 60s. Tomorrow will be partly cloudy again with a chance of showers and a high near 90.

Insurance fraud

Wife of Sanford recreation director enters guilty plea to eight criminal charges

By BRAD CHURCH
Herald staff writer

SANFORD — Former Sanford insurance agent Betty Jernigan pleaded guilty to defrauding customers Friday and was ordered to repay them \$30,000 before she is sentenced on July 28.

Jernigan pleaded guilty to seven counts of grand theft and one count of organized fraud in a plea agreement worked out with the state attorney's office and state insurance fraud

investigators. She had earlier surrendered her state insurance license and closed her office, Jernigan Insurance Co.

Beth Rutberg, assistant state attorney who prosecuted the case, will ask Judge O.H. Eaton, Jr., who accepted the plea, to sentence Jernigan to 30 days in jail, followed by a year of house arrest and four years of probation.

Rutberg said the agreement to recommend that sentence and not to file further fraud charges against Jernigan is based in part on the agreement to reimburse 25 defrauded customers the \$30,000 before a sentence is imposed.

Jernigan, the wife of Sanford Parks and Recreation Director Jim Jernigan, pleaded guilty to one count of grand theft in connection with the payments made to her office by Foy Foskey of

Lake Mary to insure a dump truck. Foskey told authorities he never received the policy although he made several payments to Jernigan.

The other pleas were in connection with a case involving 24 customers who were defrauded between 1986 and 1988.

Rutberg said she began receiving calls from customers who reported being defrauded by Jernigan soon after Jernigan's arrest early this year and said calls are still coming in. Rutberg estimated Jernigan kept between \$40,000 and \$50,000 in insurance premiums paid by customers who were never issued insurance policies. Rutberg said Jernigan must also reimburse any other victims who claim they were defrauded if their claims can be proven.



Little gardener

One-year-old Jenna Czplwski lends a hand with a few gardening chores outside the Klipona Seed Store in Sanford. Jenna was with her babysitter, Pat Hunziker, who owns the

store, when the two ventured outside to take care of some flower projects. Jenna had gotten her pants dirty, so Pat draped her in a 'towel toga' to protect her clothes.

Herald Photo by Rob Artowich

Oviedo girls take state tennis title

From staff reports

Led by identical twin sisters Jenny and Jill Wisc, the Oviedo High School girls tennis team won the Class 3A state championship on Saturday at the Varsity Courts of the University of Florida.

The Oviedo Lady Lions are the first area girls squad to win the state tennis team championship in any class. And because this is Oviedo's last year as a 3A school (it will be reclassified as 4A next year), the Lady Lions have had their sights set on a state title all season.

"They just wouldn't be denied," said Oviedo coach Don Gustafson. "It was a total team victory. It was a team championship. That's what I've been striving for all along, to keep them thinking 'Team, team, team.' Today it paid off. It's a thrill for everybody concerned."

"I had said that how we would do depended on the draw and we did get a good draw. I couldn't ask for more as far as the draw goes. We won the matches we could at the lower end of the ladder. That gave us enough points to win the whole thing."

Oviedo edged Fort Lauderdale-Cardinal Mooney 12-10 in the team standings with Fort Lauderdale-St. Thomas Aquinas third with eight team points.

The Wiscs, both sophomores, each won individual state titles to lead Oviedo. In the No. 4 singles final, Jenny defeated Shannon Potec of Naples-Lely, 6-2, 6-3, while Jill beat St. Thomas' Cheryl Lee, 6-1, 4-6, 6-2, at No. 5 singles.

At No. 2 doubles, the Wiscs combined for another state title by defeating Lee and Stacey McGivney of St. Thomas Aquinas, 6-1, 6-1, in the final.

Because of the narrow margin of victory in the team standings, the points earned by paternal twin

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WalkAmerica draws 2,200 participants

By LAURA L. SULLIVAN
Herald staff writer

SANFORD — Approximately 2,200 feet walked across the red carpet at the WalkAmerica finish line at Fort Mellon Park yesterday.

At least, some of them walked. Of the 1,100 participants in the annual March of Dimes fundraiser, some ran, one rolled on a bike, a couple were pulled in a red wagon, and some children were carried or pushed in strollers.

And a few didn't make it.

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Seminole Boulevard in Sanford was flooded with walkers early Saturday morning.

Longwood political forum fizzles

By SANDRA BOUGHANINE
Herald staff writer

LONGWOOD — A political forum called by District 3 Candidate Perry E. Faulkner turned out to be more of a round-table discussion Saturday afternoon.

Only two citizens, both former commissioners, turned out at the forum intended for Longwood citizens to meet Faulkner, 44, of 1046 First Place, and Jeffrey R. Morton, 41, of 872 Bucksaw Place, who will vie for the seat in a special election May 9. Former commissioner and deputy mayor Lynette Dennis and former commissioner and mayor Steven Uskert, asked questions and discussed politics in Longwood.

The seat was vacated when



Perry E. Faulkner



Jeffrey R. Morton

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Atlantis launch delayed a week

United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL — Fixing the grounded shuttle Atlantis will delay a second launch try for about one week, NASA said Saturday, in a frustrating setback for the agency's plans to fire a sophisticated science probe to Venus.

The launch of Atlantis, carrying a five-member crew and the Magellan Venus radar mapper, was delayed Friday at the T-minus 31-second mark in the countdown when a pump used by one of the ship's main engines suddenly shut down. Engineers later discovered a ruptured seal in a 4-inch-wide hydrogen fuel line.

NASA officials said the damaged hydrogen line will be replaced, along with the suspect pump needed by main engine No. 1.

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POLICE BRIEFS

Woman accused in forgery

LAKE MARY — Both Lake Mary and Sanford police have filed charges against a 25-year-old Lake Mary woman accused of stealing, forging and cashing at least three checks stolen from her former employer, Eagle Management Corp.

The thefts occurred during the time the suspect worked for that company between March 6 and April 10, police said.

Julia Esterday, of 119 Dorchester Square, allegedly used one of the checks to pay her rent and two others were cashed at a Sun Bank in Sanford. The checks totaled \$1,359.

Esterday was arrested by Lake Mary police Thursday on a forgery charge. Sanford police added charges of forgery, uttering a forgery, dealing in stolen property and grand theft. Esterday was payroll administrator for the victimized company, police said.

Taxi driver robbed

ALTAMONTE SPRINGS — Yellow Cab driver Michael Robertson, 38, of Casselberry, reported to Seminole County sheriff's deputies he was punched in the mouth and robbed of \$18 by a client he drove from Winter Park to rural Altamonte Springs.

The robbery occurred at about 8:35 a.m. April 22. Robertson told deputies the robber ran into woods off Ford Street after grabbing him from behind and taking his cash.

Four arrested on pot charges

SANFORD — In three separate incidents Thursday, Sanford police charged four men with possession of marijuana.

Daniel Roger Wilson, 25, of 133 N. Old Monroe Road, Sanford, was arrested at 2:10 p.m. on W. Third Street and Pecan Avenue, after a traffic stop. Police said they found a bag of marijuana in his pocket.

Steven John Girtler, 34, of 132 E. Woodland Drive, Sanford, and Stevie Watson, 28, of Route 419, Box 215, Longwood, were arrested at about 3:35 p.m. after a traffic stop on 14th Street at U.S. Highway 17-92. Police said they found a bag of marijuana on the seat of the car.

Girtler was also charged for driving with a suspended license and running a stop sign. Watson has an added charge of possession of drug paraphernalia.

Remone David Williams, 19, of 69 Seminole Gardens, Sanford, was arrested at 9:35 p.m. on West Sixth Street, at Seminole Gardens, after he and a companion were stopped by police who asked for identification. Police allege Williams tried to hide a bag of marijuana under the front of a police car.

Woman arrested for firing shot

SANFORD — A 60-year-old Sanford woman who allegedly threatened her husband with a shotgun and fired a shot into the grill of his pickup truck has been charged with aggravated assault.

Emmaly Ashley of 1883 Roseberry Lane, was arrested by Seminole County sheriff's deputies at home at 2:18 p.m. Saturday. That's where the incident occurred. There was no report of injuries. Bond is \$1,000.

More police news on Page 6A

Farach contributes firehouse plans

By SANDRA BOUCHAMINE
Herald staff writer

LONGWOOD — It was a record-breaking moment.

In only 15 minutes and 14 seconds, Commissioner Gene Farach had finished the rendition of the proposed fire house expansion that he will present to the fire chief.

It was last Thursday evening and Farach was working on his AutoCAD computer-aided design system, on which he edits drawings he has programmed into the computer.

Farach, a structural engineer who operates his business from his home, has volunteered his business services to the city. By using his own drafting computer equipment, Farach estimates that on this project he has saved the city approximately \$15,000, the price he would normally charge a client.

He also did the design concept of Candyland Park on Grant Street using the same equipment. The city is grading the land at the park preparing it for development. Farach also is responsible for discovering additional land at the park site when he pointed out that the concept plan did not correctly identify the city's property line. He requested a survey that showed three-quarters of an acre additional land on the south end

of the property.

Farach will provide the fire department with a set of drawings of the fire station addition on Warren Avenue and Milwee Street.

One of the drawings shows the proposed 30- by 20-foot addition on the north end of the existing 4,575 square-foot building and the future addition which will be "budgeted in the future," he said. The expansion is needed to accommodate the new \$350,000 aerial fire truck which has a longer wheel base and does not fit into the existing facility. The truck is expected to be delivered to the city sometime in June.

A computerized plotter linked the drawing with a fast-moving pen that moves at the rate of 2,000 inches per minute on vellum drafting paper.

"You're looking at two weeks of work," Farach said, meaning that is about how long it would take by hand.

The drawing shows the wall sections, the foundation and concrete beam schedules of the fire station expansion. Up until this time, the fire department had no drawings of the fire station, Farach said. He will be presenting five drawings to the fire chief, and a cover sheet to give an index of the drawings. The drawings show the site plans with instructions to the general contractor as to types of

materials to be used, the foundation, framing, wall sections, beams, and elevations. Farach said the next step is to get blueprints made of the original drawings which he has produced.

"What they'll do is put this out for bids and the chosen contractor will bid it," Farach said.

Fire Chief Charles Chapman said Friday he was happy to hear that the drawings are done and expects to meet with Farach on Monday to take a look at them.

"I haven't seen them yet. I've seen the preliminaries. He (Farach) does a marvelous job. I'm very pleased to have someone other than my staff doing this," Chapman said.

Donated trees planted along shore of lake

SANFORD — The Seminole County Public Works Department and the county division of forestry recently sponsored a tree-planting project along Lake Dot in Sunland Estates in recognition of "Arbor Month."

Commissioner Robert Sturm was present at the event in which 15 trees, donated by David Lloyd Wholesale, were planted by 4-H volunteers led by Ellen Waldrop and Carrie Walraven. About six residents of the development also pitched in to help in the planting effort.

Seminole County Forester Mike Martin selected the trees including varieties such as Sweetgum, Red Maple, Laurel Oak and Slash Pine.

The county road division provided tools and delivered the

trees to the site. Road Supervisor Richard Landry, who organized the event, said the trees will provide shade and reduce the water temperature in the lake.

"The reason I would like to reduce the water temperature is to hopefully eliminate some of the algae and our dependence on algicides," Landry said.

Algae is not aesthetically pleasing and puts off a bad odor, Landry explained.

The lake was stocked last June with about 40 grass carp to remove aquatic vegetation in the water, he said.

Martin encourages other developments to contact him at 323-2500, ext. 186, for assistance with urban tree planting.

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United Press International

NEW YORK — A flotilla of warships, pleasure craft and fireboats spraying showers of red, white and blue Saturday saluted the 200th anniversary of George Washington's inauguration as the nation's first president.

As hundreds of thousands of spectators on land and afloat watched, the Presidential Flotilla moved into New York Harbor and paraded up the Hudson River in the shadow of Manhattan skyscrapers and the towering Palisades along the New Jersey Shore.

The two-day festivities are to be climaxed today with a re-creation of Washington's swearing-in ceremony on April 30, 1789, when New York City was the new nation's capital.

The \$9.6 million extravaganza also includes a speech today by President George Bush, who with first lady Barbara will occupy Washington's old pew at an ecumenical church service at St. Paul's Chapel.

One of the sights of the day was the aircraft carrier Forrestal steaming under the Verrazano Bridge with hundreds of its crew members spelling out "We Love New York" on its flight deck.

Hundreds of pleasure craft zipped around the harbor or anchored and picnicked near the Statue of Liberty, oblivious to cloudy skies and the threat of rain.

The parade of ships began with a line of 50 private vessels moving down the Hudson River, each flying a state flag, including orange ferries, sleek white yacht, speedboats, a three-masted schooner, tugboats and sight-seeing boats decked out in red, white and blue.

The Presidential Flotilla, led by the cruiser Ticonderoga, steamed across the Harbor and was given a booming 13-gun salute from the guns of the 1812 fort on Governor's Island, which the huge warship returned as the sound echoed and echoed from Brooklyn to New Jersey.

The two lines of ships joined and sailed majestically up the Hudson as crowds along both shores cheered and waved banners. The biggest hurrah went to the submarine tender Holland and its crew decked out in their dress blues.

Bringing up the rear of the flotilla was the towering square rigged Coast Guard training ship Eagle.

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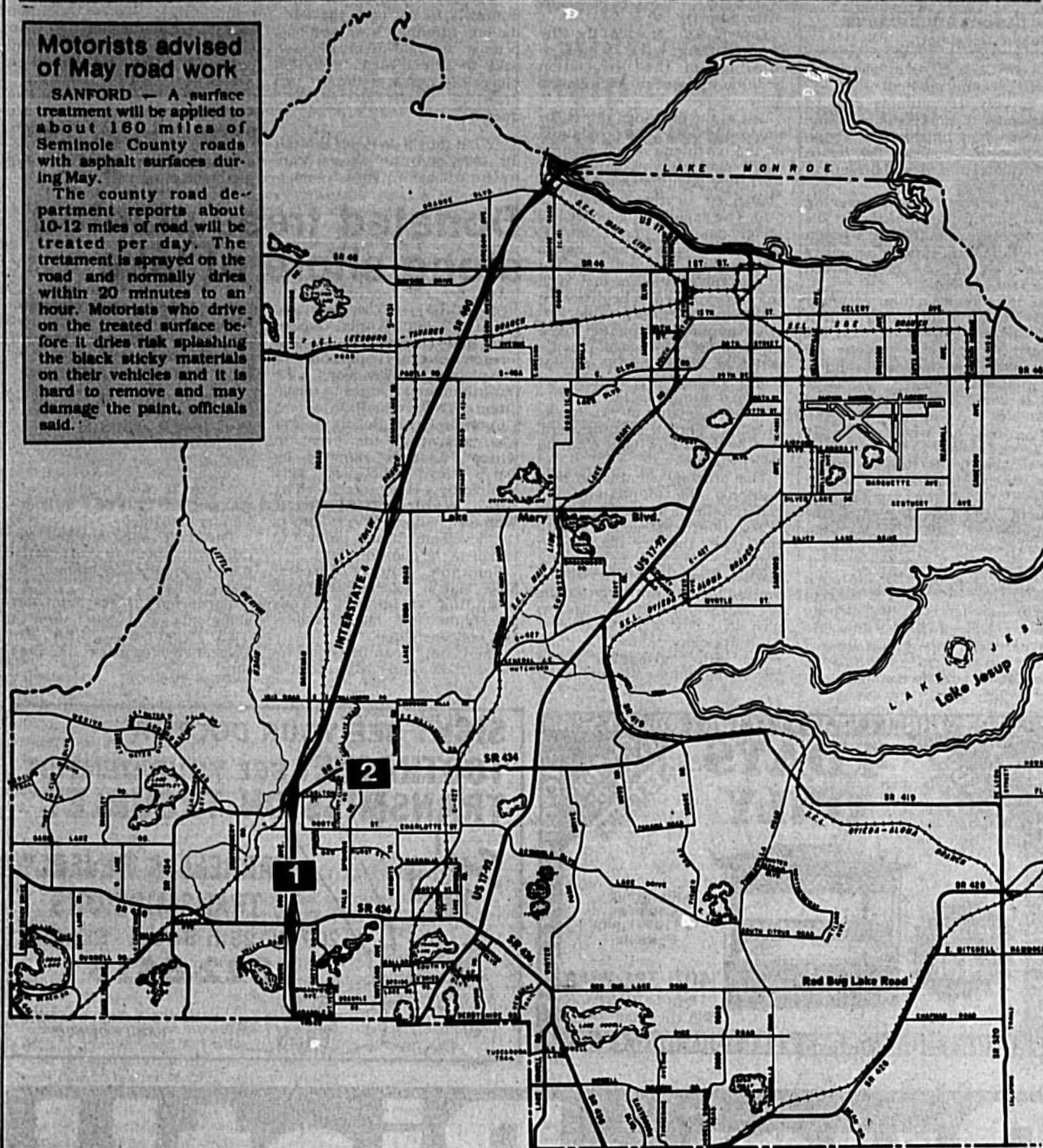
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ROAD WORK THIS WEEK

Motorists advised of May road work

SANFORD — A surface treatment will be applied to about 180 miles of Seminole County roads with asphalt surfaces during May.

The county road department reports about 10-12 miles of road will be treated per day. The treatment is sprayed on the road and normally dries within 20 minutes to an hour. Motorists who drive on the treated surface before it dries risk splashing the black sticky materials on their vehicles and it is hard to remove and may damage the paint, officials said.



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

1 Widening of Interstate 4 between S.R. 434 and S.R. 436. One lane closed at times. Completion date: June. Jurisdiction: Florida DOT.

2 Construct right turn lane on Palm Springs Drive onto State Road 434. Completion date: June 2. Jurisdiction: Seminole County.

3 Construct base drainage and asphalt surface from end of pavement to new pavement at Mullet Lake Park. Completion date: May 5. Jurisdiction: Seminole County. (not on map)

4 Construct new road surface, including paving and drainage, on Lake Harney Heights Road from Harney

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Major stores in London withdraw baby food jars

United Press International

LONDON — Three store chains ordered two manufacturers' baby food products pulled from their shelves Saturday because reports of an attempt to extort as much as \$1.6 million from H.J. Heinz triggered more than 300 complaints of contamination.

Scotland Yard had suggested Friday that merchants throughout Britain remove any baby food from their shelves and sell it from behind counters to limit the possibility of packages being tainted in stores.

Executives at Asda, Boots and

Tesco voluntarily ordered all baby food sold in glass jars under the labels of the U.S.-owned Heinz and the British company Cow and Gate removed from their stores' shelves.

"The decision has been taken as a safety precaution in the interest of our customers pending the introduction of tamper-evident packaging which, according to manufacturers, will be available in-store from mid-May," an Asda statement said.

Heinz and Cow and Gate have said they will supply tamper-

resistant baby food jars next month in response to more than 300 complaints of glass and pins found in their jars.

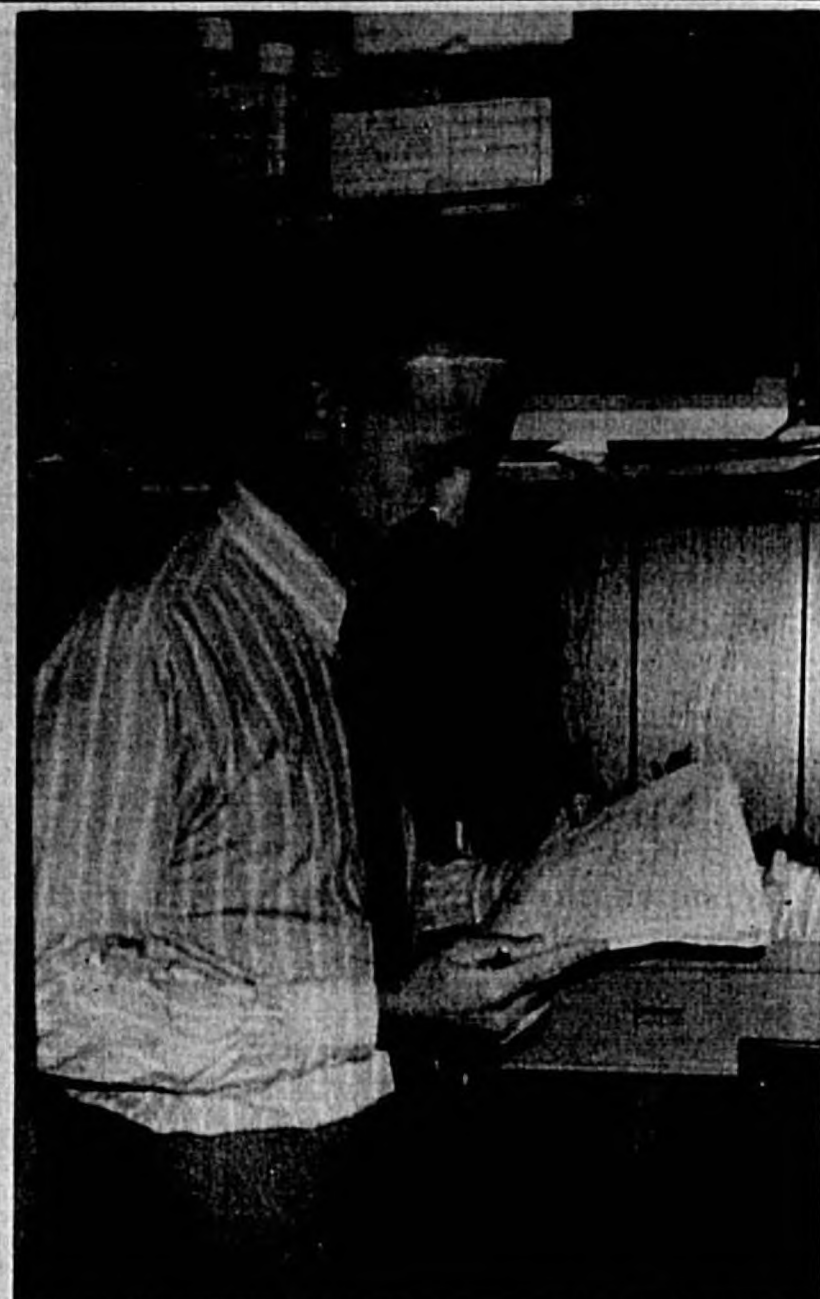
The first incidents of contamination came three weeks ago when broken glass, sharp metal and lye were found with extortion messages in two jars of Heinz baby food in England.

Five cases subsequently were reported before police announced Wednesday that blackmail threats had been made against Heinz. Since then, authorities have received many reports from throughout Britain and Ireland of contaminated

baby food made by Heinz and company Cow and Gate.

Most of the reports of more taintings this week have come from "hoaxers and mischief-makers or false alarms," a Scotland Yard spokeswoman said.

Just two cases, both involving Heinz products, were determined to be part of the blackmail ploy, the spokeswoman said. The blackmail attempt has been linked to an effort eight months ago to extort money from a pet food manufacturer, she said.



Herald photo by Susan Loden

Sheriff's Investigator Scott Fyfe checks his records.

Computers giving police upper hand in locating, recovering stolen goods

By SUSAN LODEN
Herald staff writer

SANFORD — Computerization has given investigators an edge when tracking down those who pawn stolen goods.

Investigator Scott Fyfe, who heads the Seminole County sheriff's department's pawn shop detail, said tracking records of the pawning of stolen goods can be like an interesting game. A game investigators now have a better chance of winning.

A statewide system requiring the logging of all sales to pawn shops is helping to standardize this type of investigation, Fyfe said. Computerization of police records helps also, but the computer systems haven't been standardized, so all police agencies don't log the same information in the same way, Fyfe sees that as a step for the future.

Meanwhile, some thieves who travel from county to county to pawn stolen goods are caught in a network of statewide police cooperation.

Fyfe said part of his job is to collect records of about 500 to 600 sales to Seminole County pawn shops each month. He reviews those logs, which include information from the seller's driver's license, his or her thumbprint and signature. The information also includes the serial numbers, if present, on any item sold.

The information is logged into the sheriff's computer system and matched against reported burglaries and thefts, including out-of-county thefts as well as local thefts, with local records open to investigators from outside the area.

Of the hundreds of items pawned each week, with 25,000 transactions recorded in Seminole County in 1988, Fyfe

said he typically identifies a couple of stolen and pawned items each week although the numbers vary from week to week. Burglary and theft investigators also review the computer logs.

It is ironic that persons who pawn stolen items do so knowing that they are leaving behind a record of their identity, including a thumbprint. The print, Fyfe said, may be checked against recorded prints of known burglars and thieves, or it may be compared to a print found at a crime scene.

Investigators also watch for a person's name to show up habitually in pawn shop records, especially if that person has a criminal history.

Those who blatantly pawn stolen goods, Fyfe said, often believe they can get away with this third-degree felony crime if they travel to another county.

Others, he said, are often under the influence of crack cocaine and aren't concerned with getting caught. They just want the money by whatever means possible.

Investigators also watch for a person's name to show up habitually in pawn shop records, especially if that person has a criminal history.

As long as the pawn shop operator logs the correct transaction information and has no knowledge that a pawned item is stolen, he or she will not be prosecuted for receiving stolen goods, Fyfe said. However, pawn shop owners sometimes take a financial loss if police confiscate a stolen item. In some cases convicted thieves, who have pawned stolen and recovered goods, are ordered to pay restitution to the dealer who suffered a financial loss in the deal.

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Park-on-Park playground contributions



BANFORD — The city Scenic Improvement Board has received more than \$8,000 in community contributions for a Robert Leathers-designed playground planned for Park on Park, which is bordered by Park and Oak avenues and Eighth and Ninth streets near downtown.

The board has set a \$50,000 goal for the November construction project at the park which already has been landscaped by volunteers.

To date, SIB reports receiving these contributions:

- Sanford Women's Club, \$1,000
- Mr. and Mrs. Robert Keith, \$50
- Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Lake, \$100
- Greater Sanford Chamber of Commerce beautification committee, \$1,000
- Brownie troop - #118, \$58.84
- Junior Woman's Club, \$100
- Community recycling account at Kokomo Kid, \$242.12
- Sanford Rotary Club matching funds, \$2,538.91
- Theima Williams, \$25
- Ines Van Hay, \$50
- Joy and Joyce Malone, \$212.58
- Schitta Enterprises, \$1,000
- American Pioneer Bank, \$1,000
- First Federal of Seminole, \$500
- Stenstrom, McIntosh, Julian, Colbert, Whigham Simmons, \$180
- Onra Reese Woods, \$1
- John and Judy Wimbish, \$50
- Gini Scout troupe - #388B
- Codeco has donated all paper and printing
- Eureka Designs has contributed all graphic art and design work

Delayed

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Because of the time needed to make the repairs, "launch is not expected to occur before the latter part of the week," the agency said in a statement.

"NASA managers today determined that the launch of Atlantis will not take place for several days," NASA said. "They will not select a new date before Monday at the earliest."

Sources said the shuttle would not be ready for launch on the fourth post-Challenger mission until at least Thursday or Friday.

The delay was a frustrating disappointment to the shuttle's crew — commander David Walker, 44, co-pilot Ronald

Grabe, 43, Mary Cleave, 42, Mark Lee, 36, and Norman Thagard, 45 — and to scientists who were eagerly awaiting the launch of the Magellan probe.

Cleave, Thagard and Lee strapped into T-38 jet trainers and flew back to their homes in Houston Saturday afternoon, while Walker and Grabe planned to make the trip Sunday. All five astronauts attended briefings Saturday on the repair work.

While NASA managers attempted to preserve a chance to launch the year's second shuttle flight Monday, that possibility was quickly ruled out Saturday.

"We're not going on Monday," said NASA spokeswoman Lisa Malone. "We don't know at what point we'll be able to go."

Engineers believe the pump, used to route rocket fuel through the engine for cooling, might have "seized up" briefly because of "some sort of contamination" and that nothing was actually wrong with the device.

But a source said the pump probably will be replaced, because "we can't take a chance that it would happen again."

Based on the positions of Earth and Venus, NASA must launch Atlantis by May 28 at the latest or the Magellan mission will be delayed two years while the planets return to favorable positions.

One consequence of a weeklong launch delay is that NASA probably would not be able to make a third launch

attempt should Atlantis's engines shut down on the launch pad after ignition.

Two such launch pad aborts marred earlier shuttle launches and they typically take three weeks or so to overcome. Given Atlantis's problems, a pad abort probably would eliminate any chance to get Magellan off the ground before its launch opportunity expires May 28.

But Rear Adm. Richard Truly, chief of the shuttle program and NASA's administrator-designate, said he was optimistic about getting the probe into space.

"Even with this current issue we've run up against, I'm convinced we're still in a very favorable position to launch Atlantis during the Magellan window," he said.

Malone said workers were not expected to get a good look at the suspect equipment until late Saturday, after technicians finish draining and drying the shuttle's giant external tank to remove all traces of explosive hydrogen gas.

Walkers

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Geri Bowman of Winter Springs caught a ride at the final checkpoint. Bowman, who suffers from asthma, said she walks every year for two reasons: to prove she can do it and to contribute to the cause.

Cindy Gilmer, a Hamilton Elementary first-grader, made it to the third checkpoint before she rode back in one of two courtesy vans provided for walkers.

"I just got tired," Gilmer said. Grant Haines, 31, was the first to finish the walk. He ran the route in one hour, three minutes.

An employee of United Telephone Company, one of the WalkAmerica sponsors, Haines said, "I do it every year. I just had a birthday so I just had to make sure I could still do it."

The nine-mile race began at Fort Mellon Park with a shotgun start at 7:30 a.m.

Melissa Stebbins, 5, was at the walk start. The daughter of Cyndi and Bill Stebbins, she suffers spina bifida, a birth defect that renders bones brittle

and easily broken.

Karen Westmoreland, coordinator of the Sanford walk, said, "There are hundreds of thousands of children born every year with birth defects. I've got two healthy boys, so this is my way of saying thanks."

Gary Westmoreland, volunteer and husband of Karen, said, "The vast majority of us here have healthy children...The vast majority of us are paying back."

"There's a real mental toughness about finishing this race," Gary Westmoreland said. Walkers with blisters, high blood pressure and asthma committed themselves to walk most of the race to raise money for the cause, he said.

Last year the Sanford walk raised about \$30,000 with only 600 participants, Gary Westmoreland said. This year the event could draw as much as \$50,000, he said.

George and Eileen Delacova of Altamonte Springs walked the route while Lisa, 6, followed along on her bike. "It's our first

time as a family," George said. "But it was great."

Willie Dean and Tom LaMont were led across the finish by Lady, their five-year-old Collie. "She walked the whole way," said Willie Dean LaMont, a United supervisor in Leesburg. Tom LaMont is a United service manager for the Winter Park area.

Melvin Bogart, one of 19 Seminole Community College student nurses working the event, said he handed out several bandages for blisters and performed a few blood pressure checks, but didn't have to perform first aid for any serious injuries.

Dave Farr, Greater Sanford Chamber of Commerce executive director, welcomed walkers at the finish, along with state Rep. Art Grindle, Seminole County Commissioner Jennifer Kelley and Sanford City Commissioner Lon Howell.

Walkers enjoyed a picnic and music in the park after the event.

Tennis

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sisters Mandy and Ashley Ehrhart were as crucial as those won by the Wises.

In fact, the Ehrhart sisters, who are seniors, just missed duplicating what the Wises were able to accomplish. But Mandy and Ashley both lost in the semifinals at Nos. 2 and 3 singles, respectively, then were beaten in the semifinals at No. 1 doubles.

Freshman Mimi Tran, the fifth member of Oviedo's team, lost in the first round at No. 1 singles on Friday.

The state championship caps a week that also saw the Ehrharts chosen as student-athletes of the week in a weekly contest conducted by a local television station. They will receive their plaques Wednesday.



Lightning fire
Seminole County firefighters battle a house fire at Par Place off Rantoul Lane in Sanford Saturday night. The owner of the structure, Mary Shelley, said lightning struck the house and started the blaze. Fire department officials had not released an official report as of press time.

Forum

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commissioner Carol Odom was ousted by fellow commissioners on a 3-1 vote she had allegedly violated the city charter by interfering in city business. The city faces a federal lawsuit by Odom for their actions. Attorneys who represent the city recently filed a motion in U.S. District Court to dismiss the suit.

Dennis said she "thought this would be a good chance to hear what Mr. Faulkner will do differently" from when he served as commissioner in 1985-86. Faulkner ran in a three-way race with Odom against Dennis last November. Dennis also said she was interested in hearing political newcomer Morton's ideas.

Both candidates said they were concerned about the negative publicity and the image of the city.

Morton said he wants to improve upon the city's image and to stop the "bickering and pettiness."

"Everything is pessimistic. Everybody should start working together for the good of the city,"

he said.

Faulkner said that "everytime the citizens pick up the paper, we're being sued again."

"It's unfortunate it had to be taken to the degree it has. It's going to cost the taxpayer money all the way around," Faulkner said. He was referring to the lawsuits of Odom and a citizen who recently sued the city because she said she was denied the right to speak during public participation at a recent meeting.

Dennis asked Morton how he felt about the new city administrator, Michael Abels, 40, who will join the city on May 22.

"I think he'll be the stabilizing force in our community. He's the one that's going to bring back the morale in our city," Morton said. He also expressed concern that the public or the commission will not give Abels a chance before they fire or force him to resign as has been the case with previous city administrators.

Dennis asked Faulkner what he thought about the move to eliminate Don Terry from his position as acting city administrator, an effort supported by Odom before she was ousted.

"I think Don does a good job for the city. He has the city more at heart than a lot of city employees do. They (commissioners) accused him of not informing them of \$1 million in the budget. They didn't understand the city process. The money was there, sure, it should have been there," Faulkner said.

Uskert said it was not Terry's responsibility to inform the commissioners of how much money was in the budget, unless asked specifically to do so.

Both commissioners said they feel that there will be stronger

consolidation of the county and the cities for purchasing to get better "bargaining power" 20 years from now.

Faulkner said he did not foresee the county taking over the fire or police departments, but would only consolidate to purchase equipment.

"I also see consolidation of services. It's probably the best way of curbing cost increases," Morton said.

Both Morton and Faulkner said there was "very little interest" by the citizens in this election but that they were trying to run "a positive campaign."

"It's a special election and we just had an election. It's time to get on with other things besides campaigning and voting," Morton said.

Faulkner said he is trying to reach out to the citizens on a grassroots level by meeting with people in public and by calling the forum so that the "people can come to meet the candidates."

Both candidates also said they were concerned about Odom's pending litigation and what im-

lications that had for their length of service if elected.

"That's something we'll have to look at. Will we have any legal rights to keep our seat?" Faulkner said.

"It's been a concern that all this work and effort could be for naught. Let the courts decide," Morton said.

The special election will be held from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Tuesday, May 9 at city hall.

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DEATHS

DR. ROGER H. CARSON
Dr. Roger H. Carson, 40, 407 Maid of the Mist Drive, Fern Park, died Thursday at Winter Park Memorial Hospital. Born Dec. 10, 1948 in Mason City, Iowa, he moved to Fern Park from there in 1957. He was a dentist with the Seminole Dental Center and Jewish. He was a member of the Orange County Dental Society and the Florida Prosthodontic Association.

Survivors: father, Robert M., Winter Park; brother, Michael A., Alexandria, Va.; sister, Julie, Tampa.

Baldwin-Fairchild Funeral Home, Orlando, in charge of arrangements.

EMANUEL "MANNY" GITLES
Emanuel "Manny" Gitles, 69, 301 S. Spaulding Cove, Longwood, died Wednesday at Valley Hospital, Las Vegas. Born April 5, 1920 in Chicago, he moved to Longwood from Mattland in 1984. He was owner and president of Electone, Inc. and Jewish. He was a Navy veteran of World War II, past member of the Florida Hearing Aid Society and founder of the Illinois Hearing Aid Dealers Association.

Survivors include wife, May; daughters, Caren Rohr, Champaign, Ill.; Toni, Longwood; sister, Sylvia Vendor, Chicago; two granddaughters.

Baldwin-Fairchild Funeral Home, Orlando, in charge of arrangements.

C.E. "JACK" MARTIN
C.E. "Jack" Martin, 75, 1153 Lemon Bluff Rd., Osteen, died Saturday at Central Florida Regional Hospital, Sanford. Born March 3, 1914 in Clay County, Ky., he moved to Osteen in 1967 from Orlando. He was a retired owner of Jack Martin Newer Used Cars, Orlando, and a Baptist. He was an Army Air Force veteran of World War II.

Survivors include wife, Audrey; sons, Jack Jr., DeLand, Don, Leesburg, Vaughn, Geneva; daughter, Dixie Rivenbark, Pine Mountain, Ga.; eight grandchildren; five great-grandchildren.

Woodlawn Funeral Home, Orlando, in charge of arrangements.

PARBHUBHAI J. PATEL
Parbhuhai J. Patel, 74, 857 Heather Glen Dr., Lake Mary, died Saturday at Florida Hospital, Orlando. Born Jan. 20, 1915 in India, he moved to Lake Mary three years ago from Brunswick, Ga. He was a retired owner and operator of a textile company and Hindu.

Survivors include wife, Manek P.; sons, Manhar P., Lake Mary, Jayant P., Sanford, Ramch, P., Tualatin, Ore.; daughters, Hasamukh M., Brunswick, Ga., Anu J., London, England, Indira J., DeLand; brothers, Mohan J., Danya J., both in India; sisters, Shanti P., Vall V., Parvati D., all of India, 15 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren.

Brisson Guardian Funeral Home, Sanford, in charge of arrangements.

FUNERALS

PATEL, PARBHUBHAI J.
Funeral services for Parbhuhai J. Patel, 74, of Lake Mary, will be held today (Sunday) at 4 p.m. at the Brisson Guardian Chapel. Cremation will follow services. Brisson Guardian Funeral Home, Sanford, in charge of arrangements.



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POLICE BRIEFS

CCIB arrests five in Oviedo

OVIEDO — Five men were arrested in Oviedo late Wednesday night after undercover City County Investigative Bureau agents reported buying crack cocaine from them.

Michael Smith, 26, of Walker Road, Oviedo; and Charles White, 22, of 2100 South St., Oviedo, were arrested at 11:30 p.m. after the sale of a \$20 piece of crack cocaine. Smith is charged with conspiracy to sell cocaine and possession of drug paraphernalia. White is charged with sale and delivery and possession of cocaine and possession of less than 20 grams of marijuana.

Arrested at 11:40 p.m. after a second \$20 buy of cocaine by agents, was Albert Wilson, 38, who refused to give his address. He was charged with sale of cocaine and corruption by threat after allegedly threatening to kill an agent.

Michael Samuel Stallworth, 33, of 130 Rosa Ave., Oviedo, was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia after he was reportedly found to have a smoking pipe.

David George Bass, 29, of 316 Queen Ave., Oviedo, was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia and carrying a concealed knife. Agents said he had a smoking pipe. They also said they found a steak knife in his sock.

Man accused of keeping police out

SANFORD — A man accused of holding the partially opened door of his house against two Sanford police men who were trying to aid the man's wife in leaving that location after a fight, has been charged with battery on a policeman and resisting arrest without violence.

Daniel Arthur Norgard, 34, of 119 Grovewood Ave., Sanford, who allegedly struggled with police when they entered his house at about 12:30 a.m. today was arrested at home.

Woman hit with chair

SANFORD — A man accused of hitting Beverly Pinkney on the arm with a kitchen chair has been charged with aggravated battery.

Randy Des Lamar, 32, of 2718 Ridgewood Ave., #7, Sanford, was arrested by Sanford police at 9:21 a.m. Wednesday at home.

Traffic stop brings pot find

CASSELBERRY — A man whose car was stopped on Sterling Oaks Boulevard, Casselberry, after a Seminole County sheriff's deputy's radar determined his car was traveling 38 mph in a 25 mph zone, was arrested on a charge of possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia.

The deputy said he smelled marijuana in the car of Jeffrey Allen Semler, 25, of 1236 Rising Sun Blvd., Winter Springs. A marijuana cigarette and rolling papers were reportedly found in his car. He was arrested at 5:35 p.m. Tuesday. Bond is \$500.

Burglary suspect caught in alley

SANFORD — Sanford police who responded to a burglary call at about 12:20 p.m. Tuesday reported finding and arresting a suspect in an alley between Locust Avenue and Escambia Street.

Police said they found tools along with Leonard Paul Davis, 23, of 1103 Willow St., Sanford. The victim of the burglary reportedly identified the tools as hers.

Davis is charged with burglary to an occupied dwelling and possession of burglary tools. Bond is \$5,000.

Man clubbed, suspect jailed

ALTAMONTE SPRINGS — An Altamonte Springs man was jailed by police at about 2:30 a.m. today after a man reported the suspect hit him in the head with a wooden stick.

The victim, Eugene Mitchell, 19, of 408 Oak Hill Drive, Altamonte Springs, who suffered a gash to the top of his head, told police he was attacked after confronting the suspect because of the man's alleged harassment of Mitchell's family.

During the confrontation, Mitchell said, Joel Thomas Taylor, 18, of 917 Ballard St. Apt. W., ran to his car, armed himself with a wooden stick and returned to hit Mitchell with the stick. After Mitchell was wounded, he said Taylor ran. Taylor was arrested at home on a charge of aggravated battery. Bond is \$5,000.

'Unknown' babysitter accused of theft

GENEVA — Felicia Annette Cuddy, 28, of 705 Lake Harney Road, Geneva, reported to Seminole County sheriff's deputies she believes her car was stolen Wednesday night by a woman she knows only by the name of Rachel. The suspect was babysitting Cuddy's two small children when she allegedly left the children at Cuddy's house and took Cuddy's car, a sheriff's report said. Cuddy could supply deputies only with the suspect's first name.

Woman accused of ring theft

SANFORD — A woman, who allegedly stole a gold ring from Susan B. Gerber after trying the ring on in Uncle Nick's bar in Sanford, was caught by Sanford police about 20 minutes after the 10 p.m. Wednesday theft.

Gerber told police Wendy A. Therklidsen, 30, of 510 Oak Ave., Sanford, tried on her \$1,500 ring and then said she couldn't take it off. The two women went into the restroom of the bar to try to remove the ring and Gerber said Therklidsen shoved her down and ran outside.

She chased the accused thief and was shoved down a second time outside the bar.

Police found the suspect at LaRue's bar about one block away on Park Drive. They didn't find the ring. Therklidsen is charged with strong arm robbery. Bond is \$2,000.

Suspicious parking brings drug arrests

CASSELBERRY — Casselberry police who investigated a report of two suspicious vehicles parked on Zinna Road at about 11 p.m. Monday, arrested the driver of one of the cars after cocaine and pot were reportedly found in his car.

Raymond C. Butler, 23, of 1917 Hewett Lane, Maitland, is charged with possession of cocaine and marijuana.

Robber hits sub shop

SANFORD — A robber who jumped over a counter and grabbed a bank bag got away with about \$600 and \$200 worth of food stamps from Moon Sub Shop, 204 S. Sanford Ave., at about 7 p.m. Monday, Sanford police reported.

Stranger offers cocaine

ALTAMONTE SPRINGS — Two undercover Altamonte Springs policemen who were getting gas for their car at the Texaco station at 91 W. State Road 436, report meeting a man there who allegedly sold them cocaine.

John Kipling Guyton, 29, of Ocoee, was charged with sale and delivery of cocaine at 10:20 p.m. Thursday.

Police allege he sold them one-half a gram of cocaine for \$35 after they struck up a conversation with him. Bond is \$2,000.

Two arrested on DUI charges

SANFORD — The following persons face a charge of driving under the influence in Seminole County:

● Thomas Ervin Mock, 34, of 213 Laurel Ave. #B, Sanford, was arrested at 9:35 p.m. Thursday on U.S. Highway 17-92, Sanford, after his car hit an unmarked Sanford police car in the parking lot of The Barn, U.S. Highway 17-92.

● John Glenn Stonge, 27, of Orlando, at 12:10 a.m. today after his car was in an accident on State Road 436 at Howell Branch Road, Casselberry. He was also charged as a habitual traffic offender.

SEMINOLE SCENES



Easy does it

Donna Libby (operating tractor) steadies a tree as fellow workers Mary Crews and Raynaldo Calicca position it in what will be its new home on the campus of Seminole Community College. The

tree was planted in front of the new adult education building on the Seminole County campus. Libby, Crews and Calicca all work for Manok's Landscaping in Longwood.

Herald Photo by Rob Artovich



Pancakes and sausage

Four-year-old Andy Johnson digs in to a hearty breakfast during the Kiwanis Pancake Day held recently at the Sanford Civic Center. Andy and brother Matt, age 5, visited the festivities with their grandparents, Robert and Camilla Meyers of Sanford.

Herald Photo by Tommy Vincent



Look out

Emma Smalley, 67, of Tampa does some fishing from the pier near the Lake Monroe Harbor and looks like she is about to be run down by the RiverShip Romance. Actually, the Romance was docked and Smalley just happened to find a hot fishing spot in front of it. She is a former Sanford resident who was in the area visiting some friends and family.

Herald Photo by Rob Artovich



Hands-on learning

Mark Watson (right), a fifth-grade student at Idyllwild Elementary school, an annual visit by private and public organizations to show their trucks off to the kids and explain how they work and what they do.

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Herald Photo by Tommy Vincent

WORLD BRIEFS



Korean rallies continue despite arrests

SEOUL, South Korea — Dissidents hurling firebombs and rocks clashed with police Saturday outside a campus where students and workers held an anti-government rally despite the detention of more than 2,000 people who tried to attend.

Before the rally at Yonsei University in western Seoul, about 500 dissident students hurling firebombs and rocks clashed with police on a street near the campus, witnesses said. Police fired tear gas to disperse the group, but no injuries were reported.

About 6,000 police took up positions around Yonsei University early Saturday and checked the identities of youths headed for the university, witnesses said.

Blast of rockets violates cease-fire

BEIRUT, Lebanon — Shells and rockets crashed into Christian regions Saturday in violation of an Arab League-mediated cease-fire designed to halt fighting that has killed more than 270 people, military and militia sources said.

The peace appeal, generally honored since noon Friday, was marred later that day and throughout Saturday with the crashing of more than 15 shells and rockets into Christian harbors and nearby areas north of Beirut, military sources said.

The sources said the missiles and 130 mm cartridges were unleashed from Syrian-controlled mountains northeast of the Christian enclave, which makes up about 10 percent of Lebanon's 4,036-square-mile territory.

Christian sources said Syrian gunners participated in the sporadic attacks. There were no reports whether the Christian troops retaliated.

From United Press International reports

Quayle lands safely after trouble on board aircraft

United Press International

PORT DOUGLAS, Australia — A plane carrying Vice President Dan Quayle touched down safely Saturday in the Australian resort city of Cairns after a warning light falsely indicated a possible engine fire, a spokesman said.

In Washington, Craig Whitney, Quayle's deputy press secretary, said the pilot of the Boeing 707 airliner dubbed Air Force Two received what proved to be a false signal that one of its engines was on fire.

"The pilots noticed what is referred to as the 'fire light' flickering. All it did was flicker — while en route from Sidney to Cairns," Whitney said. He said upon landing, they "checked out the problem and found no fire."

He said they examined the engine, the wiring and the aircraft and concluded that the "plane was in fine condition." He said they were unable to determine what caused the flickering. "It's just something that happened."

An earlier report said one of the four engines was turned off by the pilot shortly before landing because of the warning light. But Whitney said the pilots never actually shut down the engine and that there was "no emergency landing." He said Quayle and his party disembarked and went ahead with their schedule while the crew examined the plane.

Quayle later traveled onto Port Douglas, 35 miles north of Cairns on Australia's northeast coast, where he will wind up the first leg of his South Asian swing with a visit to the Great Barrier Reef.

Before flying to Port Douglas, Quayle held a news conference at Sydney's imposing Opera House and said New Zealanders could change Prime Minister David Lange's position on the ANZUS Treaty, a defense pact between the United States, Australia and New Zealand.

Lange stunned his ANZUS allies Tuesday by announcing during a speech at Yale University that he believed the ANZUS Treaty was "dead."

"The ANZUS alliance between the United States and Australia is stronger than ever," Quayle said.

"We hope and anticipate that there will be a change in policy and direction by the people of New Zealand," he said. "There is a chair at the table for New Zealand."

The vice president and his wife, Marilyn, left their bullet-proof limousine and walked over 1,000 yards from their hotel to the Opera House, shielded only by secret servicemen.

Quayle denied upsetting Australian Prime Minister Bob Hawke over the United States' adamant stand on subsidizing American farm produce for export.

Tanker dumps a million gallons of oil in Red Sea

United Press International

MANAMA, Bahrain — An Indian tanker that ran aground off the coast of Saudi Arabia and spilled more than 1.3 million gallons of crude oil into the Red Sea has been refloated and towed away for repairs, shipping sources said.

Maritime executives in the Saudi Arabian port of Jeddah said Friday the 276,744-ton supertanker Kanchenjunga leaked the crude into the sea after it ran aground on a reef Thursday about six nautical miles from the Yenbu terminal near Jeddah.

The slick was creeping toward the beaches of Jeddah Saturday, sources said.

They said the tanker had been anchored near the bustling port for repairs. "The tanker has been refloated, the oil spillage has been contained and it's at a safe anchorage," the executives said.

A Saudi Arabian environmental protection group said Saturday it will sue the owners of the tanker for damages.

"We are filing a claim against the owners of the tanker for damages caused by the oil slick and the expense of cleaning up the mess," a spokesman for the Jeddah-based official Meteorological and Environmental Protection Administration told United Press International.

Maritime executives in Jeddah said the tanker, owned by the state-run Shipping Corp. of India, was carrying a full load of 42 million gallons of crude oil when it ran aground early Thursday.

Rains hamper rescue efforts in Bangladesh

United Press International

DHAKA, Bangladesh — Heavy rains hampered rescue operations Saturday and added to the misery of homeless survivors of a tornado that killed at least 1,100 people in central Bangladesh and left thousands missing, officials said.

Storms hurling rain and fierce winds lashed two new areas of the stricken country Saturday, flattening eight villages and leaving at least seven more dead and 50 others wounded. And on the nearby Jamuna river, nearly 20 boats sank with 40 fishermen aboard.

Opposition political leaders criticized government relief operations, saying desperately needed aid was slow to reach the estimated 100,000 left homeless by a tornado Wednesday.

Officials said relief efforts for about 2,500 of those whose homes were totaled were under way, but did not elaborate.

Survivors said the tornado — the most destructive of all atmospheric phenomena — lasted only six minutes but sliced an eight-mile-long and one-mile-wide swath through 20 densely populated villages.

Officials Saturday reported 1,109 deaths from across the devastated area and said 498 corpses were buried Friday without coffins or covering cloth in a mass grave set amid the destroyed village of Hergoze.

"Except for my house, everything was just wiped away," said the weeping village headman, Abdul Gaffer, who lost four family members. "We dug with shovels and put them in the big hole. Most of the bodies were unrecognizable."

Gaffer said he had few people to assist him in burying any more bodies because most of his village's survivors — among the estimated 100,000 left homeless by the tornado — had left the area in search of food and water.

Among the few buildings left standing by the tornado were a mosque, a school and a British-built bungalow, but the storm's fury made short work of the flimsy dwellings in which most of the residents lived near where they grew rice and potatoes.

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NATIONAL BRIEFS

Six arrested, weapons seized in raid

WASHINGTON — Six people were arrested, several weapons including a grenade launcher were seized, and a Nazi flag was found during a raid at a motel in the nation's capital, authorities said.

The raid, which occurred early Friday at the Econo Lodge in Northeast Washington, was launched by the FBI, the U.S. Secret Service, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, and city police. They were acting on information from the FBI's Dallas office, which received a phone call from the mother of one of the suspects, said Bobi Wallace, a spokeswoman for the FBI's Washington Field Office.

Arrested were John Grimes Barnhart, 33; Billie Joy McEwen, 43; Diana Joy McEwen, 28; and Richard William McEwen, 40, all of Rowlett, Texas; Margaret Arredondo, 29, of Dallas; and Kevin Owen, 29, of Northwest Washington.

Barnhart "called his mother from the D.C. area stating that he had been kidnapped and if she didn't wire \$1,000 by 7:30 a.m. yesterday he would be harmed in some fashion," said Wallace, adding that investigators believe the call was merely a ploy by Barnhart to get money.

More file for slice of record lottery pie

HARRISBURG, Pa. — The holders of six Super 7 tickets filed claims for slices of the state's \$115.6 million lottery prize, including a New Jersey man who said he finally found out what it's like to have money to burn.

"I lit a cigarette with a dollar bill this morning," Arthur Rosen, 50, said Friday. The East Windsor, N.J., man accompanied his wife and two sons and daughter to Middletown, Pa., to turn in a ticket they believe entitles them to a share of the largest jackpot in North American history.

The Rosen's luck, however, didn't stop there. They also claimed a third-place win with a ticket bearing five of the 11 numbers drawn Wednesday.

There were 816 tickets sold with six of the 11 numbers drawn, for individual prizes of \$4,842.50. The third prize of \$274.50 went to 28,776 tickets with five of 11 numbers, and 485,748 tickets with 4 of 11 numbers won the fourth prize of \$7, lottery officials said.

Players holding tickets with four or five numbers can go to any Pennsylvania Lottery Numbers Games retailer for payment. Because the second prize is greater than \$2,500, players having six numbers on a ticket will have to file a claim at a Numbers Games retailer.

Experts approve of birth control implant

WASHINGTON — Family planning groups Friday hailed an advisory committee's recommendation that the Food and Drug Administration approve a long-lasting, implantable birth control device.

By a unanimous vote, an FDA advisory panel Thursday urged the government to approve Norplant, a device consisting of six rubber capsules containing the same hormone used in many birth control pills. When the match-sized capsules are implanted under the skin of a woman's upper arm, they gradually release low doses of the hormone, protecting the woman from pregnancy for up to five years.

In making its recommendation, the 11-member advisory panel said studies of more than 55,000 women in 44 countries indicate Norplant is as effective and at least as safe as birth control pills.

The contraceptive implants, developed by the non-profit Population Council, are already approved for use in a dozen countries.

Sandra Waldman, a spokeswoman for Population Council, said about 355,000 women worldwide are using Norplant. Waldman said the implants can be removed at any time by a minor surgical process, and the effect of the contraceptive wears off in two days.

Toxins blamed for deaths of 750 dolphins

WASHINGTON — The mass death of about 750 dolphins along the Atlantic Coast in 1987 and 1988 probably was caused by a natural toxin linked with "red tide," but the animals also had record levels of PCBs in their bodies, the government said.

In a final report issued Friday by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, marine biologists said the cause of mysterious dolphin massacre was brevetoxin, a potent poison produced by tiny ocean organisms that multiply in profusion under certain conditions, turning the water red.

The report was based on detailed autopsies on 17 of the 740 dead dolphins that washed up on beaches from New Jersey to Florida from June 1987 to February 1988 — an outbreak the report called "the most extraordinary saga of cetacean disease on record."

Scientists estimate that 50 percent or more of the entire coastal population of dolphins perished during an 11-month period.

In addition to brevetoxin, the report said PCBs — highly toxic polychlorinated biphenyls — were found in the blubber of some dead dolphins at levels "among the highest recorded for a cetacean."

One male dolphin had PCB levels of 6,800 parts per million, the highest level ever found in a marine mammal and far above the 5 parts per million standard set by the government for fish for human consumption.

Donations pour in for USS Iowa families

NORFOLK, Va. — In an emotional outpouring of support, hundreds of letters and donations are streaming into a private fund set up for the families of the 47 sailors who were killed in the April 19 tragedy aboard the USS Iowa.

The cards and letters come primarily from the southeastern Virginia area near the Norfolk Naval Base, the Iowa's home port. However, letters have come from as far away as New York, Michigan and California.

The often poignant letters range from a message sent by a high-ranking Pentagon official, to handwritten cards done by elementary schoolchildren.

"USS Iowa — America remembers," reads a colorful card by a 1st grader from Lakes Elementary School in Hartland, Mich. The card includes the drawing of a ship.

"We are sorry. We are thinking of you. We want to thank you for making us safe," the card says. "We are here if you need us."

That's the sentiment a 32-year-old financial administrator in Norfolk wanted to convey to Navy families after hearing about the accident. Jeffrey Switzer, the son of a Navy man, wasted no time putting his idea into action.

The USS Iowa Fund was set up less than 24 hours after the Navy had announced that the sailors had been killed in a fiery explosion in the battleship's No. 2 gun turret.

From United Press International reports

Miners strike in Virginia turns violent

United Press International

LEBANON, Va. — Camouflage fatigues and handcuffs mix with spring mountain blossoms these days as the United Mine Workers borrow a page from the civil rights movement in its strike against the Pittston Coal Group.

As striking miners prepared for a Sunday rally with the Rev. Jesse Jackson and UMW president Rich Trumka, state police tallied nearly a thousand arrests in the strike that began April 5.

But strikers have substituted road-blocking sit-ins for traditional picketing, rock throwing and tire spiking.

Despite 122 felony rock-throwing arrests to offset the 997 sit-in misdemeanors, local officials report widespread support for the miners and sympathy demonstrations have led to conditions bordering on general strikes in some mountain towns.

One non-union coal truck driver, running the risk for \$250 a day, was arrested after pointing a pistol at a picket.

"The rock-throwing, the broken windshields, that's a coal

strike," said one State Police lieutenant. "The civil disobedience, the passiveness, the going limp (when arrested) is completely foreign."

Union organizers contend they can keep the violence down but local residents, including many police, don't exactly agree. One point of agreement — both sides are prepared for a long strike.

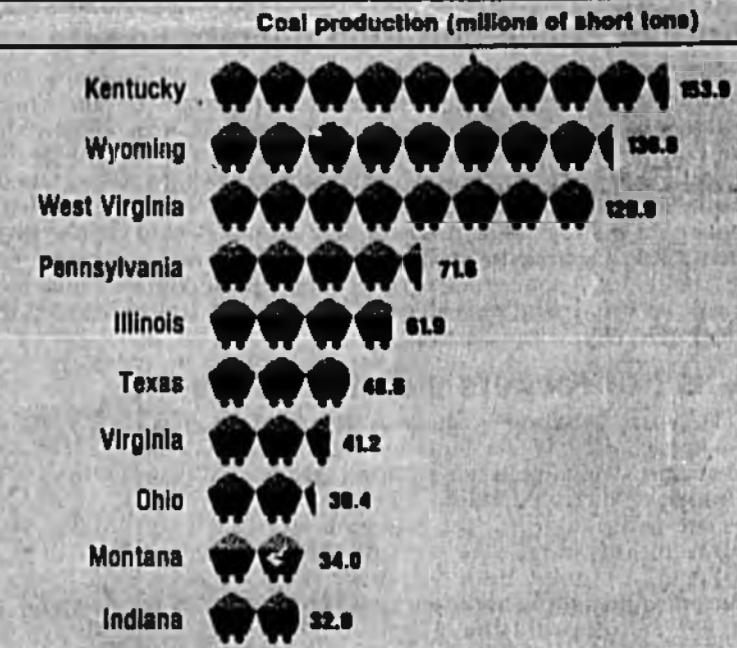
Miners expect 10,000 people at a Sunday rally at the Wise County Fairgrounds to be led by Jackson, who has expressed his interest in standing in solidarity with the striking miners. Miners say the numbers will prove the community is on their side.

The Lebanon-based coal group includes the Clinchfield Coal Moss 3 preparation plant — "the heart of the operation," said one striker — and McClure No. 1, the scene of the state's worst mining disaster in 1983 when seven miners lost their lives.

Pittston, which did \$1.5 billion in business last year, gets 49 percent of its profit from the coal division. The Greenwich, Conn., company also owns Burlington Air Freight and the Brinks armored car and home security companies.

AMERICA'S COAL PRODUCERS

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IN BRIEF

NBA PLAYOFFS

Knicks show their character

NEW YORK — The New York Knicks, whose character had been questioned the last month of the season, Saturday showed their mettle when it was needed most.

Trent Tucker sank his only basket, a 3-point shot with 10 seconds left, to cap an 11-0 New York run that gave the Knicks a 107-106 triumph over the Philadelphia 76ers and a 2-0 lead in their opening-round playoff series.

New York can clinch the best-of-five series with a triumph in Game 3 at Philadelphia Tuesday.

The Knicks went 5-5 the final month of the season but won the Atlantic Division for the first time since 1971. Their spotty play left them open to questions concerning their readiness for the postseason.

The Knicks, however, have responded with a pair of memorable victories in their first two playoff games.



AMERICAN LEAGUE

Brett injures right knee again

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — George Brett tore a ligament in his right knee while turning to make a throw Saturday night and will miss an undetermined amount number of games, the Kansas City Royals said.

Brett, the Royals first baseman, fielded a bloop by Milwaukee's Rob Deer in short right field in the first inning and turned to throw the ball to home, but caught a spike in the turf. He went to the ground and had to be pulled from the game, but was able to walk off the field.

A preliminary examination at the stadium indicated that Brett torn the medial collateral ligament in the right knee. He will have further tests, including magnetic resonance imaging, Sunday.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

James' grand slam soaks Reds

PHILADELPHIA — Chris James hit a fourth-inning grand slam Saturday to highlight a six-run inning and lead the Philadelphia Phillies to a 8-0 victory over the Cincinnati Reds in a rain-shortened game called in the bottom of the fifth inning.

Mike Maddux, 1-0, allowed just two singles through five innings to pick up the victory, walking one and striking out four. The game's start was pushed back 2:31 and was delayed another 1:32 with one out in the bottom of the fifth before umpire Dutch Rennert called the game.

James connected off Danny Jackson, 1-5, for his second career grand slam. The loss was the fifth straight for Jackson, who has not won since Opening Day. Jackson was 4-0 against Philadelphia last season, with three complete games and a pair of two-hitters.

NHL PLAYOFFS

Flyers' Hextall misses Game 7

PITTSBURGH — Philadelphia Flyers star goaltender Ron Hextall — called the team's "bread and butter" by Coach Paul Holmgren — was unable to start decisive Game 7 of the Stanley Cup quarterfinals because of a sprained knee suffered in the previous game.

Ken Wregget was to start in place of Hextall, who suffered a first degree sprain of the medial collateral ligament in his right knee according to Dr. John Gregg, the Flyers' orthopedic surgeon. The injury occurred during the second period Thursday in Philadelphia.

Wregget, 25, played 29 minutes in relief of Hextall during Game 5 at Pittsburgh on April 25, stopping all nine shots he faced. He appeared in three games for the Flyers during the regular season.



Compiled from staff and wire reports.

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 □ 4 p.m. — ESPN, World Cup Qualifying: Costa Rica vs. United States. (L)

Lake Brantley takes two

Patriots beat Lake Mary in 4A-9 baseball

By TONY DeSORMIER
Herald sports editor

LAKE MARY — For a team that's supposed to have relatively weak pitching, the Lake Brantley Patriot baseball team sure seems to some outstanding mound performances at key times.

On Friday night, for example, Mark Gabrovic came back from a Thursday night shelling against Lyman and wove a masterful two-hit shutout as the Patriots beat the host Lake Mary Rams 10-0 in five innings to win the 4A-District 9 championship.

It was the first district baseball crown in Lake Brantley's 17-year history, the first time in the Patriots' six trips to the district finals that they were able to walk away with the championship hardware.

"The other night (Thursday), Mark was overthrowing," explained Lake Brantley coach Mike Smith. "But when the ball's moving, a left-hander who doesn't throw hard can make a difference."

Gabrovic was deceptive, moving his pitches around and changing speeds as he kept Lake Mary's offense stuck in neutral. Neither of the two hits he gave up — a two-out single to Shane Stuffed in the first inning and an infield hit to Alex Birle in the second — were hit with authority.

"He (Gabrovic) pitched a good ball game against us," said Lake Mary coach Allen Tuttle. "Give him credit. They just beat us."

What was slightly disconcerting was that Lake Mary pitcher Birle also seemed to be pitching well. Except for some occasional control



Herald file photo

Mark Gabrovic was impressive if not overpowering on Friday night, throwing a two-hit shutout against Lake Mary in the 4A-District 9 championship game.

problems and an untimely Lake Mary error, Birle would have taken a shutout into the fourth inning, where he made his one big mistake.

After Sean Burke had doubles, moved to third on a wild pitch and scored on a double steal to up Lake Brantley's lead to 3-0, Birle was faced with a two-out, bases-loaded situation when Jim Morse came to

□ See Baseball, Page 3B

Lady Patriots win title in 4A-4 softball

By JIM RICKENBACKER
Herald Correspondent

ALTAMONTE SPRINGS — Bentling one of Seminole County's foremost softball teams four times in one season is a tall order, but Lake Brantley accomplished that feat in fine style Friday night, handing Lake Howell a 5-2 setback in the District 4A-4 title game at Lake Brantley High School.

"They're six kids on this team that made it to the finals of the 1987 state tournament," said Lake Brantley coach Renny Betris, whose outfit advances to Tuesday's Region 2 game.

"We didn't commit any errors, had 13 hits, didn't walk anyone and got a three-hitter from Kristen Bates. Plus we scored all our runs each inning with two outs. That's the things you need to do to win at this level."

In the other dugout, Lake Howell coach Jo Luciano lamented the Silver Hawks' season-low three hits and crucial errors at critical times.

After taking a 2-1 lead in the bottom of the fourth on Chris Calabrese's RBI single, Lake Brantley (23-1) broke the backs of the Silver Hawks (18-6) in the fifth.

Tina Wilson, who went 3-for-4 as did Calabrese, had one of her two RBIs in that inning, and a throwing error paved the way for another run to score and swell the Patriots' lead to 4-1.

Mary Weston paced the Patriots' offensive onslaught percentage wise, hitting safely in all three at bats.

Meanwhile, Bates (20-1) shut down the Silver Hawks' normally



Herald file photo

Kristen Bates' pitching was instrumental in Lake Brantley's district championship, allowing normally heavy-hitting Lake Howell just three hits in Friday's title game.

potential offense.

Julie Barton's second-inning double and Valerie Monaco's ensuing hit off Bates' glove were Lake Howell's only hits outside of Kristy York's RBI single in the seventh.

"The fifth inning was a messy inning for us, even though they scored just two runs," Luciano said. "We've made this many errors in a

□ See Softball, Page 3B

Lyman boys grab 4A-9 track crown

By MARK BLYTHE
Herald sports writer

CASSELBERRY — Lyman used a solid team effort, moving one step closer to a possible state championship, and ran away with the 4A-District 9 championship Friday night at Lake Howell.

The Greyhounds finished with a total of 128 points, more than doubling second place Lake Howell with 60%. Daytona Beach Mainland was third with 57 followed by Lake Brantley with 47, Lake Mary with 33, Spruce Creek with 32½ and DeLand with.

"It was a solid team effort," Lyman coach Fred Finke said. "We qualified most everyone we wanted to for regionals. The regional meet will be very tough. It will be interesting to see how the other districts fared."

Lyman was led by senior standout Darren Marshall who placed first in both the 120 and 330 hurdles along with a first place finish in the pole vault. Teddy Mitchell added a stellar distance double as he won the mile with a clocking of 4:18.5 while running 9:24.4 in the two mile.

"Darren Marshall, Teddy Mitchell, Dave Garrett and John Scherpf and James Flint all came up with outstanding performances," Finke said. □ See Boys, Page 2B



Herald Photo by Rob Arntowich

James Flint won two events, finished second in another and anchored Lyman's winning mile relay team at 4A-District 9 meet on Friday.

Brantley girls race to 4A-9 win

By MARK BLYTHE
Herald sports writer

CASSELBERRY — Lake Brantley scored 24 points in the final two events to erase Lake Mary's slight lead and turn it to a big win and captured the girls portion of the 4A-9 track meet at Lake Howell High School.

The Lady Patriots, down by two going into the two mile, finished with 112 points compared to Lake Mary's 95. Lake Howell was third with 50 followed by Lyman with 36, Spruce Creek with 27, Mainland with 17 and DeLand with 3.

The distance trio of Joyce Tullis, Heather Camino and Amy Ginnette combined for 30 points as all three advanced to the regionals in both the mile and two mile runs. Camino won the mile and took fourth in the two mile with Tullis winning the two mile and placing second in the mile as Ginnette placed third in each.

Chelsea Trotter won the 880 with a nice time of 2:22.9, the 880 was a tight race as fourth place broke the tape with a 2:24.2 clocking. Ryan Pauley was second in the event with a 2:23.6 effort.

The Lady Patriots also won the 440 and mile □ See Girls, Page 2B



Herald Photo by Tommy Vincent

They needed to rally on the back nine to do it, but the Lyman girls golf team won the District 6 title on Friday. The team, coached by Jesse Harry (front right), consists of Kim Mackey (front left), Becky Carr (front center), Jennifer Foster (back left) and Melissa Reis (back right).

Lady 'Hounds shoot to District 6 golf title

By JIM RICKENBACKER
Herald Correspondent

ORLANDO — Lyman girls golf coach Jesse Harry paced anxiously near the ninth green at Ventura Country Club Friday. His Greyhounds, favored to capture a third consecutive District 6 title, trailed the Oviedo Lions by eight shots after the front nine.

And circumstances got worse before they got better when Lyman's No. 1 golfer Kim Mackey encountered serious trouble in a trap at No. 10.

"I'd always said that Oviedo was the darkhorse," said Harry, whose team finished at 390, three shots ahead of Oviedo and six ahead of Lake Brantley. "After the first nine holes, I thought they'd (Oviedo) come through."

Instead, Oviedo ran into troubles on the back nine and Lyman's No. 2, 3 and 4 players turned in command performances to pick up 11 shots on the incoming nine.

Sophomore Becky Carr, playing No. 2 for the Greyhounds, posted an 81 to finish third behind Orlando

Oak Ridge Junior Maria Castellucci and Boone senior Kristi Joiner. Carr's teammates' Melissa Reis (No. 3) and Jennifer Foster (No. 4) shot 46 and 58, respectively, on the final nine to help assure Lyman of its third straight trip to the state tournament, scheduled for Wednesday and Thursday in Sarasota.

Castellucci and Joiner both shot 73, but Joiner hit her tee shot out of bounds on the first playoff hole and bogeyed to finish second for a third consecutive season.

"This is the first time I ever recall there being a playoff between the best players in the district tournament for both boys and girls in the same year," said tournament director and Boone girls coach Bill Gordon. Lyman's Danny Albert lost in a four-way playoff Thursday in the District 6 boys tournament.

"That's the best Becky and Melissa have played all season," said a much-relieved Harry. "Jenny also came through with a solid back nine, and Kim never gave up despite her problems at No. 10."

"You could really say they all came through when they had to come through."

Business

IN BRIEF

Brody addresses out-of-town group

LONGWOOD — Melinda Brody, of Melinda Brody Associates (MBA), recently delivered an address to the Lee Building Industry Association - Sales and Marketing Council, a group of Ft. Myers-area builders, realtors, sales representatives and mortgage brokers.

"The Winning Attitude" was the title of her talk in which she discussed ways to remain motivated.

MBA specializes in sales/motivational training programs in addition to mystery shopping service to evaluate job performances of sales people.

Venture group sets monthly meeting

OVIDO — The Florida Venture Group, of Oviedo, will hold its monthly meeting at noon Thursday at the Langford Resort Hotel, 300 New England Ave., Winter Park.

The FVG provides a monthly forum where inventor/entrepreneurs, institutional and individual investors, and service providers such as lawyers, accountants and marketing professionals can meet.

The cost of the meeting is \$30, which includes lunch. Call 365-5374 for additional information.

International Recovery announces offer

MIAMI SPRINGS — International Recovery Corp., an environmental services company, says it will offer 1.3 million shares of common stock at \$10 a share in a public offering.

The stock will be sold by the company and certain shareholders, the company said. Wheat First Securities Inc. and Underwood Newhaus & Co. will manage the offering.

Blockbuster's stock trading begins

FORT LAUDERDALE — The common stock of Blockbuster Entertainment Corp., the fast growing video rental chain, began trading Thursday on the New York Stock Exchange, the company said.

Chairman H. Wayne Hutzenga said the NYSE listing would raise the company's profile among both institutional and individual investors. The company's stock previously was traded over the counter.

Blockbuster operates 666 video rental stores.

CSX Realty opens office in Orlando

ORLANDO — CSX Realty Inc., a unit of CSX Corp. of Richmond, Va., says it has opened a real estate development office in Orlando.

The company said the office will coordinate the planning, construction and marketing of projects underway in Jacksonville, Miami, Lakeland, Deerfield Beach, Boca Grande and West Palm Beach.

Charles P. McSwain, 38, has been named regional director of the office.

Clairson rejects buyout offer

OCALA — Clairson International Corp., a manufacturer of storage products, says its directors have rejected a buyout proposal from a group of investors including Citicorp of North America Inc.

The proposal was not acceptable to Norman and Donald Sauey, who hold a majority of the company's stock, because it would have required them to accept subordinated debt instead of cash for a portion of their shares, Clairson said.

The company also said it earned \$528,000, or 10 cents a share, for the quarter ended March 25, compared with a loss of \$2.6 million, or 50 cents a share, for the same period last year.

Atlantis acquires Engineered Films

MIAMI — Atlantis Group Inc., a manufacturer of plastics and contract furniture, says it has acquired Engineered Films Corp. of Cartersville, Ga. Terms of the acquisition were not disclosed.

Engineered Films makes general purpose and specialty polyethylene films, with annual revenues of about \$15 million, Atlantis said.

Noven announces distribution deal

MIAMI — Noven Pharmaceuticals Inc. said Thursday it has entered into a licensing agreement to supply its transdermal estrogen system to Rorer Group Inc. for worldwide distribution, excluding Japan.

Although details of the agreement were not disclosed, Noven said it retains the right to market the product in the United States and Canada.

The system delivers estrogen through the skin directly into the bloodstream.

Study cites alternatives to cars

DETROIT — A study released last week by Runzheimer International shows minivans, compact trucks and sport utility vehicles are becoming popular alternatives to cars in the nation's automotive fleets.

When asked what new vehicles they added to their fleets for the first time, 17 percent of the 202 automotive fleet managers polled by the Rochester, Wis., transportation consulting firm said minivans, while 6 percent said compact pickups and 6 percent said sport utility vehicles.

More than three-quarters of the fleet managers said they already had pickup trucks in their fleets, 71 percent said they already had minivans, and 51 percent said they already had sport utility vehicles, Runzheimer said.

The study also showed that domestically produced minivans, pickups and sport utility trucks are by far the preferred models among automotive fleet managers.

Survey finds wide support for recycling by shoppers

United Press International

NEW YORK — Four out of every five Americans are interested in shopping for products in packages that can be recycled, a Gallup survey reported Friday.

The survey found that seven out of every 10 consumers would be likely to choose a product with a package clearly marked as recyclable over identical items not marked as such.

The Gallup Organization polled 1,008 people for the survey on recycling, meant to

coincide with Earth Day.

The survey found 81 percent of those polled reported interest in shopping for products packaged in recyclable paperboard. It also found that interest in recyclable products was highest among people between the ages of 30 and 50 and those in high-income brackets.

"The results reveal a much higher level of recycling consciousness than previously existed in the country," said Neil Upmeyer, Gallup's director of research.

Simplimatic now part of CMB

SANFORD — Simplimatic Engineering Co., whose Acme Division is located here, has become part of the newly formed CMB Packaging Group, the third-largest packaging company in the world, the company has announced.

Simplimatic, headquartered in Lynchburg, Va., is a designer and builder of materials handling conveyors and other packaging and parts-handling equipment and systems for the beverage, food, container, automotive, electronic and other industries.

CMB was formed by the merger of the packaging businesses of MB Group plc, of Reading, England, and Carnaud S.A., of France. Simplimatic said in a press release. Simplimatic has been wholly owned by MB

Group (formerly Metal Box Can of Carson, Calif.) for the past 10 years.

The merger, effective last week) has been approved by the shareholders of both companies, the Commission of the European Communities, and by the High Court of the United Kingdom, according to Simplimatic.

CMB will be headquartered in Brussels, Belgium, and English will be the working language.

CMB Packaging has more than 140 plants in 21 countries and will employ about 36,000 people worldwide.

The combined sales of the new group was estimated to be \$3.7 billion, making it the world's third largest packaging company,

behind French and Japanese companies. Simplimatic reported in the press release.

Gerald A. Poulton, Simplimatic's new chief operating officer, said that becoming a part of CMB Packaging is a positive move for the company.

"CMB is committed to providing the most comprehensive and technologically advanced containers, systems and equipment available in international markets," he said in the press release.

"The new association will broaden sales opportunities for Simplimatic throughout the world" for products such as air conveyors, mat top conveyors, case and bulk palletizing equipment and line controls, he said.



Walko's retiring way

Bob Walko chats with Jeanne M. Daley who takes over tomorrow as Seminole County Director of the Heart of Florida United Way.

Walko retired Friday after more than seven years with the United Way. He and Daley were guests last week of Rotary Club of Sanford.

Herald Photo by Tommy Vincent

Loss widens at Florida First savings bank

PANAMA CITY — First quarter losses widened at Florida First Federal Savings Bank because of the continued high level of non-performing assets, the thrift says.

The loss for the quarter ended March 31 was \$310,000, or 17 cents per share, compared with a loss of \$131,000, or 7 cents per share, for the same period a year ago, Florida First said.

"The primary reason for the first quarter loss was the continued high level of non-performing assets, the related adverse impact on net interest income ... as well as the increasing cost of operations," President Andrew W. Stein said in a statement.

Real estate and non-earning loans totaled \$30.9 million as of March 31, up slightly from \$30.2 million as of Dec. 31, the thrift said.

Net interest income before the provision for loan losses fell to \$1 million from \$1.3 million a year ago, the thrift said. Operating expenses rose to \$2 million from \$1.6 million a year ago, Florida First said.

Total assets fell to \$307.5 million as of March 31 from \$318.7 million at year-end, the thrift said.

Florida First, the largest thrift in Florida's Panhandle, operates nine offices in north Florida.

Plea bargain brings Cordis loss

United Press International

MIAMI — Cordis Corp. says the cost of settling a criminal investigation into its former cardiac pacemaker operation led to losses in the third quarter and nine-month period ended March 31.

The quarterly loss was \$5.8 million, or 44 cents per share, compared with profits of \$2.2 million, or 17 cents per share, for the same period last year.

Results for the most recent quarter include a \$7.9 million charge from discontinued operations, the bulk of which involved costs associated with the plea agreement reached earlier this year, the company said.

Cordis agreed to plead guilty to 12 felony and 13 misdemeanor charges and pay \$623,000 in fines and \$141,000 in costs to settle a federal investigation its former business.

The charges stem from shipping adulterated or misbranded pacemakers and making false statements to the Food and Drug Administration, among other things.

A federal court approved the settlement agreement last week.

Cordis also agreed to pay \$5 million and interest over three years in a separate agreement to settle possible civil claims by the government.

Sales for the quarter rose to \$36.7 million, up from \$35.4 million a year ago, the company said.

The loss for the nine-month period equaled \$4.1 million or 31 cents per share, compared with profits of \$5.2 million, or 38 cents per share, for the same period a year ago.

Results for the current fiscal year include a loss from discontinued operations of \$8.6 million.

Sales rose to \$103.5 million, up from \$96.3 million a year ago.

Cordis sold its pacemaker operation in May 1987 to Teletronics Holdings Inc. The company currently manufactures medical products

for the angiographic and neuroscience markets.



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IN BRIEF

COMPETITION

Mom contest deadline Thursday

SANFORD — Thursday, May 4, at 1 p.m. is the deadline in the Sanford Herald's Outstanding Mom contest.

The top three winners will be featured in the Mother's Day edition of the Herald, on Sunday, May 14, and will receive plaques.

A listing of all qualifying nominees will be published in that issue as well.

Here's how to enter: Write us a letter about your nominee, telling us why this mom is so special.

Letters should be typed or printed legibly. Write the nominee's name, street address, city and daytime phone number at the top of the page. Then write her qualifications or why she's outstanding. At the end of your letter, write your name, address, daytime phone number and age (if under 18). Mail to "Outstanding Mom," Sanford Herald, 300 N. French Ave., Sanford, FL 32771.

There is no maximum length limit on letters of nomination.

Win puts Broadway just around corner

By BRIAN HEDBERG
Herald People editor

If you see stars in Lisa Dennard's eyes, your eyes aren't playing tricks on you. The stars are there.

On Wednesday, the Sanford native won first place in a female vocal competition at the Apollo Theater in Harlem in New York.

In the past, Dennard, of Orlando, has won several talent contests at Central Florida night clubs. But her win Wednesday was of a different caliber altogether, she said.

She said she is scheduled to return to New York on May 24 to perform at the Apollo

Showdown, the winner of which will perform at the famed Cotton Club on Broadway. Dennard also is to speak with a Broadway producer on May 11, she said.

"I'm working my way toward Broadway," she said. "I'm willing to take any step possible to make it."

The 23-year-old soprano saw a television commercial for the amateur night competition and decided to go for it. When Dennard took center stage at the

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Where showbiz originates

By DAVINA BURCH
Herald correspondent

SANFORD — At the corner of Fourth Street and Sanford Avenue is an unassuming brick building with a small yellow sign on the side that reads "Rabco." But within that warehouse, once a supermarket, is Rabco Enterprises, a company that creates fantasies.

"We think of ourselves as dreammakers," said William Thomas. He and his partner, Roger Minami, produce and direct casino revue shows for an international market.

Neighboring business people know Thomas and Minami as the "dance people" and some even try to "audition."

"People see us coming in (the shop) and will shout things like 'I can sing!' and sometimes we'll say 'OK, let's hear it!' and they'll go down the road singing. Then they'll shout back at us to give them money to buy a beer as payment for their audition, and we just laugh," Thomas chuckled.

Thomas and Minami moved to Atlantic City from New York when they began Rabco (a name that stands for "Roger And Bill's Co.") seven

years ago. Then Central Florida's climate enticed them here and they bought a home in Heathrow.

When they started looking around for a building from which to operate their business, they looked for something close by. In Sanford they discovered the what they needed—a large warehouse at a good price—so they purchased it. The two have worked there for the past three years, Thomas said.

Currently playing in Atlantic City and Japan, their shows feature women in brightly colored, feathered and sequined costumes, who sing and dance amidst singers, magicians and jugglers—a spectacular display of talent and glamour.

Minami and Thomas design and sew the costumes themselves, with help from an assistant.

"We use anything that is durable and sparkles," Thomas said of their fabrics. "We prefer Spandex because it wears like iron."

Because the dancers perform two shows per night, their costumes must withstand heavy wear.

The pair recently purchased a fabric called "printed sequin," Minami said. Though they

tested it extensively, even running it under water, they could not test it under actual wearing conditions: the dancers have had the costumes for only two months and already the print is fading.

The elaborate Rabco costumes are loaded with feathers. They use ostrich feathers from South

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William Thomas (left) and Roger Minami arrange the luxurious feathers that flatter their casino revue dancers (right).



Leggy, necky ostriches really stretch definition of 'bird'

Sit in your backyard some day and count the number of different types of birds you see. I'm sure all the birds you'll see will have feathers and be able to fly. While it's true that all birds have feathers, not all birds can fly.

Rallies, or flightless birds, are birds that lack a large keel bone in their sternum. This keel bone in other birds is where their flight muscles attach, thus allowing for flight. Rallies include the ostrich, emu, rhea, kiwi, and cassowary. Of these, the ostrich is the most famous, being the largest living bird.

Ostriches live in Africa. They are widely distributed in areas that are flatter and receive low rainfall, such as open savannas and sandy plains of the desert.

An ostrich is enormous. When full grown it may reach a height of nine feet and weigh as much as 440 pounds. Compare that to the smallest bird, the hummingbird, which weighs less than an ounce.

Ostrich feathers are long, soft and have a wispy appearance.



ANIMALS

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Male ostriches are jet black with white outer feathers. The females are a light brown color. Different species may have different colored skin, such as pink or blue.

Despite their flightlessness, ostriches have adapted quite well. They can run more than 40 mph for 30 minutes, and as fast as 50 mph in short sprints. Ostrich chicks may run 35 mph one month after hatching.

The ostrich diet consists of fruit, seeds, plants, insects, reptiles and small mammals. They also eat sand, as many birds do, to aid in digestion. Ostriches drink and bathe frequently when water is available, but can go without water when it is available in their food. They also will take dust baths when water is at a premium.

An interesting aspect of the ostrich is its nesting behavior. The male will scrape a hole in the ground in which the female lays her eggs. The dominant female will lay her eggs first, with at least six other females laying their eggs in the same nest. The male and dominant female then share the responsibility of incubating all the eggs. The female incubates the eggs during the day, the male incubates at night.

Incubation for ostriches means using their wings to shade the eggs from the desert heat, rather



Photo by Andrea Prier

An ostrich looks like a chicken with both ends pulled long.

than sitting on the eggs to keep them warm. Since ostrich nests are out in the open, the eggs are subject to predation by vultures and hyenas. The brown female helps to camouflage the nest during the day. The black color of the male hides the nest at night.

Each ostrich egg averages six inches in length and weighs about three pounds. They are the largest of all bird eggs.

Contrary to popular belief, ostriches do not bury their heads in the sand to escape danger. When ostriches are sitting on a

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Airborne anniversary

Glenn and Reida McCall of west Sanford went up, up and away on their 32nd anniversary Thursday morning. The couple had bought a balloon ride at Seminole Community College's most recent Dream Auction, and later decided to fly high on their anniversary. Their ride went awry when winds picked up and the balloon had to land several blocks away from the targeted baseball field on Mellonville Avenue. In above photo, the balloon's chase crew rolls up the hot-air balloon after the controlled landing. At right, balloon owner and pilot Wes Rinker (left) pours celebratory champagne for the McCalls.

Herald Photos by Tommy Vincent



Health/Fitness

IN BRIEF

Health screening day scheduled

ORLANDO — "Wellness Day," a free health screening program sponsored by Florida Hospital's community health services, will be offered from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday under the aegis of the hospital.

This month's program includes eye screenings by ophthalmologists, including for glaucoma; and a blood pressure check.

Lung Association walk Saturday

ORLANDO — The American Lung Association of Central Florida will sponsor a "Breeze on By" 5-kilometer (3.1 mile) walk at Turkey Lake Park Saturday. Entry fee is \$10. Food and entertainment will be furnished.

Opening ceremonies are at 9:45 a.m. and the walk starts at 10 a.m. There are no pledges to raise, but incentive prizes will be awarded to the top three recruiters who sign up the greatest number of walkers. First prize is three days at the Hyatt Regency Grand Cypress Hotel in Orlando.

To find out how to become a recruiter, or other information, call 888-3401, or 1-800-6735.

High blood pressure conference May 6-9

LAKE BUENA VISTA — Doctors and nurses from throughout the nation are expected to gather at The Hilton at Walt Disney World Village May 6-9 for the National Conference on Blood Pressure Control.

Sponsored by the National High Blood Pressure Education Program Coordinating Committee, made up of many national medical associations, the conference will present new information on the detection, evaluation, treatment and control of high blood pressure, discussion of the implications of current research, and provide a forum for the exchange of information.

Health cost manual available

TALLAHASSEE — "RX for Small Businesses: A Health Care Cost Containment Manual," developed to help Florida employers choose the most appropriate health care options, and providing tools for businesses to use in managing their health care costs, is available from the state Office of Technical Assistance.

The average length of stay in Florida hospitals this year is projected to be 6.6 days at a cost of \$7,525 and every day spent unnecessarily will cost employers \$1,107 per employee, according to the Health Care Cost Containment Board, which published the manual. It explains such concepts as health maintenance organizations, preferred provider organizations, benefit modifications and utilization review.

The manual is available by writing the Office of Technical Assistance, HCCB, John Knox Road, Suite 101-L, Tallahassee 32303 or by calling 1-800-342-0828.

Diabetes outreach meeting Thursday

ORLANDO — Dr. Victor Roberts will discuss "Goals and Modes of Diabetes Control" at Florida Hospital's next Diabetes Outreach meeting at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in room 241 of the hospital medical plaza, 2051 Orange Ave.

For more information, call Beth Kraas at 888-6611, extension 9289.

Should doctors help patients die?

United Press International

BOSTON — A terminally ill patient lies in the hospital bed. Death is certain. The pain is unbearable. The patient, still in control of his faculties, asks the doctor to help him commit suicide.

What should the doctor do? According to a controversial new report "It is not immoral for a physician to assist in the rational suicide of a terminally ill person," including giving the patient sleeping pills and telling him how many it would take to overdose.

Funded by the Society for the Right to Die in New York, the report by a panel of 12 prominent American doctors was published in the prestigious New England Journal of Medicine.

The report concentrated primarily on how doctors should care for the terminally ill and urged physicians to do everything possible to make dying as painless and humane as possible.

But 10 of the 12 members of the panel added that if everything has been done to make patients as comfortable as possible and a patient who is rational still wants to die, doctors can morally help them.

That conclusion has drawn strong criticism and rekindled the debate over suicide and mercy killing.

"We should not involve the medical profession in killing," said George Annas, a professor of health law at Boston University School of Medicine. "It changes the whole

societal mandate and societal perception of physicians. It gives them an added power that I don't think that they want or should have."

While suicide is legal in the United States, assisting suicide remains a crime in most states, Annas noted.

Annas and others argued that permitting doctors to assist in suicide may create further mistrust of doctors and could lead to abuse.

"I don't see any reason to medicalize the question about whether or not someone can kill themselves," said Arthur Caplan, director of the Center for Biomedical Ethics at the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis.

Caplan stressed that at a time when budget constraints are prompting some states to ration medical care, it was inappropriate for doctors to get involved in aiding patients' deaths.

"The American medical and cost climate is not conducive right now to anything that suggests doctors could kill," said Caplan. "I think there is a very real danger that patients will suspect that someone administered a drug to hasten death not because of suffering but because of cost or money."

The Hemlock Society, a right-to-die group based in Eugene, Ore., however, said the public is increasingly in favor of doctor-assisted suicide and mercy killing.

"Public opinion polls are running about 65 percent in favor of legal medical

euthanasia," said Derek Humphry, group spokesman. "The public is saying, 'This is not a crime. This is something that should be OK.'"

The panel, however, did not go as far as condoning euthanasia, which it said differs from doctor-assisted suicide. In suicide, the doctor enables the patient kill him or herself. In euthanasia, the doctor actually carries out the fatal action.

Both Annas and Caplan praised the panel for urging doctors to do more to ease the pain of dying and stressed that if that becomes the norm any need for suicide will diminish greatly.

The panel said doctors currently usually fail to discuss how patients want to be treated when they are dying, continue to perform intrusive care even after the hope of recovery is gone and are hesitant to do everything possible to ease pain.

"The hopelessly ill patient must have whatever is necessary to control pain. One of the most pervasive cause of anxiety among patients, their families, and the public is the perception that physicians' efforts toward the relief of pain are sadly deficient," they wrote.

"Because of this perceived professional deficiency, people fear that needless suffering will be allowed to occur as patients are dying. To a large extent, we believe such fears are justified."

The panel went so far as to recommend that "narcotics or other pain medications should be given in whatever dose."

Cholesterol and strokes: mixed signals

United Press International

BOSTON — Cholesterol appears to reduce the chance men will die from the most serious type of stroke while increasing the risk of death from the most common form of stroke, a major study has concluded.

The findings indicate that although cholesterol may protect against strokes caused by brain hemorrhages, that potential benefit is far outweighed by increased risk for heart attacks and strokes caused by blocked blood vessels, experts said.

"Our findings should not be taken as a reason to defer the establishment of programs to lower (blood) cholesterol levels in the U.S. population in order to prevent coronary heart disease," the researchers said in reporting their findings in The New England Journal of Medicine.

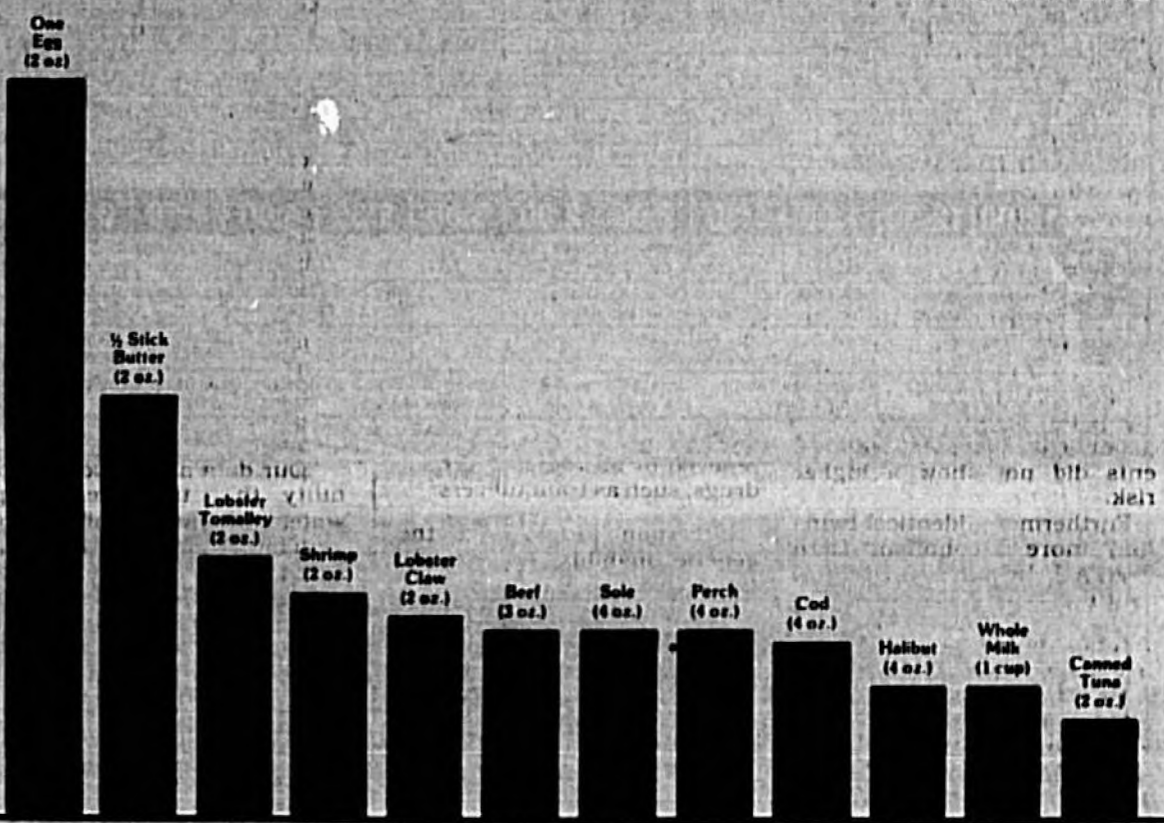
Previous studies in Japan indicated men with low cholesterol levels were at increased risk for hemorrhagic strokes, an often fatal type of stroke in which a blood vessel in the brain bursts.

The new study, the largest of its kind, is the first to examine the relationship between cholesterol levels and different types of strokes in American men.

The study involving 350,977 middle-aged U.S. men found those with low blood cholesterol levels were nearly three times as likely as those with normal or high cholesterol levels to die from a hemorrhagic stroke.

But the study found those with high cholesterol levels were about three times as likely to die

Cholesterol in Typical Servings of Food Compared to the Cholesterol in One Egg



from a non-hemorrhagic stroke — by far the most common type of stroke in which a vessel supplying blood to the brain becomes blocked.

The American Heart Association estimates that about 500,000 Americans suffer strokes each year and nearly 150,000 people die from strokes. About 80 percent of strokes are

non-hemorrhagic and 20 percent are hemorrhagic. The death rate for hemorrhagic strokes is higher than for non-hemorrhagic ones.

"We conclude that there is an inverse relation between the (blood) cholesterol level and the risk of death from hemorrhagic stroke in middle-aged American men," the researchers said. "But

(the) public health impact is overwhelmed by the positive association of higher (blood) cholesterol levels with death from non-hemorrhagic stroke."

The researchers noted most of the apparent increased risk for hemorrhagic stroke from low blood cholesterol levels occurs among men with high blood pressure.

Poverty a factor in cancer survival

United Press International

IRVINE, Calif. — A growing body of evidence suggests it is not only genetic factors but poverty and other economic conditions that determine who in America will survive cancer, a prominent specialist said.

Dr. Harold Freeman, president of the American Cancer Society, told reporters at the organization's 31st Annual Science Writers' Seminar that "(cancer) kills more of America's poor than those living above the poverty line."

Quoting American Cancer Society statistics from the group's subcommittee on cancer in the economically disadvantaged, Freeman said results showed the chance of developing cancer and dying from it were highly correlated with income.

The report revealed nearly 34 million Americans earning \$10,000 a year or less — 23 million whites, 9.5 million blacks, and 1.2 million people of other races — have a survival rate of 15 percent below that of the country's middle-class population.

"Clearly, risk factors related to some cancers such as the use of tobacco and alcohol, poor diet and nutrition, and certain occupational exposures may have more influence among the poor," he said.

Freeman, a professor of cancer surgery at Columbia University's College of Physicians and Surgeons in New York, also cited a lack of health insurance as playing a key role in determining who in the United States receives appropriate treatment for cancer.

"An estimated 37 million Americans lack health insurance coverage and nearly 11 million of these are poor. Lack of insurance among the poor has been made worse by a long-term decline in the proportion of the poor covered by Medicaid," he said.

Freeman noted that even though Medicaid was created to provide access to health care for the poor, it essentially covers less than half of all poor people in the country.

"When poor people do enter the health system," he said of cancer victims, "they usually are found to have late-stage



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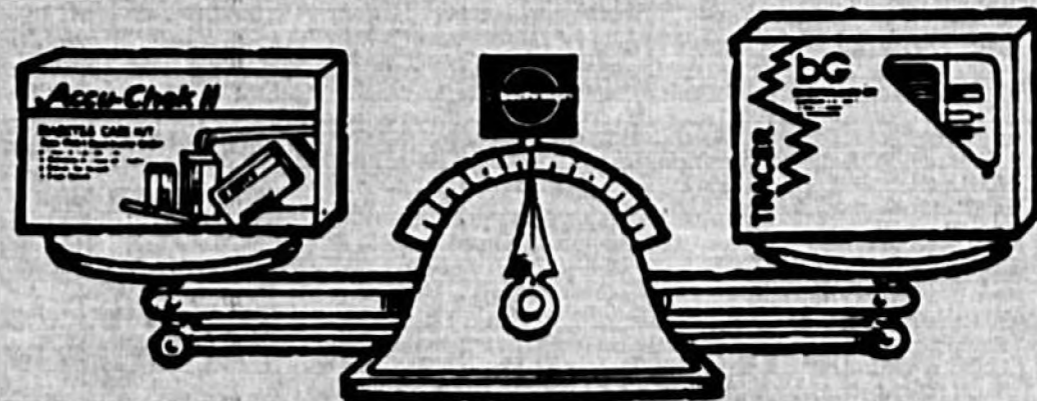
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Study: Smoking does reduce weight

United Press International

BOSTON — Providing strong new evidence to help explain why smokers tend to weigh less than non-smokers and gain weight when they quit, researchers reported Wednesday that nicotine boosts the amount of energy the body burns.

A new study found that nicotine increased the amount of energy smokers burned even when they were doing nothing while they smoked, and the increase in energy expenditure more than doubled if they were doing even routine tasks.

The findings provide convincing evidence that smoking in and of itself can affect body weight, and the weight difference between smokers and non-smokers is not simply the result of how much they eat or exercise, researchers said.

that the health dangers of smoking far outweigh health benefits smoking may provide by making or keeping people thinner.

"No matter how much weight you gain, you're still better off if you stop smoking," said Kenneth Perkins, an assistant professor of psychiatry and epidemiology at the University of Pittsburgh, who headed the study.

The findings should help researchers design better programs to help people avoid gaining weight when they kick the habit, which is one of the more common reasons people cite for not quitting smoking, he said.

"These results will help pinpoint people who might be likely to gain more weight when they quit," said Perkins, who published his results in *The New England Journal of Medicine*.

Smokers tend to weigh about 5

to 10 pounds less than non-smokers and tend to put on about that much weight after they quit.

Previous research was mixed about whether the weight difference resulted from how much people ate or exercised or whether smoking itself affected the metabolic rate, which is the amount of energy the body burns to carry out basic functions.

In the new study, Perkins and his colleagues compared the metabolic rates of 20 smokers and 10 non-smokers while they were at complete rest and while they were pedaling an exercise bicycle at a rate that simulated very low activity — such as the activity of someone typing or filing in an office.

When the smokers consumed nicotine, their metabolic rates increased slightly — by an average of about 5.3 percent, the researchers found. But when they were slightly active, their metabolic rates jumped by an average of 12.1 percent.

"These results indicate that the metabolic effect of nicotine may play a greater part in

accounting for body-weight differences between smokers and non-smokers than was previously believed," the researchers wrote.

Based on the findings, the researchers calculated that compared to a non-smoker, a smoker would burn about 69 extra calories during eight hours at work if he or she smoked while doing routine activity.

Although that's only about the number of a calories found in an Oreo cookie, Perkins said, it could add up to account for a significant proportion of the average smoker's weight deficit while smoking and gain after quitting.

The findings also help explain the difference between smokers, he said. Those who smoke only on coffee breaks, for example, would not be as thin as those who smoked while working, he said.

In an editorial accompanying the study, Dr. Nancy Rigotti of the Institute for the Study of Smoking Behavior and Policy at Harvard University said the findings are "an important contribution."

Study indicates alcoholism causes

Despite the Supreme Court ruling that alcoholism is not a physical disease, many professionals working with alcoholics doubt this judicial dictate. Cynthia have stated that, if it is a disease, it's the only illness successfully treated by not doing something. Nonetheless, evidence continues to accumulate, indicating both a genetic disposition and a probable biochemical abnormality in alcoholics.

Swedish studies ignited a real, scientific interest in alcohol abuse. These studies revealed several provocative patterns among men and women born out of wedlock, who were adopted in infancy by non-relatives. First, adopted children of alcoholic parents showed a four-fold increased risk of alcohol abuse compared to adopted, children of non-alcoholic parents, even when the adoptive parents were non-drinkers.

Second, children of non-alcoholic parents who were adopted by alcoholic stepparents did not show a higher risk.

Furthermore, identical twins had more alcoholism than fraternal twins, indicating a probable genetic variation.

Also, twins of alcoholic parents exhibited more alcohol abuse, even when they were separated and one was raised by an abstemious family. The researchers concluded that children of alcoholics had more risk of the disease than did children of non-alcoholics, regardless of whether the adoptive parents were or were not drinkers.

On a biochemical level, alcohol abusers seem to lack the regulatory mechanism for alcohol satiety. As yet, no conclusive chemical abnormality has been identified, but much research is being devoted to this subject. There are clues.

Acetaldehyde, an immediate break-down product of alcohol in the body, exerts a powerful action on nerve cells in the brain. The compound combines with neurotransmitters (chemical messengers) to form tetra-hydro-iso-quinolone (TIQ). TIQ generates metabolites that resemble naturally occurring narcotics (brain opioids). It induces a craving for alcohol by causing



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anxiety and withdrawal symptoms. These are relieved by alcohol. Thus, the alcoholic is stimulated to drink more in order to block the effect of TIQ; at the same time, the additional alcohol enhances formation of TIQ. Indeed, this is a vicious cycle in which the alcoholic lacks the genetic equipment to neutralize the by-products of alcohol, without requiring alcohol itself for this purpose.

In addition, alcohol may — in susceptible individuals — create a deficiency in brain-opioids. This deficiency could create a desire for feelings of well-being that may only be relieved by alcohol and similar drugs, such as tranquilizers.

If certain people have the genetic inability to detoxify metabolic products of alcohol, they are potential alcoholics from birth, even if they never drink.

In summary, the alcohol molecule is not the culprit. Rather, the chemical byproducts of the substance appear to alter — inappropriately, in the case of alcoholics — the functioning of nerve cells and the compounds that keep our brains in biochemical balance.

This information is vital to alcoholics because it reinforces the adage, articulated by Alcoholics Anonymous, that the only treatment for the condition is abstinence. The information is also important for children of alcoholics because they are likely to have inherited a biochemical abnormality that will lead to problem drinking.

Having such an inheritance is unfortunate. However, knowing it is a blessing. Such a revelation may enable the potential alcoholic to accept his or her genetic conformation and say no to alcohol before the substance alters brain chemistry and becomes an addiction.

Prostate operations questioned by study

United Press International

BOSTON — A common operation used to treat enlarged prostate glands appears less effective than the procedure it replaced and may increase the chances of dying in the long-term, researchers reported last week.

A large new study found men who underwent a transurethral resection were much more likely to require a second operation and had a higher long-term death rate than those who underwent an "open prostatectomy," which had been considered largely outmoded.

"These findings suggest that transurethral prostatectomy is less effective in overcoming urinary obstruction than the open operation," the researchers wrote in reporting their findings in *The New England Journal of Medicine*.

"Our data also raise the possibility that transurethral prostatectomy may result in higher long-term mortality," they said.

The researchers were uncertain why the operation would result in an increased death rate, and called for a study to examine the question. About 340,000 men undergo transurethral resections each year in the United States.

"It's a mystery," said Dr. John Wennberg, a professor of epidemiology at the Dartmouth Medical School in Hanover, N.H., who helped conduct the study. "There seems to be no acceptable theory as to why that should happen but yet it's in the data."

The American Urological Association said it would evaluate the study and had agreed to work with Wennberg and his colleagues to conduct followup research.

"The AUA has decided it will begin an immediate investigation to determine the validity of these results," spokeswoman Lisa Emmons said from her Baltimore office.

"Were the deaths really related to the (procedure)? That's

the question. We're not certain that the deaths reported in the study are absolutely related to the procedure itself," she said.

In an editorial accompanying the study, Dr. Sheldon Greenfield of the New England Medical Center in Boston said the increased death rate among the transurethral prostatectomy patients in the study might have been caused by those patients being more likely to have heart disease.

The walnut-sized prostate gland is located next to the bladder and surrounds the urethra, the canal through which urine passes out of the body. When a prostate becomes enlarged urination can become difficult.

Transurethral resection is the most common way of dealing with slightly or moderately enlarged prostates. An electric cutting device inserted into the penis trims away excess tissue. In the open operation, the prostate is partially or completely removed surgically.

In the new study, researchers compared the outcomes of 36,703 men in Denmark, 5,284 men in England and 12,090 men in Canada who underwent one of the operations.

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BOSTON — Parents, doctors, teachers and others who interact regularly with babies and young children can dramatically improve a youngster's speech development through a series of simple techniques, a researcher says.

A young child's ability to communicate effectively can be increased significantly if adults change the way they interact with them, according to Rae Banigan, a professor of communications disorders at the University of Massachusetts in Amherst.

"There are lots of really simple things that can take the very complicated process of learning to communicate and really make it easy for a child," Banigan said.

To test her theory, Banigan videotaped 12 mothers playing with their children, who were ages 14 months to 16 months, for 20 minutes.

Half the mothers then watched a videotape that outlined a variety of techniques they could use to help improve their child's speech. The remaining six mothers did not watch the tape.

Banigan then videotaped another 20-minute play session involving all the

mothers and compared how the mothers interacted with their children and how the children responded.

The mothers who watched the videotape adapted the techniques easily, and their children sharply increased their responsiveness, reacting verbally and physically much more often to their mothers, Banigan found. There was no change among the mothers who did not watch the tape or their children.

"The chances that the child would respond almost tripled," said Banigan, who presented her findings recently at a meeting of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association in Boston.

"The more responsive a child is the more chances they have in learning to communicate. It increases their social development, their emotional development, their psychological development and it increases the rate in which they learn to talk," she said.

The techniques the mothers learned involved a variety of simple strategies involving how they used their bodies and voices.

If the child said "dog," the mother repeated the word, usually eliciting a response.

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IN BRIEF

Reynolds re-elected to FHSAA board

LAKE MARY — Don Reynolds, principal of Lake Mary High School, has been re-elected to a three-year term to the board of directors of the Florida High School Activities Association. His new term begins July 1.

The FHSAA is responsible for the planning and supervision of all athletic and non-athletic, including music and forensic activities, of all its member schools.

Reynolds has previously served the FHSAA as a member of the executive committee, the officials advisory committee, the building and finance committee, the calendar committee, the classification committee and the scholastic committee.

Walk-A-Thon to benefit school

SANFORD — All Souls Catholic School is sponsoring a Walk-A-Thon to raise money to buy new desks and library books. They hope to raise at least \$8,000 to cover their expenses. Students will be vying for prizes, including an all-expense paid trip to Epcot for their whole family and a scholarship for half their tuition, which will be awarded to the child who signs up the most sponsors and collects the most money. The teacher bringing in the most money will get a day off.

Greenwood Lakes band excels

Under the direction of band director Rick James, Greenwood Lakes Middle School's Advanced Band received a "superior" rating at the district festival. They were one of only seven teams awarded the highest honor.

The school's concert band was rated as "excellent" in the same competition.

Commissioner recognizes volunteers

TALLAHASSEE — Department of Education commissioner Betty Castor recently presented awards to 15 school volunteers from around the state at the 13th Annual School Volunteer Programs Conference in Daytona Beach. E. Richard King of Seminole County was one of the winners in Region III.

Florida economics teachers tops again

For the third year in a row, Florida has outperformed all other states in the teaching of economics. This year, Florida teachers took 25 of the top 72 individual awards at the national awards for the teaching of economics. Don Fell, president of the Florida Council on Economic Education said there were three reasons Florida is consistently at the top in this area: strong business partnerships, moral and financial support for teachers attending the national conference and networking with the Centers for Economic Education.

Scholarships awarded

OVIDO — The Greater Oviedo Chamber of Commerce has awarded partial tuition scholarships for the 1989-90 academic year. The scholarships are given to students who will be attending a Florida college or university.

The following students will be receiving money: Matthew Blanton (Oviedo High School) \$250; Sheetal Doshi (Oviedo High School) \$750; Thomas Joseph (Lake Howell High School) \$1,000; Sarah Klingele (Lake Howell High School) \$1,000; Rebecca Kovac (Oviedo High School) \$500; Charlotta Periangeli (Oviedo High School) \$500 and Kimberly Smith (Oviedo High School) \$250.

Sanford students honored at Stetson

DeLAND — Cynthia Aileen Bengé, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Darrell D. Bengé of Sanford was named to the honor roll at Stetson University. She is enrolled in the Honors Program. Christie Dee Eppard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis L. Eppard; Kendal Lynn Jones, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald W. Jones; Teresa H. Markle and Deanna Brorup Pickens, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl W. Brorup were named to the dean's list.

Berry College names two to dean's list

ROME, GA — Ernest Averill Broenne, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Broenne of Longwood and Shannon Leigh Scott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Scott of Altamonte Springs were named to the dean's list at Berry College in Rome, GA.

The dean's list recognizes students who earn an academic average of 3.5 or better (on a scale of 4.0) and who carry a class load of at least 12 hours.

Study says liberal arts are better

TAMPA — A study conducted by the University of South Florida found that businesses appear to be seeking students with liberal arts majors because they possess a diversified educational background backed by solid communication skills, including the mastery of a second language.

The study showed that instead of teaching technical skills that quickly become obsolete, a liberal arts education teaches students to think analytically and critically, thus becoming more adaptive to employment opportunities.

Winter Springs announces art winners

WINTER SPRINGS — More than 900 students from Winter Springs Elementary School entered an art contest sponsored by the Winter Springs VFW Ladies Auxiliary Post 5405 with the theme "What does red, white and blue mean to you?"

The contest winners were Jaclyn Smith and Jessica Winter in the Kindergarten and first grade category. Darryl Eposito, Sharon Vellenoweth, Lristy Singh and Elaine Vellenoweth in the second and third grade section. Jeff Hoffman, Megan Walton and Season Kaminaki were the fourth and fifth grades. Jaclyn Smith was the third place winner statewide in the VFW competition.

Milwee Beta Club adopts manatee

LONGWOOD — The Beta Club of Milwee Middle School, a group comprised of students with a "B" average or better, has adopted a manatee through the Save the Manatee Club. The students recently took a trip to Blue Springs Park to visit the animal, named "Success," which has been wintering in the spring.

The group has also collected canned goods to help the people of Jamaica through the South Seminole Sharing Center and has designed a "buddy system" to help new students acclimate themselves to the Milwee environment.

Lake Howell students receive honors

WINTER PARK — Three Lake Howell students recently received national awards in the Gold Circle Awards sponsored by Columbia University. The students, all members of the 1988-89 "Wings" yearbook staff, are Aush Sharif, who won two awards for color and black and white design; Christy Leffert who won for color clubs design and Ashley Hull who was recognized for her work with the student life section.

Frye's students are her friends

By VICKI DeSORMIER
Herald staff writer

WINTER PARK — Carrie Frye works with students ranging from kindergarten to third grade as Eastbrook Elementary School's PREP (Primary Education Program) curriculum representative.

"The children are the best part of the job," the 25 year teaching veteran said, "but I also love working with the parents and the other teachers."

Frye has taught in schools in such exotic locales as Thailand and Saudi Arabia, but said when she and her husband William, who worked as a consultant to various international airlines as well as a civilian employee of the U.S. government, decided to settle down they chose Seminole County.

"We first saw this area in 1964 when my husband was still in the military and was stationed at McCoy," Frye said. "We said that when we stopped traveling we'd settle back here."

It wasn't until two decades later they finally made it back.

Globe trotting was not something Frye had imagined herself doing when she was a child in Louisiana. The oldest of 11 children born to poor uneducated farmers, Frye said she had little opportunity for cultural advancement but gained a love of learning and the teaching profession at an early age.

Encouraged by at least one teacher who paid special attention to her talents and needs, Frye decided to enter the profession and "make students feel as worthy as some of my teachers made me feel."

The tradition has continued: Two of Frye's former students are currently teaching in Seminole County and a few in other places as well.

Frye does not simply teach in a classroom, she forms lasting friendships.

"It's a rewarding and beautiful thing," Frye said. "Knowing that



Herald Photo by Rob Aronovich

Eastbrook Elementary School teacher Carrie Frye has taught in schools in Saudi Arabia and Thailand, but she prefers Seminole County

schools over all of them. Here she reads "The Hairy Bear" with students, including Lori Inganni and Patricia Brinkman, both 6 years old.

my students have been successful in whatever career they have chosen is exciting."

She said it is not unusual for her to get a phone call from a former student or to see her lunching with a child she taught who's now grown up. "My colleagues say it's very special the way I maintain friendships with my students over the years," she said.

Frye said she likes working with the parents as well as their children, getting them all involved in the educational process.

"The only problem I've ever had with parents is having too many of them wanting their children in my class," she laughed.

Frye has turned her travels into eye-opening additions to the

social studies in her classrooms. "Children can understand history better when they know something about the people," she said.

Her experience teaching overseas was limited to American schools, but in one class in Saudi Arabia, she had students from 28 different nations. "The cultural variety was exciting," she said.

While she loves teaching all her students, Frye especially likes the challenge of motivating a student who has the ability but lacks the willingness to perform in class.

"I want a child to leave my class feeling good about themselves," she said. "I let each of them know that I love them and care for them just the way they are."

These days, Frye works with students who have been successful in their own classrooms and who need an additional challenge in their curricula. "These are special children," she explained.

She works with the children, doing plays and challenging their minds with special projects.

The Fries have no children of their own. When her parents died at a young age, she and her husband raised three of her youngest siblings as their own.

"And I have all my children at school," Frye said. "Not having any at home allows me to give them all my attention."

Asked if she has any plans to retire after 25 years as a teacher, Frye said, "I'm not playing the lottery right now."



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Students of the Month

Daryl McLain, president of the Rotary Club of Sanford (left) and Jim Thomas, chairman of the Rotary Club's Youth Committee (right), present Seminole High School seniors Lisa Lee and

Robert Benz with certificates honoring them as Rotary Club students of the month.

White House conference on education needed, chief says

United Press International

WASHINGTON — The president of the National School Board Association called on President Bush to sponsor a

White House conference on education to halt what he called fragmented and ambiguous reform efforts. James Oglesby, a Columbia, Mo., school board member who was elected president of the

association in early April, said this week that the education conference could be similar to last year's White House Conference on a Drug-Free America, that resulted in creation of a national drug czar.

"I believe this is necessary," said Oglesby, an assistant professor of education at the University of Missouri. "I believe that the president would be best served to call for a White House conference on education."

Moves, changes in Seminole County district noted

The following school district employees have been appointed, transferred, promoted or terminated during the last week with the unanimous vote of the school board during their April 25 meeting:

- Altamonte Elementary School: Third grade teacher Angela Ulseth will return from maternity leave next month.
- Casselberry Elementary School: Jeanne Kaszuba, teacher, resigned for personal reasons.
- Crooms School of Choice: Azalean J. Jenkins was hired as a drop-out prevention teacher.
- District office: Shirley Allen, program/zone coordinator, will be attending a meeting of the American Association on Mental Retardation in Chicago next month. Roger Beathard, coordinator of health,

physical education and driver education, will be attending a drug prevention program in Camden N.J. this week.

- Douglas Stenstrom Elementary School: Kathleen Creamer, exceptional education teacher, will attend the international conference on child abuse next month in Minneapolis.

- Lyman High School: Kay Bush was reappointed as an assistant principal with a 10-month annual contract.

- Milwee Middle School: Assistant principal Eugene Petty was transferred from a 10-month contract to an 11-month contract. Doris Poole was transferred from the position of guidance counselor to that of assistant principal with a 10-month contract.

- Red Bug Elementary School: Claire T.

Lisenby was hired as a kindergarten teacher.

- Seminole High School: Carma Norman was reappointed as an assistant principal with a 10-month annual contract. Robert Lundquist, assistant principal, was transferred to an 11-month contract from a 10-month contract.

- Teague Middle School: Michael S. Ginecin was reappointed as an assistant principal with a 10-month annual contract. Josephine Opiso, assistant principal, was transferred from a 10-month contract to an 11-month contract. Social studies teacher Donald Ayre remains on extended sick leave.

- Wekiva Elementary School: First grade teacher Janet Hicks will remain on extended sick leave.

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VIEWPOINT

What really happened to Morton Downey Jr.

The two youths in the interrogation room sat silently, but didn't appear to be at all uncomfortable. It was as though they had been in situations like this before.

Both were dressed in tattered jeans and T-shirts. One of the shirts bore the words 'White is Right' in faded letters. The other youth, whose shirt was plain white, wore a red bandana around his shaved head.

The police lieutenant had a look of half frustration and half anger on his face, an expression normally a trademark of his kind of work. He sat on the corner of the table opposite the boys with his feet resting on one of the three metal folding chairs that, along with the table, comprised the complete furnishings of the room.

"Okay, we're going to go through this one more time," the lieutenant sighed. "There was an attack in one of the restrooms at the airport and at least one person said he saw you two in the vicinity at the time. Just tell me where you were at that time and we'll check it out. If we get someone to verify your alibi, you're free to go. If you don't cooperate, you could grow old in here."

"I'm telling you, man," the youth with the bandana responded. "We were nowhere near the airport on that day."

"Okay, fine," the cop snapped. "We've heard rumors about Skinheads and vendettas against talk show hosts. You guys got Geraldo and now we have reason to believe you're after the others."

"Look, we were supposed to have roughed up Morton Downey a couple of weeks ago when he came out of the studio, but we didn't," said the youth with the bandana, who by now had assumed the role of spokesman for the two. "We waited until it was dark and we saw two guys in the alley behind the studio, but neither of them was Downey, so we left."

"How do you know neither of them was Downey?" the cop asked.

"Because they were talking to each other and both of them were using words with more than one meaning," the cop said.

At that moment, a uniformed cop banged on the door. The lieutenant went over to the door, opened it, spoke briefly to the cop, then closed the door.

"Come on fellows," he said to the two boys. "We've got a guy here who we want to take a look at you."

The two youths are placed in a five-man lineup and marched to a room with a small raised platform inside. Behind them are horizontal lines with the vertical footage marked off in six-inch increments. The wall in front of them is glass.

On the other side of the glass, a thin, wiry man with thick lips and what looks like too many teeth is led into the room by a couple of uniformed cops. He is missing a large chunk of hair on the top left side of his forehead, a feature that looks like it might have been fashioned by a sheep shearer with a nerve problem. He bears thin black lines on his face that run across his left eye and the lower right part of his mouth. Although there doesn't seem to be a great deal of symmetry to the lines, they could, with a little imagination, maybe form a swastika.

"Okay Mr. Downey," the lieutenant says. "Take your time and look at these guys closely. You can see them but they can't see you. Do you see any of the people there who attacked you at the airport?"

The thin, wiry figure squints and moves closer to the glass. He puts his hand over his eyes to shade them from the bright lights in the other room.

"I don't know. I didn't really get that good a look at them," the figure says. "It all happened so fast and it's really hard to try to tell what a person looks like when you have your face stuck in a commode."

"Just relax," the lieutenant says. "Take another look."

The figure moves even closer to the glass and squints even harder.

"I just can't tell," he says. "I wish I could, but I can't be sure. Did you search these guys? Did either of them have a magic marker or electric clippers when you picked them up?"

"No, I'm afraid not," the lieutenant says.

The thin, wiry man is escorted to the door and the two youths with the shaved heads are moved back to the interrogation room.

The lieutenant enters the room and tells the two they are free to go but not to leave town because he may want to talk to them again.

Meanwhile, on the other side of the city, an elderly lady uses her apron to clean the barrel of an AK-47. She winks at two other elderly ladies in the room, one of whom has just come out of the kitchen with a hot apple pie and a pot of coffee.

The lady with the coffee pot sets it and the pie on a coffee table in front of the sofa. She pulls the latex skin-colored covering from her head, tosses it in an adjacent chair and sits down.

The lady with the AK-47 sets her gun beside the chair and also removes her 'skinhead wig.' Again she winks at the lady who brought in the coffee and pie.

"I guess we taught that little jerk a lesson," she says as she leans back and props her feet up on a footstool.

"Next we go after Phil Donahue."



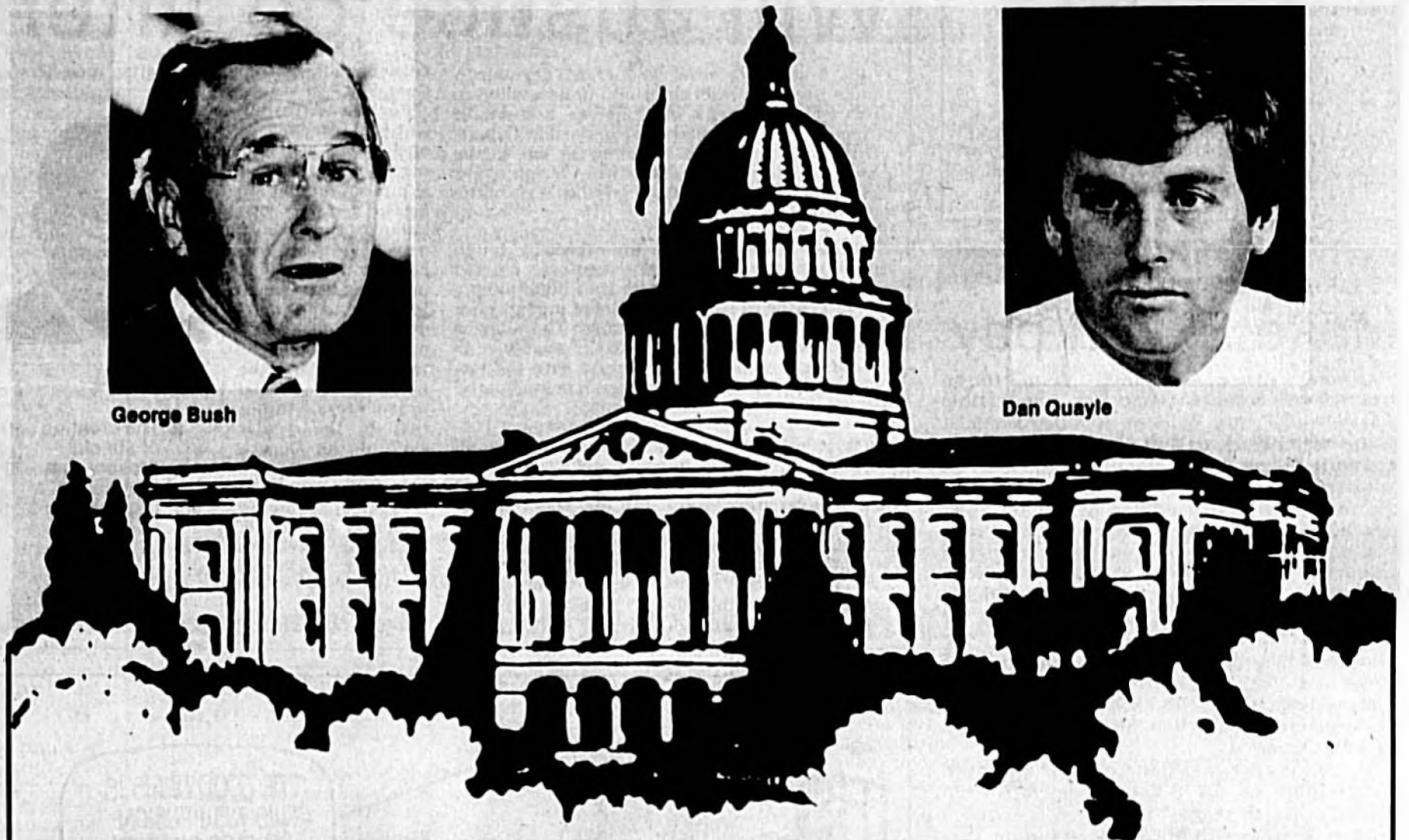
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The first 100 days

George Bush has displayed a style somewhat different from Reagan's

United Press International

WASHINGTON — George Bush, who ran for the presidency preaching continually, reached 100 days in office Sunday as a far different politician than his mentor, Ronald Reagan, displaying stark contrasts in style and substance that produced his greatest strengths and weaknesses.

Since his inauguration Jan. 20, Bush has been praised for his openness and conciliatory nature, but criticized for drifting more than leading and for being too slow at getting his administration moving.

His lack of a clear-cut ideology, critics charge, has hampered efforts to steer a firm direction or draft a game plan for his troops. But, his supporters counter, his willingness to deal with Congress and strive for consensus rather than confrontation is a blessing that will pay long-run dividends.

All of this is a drastic departure from Reagan, the one-time cold warrior for whom a conservative ideology was of prime importance and who, especially in his early White House years, would fight Congress on a moment's notice.

The contrasts have also gone beyond style and into policy — a development that is the most surprising since Bush campaigned for the presidency on the theme that he would continue the Reagan legacy.

The public, which always gave

Reagan high approval ratings, bought that argument in the November election and, judging by the high marks Bush received in several recent polls, still appears to be on the Bush bandwagon. This comes as evidence mounts that, after reaching the arbitrary milestone of his first 100 days in office, Bush is a much different political animal than the man he loyally served as vice president for two terms.

In foreign affairs he has rejected a cornerstone of Reagan's policy, negotiating a deal with the Democrat-led Congress on the Nicaraguan Contra rebels rather than insisting on military aid. In defense, he has rejected Reagan's annual request for more money, opting for a freeze.

In domestic affairs, he proposed an ethics bill even though Reagan vetoed one last year, signed a whistle-blower protection bill that Reagan opposed, supported a rise in the minimum wage that Reagan ignored, took several steps in the environment that went far beyond Reagan's record, and tackled a crisis in the savings and loan industry that festered under Reagan.

The differences appear to have changed the political equation in Washington and altered the conventional wisdom established by eight years of the Reagan presidency.

Without Reagan in the White House, Democrats controlling Congress have been rethinking

How George Bush has responded to some of his campaign promises.

TAXES

PROMISE: The most frequent phrase used by Bush during the campaign was to promise "no new taxes." He insisted he would not approve any broad-based tax increases, although he could support certain new fees for government services.

ACTION: In his first 100 days, Bush has stood by his "no new taxes" pledge although there are questions about whether he can keep that promise beyond this year.

GUN CONTROL

PROMISE: Bush contended that he would defend the right of gun owners to keep their arms.

ACTION: Bush began his administration strongly opposing all new gun controls. However, he has recently agreed to ban the import of some semiautomatic weapons, a direct contrast to the stand supported by the NRA.

CHILD CARE

PROMISE: A \$1,000 tax credit for parents who spend money on child care.

ACTION: The proposal was sent to Congress, where some Democrats are pushing a competing plan.

MINIMUM WAGE

PROMISE: Initially opposed a raise, but later backed one.

ACTION: Bush sent Congress a bill to raise the wage from \$3.35 an hour to \$4.25 an hour over three years. Congress moved toward a larger raise. Bush has threatened a veto.

Herald graphic by Klonie Jordan

their strategies. While many have praised Bush's call for bipartisanship, there are signs that his opponents may have begun to use his willingness to negotiate as a tool to push through their own agenda.

"We seek cooperation, but we also seek to meet our responsibilities as a co-equal and independent branch of government," said Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine. **See Bush, Page 4D**

Image problem still plaguing vice president

United Press International

WASHINGTON — Try as he might, Dan Quayle found that 100 days wasn't enough time to completely escape ridicule.

Nonetheless, the vice president has in his first 100 days in office begun major rehabilitation on his image and today is a much more secure man than the one who fell before the nation with a dull thud last year.

On television talk shows and in barrooms, the jokes about Quayle still persist, although they appear to be less frequent and may be losing some of the sting that they carried during the brutal 1988 campaign.

Part of the reason can be traced to Quayle's ambitious efforts to re-establish his confidence and rebuild his image, both of which were shattered as a result of the relentless pounding he took during the 1988 presidential campaign.

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The war on drugs an uncertain battle

Drug Usage Among High School Students

	Class of 1978	Class of 1987	'78-'87 change
Marijuana Hashish	59.2%	50.2%	-9.0%
Inhalants	12.0%	17.0%	+5.0%
Hallucinogens	14.3%	10.3%	-4.0%
LSD	9.7%	8.4%	-1.3%
Cocaine	12.9%	15.2%	+2.3%
Heroin	1.6%	1.2%	-0.4%
Other opiates	9.9%	9.2%	-0.7%
Stimulants	22.9%	NA	NA
Sedatives	16.0%	8.7%	-7.3%
Barbiturates	13.7%	7.4%	-6.3%
Methaqualone	7.9%	4.0%	-3.9%
Tranquilizers	17.0%	10.9%	-6.1%
Alcohol	93.1%	92.2%	-0.9%
Cigarettes	75.3%	67.2%	-8.1%

Source: World Almanac

NEA GRAPHICS

Use of most drugs among high school students declined between 1978 and 1987, particularly use of marijuana. However, use of inhalants and cocaine was up. These usage totals are based on research surveys of students at public and private high schools across the United States.

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WASHINGTON — William Bennett rocketed to a quick headline-grabbing start as the nation's first "drug czar" and President Bush's point man to stop the scourge of narcotics.

Within 24 hours of taking office, Bennett announced plans to provide federal aid to stem rising drug-related violence in the District of Columbia and persuaded Bush to temporarily ban imports of some semiautomatic weapons, a gun of choice among drug gangs.

But now, after 100 days of the Bush administration, there is some doubt where Bennett and the president's anti-drug campaign are ultimately heading — and when they will get there.

Bush is still mulling over possible permanent restrictions on semiautomatics that may be included in his anti-crime package to Congress.

Although Bennett says he is on track toward developing a national anti-drug strategy by his deadline of Sept. 5, he hasn't yet said whether it will emphasize law enforcement or education.

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EDITORIALS

Make Exxon pay

Although there is enough blame to go around and some to spare for the terrible pollution of Prince William Sound, Alaska, it is increasingly clear that chief responsibility lies with Exxon in particular and the U.S. oil industry in general. Yet to be determined are the long-term policy effects of the oil spill, which covers an area larger than Rhode Island. The short consequence is a loss of credibility in an industry that wants to extract oil from the Arctic National Wildlife Reserve.

Before Congress debates the Bush administration's plan to open 1.5 million acres of the arctic wilderness to oil and gas leasing, it should scrutinize the broken promises and incompetence that led to the largest oil spill in North America.

Sixteen years ago, when Congress approved construction of the 800-mile pipeline from Alaska's North Slope to the port city of Valdez, it was with the understanding that certain safeguards would be in place and enforced.

Chief among them was a requirement that giant tankers shipping crude through Prince William Sound would either have double hulls or double bottoms and be highly maneuverable. Yet, such requirements were scuttled by a powerful oil industry more concerned with profits than with safety precautions.

The U.S. government promised to deploy a sophisticated Vessel Traffic System within the area, including no fewer than three radar stations to ensure safe passage for fully loaded tankers coming from Valdez. In fact, only one radar station was built, so that ships are frequently unaware of oncoming traffic and the Coast Guard often loses sight of incoming and outgoing vessels.

Alaska Pipeline Service, the eight-company consortium that operates the Valdez oil terminal, promised to respond to oil spills in the sound within five hours. Yet, when the Exxon Valdez ran aground, it took Alyeska 35 hours to reach the wounded tanker that had already hemorrhaged 10 million gallons of oil into the sound's pristine waters.

Why was the captain, whose chronic drinking problems were well known to Exxon, allowed to command the company's largest tanker? Why was Exxon Valdez not equipped with pumps, reserve tanks and chemical dispersants to contain the oil spill until help arrived? Why didn't Exxon have enough equipment and material in Valdez to begin the cleanup immediately?

The answers to these and other disturbing questions should be forthcoming from an ongoing FBI investigation. If that probe determines negligence, Exxon and Alyeska could be in big trouble. Under current law, Exxon's liability is limited to \$100 million — minus \$86 million from a general fund to which the oil and pipeline companies have contributed. But the liability cap could be lifted if Exxon is found to be negligent, in which case the company and the consortium might have to foot the entire bill.

Such a judgement could have a salutary effect on the oil industry, whose cavalier attitude toward safety precautions in Prince William Sound invited this disaster. It also might prompt federal, state and local officials to be more skeptical of public assurances and contingency plans of companies prone to cut corners in a careless grab for profits.

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WILLIAM A. RUSHER

Will Justice go after Wright?

If Attorney General Richard Thornburgh thinks special prosecutors are unnecessary to investigate members of Congress accused of wrongdoing, and that his own Justice Department is fully capable of handling the job, let the cases of House Speaker Jim Wright and California Rep. Tony Coelho serve as tests of the proposition.

Special prosecutors are an especially tough bunch of independent investigators, created after Watergate to make sure that high-ranking officials of the executive branch are punished for any crimes they may commit. The Justice Department was deemed too vulnerable to executive pressures to be trusted with the job, being beholden to the same president (and party) as the possible malefactors.

The creation of special prosecutors touched off a prosecuting spree aimed at officials of the Reagan administration, which ultimately bagged Mike Deaver and Lyn Nofziger and tried, though it signally failed, to bring down Ed Meese. The Democrats on Capitol Hill, and their liberal pals in the media, naturally enjoyed the whole spectacle, since Congress, in creating special prosecutors, had thoughtfully specified that they could only go after officials of the executive

branch and not, repeat not, after members of Congress.

Former Attorney General Meese, in one of his last acts before resigning last summer, sought to rectify this imbalance by issuing new Justice Department regulations providing that henceforth charges of wrongdoing by members of Congress would similarly be handled by special prosecutors, rather than by the regular staff of the Department of Justice.

This, as you can imagine, pleased Congress not at all. And now Meese's successor, Attorney General Richard Thornburgh (whom President Bush retained in



The creation of special prosecutors touched off a prosecuting spree

the job when he took over), has knuckled under to liberal pressures and revoked the Meese regulations.

His stated reason for doing so is suggestive. Thornburgh points out that President Bush has called for legislation that would put the Meese regulations into statutory form. Pending a congressional decision on Bush's proposal, Thornburgh (not pausing to mention that Bush's plan is obviously doomed) suavely declares, "the previously established system for handling allegations of wrongdoing by members of Congress, which has worked well for many years, will be followed."

Fortunately, we will soon be able to judge just how well the traditional system of dealing with alleged wrongdoing by members of Congress is working these days. Speaker Jim Wright is about to face public inquiry by the House Ethics Committee into no less than 69 separate instances of possible wrongdoing on his part, including a number that would appear to violate not only the rules of the House but also the U.S. Criminal Code. And the House Democratic whip, Rep. Tony Coelho of California, is entangled in a separate set of charges that similarly ought to interest a vigorous Justice Department.

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ELLEN GOODMAN

Two incomes in a one-company town

BOSTON — Surely one of the strangest pronouncements to ever churn through a congressional fax machine was the one that just emerged bearing a banner headline: "BETTY WRIGHT WORKED!"

This was not an attempt by Jim Wright to brag in graffiti about his wife's career. It was, rather, his defense against charges that her paycheck was really his payoff.

Nevertheless, many a heart leapt and many a lip curled at Wright's impassioned, even feminist, defense of his wife's individual and professional life. Until now, the Speaker's consciousness, it must be noted, was not ranked in the higher quadrant of the House. As Rep. Pat Schroeder said, "We have brought him home, even in his boots."

But as the week went on, the shadow cast over Betty Wright's work extended its penumbra of doubt over other working spouses. Stories appeared about elected wives and employed husbands; lists were made of men who work on Capitol Hill and wives who work in Capital City. They made employment sound suspect.

"Suddenly," agrees Democratic consultant Ann Lewis, "The burden of proof has been put on the whole group of working wives to prove you are worth your pay." To show they are (1) actually working, (2) hired and paid for their own talents and (3) working in fields that don't conflict with government.

Among those who find this ethical desk-check demeaning and infuriating is Phyllis Coelho, who has worked for Rep. Andy Jacobs before and since her marriage to House Whip Tony Coelho. "If I were coming to town now, I'd really be nervous," she said. "What can you do? I'm not sure there's a job in this town someone couldn't make a problem out of."

Her husband adds, "Once your spouse gets elected, does it mean you can't have a career or be considered professional? Do you, male or female, have to stay home and have teas. The world has changed."

What has really changed is the number of men in politics who have working wives. Women in Congress — and in the rest of the professional world — faced two-career issues some time ago. As young lawyers in Denver, the Schroeders were careful about conflicts of interest. Any woman who didn't think her husband's work counted learned from watching Geraldine Ferraro in 1984.

Now a substantial majority of younger and newer male members of Congress are the two-income households for the same reasons as the rest of us: mortgages and tuitions. Indeed their only hope for a pay raise these days comes from a wife.

A political spouse — okay, wife — is

expected, as Ann Lewis puts it, "to be a good sport, a good campaigner, a good parent and now a good earner as well." But in a job so remote from politics that nobody can suggest that one partner's work or well-being influences another partner's votes.

This is no easy task in a one-company town where even a real-estate agent is buying and

selling for folk with a stake in the government. Mary Regula, the wife of Rep. Ralph Regula and head of the Congressional Club for spouses, notes in their defenses: "Even if you're a teacher, you may be directly funded by the government. My daughter is a teacher and she's always lobbying my husband about the red tape. Is that a conflict of interest?"

Increasingly in the corporate world, when you want one half of a working couple badly enough, you woo them as a package deal. You help place the spouse. But in politics, the opposite rule applies. Anyone who wants the job badly enough is supposed to sacrifice the spouse. Even Elizabeth Dole quit for her husband's campaign.

Emblematic of this is Marilyn Quayle. Seated beside her husband recently, I asked him whether she could possibly practice law while he was Vice President. He said they couldn't imagine an area that wouldn't produce a conflict, except perhaps bankruptcy law.

I understand the opportunities for power-couple corruption. But is this to be the new line of ethical inquiry: What does your wife do for a living? Is she really doing it? To put it mildly, the timing is bad.

Caesar's wife had to be above suspicion. But Caesar's wife didn't work and Caesar's constituents weren't nearly as suspicious as we have become.

The whole country has moved toward the two-worker family with all its overlapping, complicated and somewhat messy problems of two workers and one marriage. Now, belatedly, the issues are hitting the Congress. As Rep. Lynn Martin, co-chair of the House ethics task force and wife of a judge, says, "Surprise! Surprise!"



They made employment sound suspect

JACK ANDERSON

One Bush change: Press relations

WASHINGTON — One thing George Bush's first 100 days definitely did was demonstrate the intensely personal nature of the presidency.

There are, of course, some basic rituals that every president observes — the trips to Capitol Hill for inaugurations and State of the Union addresses, receptions and state dinners for foreign dignitaries at the White House and travel to give speeches, cut ribbons, visit schools and, as seen recently, to mourn with the families and friends of disaster victims.

But these essentials leave plenty of room for a president to put a personal stamp on the office, and it sometimes is jarring to those of us who spend so much time watching the White House when a new person arrives with different ways of conducting the job.

There are some radical differences between the Bush and Ronald Reagan presidencies. Some of these are matters of style, such as working hours (Bush arrives early; Reagan was a late riser), and some are matters of substance (Bush appears to value results first; Reagan gave first place to ideology).

But there is no area in which Bush differs more from Reagan than in press relations.

Although Reagan was far too affable to get into the kind of open clashes with reporters of the sort that embroiled Richard Nixon even before Watergate, it became obvious very early that Reagan and his advisers considered the press something between a menace and a nuisance.

Reagan dealt with the press in a decreasing number of formal press conferences at which the president, after intense rehearsal, fended off questions by reciting platitudes. In eight years, just about the only real news Reagan made at those East Room shows was when he made a mistake.

The rest of Reagan's press policy seemed to consist of being abashed at by reporters as he went to and from his helicopter on the back lawn of the White House.

Bush changed that fast.

From his first day in office, it became clear that he was going to make himself far more available to reporters than Reagan had and that he was not going to let his news conferences become so rare that each one became a major production and an occasion for confrontation.

He did that by holding frequent news conferences with little notice in the White House briefing room when there was news to announce or discuss. He also held individual meetings with smaller groups of reporters in circumstances that allowed more leisurely discussions.

All of this has kept the White House press on its toes as it never was during the Reagan years and sharply reduced the buildup of frustration over inability to ask the president questions.

Finally, Bush has made it clear that he will not tolerate the kind of hot-and-boller journalism that marked the Reagan years. Bush says he does not want reporters shouting at him to gain recognition and he has backed that up by ignoring those who persist in doing so.

Bush's press relations are not going to be the measure of his presidency, but they have demonstrated that he came to the White House with some strong ideas about how to change a much-criticized system and put them into effect.

White House reporters, who have seen presidential-press honeymoons go sour before, are reserving judgment on the new atmosphere in the press room, but they can see that the Reagan days are gone forever.



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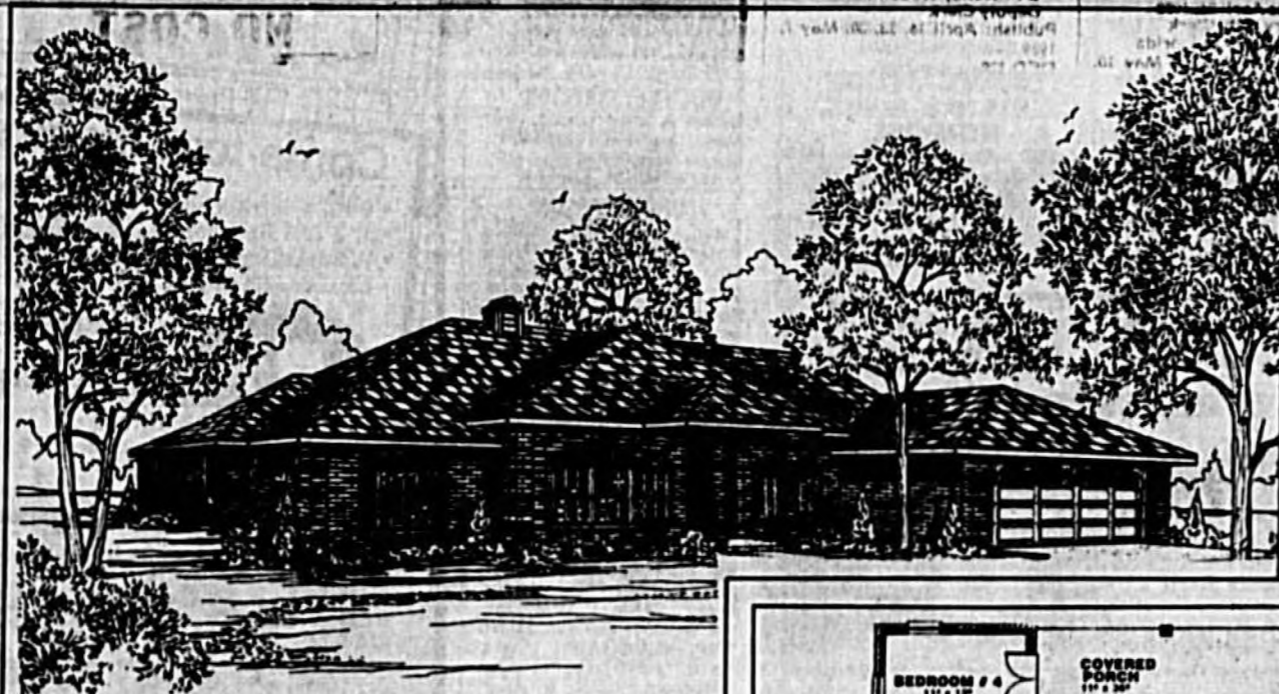
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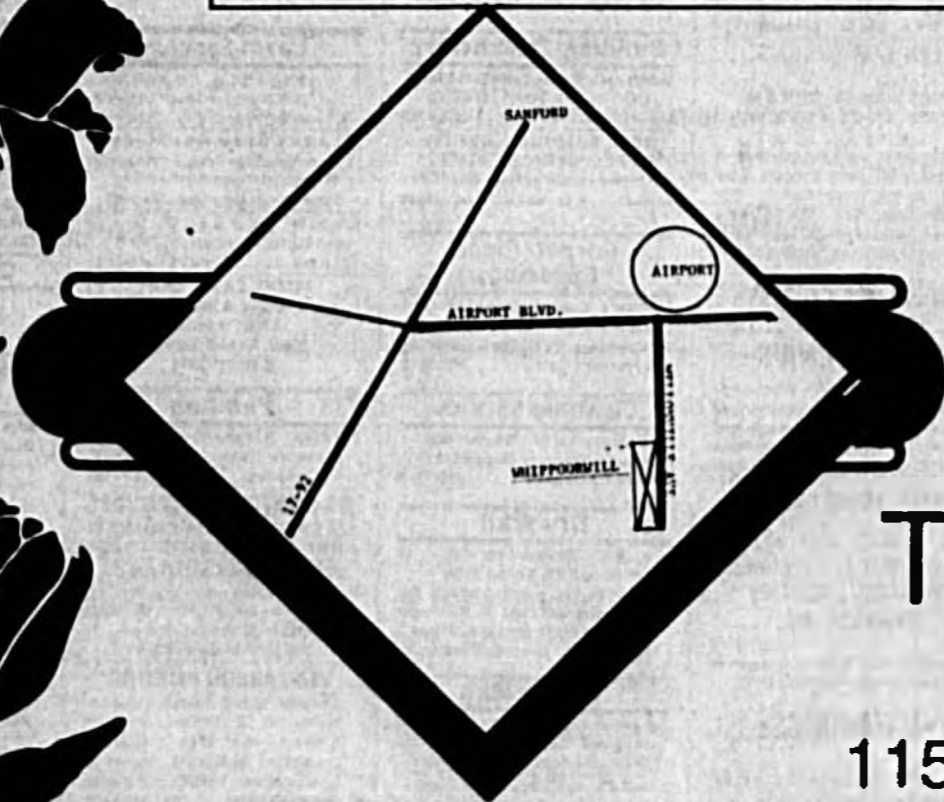
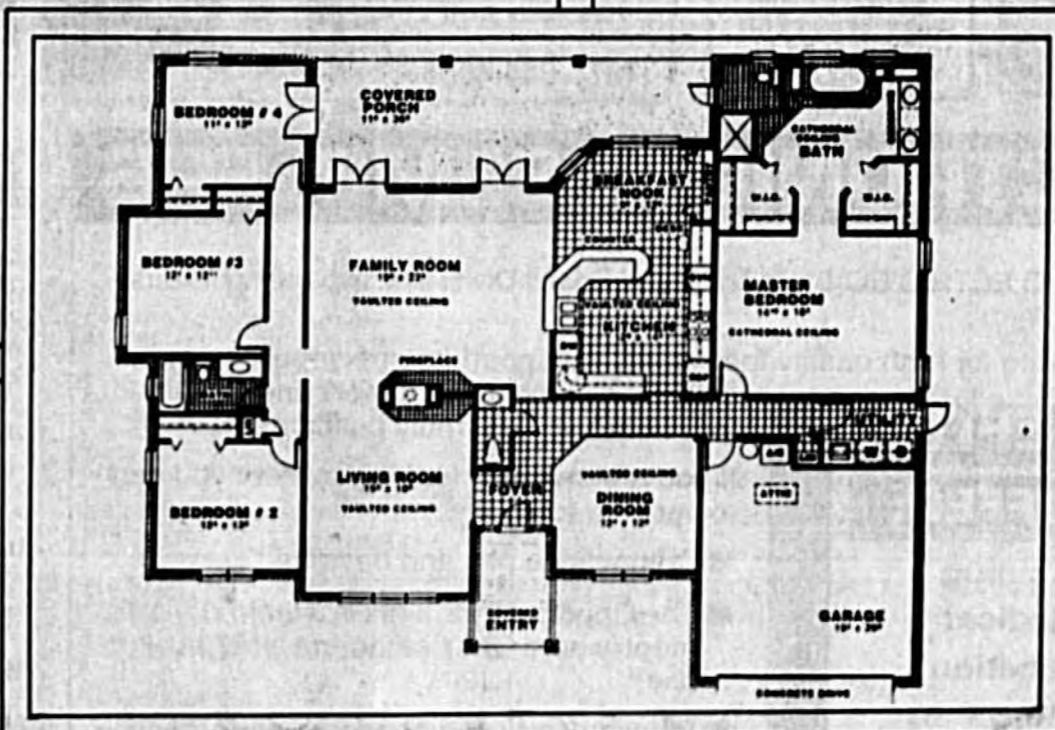
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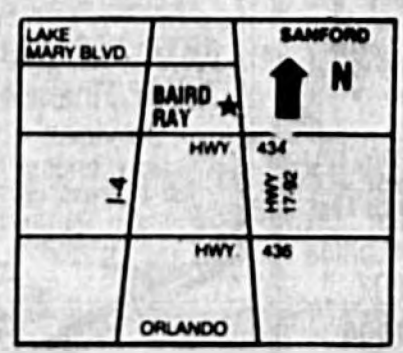
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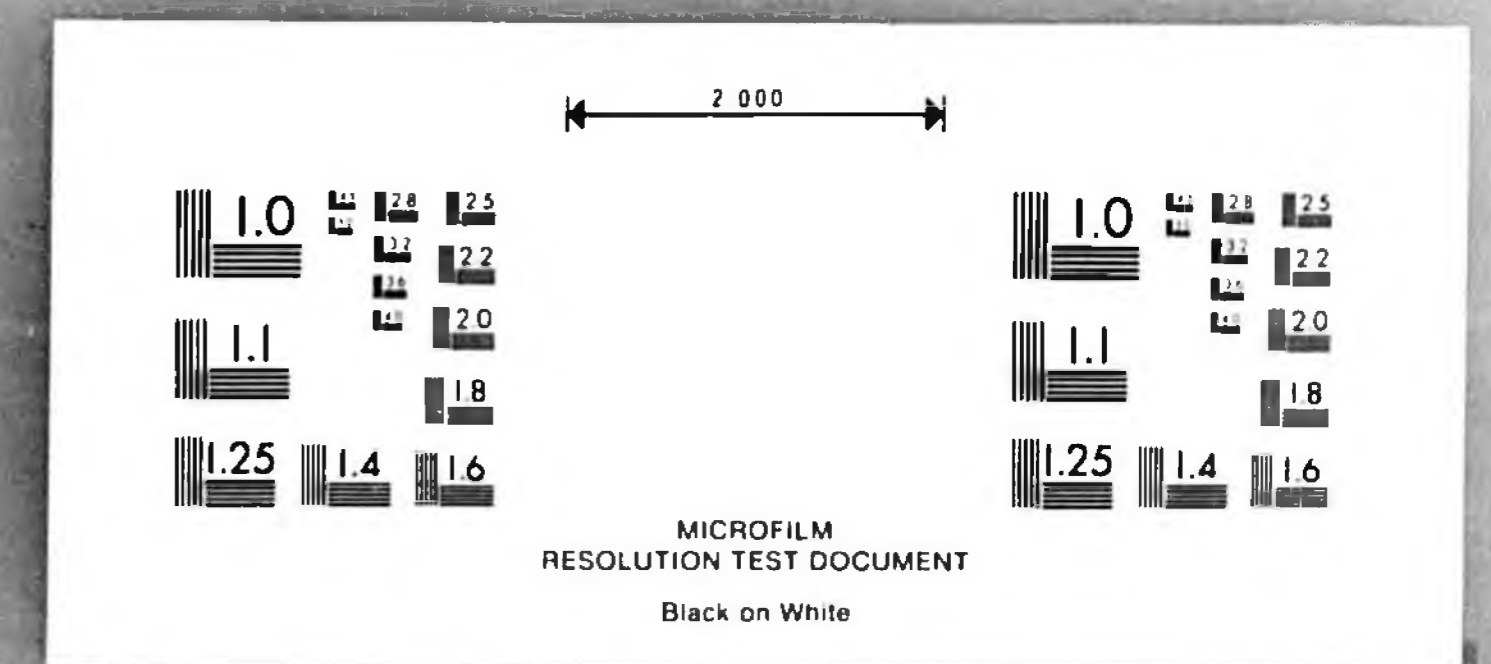
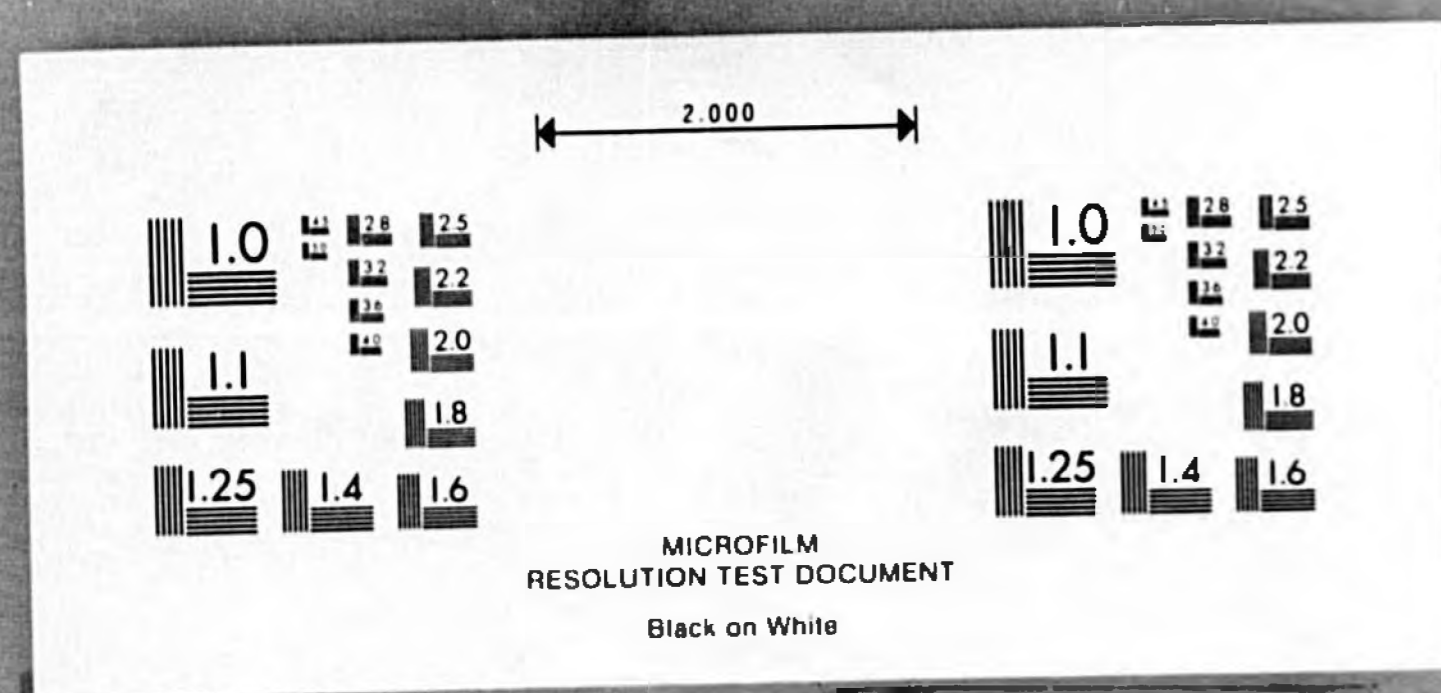
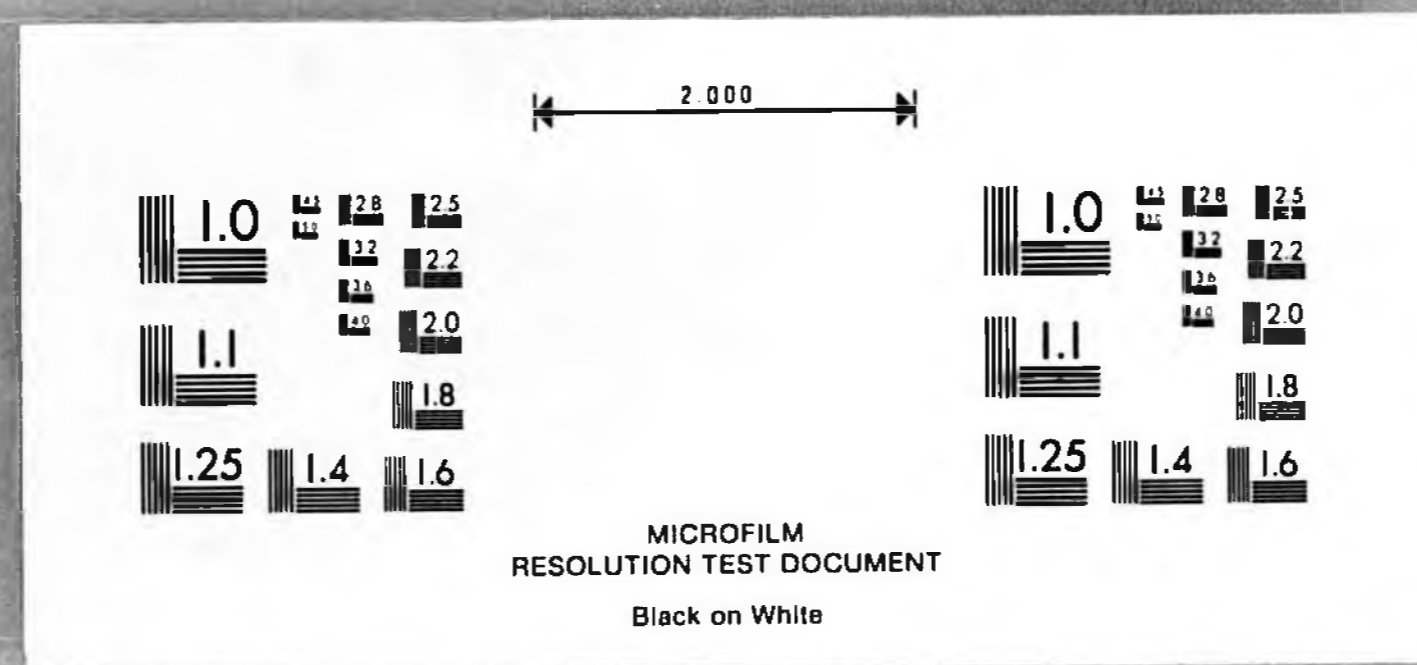
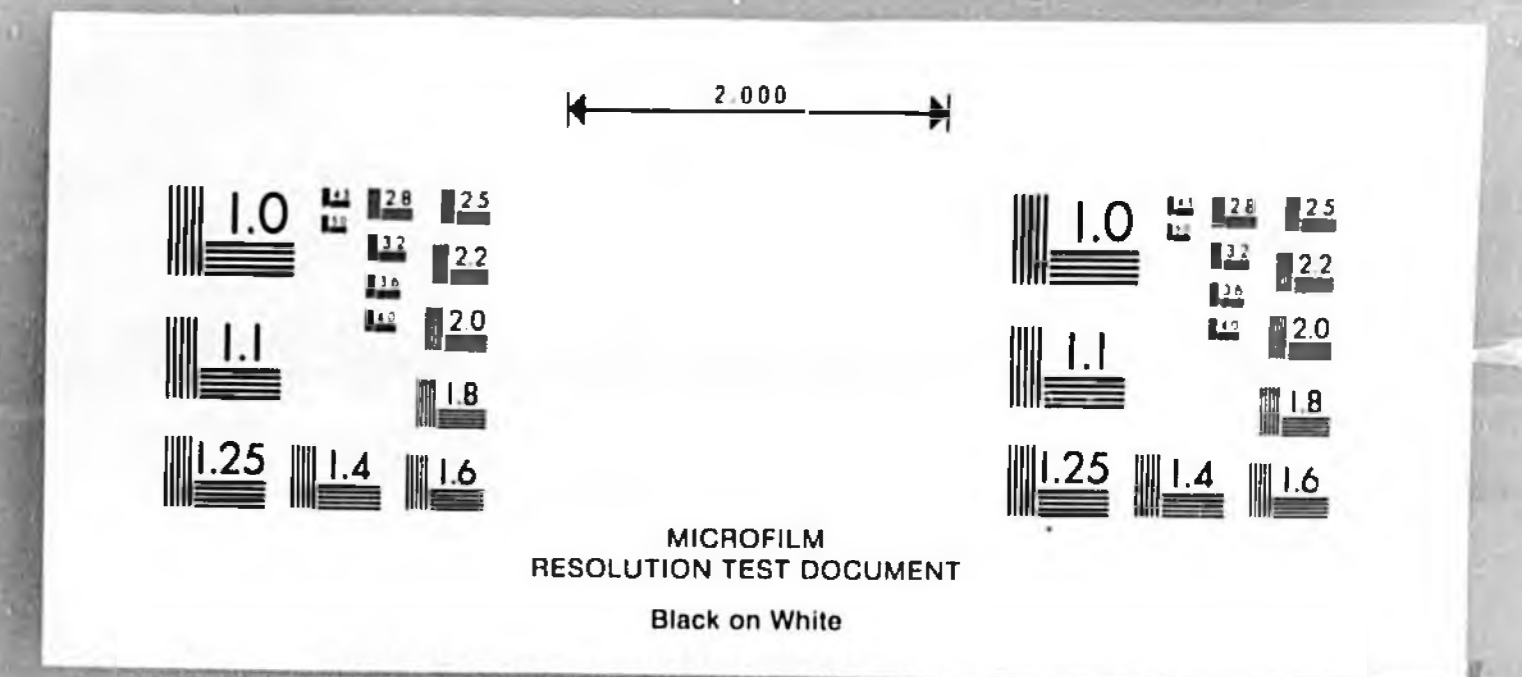
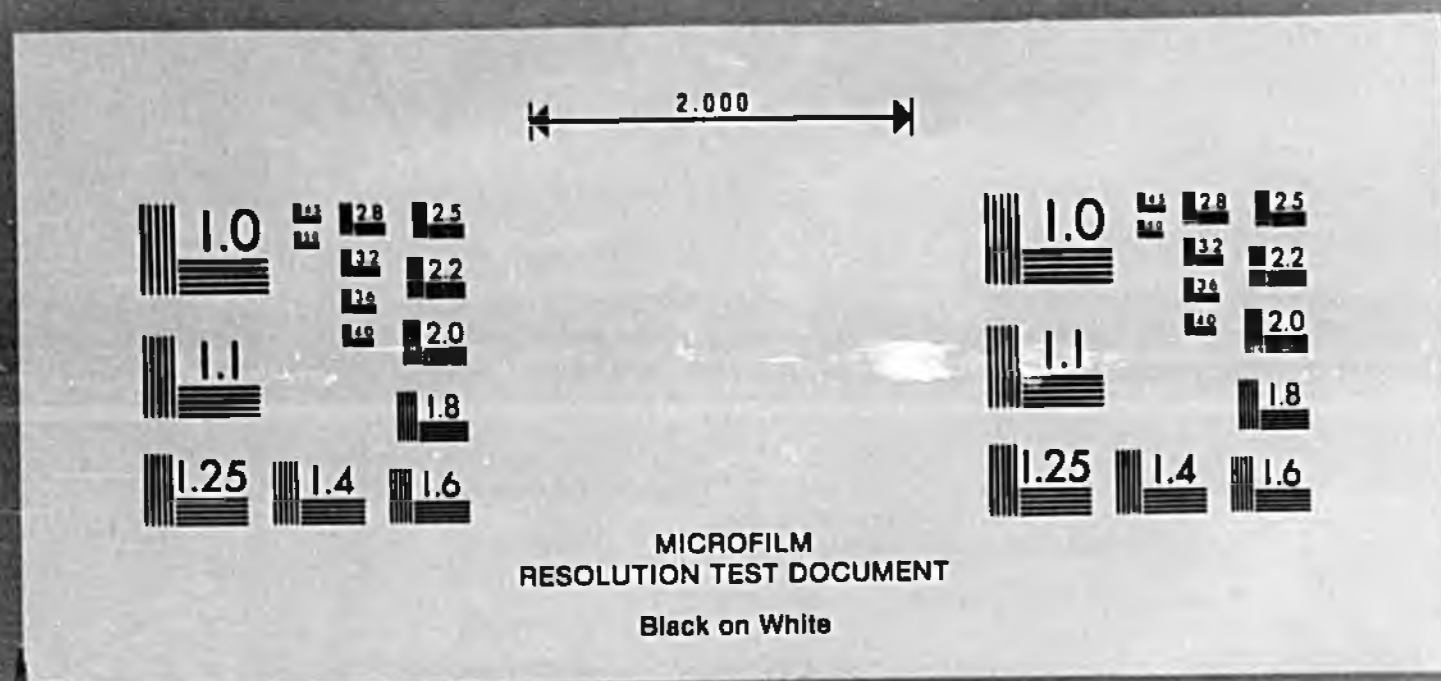
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