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NEWS DIGEST

People

Psychic's column starts today

Columnist Jerry Stewart makes his writing debut in the Herald today. In his column, "Jerry Knows," Stewart will deal with local problems through mail to the Herald. Records indicate he has had outstanding success in the field of parapsychology.
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Two robbery incidents reported

SANFORD — One man was beaten and a gun was fired at another during two separate armed robberies reported to Sanford police at 9 p.m. last night. Police believe they know the suspects in one holdup. The victim, a 17-year-old Sanford youth, told police he was walking along Academy Avenue near Carver Avenue when he was approached by three men. The youth reported one man displayed a 12-gauge shotgun and the other two revealed handguns, which they both held his head. One man struck the boy's head with his gun. The men forced the youth to the ground and while one searched his pockets, another kicked his head and side. The youth reported the man took \$60 from his pockets and a \$190 gold bracelet from his wrist before fleeing. Police Cdr. Dennis Whitmire said arrest warrants are being sought for two of the suspects identified by the youth. Investigators think they have the identity of the third man and when confirmed, his arrest will be sought.

In the second holdup, a 33-year-old Sanford man reported he was walking along Florida Avenue near Santa Barbara Drive when a Hispanic man wearing a dark coat and pants and a ball cap asked him for money. The victim said when he told the man he had none, the man revealed a 22-caliber semi-automatic handgun and demanded money. The victim said he gave the robber \$5 who told him "I'm going to shoot you, run." The suspect said he began to walk away when he heard a single gunshot, then he fled the scene. Police report recovering a spent .22-caliber shell from the roadside.

Rape incident investigated

SANFORD — Seminole County sheriff's investigators are seeking a 20-year-old Sanford man suspected in the rape of a 12-year-old Sanford girl at about 9:30 p.m. yesterday. The girl's screams alarmed her grandparents, who rushed into the room. The girl's grandfather struggled with the man, who broke free and fled naked into the night as the grandfather fired shots after him, but did not hit him. The girl will be examined today by rape investigators. Today is the girl's 13th birthday.

Resident cited for efforts

OVEIDO — Black Hammock resident Bill Daniels has been presented the Sierra Club's Florida Chapter Oak Leaf Award for his efforts to protect and restore Lake Jesup. Daniels serves as Lake Jesup chairman for the Central Florida Sierra Club. For more than 10 years, Daniels has fought to save the lake and the St. Johns River Basin.

Correction

In a proposal by Sanford City Commissioner Kerry Lyons for the re-establishment of a Youth Advisory Committee, Lyons suggested 10 people serve, not 16 as reported Wednesday. Four students would serve two year terms. Five students would serve one year terms. The only adult would be the director of the Parks and Recreation Department.

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History, by appraising (men) of the past, will enable them to judge of the future.
—Thomas Jefferson



Today: Partly sunny. High in the mid to upper 70s. Wind becoming southeast 10 mph.

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Port, airport merger?

City, county meet to discuss possibilities

By J. MARK BARFIELD
Herald Senior Staff Writer

SANFORD — A merger of the governing boards overseeing Port of Sanford and Central Florida Regional Airport will be one of the topics on the table Jan. 23 when city and county commissioners meet in a summit.

Still labeled as a "rumor" by some, the proposal is included as a discussion topic in the draft agenda for the meeting.

If city and county commissioners decide to pursue the merger, it

could end the 24-year-old Sanford Airport Authority and 29-year-old Seminole County Port Authority. A new body would be formed to oversee the operations and mutual development of both facilities. Such a board would require action by the Florida Legislature.

How the consolidated port board would function will be left to further study if commissioners decide to pursue the proposal. One proposal calls for an autonomous body of nine or 11 members overseeing the operations and budgets of both

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Steve Cook, Central Florida Regional Airport director.

File Photo

Some airport history, but little speculation prior to joint meeting

By NICK PFEIFER
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — Sanford officials have little to say about a proposal to merge the Sanford Airport Authority and the Seminole County Port Authority.

Some prefer to dismiss it as merely a rumor while Mayor Bettye Smith says it could come up for discussion within a few weeks.

"I've heard talk about it," said Sanford City Manager Bill Simmons, but as far as I know, it's still just a rumor so I wouldn't have any comment.

Simmons said if it took place, "It would certainly require a lot of action by a lot of government entities."

Airport Manager Steve Cooke commented, "I've heard a rumor about this, but I don't know if it's true or not."

Cooke said he would not comment on whether or not he believed such a merger would help or hurt the actual operations of the airport.

Mayor Bettye Smith said she had nothing to say about it before the meeting. "I don't think it has been discussed by the county commission at this point, but I expect the matter may be brought up during a joint work session between the city and the county on Jan. 23."

City and county commissioners will meet in the City Commission chambers at Sanford City Hall 4 p.m. Jan. 23, prior to the regular City Commission meeting.

Smith said she has not seen any written proposals for the merger. "Because of this," she added, "I don't really have any comments to make about it."

Simmons said the Sanford Airport Authority was

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Add input to Main Street plan

By NICK PFEIFER
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — Sanford Main Street officials say two days of planning sessions and workshops will update the goals for one group behind the resurgence of downtown.

The meeting Friday will be held at the Greater Sanford Chamber of Commerce building from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. In attendance will be Main Street board of directors, various advisory boards, committee representatives, and local officials

and civic leaders.

Saturday, the meeting begins at the Sanford Civic Center from 9 a.m. until noon, then moves to the chamber building from noon until 3 p.m.

The Saturday meeting is open to all interested persons.

According to SMS director Beas Simons, "The purpose of the workshop is to establish short and long term goals for the program and to plan activities for improving downtown Sanford."

The workshop will be facilitated

by several consultants including Nancy Brown of Nancy L. Brown & Associates, Largo, Neil Frits of T. Neil Frits, Miami Beach, and Eleanor Matthews of Marketek, Inc., Atlanta.

Regarding the two-day event, Simons observed, "Visioning and goal setting is planned for the Friday work sessions. Saturday's program, open to all interested persons, will plan how to carry out program goals."

She said the workshop is a great opportunity for more people to get

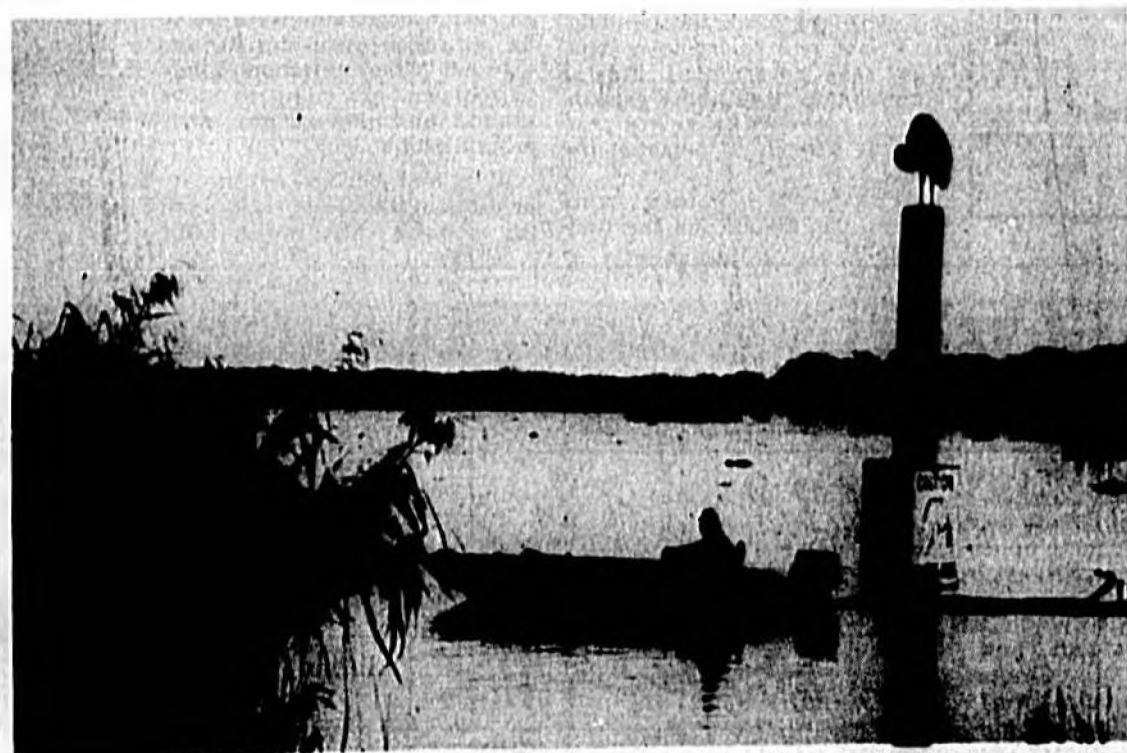
involved in Sanford Main Street and help determine its future direction. The organization hopes to build upon its successes and Simons says it can only be done through the involvement of volunteers.

Registration is required for both sessions. There is a registration fee to cover the cost of refreshments and lunch. Cost is \$7.50 for one day, \$15 for both.

For reservations, phone Beas Simons at 322-5500.

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One with nature



Herald Photo by Tommy Vincent

Warm winter days are perfect for boaters to cruise Lake Monroe looking for the perfect fishing hole or sights reserved for those out of the mainstream, such as manatees or alligators.

Apology is part of settlement

By SANDRA ELLIOTT
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — Seminole County Sheriff Don Ealinger has written an apology as part of the settlement of two suits by a former drug agent arrested after a false-positive reading of a 1990 drug test.

Ralph Eugene Taylor will also be paid \$120,000 from the Florida Sheriff's Self-Insurance Fund in addition to the letter for dropping law suits in state and federal court and relinquishing further claims over the bogus 1990 test results.

Before October, 1990, the Sheriff's office determined all CCIB agents should undergo random urinalysis testing for controlled substances. At the time, Taylor was working in the City County Investigative Bureau (CCIB) and Ealinger was the outgoing commander of CCIB. The testing was conducted when the command shifted to Lt. Greg Barnett. Taylor was tested then arrested after the results indicated the presence of controlled substance in his urine.

Later tests on the same sample were negative. Taylor sued alleging violation of his civil rights and claiming evidence was hidden which would

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After 30 years, Weldon leaving SCC

By VERNI BOGNER
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — Thirty years ago, the spot where Seminole Community College is located was an orange grove dotted with a few trailers and doors thrown over saw horses.

Today, it is a thriving college campus of seemingly ever-increasing size with more than 7,000 students.

"All of that change has come under Dr. Weldon," said Craig Orens, public relations officer with the college. "He has been here since the beginning."

After three decades at the helm of SCC, president Earl Weldon is retiring.

"It's time to retire," he said. "There are some things I'd like to do and see. And I have an almost brand new grandson in south Florida that we'd like to spend some time with."

Weldon, 65, literally cleared the way for the college's opening in the fall of 1965. Helping remove trees from the grove to make way for the temporary facilities and then the permanent structures, Weldon was there when the first 800 students streamed onto campus.

"The night before classes started in January 1965," he recalled, "my wife, my three kids and the whole staff were still unpacking desks and

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FLORIDA NEWS

Women kills family, self

ORLANDO — Police believe a woman distraught by financial problems killed her husband, her two sons and herself. The four bodies were found on a queen-size bed in the family home in the Orlando suburb of Oria Vista. The shootings apparently took place Monday night or early Tuesday.

Charred cabinets in the kitchen, a burned pot on the stove and the scent of a flammable liquid suggest the woman, Patricia Lahu, 33, tried to set the house on fire before killing her husband and two young sons as they slept, said Sgt. Mike Easton of the Orange County sheriff's office.

However, investigators said the probe was still open. The father, Balu Lahu, 35, and the boys, Andrew, 7, and Anthony, 4, were under the covers and dressed for bed, said Easton.

Mrs. Lahu was slumped on top of the bed with a .32-caliber rifle between her legs, he said.

Judge rules on boy's life support

WEST PALM BEACH — Tyler Crotteau, the comatose toddler hanging on to life in a New Jersey hospital, will remain connected to life support, a judge has ruled.

Citing the U.S. Constitution and the Bible, Circuit Judge Gary Vonhof on Tuesday ended an emotional legal battle that pitted the boy's father, who wanted life support disconnected, against the mother, who begged the judge to let her son live.

The couple's disagreement over their son's care moved from the hospital to the courtroom in July, when Kurt Crotteau filed legal papers seeking to have Tyler removed from the machines that kept the child breathing.

Vonhof delayed ruling on the request after Tabitha Crotteau's attorneys argued that too little time had passed since the boy nearly drowned in his grandmother's swimming pool in Royal Palm Beach on July 18.

Tyler, who will be 3 next month, was moved to Children's Specialized Hospital in Mountainside, N.J., in October.

Suspect testifies judge gave him watch

MIAMI — A 28-year-old man on trial for pistol-whipping and robbing a federal judge testified the judge "gave me the watch" after a discussion of investments.

David Angel Rodriguez told jurors Wednesday that U.S. District Judge Shelby Highsmith, 66, gave him the watch after a brief conversation at a gas station in south Dade County, July 24.

Rodriguez is charged with armed assault on a federal judge while performing his duties and could face a life term in prison. The case was expected to go to the jury today, four days after the trial started before U.S. District Judge Robert Probst.

Probst traveled to Miami from Birmingham, Ala. to hear the case after all the federal judges in the South Florida district disqualified themselves because they work with Highsmith.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Geoffrey Brigham questioned the credibility of Rodriguez's story.

"You are saying he gave you the watch — a gold watch worth several thousand dollars — after only about five minutes of talking about investments?" Brigham said.

Rodriguez said "yes" and testified he followed Highsmith home in an attempt to return the watch.

Priest questions grappling of the sexes

ST. PETERSBURG — Kelly Williams had been a tenacious and tough for wrestling against boys, and beating them, in high school competition.

Now a Roman Catholic priest has written a letter to Kelly's coach, calling for an end to such grappling of the sexes, saying they can cause impure temptations.

"This is a concern which actually goes into the moral area," said Harry Brown, director of family life ministries of the St. Petersburg Catholic Diocese. "As a Catholic priest, I see her wrestling as an avenue that might entice improper behavior or erotic feelings."

Kelly, a 16-year-old St. Petersburg High junior who earlier this year earned the county's first female victory over a male at the varsity level, said she thought it was a joke when she heard about the letter last week.

"I wouldn't have been upset but I didn't like it when he asked my coach to stop me from wrestling," Kelly said. "People are going to live in their own worlds, but they have no right to force their values on others."

Kelly, who wrestles in the 100-pound class and has compiled a 4-2 record that includes two pins, said she has no plans to quit. Her coach and principal are behind her.

Murder suspect escapes handcuffs

DADE CITY — A murder suspect who was able to pick the lock on his handcuffs and one leg shackles broke away from guards as he was being taken from the Pasco County Jail to court.

Albert Leon Fletcher, 34, managed to escape guards who fired at him after his morning escape and fled into the woods near the county courthouse, authorities said.

NEWS FROM THE REGION AND ACROSS THE STATE

Nelson holds steady on JUA prices

Insurance commissioner wants pool to shrink

By **BILL BRADY**
Associated Press Writer

TALLAHASSEE — Financial incentives for private insurers could help get homeowners out of a swelling state-created pool, Insurance Commissioner Bill Nelson said.

Nelson rejected a rate increase Wednesday for the joint underwriting association, saying it hasn't helped rejuvenate Florida's insurance market.

"As insurance commissioner I intend to take a different road" to restoring the private insurance market after the devastation of Hurricane Andrew, he told a news conference.

"It was a temporary fix to reconstitute those markets back to life," Nelson told the House Insurance Committee earlier. "But the markets have not come back to life. They are paralyzed."

He named a new board for the joint underwriting association, including Daytona Beach insurance executive and former House Speaker Hyatt Brown. He said its job will be to shrink the pool.

The JUA has grown to more than 870,000 policies since it was created. Lawmakers formed the pool as an insurer of last resort amid policy cancellations by insurers reeling from \$16 billion in losses from the 1992 hurricane.

A commercial JUA also was formed and has grown to cover about 2,000 condominium associations. Nelson named a new board for that pool, including his former law partner, William Wilson of Orlando.

The incoming commissioner said possible ways of reviving the insurance market included helping homeowners find private insurers, credits for private companies taking customers out of the JUA, and

barring the JUA from selling policies in areas where storm risks are lower.

Companies also may be encouraged lower rates for homeowners with better protected homes and homes in areas with stricter building code enforcement, he said.

The JUA has taken over about 13 percent of Florida's homeowners' insurance market according to Sam Miller of the industry's Florida Insurance Council.

Insurers favor a pool arrangement to cover some high-risk customers. But Miller said the JUA's market share should be closer to the fraction of 1 percent covered by Florida's high-risk pool for auto insurance.

Nelson was supported by House Speaker Peter Wallace, D-St. Petersburg, who told the Insurance Committee, "The JUA has to be an insurer of last resort, and it is well beyond that in today's market."



Students for a drug-free life

Poster contest winners gathered Saturday, Jan. 7 at Sylvan Lake Park to receive their awards. Shown (from left) with the sponsors of the contest are Michael Perez, Nicholas Mulder, Jenny Paquet, David Gonzalez Jr., Justin Probst, Stuart Clements, Florida State Attorney Norman R. Wolfinger, Ashley Walker, Jessica Walker, Jennifer DeAngelo, Sheriff Donald F. Ballinger, Andi Taylor, Katie Griffin, Lauren Bell and Nicole Waggoner. The posters, designed to illustrate the dangers of drug abuse and the benefits of a

drug-free life, will be combined and printed in a calendar that will be distributed to Seminole County fifth through eighth graders. The money used to pay for the printing will come from money legally seized by law enforcement from drug dealers. Wolfinger stated at the ceremony, "we could not think of a better way to use drug dealers' money than to have kids educating kids on the dangers of drugs."

Information and photo courtesy of Joanne Lucas Barr

New state spending cap raises questions

By **ADAM YESSMAN**
Associated Press Writer

TALLAHASSEE — A new spending cap on state government shouldn't have a major impact on next year's budget if lawmakers live up to their pledge not to raise taxes, Republican lawmakers said.

But a top state economist said the spending cap issue would become more complex in future budgets.

Voters approved the spending limit last year to try to control how fast government grows. Amendment Two limits growth in state revenues to the five-year average growth in personal income.

Republican senators, who control the Senate for the first

time in more than a century, heard Wednesday about the potential pitfalls and controversies over the cap from Ed Montanaro, director of the state Economic & Demographic Research Division.

For the 1985-86 fiscal year beginning July 1, lawmakers will be limited to raising about \$600 million because revenue growth is capped at 5.9 percent over 1984-85's growth.

But that figure is only as good as the revenue estimates made by economists. Montanaro warned, "These numbers, I hate to tell you, are going to move around and they might move around a lot."

With Republicans vowing no new taxes this year, the spending cap won't be a major factor

this year, Senate leaders said.

"If you don't raise any taxes, you'll know you're not over it," said Senate President Jim Scott, R-Fort Lauderdale.

"This year, that's true," Montanaro said. "It depends on how close we are to the cap this year. We should be OK. That may not always be true."

Montanaro told lawmakers they won't know whether they've exceeded the cap for more than a year after they pass a budget.

"You'll be appropriating this spring for 1985-86. You won't know whether you're actually over the cap until September or October 1986," he said. "It's one of those things that has to be dealt with in arrears."

If spending exceeds the cap,

lawmakers either must get two-thirds approval from the House and Senate to raise the limit or agree to deposit an equal amount into a state budget stabilization fund.

Another issue yet to be resolved is what types of revenues will be subject to the cap.

For instance, tuition and fees from universities may be included while those from community colleges would not, presumably because the two-year schools are considered local entities and therefore exempt.

Revenues from tolls, unemployment compensation and workers compensation taxes appear to fall under the cap, Montanaro said. Prepaid tuition, direct support organization revenues and research grants would not.

MIAMI - Here are the winning numbers selected Wednesday in the Florida Lottery:

Fantasy 5
18-7-8-9-19

Cash 5
7-7-8

Play 4
8-8-8-0

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THE WEATHER

Tonight: Partly cloudy. Low near 60. Wind southeast 5 mph.

Friday: Increasing clouds and breezy. High in the mid to upper 70s. Wind becoming south 10 to 20 mph.

Saturday: Windy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms. Locally heavy rains with strong gusty winds possible. Lows in the lows in the lower 60s. Highs in the 70s.

Sunday: Windy with showers and thunderstorms ending. Lows in the 60s. Highs in the 70s.

Monday: Partly cloudy and windy. Lows in the mid 50s to lower 60s. Highs in the 70s.

City	H	L	P
Daytona Beach	70	46	20
Fort Myers	70	51	20
Gainesville	70	41	20
Jacksonville	70	48	20
Kissimmee	70	48	20
Lakeland	70	47	20
Miami	70	57	20
Orlando	70	51	20
Pensacola	70	56	20
Sarasota	70	50	20
Tallahassee	70	47	20
Tampa	70	49	20
Vero Beach	70	55	20
W. Palm Beach	70	57	20

THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
Pty csky 70-80	Pty csky 70-80	Pty csky 70-80	Pty csky 70-80	Pty csky 70-80

PHASES

FIRST
Jan. 9

FULL
Jan. 16

LAST
Jan. 23

NEW
Jan. 30

SEAS CONDITIONS

Daytona Beach: Waves are 1-2 feet and semi-glassy. The current is to the south. Water temperature is 69 degrees.

New Smyrna Beach: Waves are 2 feet and glassy. The current is to the south. Water temperature is 69 degrees.

ST. AUGUSTINE TO JUPITER INLET

Thursday: Wind southeast 10 to 15 knots. Seas 2 to 4 feet. Bay and inland waters a moderate chop.

Thursday night: Wind southeast 15 knots. Seas 3 to 5 feet. Bay and inland waters a moderate chop.

NATIONAL

Temperatures indicate previous day's high and overnight low to 9 a.m. EST.

City	H	L	Pr	Sts
Anchorage	19	-68	00	an
Ashville	46	46	34	cy
Atlanta	63	48	35	cy
Atlanta City	48	38	00	cy
Austin	77	66	00	cy
Baltimore	48	37	00	cy
Baton Rouge	57	19	49	rn
Buffalo	36	26	00	rn
Burlington, Vt.	39	29	01	rn
Charleston, S.C.	61	51	00	cy
Charleston, W.Va.	59	36	00	cy
Charlottesville, N.C.	57	46	00	cy
Chicago	46	37	00	cy
Cincinnati	53	41	00	rn
Cleveland	46	41	00	rn
Dallas-Ft. Worth	60	41	00	cy
Denver	56	38	00	cy
Des Moines	51	33	00	cy
Detroit	39	30	03	rn
Honolulu	80	70	18	civ
Houston	81	68	00	cy
Indianapolis	50	48	00	rn
Jacksonville	65	52	00	rn
Kansas City	55	34	00	rn
Las Vegas	69	49	00	cy
Little Rock	78	64	00	rn
Los Angeles	68	54	31	cir
Los Angeles	73	60	00	rn
Memphis	57	46	00	cy
Minneapolis	34	25	00	cy
Missoula	63	39	33	rn
New Orleans	74	64	00	rn
New York City	36	26	04	cy
Oklahoma City	51	37	00	rn
Omaha	57	33	00	cy
Philadelphia	57	38	06	cy
Phoenix	63	52	34	cir
Pittsburgh	43	41	19	rn
Portland, Maine	54	46	19	rn
Portland, Ore.	54	46	19	rn
Salt Lake City	52	30	01	rn
Shreveport	60	43	00	cy
Washington, D.C.	43	36	04	cy

POLICE NEWS

Palm pilfering

Sheriff's deputies arrested David Allen Siabodnik, 31, of Deltona on Tuesday. A deputy responded to a call regarding the burglary of a nursery on West State Road 46 in which six or more Sago palms, valued at approximately \$600, were reportedly stolen. During the investigation, the deputy said he received another call regarding someone trying to sell Sago palms to another nursery on Country Club Road. After he responded to the second call, the arrest report said Siabodnik was identified by the owner of the first nursery, and through shoeprints found at the scene.

Siabodnik was arrested on charges of burglary to a business, grand theft greater than \$300, and dealing in stolen property.

Battery

William James White, 35, 1813 Coolidge Ave., was arrested at his residence Tuesday by sheriff's deputies following a reported dispute with a female. He was charged with battery, domestic violence.

Warrants

©Garnell J. Cooper, 27, 3380 Midway Ave., Sanford, was located by Sanford police following a traffic stop on Lake Mary Boulevard extension Wednesday. He was found to be wanted on a warrant for failing to appear on a charge of obtaining property with a worthless check.

©Anthony Eddie White, 40, 500 Holly Ave., Sanford was located at the John E. Folk Correctional Facility Tuesday. He was wanted for failing to pay a fine on a conviction of trespassing.

©Vincent Edward Angus, 28, 5591 Lake Ave., Sanford, was arrested by deputies at his residence Tuesday. He was wanted on a warrant for battery.

©Patrick Bernard Robinson, 27, 912 Pine Ave., Sanford, was located at the jail Tuesday. He was wanted for failing to appear on a charge of resisting an officer without violence.

©Walker Lee Bryant, 23, 1804 Peach Ave., Sanford, was located at his residence by Sanford police Tuesday. He was wanted for failing to appear on a charge of grand theft auto.

Double burglaries

Sanford police are investigating burglaries Tuesday, at two separate suites in the 100 block of Commerce Way. In one suite, a paint sprayer and other items valued at \$475 were reportedly stolen. In another suite, police said a microwave oven valued at \$250 was reported missing.

Incidents reported to Sanford police

©Tools and stereo equipment valued at \$300 were reportedly stolen early Wednesday from a business in the 2300 block of Old Lake Mary Road.

©A homeowner told police he had been away on vacation since Jan. 6, and upon his return Tuesday, he discovered approximately \$5,000 in auto mechanics tools were missing from the garage of his residence in the 100 block of Laurel Drive.

©Three cartons of cigarettes valued at \$50.70 were reportedly taken Tuesday from a convenience store in the 100 block of North French Avenue.

©A grey 1987 Chevrolet with Iowa license plates was reported stolen Tuesday from a parking lot in the 2500 block of Oak Avenue.

©An Oldsmobile was reportedly burglarized Tuesday in a parking lot in the 1300 block of Santa Barbara. Approximately \$1,200 in radio and other equipment was reported missing.

©Sanford Public Works Division maintenance area, 1201 W. Seminole Blvd., tools valued at \$522 reported taken from city truck sometime between 4 p.m. Thursday and 8:45 a.m. Monday.

©Crooms School of Choice, 2200 W. 13th St., two separate burglaries reported Monday: a \$225 weed trimmer was reported taken sometime between Nov. 1, 1994 and 3:30 p.m. Friday; and a \$250 microwave cover was reported taken sometime between 3:30 p.m. Friday and 6:35 a.m. Monday.

Police: 3 down, 2 to go

By RALPH GONZALEZ
Associated Press Writer

MIAMI — When Officer Jairo Losano spotted Hector Rivas sauntering down a Little Havana street, he made the arrest without incident.

"Freeze and hold," he shouted to the prison escapee after drawing his gun Wednesday.

An unarmed Rivas surrendered without a fight.

That wasn't the case Tuesday, when about 80 law enforcement officials raided a homeless camp west of Miami in search of other inmates who tunneled out of a minimum-security prison with Rivas Jan. 3. Helicopters swarmed overhead with searchlights as officers combed through the woods and plywood shacks.

One inmate, Armando Junco, 62, was shot and killed after a struggle with a police officer. A second man was taken into custody. Florencio Alvarez, 38, was charged Wednesday with second-degree murder and ordered held without bond.

Two other inmates, Juan Peltas, 30, and Jesus Martinez, remained fugitives today.

"I don't know where no one is," Rivas, 32, yelled on his way to jail Wednesday. "Don't ask me no questions. Don't waste your time."

Losano captured him while on routine patrol earlier in the day.

"Rivas looked exactly like he did in the photograph," John Brooks, assistant chief of Miami Police, said at a news conference. "There was no confrontation, there wasn't any physical force used."

Losano, brother of former Miami police officer William Losano, whose shooting of a black motorist provoked three days of riots in 1980, didn't comment on the arrest. Brooks said he was shy.

He won't be eligible for a \$10,000 reward, because he was merely doing his duty, Brooks said.

But two homeless men are richer by \$10,000 apiece after tipping off authorities Tuesday to Junco and Alvarez's hideout in the woods off the Florida Turnpike, a few miles west of Miami International Airport.

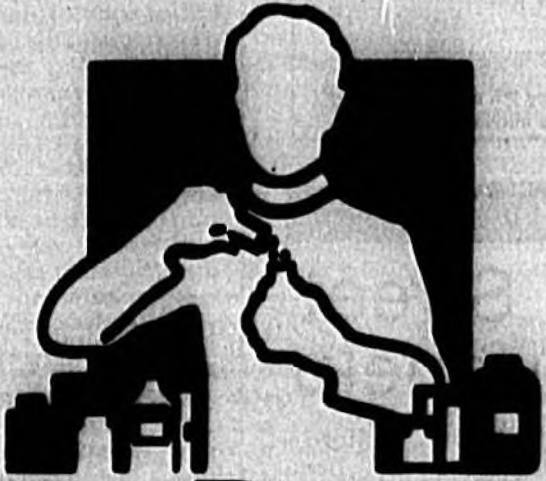
It was the first break in Florida's largest manhunt since the men fled the Glades Correctional Institution in Belle Glade through a 60-foot tunnel under the prison's razor-wire fence eight days earlier.

Authorities said the pair jumped on top of a trailer truck near the city about 75 miles northwest of Miami and rode south on the Florida Turnpike to a tollbooth about five miles from the camp. They had been at the camp for three days, authorities said.

When Tuesday's raid began, Junco hit Miami police officer Francisco Casanovas with a stick, a law enforcement official told The Miami Herald for today's edition.

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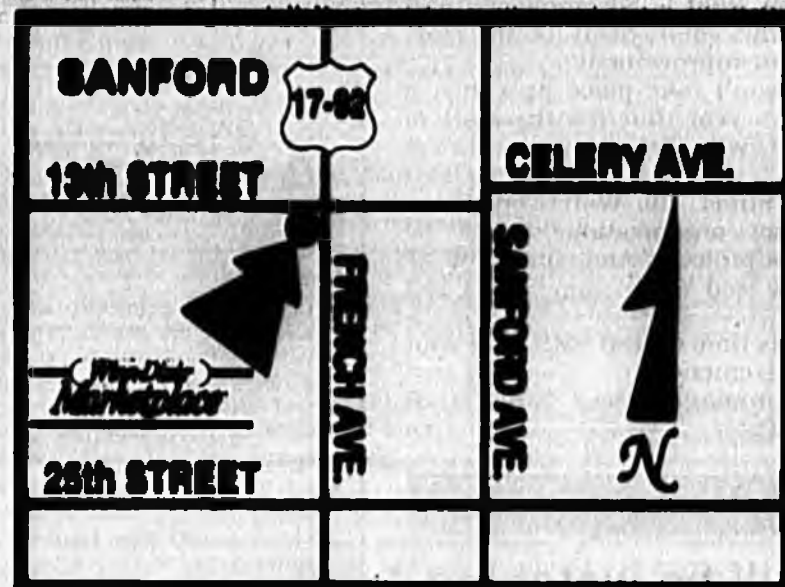
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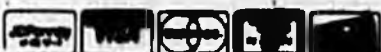
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EDITORIAL

Our Main Street needs your help

In terms of news and publicity, Sanford's Waterfront Steering Committee has been extremely prominent these days. It has been jumping on the bandwagon in producing a marketing plan aimed at improving the lakefront area from Interstate-4 to the eastern end of the city. The territory includes downtown Sanford.

Some people may believe the Waterfront group is doing everything while Sanford Main Street (SMS) has become stagnant. This is definitely not the situation. It's merely a case of the squeaking wheel getting the grease.

This weekend, it's time for Sanford Main Street to jump up on the bandwagon and start tooting its horn. Hopefully, the horn will summon the people together into an organized effort at improving the downtown area, which is and always has been the goal of SMS.

SMS is planning two day-long sessions. Friday for SMS board of directors, advisory boards and committees, local officials and civic leaders. We believe it will be interesting to see who turns out.

When the drive to get Sanford formally established as an official Main Street city, everyone was supportive. We hope that support is still there and people will attend one or both of these meetings.

With Friday's meeting primarily aimed at local officials, it will be interesting to see who will or will not be on hand. In this way, SMS leaders will know who was just giving surface support at the beginning, versus who truly cares about improving the downtown area.

This weekend, SMS wants to start planning activities and goals, both short and long-term. It will be the beginning of the actual progress project. Based on what is accomplished and to what extent, this could easily be the start of a real downtown improvement.

Of course, it won't take place in a day, a month, or even a year, but it's the start of what hopefully will be many years of progress.

Sanford Main Street, the Waterfront Committee and other organizations, must be considered as pet projects. And, similar to all pets, if we don't feed them, they won't last long.

This weekend is time to feed SMS with your support and involvement.

Phone SMS manager Beas Simons at 322-6600 and register.

LETTER

Voters will be watching

Bob Dole and other liberal Republicans need not be smug just because the Republican Party enjoyed a landslide victory at the polls and they belong to the party. When was the last time Dole introduced legislation to give the president a line item veto or to exempt elected officials from taxpayer-funded pensions? All of a sudden, these liberals are posturing with the conservatives who were bold enough to proclaim a contract with America.

Republican leaders across the nation are riding high on the November elections. It is easy to assume that the vote was a mandate for the Grand Old Party, but closer examination would suggest that this was more than a vote for Republicans. This year was the first time since Ronald Reagan ran for president that Republican leaders took the time or effort to define for the electorate the differences between the two major parties. However, Reagan's victory was proof that not all Democrats are liberal, and George Bush's defeat was proof that not all Republicans are conservative.

Last November, America was like a drunk waking up in his own vomit, struggling to his feet and resolving to kick the addiction. The voters responded to the message that government indeed had taken on a life of its own. No longer a protector of liberty, government had assumed the role of a problem solver, crushing liberty, free enterprise and initiative under its collective foot.

Voters are tired of the struggle against the arrogance of career politicians. Bob Dole and other liberal Republicans need not be smug just because the party enjoyed a landslide victory and they belong to the party.

When was the last time Mr. Dole for Mrs. Dole for that matter held a job in the private sector? When was the last time that Mr. Dole introduced legislation to give the president a line item veto or to exempt elected officials from taxpayer-funded pensions?

All of a sudden, these liberals are posturing with the conservatives who were bold enough to proclaim a contract with America. The voters are watching, and when these initiatives are blocked there will be no blaming the Democrats. To all the liberals in the Republican Party, the voters' revolt includes them as well. The last election was not the last election.

Terri Donnelly
Lake Mary

WILLIAM A. RUSHER

Affirmative action on the way out

When the Civil Rights Act of 1964 was passed, critics warned that it would not merely outlaw discrimination against racial and other minorities but that it would be used to favor blacks (for example) over more highly qualified whites.

Sen. Hubert Humphrey and other proponents of the act swore up and down that it would do no such thing; that, on the contrary, its whole purpose was to render America "color-blind" -- i.e., to make sure that race would no longer be a factor in such crucial fields as employment and college admission.

The subsequent history of civil rights in America makes it clear that, on this point at least, the act's critics were right, and its proponents wrong.

First, the courts quickly (and rightly) ruled that specific, demonstrated instances of bias could be remedied by consciously favoring members of the group discriminated against until the results of bias were statistically eliminated. Nothing wrong with that.

But then, over a period of decades, many institutions (state and municipal governments, universities, and private businesses, among others) began to favor various minorities even though there was no specific evidence of prior

discrimination. Blacks, in particular, were favored in obtaining state, municipal, and private jobs, as well as in admission to colleges and universities, and in the awarding of state contracts, over more highly qualified individuals and groups whose only sin was being white.

Call this "quotas," or "affirmative action," or "reverse discrimination," the net result is that less qualified people are often favored over others simply because of the color of their skin -- exactly the outcome that Hubert Humphrey swore was impossible.

That is why an initiative is making its way toward the California ballot in 1996 whose operative paragraph reads:

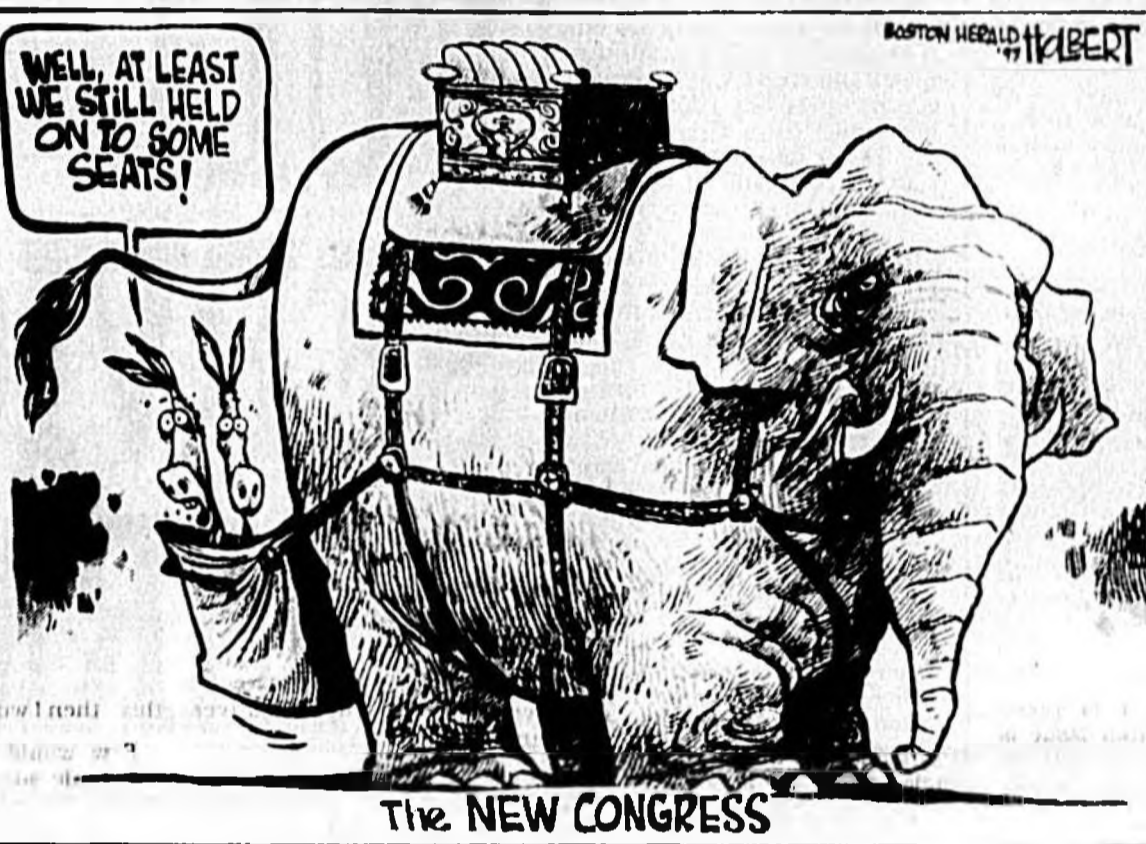


Polls indicate that such an initiative is likely to be overwhelmingly popular with voters of both major parties.

Neither the State of California nor any of its political subdivisions or agents shall use race, sex, color, ethnicity or national origin as a criterion for either discriminating against, or granting preferential treatment to, any individual or group in the operation of the State's system of public employment, public education or public contracting."

Polls indicate that such an initiative is likely to be overwhelmingly popular with voters of both major parties and even of varying skin colors. The California Republican Party endorsed the initiative unanimously at its last convention. Recently Gov. Wilson spoke approvingly of the general principle. Even at the national level, Republican leaders are beginning to recognize that this is an issue whose time may well have come.

Privately, on the other hand, Democratic political leaders are terrified -- and with good reason. For if this initiative appears on the California ballot in 1996, it will split the Democratic Party from crutch to chin. The party's professional black spokesmen will fight the proposal with their last ounce of breath, while white blue-collar workers (many of whom have already felt the lash of "reverse discrimination") will recognize it as their salvation.



Are jocks really worth it?

Let's take a long hard look at the "real" world. I mean the "working grunts" world -- not this "megabuck monstrosity" created by and for the alleged superstars of sports nearly everywhere and the Hollywood heroes and heroines wherever they may be.

As you should have already surmised, I am N-O-T a hero worshipper -- super or even regular sized. I really don't need any super-jock to look up to as some sort of hero-figure to pattern my life after. And neither do the kids. What's wrong with Dad or Mom ... Grandpa or Grandma ... or even the guy or gal down the street? They used to be excellent "role models" in the years gone by.

Now that we have established, at least in part, what I am "not," let's take a look at what I "am," or was, depending on how you view it. "A working grunt"!! Only a few years departed from that very hectic rat race and into these "so-called" golden years of retirement. For 43-plus years I was one of those millions of W.G.'s -- up before daybreak -- hit the road -- lift that barge -- tote that bale -- and frequently home well after dark.

Let's do a little analyzing of what used to be considered standard: the workday -- 8 hours, the work week -- 5 days, the work month -- 4 1/2 weeks, and the work year -- 48/50 weeks depending on the status of vacation.

Yes, I know, along with the possibility of "paid" vacation, there might also be "paid" holidays, sick time, leave time and so on. There's also "overtime" which popped up from time to time. For this particular analysis that we are about to embark on, the ifs, ands, ors, and buts of the additional possibilities will be skipped over.

There are 40 paid hours in a paid week. There are 52 paid weeks in a paid year. There are 2080 paid hours in a paid year (40 times 52 equals 2080). No wonder you're so darn tired come the middle of December or so. And just what did all this back-breaking work get you?

OK! Let's work some simple math and see what a year's effort produces.

At \$5 an hour, you "grossed" a whopping \$10,400. At \$10 an hour you "will gross" a mindboggling \$20,800. And, if we jump up to \$12.50 an hour -- a relatively healthy wage for Florida -- you will "gross" a gigantic annual income of \$26,000. Wowee! You finally cracked the magical 25 grand mark by a whole thousand dollars.

Let's proceed even further into this mess and see where we go and how we get there.

With that \$25,000 annual figure in mind (just for mindbending arithmetic purposes only), let's multiply by 4 and reach \$100,000. Now, let's work at that figure for a total of nine more time periods of 4 years each (450 years of your working life) and ... well what do you know ... you finally hit the million dollar mark ... if you lasted that long.

And in only one lifetime too. Boy oh boy!

SEMINOLE OPINION



NELSON TULLAR

Wonders will never cease. Just think what you could do if you lived two or three lifetimes in a row.

Remember way back when your boss informed you of a 10 cent-an-hour raise he got for you? Really turned you on didn't it? Go-go-go!! It did, that is, until you sat yourself down and did some figuring.

Let's see here ... 10 cents an hour times 2080 hours a year ... that comes to ... \$208 dollars a year!! Oh-my-Gawd!! You could hardly believe all that prosperity came your way. You could also hardly believe what you were thinking of telling your boss where he could stick his next "whole-dime-raise."

Now, let's do some really heavy math using one super sport jock's contractual annual gross income. Hang on to your hats -- it'll blow your mind.

Mr. A. Hardaway supposedly signed for a 72 million dollar income spread over 9 years. That breaks down to a paltry 8 million per year ... which further breaks down to a miserly \$3,846 and change PER HOUR for a standard 40-hour week and a 52-week year. And for what?? "Playing basketball"!!! P-l-a-y-b-a-l-l! B-a-s-k-e-t-b-a-l-l!

One more "let's figure" and I quit. At \$3,846 per hour ... and 6 1/2 hours of time ... that makes a grand total of \$24,999 -- your who-be back-breaking-years-gross-income ... and in a snidge over one half of one day.

And do you know who's paying all the bills, my friend? YOU are, dear fan, y-o-u are ... with your whopping 25K per year.

Chew on that one as long as you can stomach it. Don't get sick and make a mess.

LETTERS TO EDITOR

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JACK ANDERSON

Chechnya crisis aids Khasbulatov

WASHINGTON -- Behind the greater drama of Russia's bloody invasion of the southern republic of Chechnya, a subplot is emerging that could threaten the presidency of President Boris Yeltsin.

The ill-fated invasion has hastened the rehabilitation of one of Yeltsin's most formidable political foes, Russian Khasbulatov. In a country where former leaders are typically disdained or disreputable,

Khasbulatov has used the war in Chechnya as a pretext for a quiet political comeback. Some American intelligence analysts are even saying that Khasbulatov may be well positioned to run for president against Yeltsin in 1996 -- and win. If he did, Yeltsin would only have himself to blame.

A doctor of economics in the old Soviet days, Khasbulatov worked in a government ministry until he was elected first deputy chairman of the Con-

gress of People's Deputies in 1990, when Yeltsin was chairman. He was an energetic supporter of Yeltsin during the 1991 coup attempt that brought an end to the old Soviet Union and led to Yeltsin's ascension to president.

In part because of that loyalty, Yeltsin supported Khasbulatov for the chairmanship, or speakership, of the Russian parliament. During 1992, however, Khasbulatov became increasingly hostile to Yeltsin's reform efforts, eventually becoming Yeltsin's primary antagonist. Yeltsin began to view his former ally as a turncoat.

Khasbulatov's long, black leather-coated appearance soon became the very symbol of opposition to Yeltsin. He evolved in his role slowly, often publicly pledging loyalty to Yeltsin one minute and skewering his former patron the next, as an observer put it.

He was king of parliament and knew it. As he once declared, "I don't want to look like a messiah, but it seems to me that if I step down, parliament will simply fall apart."

Yeltsin eventually came to believe the same thing. So when Khasbulatov became too obstinate and seized control of the parliament building in the fall of 1993, Yeltsin sent in tanks and stormtroopers to take it back, bringing down the Parliament. Khasbulatov and friends were unceremoniously tossed into the hoosegaw.

When Khasbulatov received a quiet amnesty last May, the speculation was that he would simply fade away. He dabbled in his old professional profession -- until things began to heat up in Chechnya last summer. A native Chechen, Khasbulatov had represented Chechnya in the parliament.

He did this even though he had no stomach for the man leading the breakaway republic, President Dzhokhar Dudaev, a former Soviet nuclear bomber pilot. While in Parliament, Khasbulatov denounced Dudaev and his followers as a bunch of crooks.

After receiving amnesty, Khasbulatov returned to his native village of Tolstoy-Yurt to lead a paramilitary opposition to Dudaev. This caught the attention of Yeltsin's security services, which decided to finance and arm some of Khasbulatov's efforts, our intelligence sources say. Yeltsin personally made the decision to try to unseat Dudaev by covertly supporting Khasbulatov and other opposition groups -- which seemed better than a military invasion.

Khasbulatov spent six months trying to mount a coup against Dudaev, but to no avail. That's when Yeltsin, responding to pressure from his political right wing, decided to launch the invasion.



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Dr. Earl Weldon, retiring as president of SCC.

Weldon

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 finishing up the classrooms." The staff has blossomed from 25 to more than 400 of what Weldon calls "the best instructors and employees anywhere."
 On Tuesday, the board of trustees at the college reluctantly accepted Weldon's resignation which will become effective in January 1988. They also began the search for his replacement.
 Weldon was named president emeritus for life.
 At least for the next few years he will not travel far from home, friends expect. His wife Gerry, a popular kindergarten teacher at Idyllwild Elementary School in Sanford, has no immediate plans for retirement.
 "I asked her this morning if she was going to retire and she said that it wouldn't be this year," said Carolyn Towles, principal of Idyllwild. "I wanted to be sure."
 Weldon noted that "Gerry would never leave her kids in the middle of the year," so she will be at school at least until the summer of 1988.
 Leaving in January will allow the next president of Seminole Community College the opportunity of preparing the budget

for the next fiscal year with his or her own priorities.
 "I think that would be only fair," Weldon said.
 Seminole Community College is expanding from its Sanford campus and the satellite classrooms in the Hunt Club area of Longwood. A full-fledged campus is proposed for Oviedo to serve students on the east side of the county.
 The building site has become the center of some controversy, however. Residents of the rural neighborhood are complaining that the college will bring too much traffic to their area.
 Weldon has expressed a willingness to remain on as president at least until that issue is resolved. He would also like to "tie up some loose ends," which would take about a year.
 "But we won't ever be far," he said. "We will remain a part of this community."
 Members of the college's board of trustees are thankful for that time, as they are planning a nationwide search which could take at least that long to complete.
 Weldon said there is no "heir apparent" to the presidency of SCC.
 "The board will pick the best person for the job."

Settle

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 have cleared him.
 "Please accept this sincere apology on behalf of my office, and the Seminole County Sheriff's Office. What happened to you should not have occurred," Ealinger wrote.
 Taylor is now an Oviedo policeman and had requested none of the terms of the settlement be disclosed.
 "The testing in which you and I and approximately 13 other officers voluntarily participated proved faulty and erroneous," Ealinger wrote. "Your test was alleged to have been positive, and as a result you were arrested accordingly. Thereafter the testing was determined to be flawed, and you were cleared of any wrongdoing."
 "The investigation of this matter began in December, 1980, when I requested the Florida Department of Law Enforcement look thoroughly at this matter. I made this request to the FDLE at the time I had been designated Sheriff by the Governor to begin service on Jan. 1, 1981," the letter states.
 "Again, I wish this episode had not ever occurred and extend to you every continued success in your career in law enforcement, or in any field you may choose," Ealinger concluded.
 After the initial random test on Taylor and his arrest, later tests on the same sample were negative and the officer was cleared. Taylor has fought since his arrest to clear his name.
 A 1982 grand jury was critical of the handling of the matter by Ealinger and a former sheriff's office chemist, but no indictments were returned. The lab was closed and the chemist resigned. Further appeal of court rulings in the matter will be dropped under terms of the settlement.
 Ealinger's only comment on the matter this morning was to refer to a statement by his attorney, Julius P. Parker, who said everybody's equally unhappy, which makes it a good settlement.

Survey finds some public ambivalence: welfare reform

By GREGORY J. GIBSON
 Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — Americans strongly support the idea of cutting able-bodied people off welfare after two years and making them get a job. But they have second thoughts about getting tough if a parent can't find a job or support her family on low wages, said survey results released today.
 The Kaiser Family Foundation and a Harvard University program found those mixed feelings among those polled on some of the welfare reform ideas up for debate in Congress as Republicans push their "Contract With America."
 "The jury is still out on what the public will support on welfare reform," said Drew Altman, president of the foundation and a former welfare commissioner in New Jersey.
 "At the moment they want four things that may be incompatible: Get people off welfare within two years, get them jobs that provide a minimum standard of living, don't let families suffer severe hardship and don't raise taxes or cut government programs to do those things," Altman said.

Among the key findings in the telephone poll of 1,200 adults conducted Dec. 27-29:
 —Sixty-eight percent favored ending welfare payments after two years and making able-bodied people get a job. But support for the cutoff plummeted to 26 percent if the family head could not make enough to support his or her family, and to 18 percent if the person couldn't find a job.
 —Sixty-four percent favored denying welfare to non-citizens, including most legal immigrants.
 House Speaker Newt Gingrich on Monday backed away from a proposal to cut legal immigrants out of welfare. But Rep. Duncan Hunter, R-Calif., introduced a bill Wednesday to do just that. It would give legal immigrants three years to become citizens or lose eligibility for food stamps, Aid to Families with Dependent Children, housing assistance and Supplemental Security Income.
 —Fifty-nine percent backed denying additional help to mothers who bear more children while on welfare — a step New Jersey already has taken.
 —Sixty-six percent opposed ending welfare benefits for unmarried women and their

children if that meant some children would be sent to group homes or orphanages.
 —Americans see welfare doing more harm (56 percent) than good (33 percent) because it encourages the breakup of families and discourages work.
 —Forty-four percent said society should not let people go homeless and hungry, but 43 percent backed a firm limit on welfare "regardless of the consequences."
 The poll had a margin of error of 3 percentage points.
 The foundation, based in Menlo Park, Calif., sponsors studies on health reform and other social issues. It has not endorsed any specific approach to welfare reform.
 On Wednesday, the Children's Defense Fund and the Black Community Crusade for Children charged that at least 5 million to 6 million children would be harmed by the "Contract With America" and other proposed changes in social programs.
 Marian Wright Edelman, president of the Children's Defense Fund, said the Republicans' rush to pass "indiscriminate budget cuts will have a devastating effect on children and our nation's future."

Airport

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 created by the U.S. Government in 1971. "The former military base is still in a position where the federal government could take it back if it were needed as a military installation again," he said.
 Simmons said development of the airport has been hampered by the stipulation that the government could take the property back in an emergency. "If someone wanted to build a major facility out there," he said, "they

would surely expect to purchase the land, but with this stipulation, the airport authority can't sell the land, only lease it. And that has probably hurt some major development out there."
 The Sanford airport was originally activated as a military training base in November of 1942 during World War II.
 Following the war, the airbase closed, and the facility was used as a housing center for up to 1,500 civilians. Other uses of the facility included the New York Giants major league baseball

team.
 In 1953, with the Korean conflict underway, the base was reopened as a naval auxiliary air station, and became a full Navy air station in May of 1956.
 In Dec. 1965, the base was listed in a military facility cut-back schedule released by the Department of Defense. It officially closed its doors for the last time on June 28, 1968 and the city took possession of the facility. The airport authority was created in 1971 by the Florida Legislature.
 "The Authority also is established by Florida Statute," Simmons said, "and as such, I would imagine it would take some Florida as well as federal government action before this could be merged with another authority."

The operating budget for the Central Florida Regional Airport in fiscal year 1983-1984 was \$2,806,676, not including several grants.
 "We expect it will be close to that level again this year," Cooke said. "But this is operated as an enterprise fund, and we can only spend money we take in. So if we don't take in as much, we have to tighten our belts, but if we obtain more than expected, we use it as a surplus and carry-over."

DEATHS

JOHN BARETT
 John Barett, 63, Vagabond Way, Altamonte Springs, died Wednesday, Jan. 11, 1988.
 Born in Albany, N.Y., he moved to Central Florida in 1968. He was a general contractor. He was Protestant and a member of American Legion Post 400.
 Survivors include his wife, Carol; his sons, Keith, Devin, both of Altamonte Springs; his daughter, Cheryl Williams, Altamonte Springs; his brothers, Robert, Frederick, both of New York; his mother, Esther, New York; six grandchildren, Orlando Direct Cremation Service, Orlando, in charge of the arrangements.
HILDA J. MECK
 Hilda J. Meck, 80, Palm Valley Drive, Oviedo, died Monday, Jan. 9, 1988 at Winter Park Memorial Hospital.
 She was born in Beaverdale, Pa. on Dec. 20, 1914. She was a homemaker.
 Survivors include his sons, Conrad, Robert, both of Oviedo, Vaughn, Tampa; his daughter, Karen Nelson, Quarryville, Pa.; his brother, Joseph Burns, Fort Myers; 15 grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren.
 Baldwin-Fairchild Funeral Home, Goldenrod, in charge of the arrangements.
EDWARD P. MILLHOF
 Edward P. Millhof, 84, Sanford, died Wednesday, Jan. 11, 1988 at Hillhaven Healthcare Center.
 Born Nov. 26, 1910 in Portsmouth, Ohio, he moved to Florida in 1952 and had resided in Sanford for three years. He worked for Republic Steel in Cleveland before moving to Satauma where he owned and operated a business for thirty years. He was a Christian.

Survivors include his daughters, Faye Blier, Sanford, Susanne Millhof, Snow Camp, N.C., Nancy Haydon, Ocala; 10 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.
 Watts Funeral Home in San Mateo in charge of the arrangements.
EUSTACE H. PIKE
 Eustace H. Pike, 87, Soldier Creek Court, Oviedo, died Wednesday, Jan. 4, 1988 at Orlando Regional Medical Center.
 Born in Jamaica on March 17, 1937, he moved to Central Florida in 1989. He was an electrician. He was a member of Orlando Christian Center. Survivors include his wife, Juliet; his son, Anthony, New York; his daughters, Vivienne, Andrea, Jennifer, Doreen, all of New York; his stepson, Johnathon Swazine, Oviedo; his stepdaughter, Sophia Swaine, Oviedo; his mother, Sylvia Douglas, New York; his brother, Edward Hoffman, New York; his sister, Eavelyn Cooper, Miami; eight grandchildren.
 Baldwin-Fairchild Funeral Home, Goldenrod in charge of the arrangements.
BILLY RAY RAYBURN SR.
 Billy Ray Rayburn Sr., 60, Clark Street, Enterprise, died Tuesday, Jan. 3, 1988. He moved to Central Florida in 1975. He was Pentecostal. He was an Air Force veteran of the Korean and Vietnam wars.
 Survivors include his wife, Jean; his sons, Billy Jr., Miami, Larry, Enterprise, Keith, Craig, both of DeLand; his daughters, Susan Smith, New Jersey, Leale Ludemann, Enterprise, Lisa Emmanuel, Sanford, Peggy Boehme, Orange City, Pam Tatum, DeLand; his mother, Marie Whiting, Miami; 10 grand-

Merger

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 facilities. The board would approve a single budget for both facilities and the city and county would "sign off" on that budget.
 The merger should lead to a win-win result for both facilities, says Randy Morris, chairman of the Seminole County commission.
 "The airport is our number one economic development target in the county," Morris said. "The county could bring a tremendous amount of planning support because of our size. We can also bring economic development incentives to encourage

the development of that land. I haven't heard any negatives with this at all."
 Morris said the merger would make available the county's \$1 million economic incentive fund for new and existing airport businesses.
 Morris hastened to add he didn't originate the merger proposal, it was one that had been discussed for years, but never actively pursued.
 "If this is going to work, it's going to be the idea of the Sanford City Commission, Mayor Bettye Smith, Commissioner Daryl McLain and others," Morris said.
 The proposal was met with some reservation by Dennis Dolgner, SCOPA director.

"If the idea is to harness two entities and gain some synergy from it for both, then I can support that," said Dolgner. "If it's to provide an opportunity to

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JIM GRADHAM

Senate to debate unfunded mandates

By **JOE ABRAMS**
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — Fresh from passing its first bill of the new session, the Senate is ready to consider whether the federal government can force states to participate in expensive programs without giving them the money.

Debate on the so-called unfunded mandates, which many governors and mayors claim are breaking their budgets, was on today's calendar.

On Wednesday, the Senate cleared its first bill, overwhelmingly approving a measure requiring members of Congress to obey the same workplace laws they impose on private businesses.

The debate starting today is likely to be more contentious.

State officials have urged Congress' new Republican majority to take up this issue before tacking a constitutional amendment to balance the budget. Without this bill, they fear even more spending will be shifted to the states as Congress struggles to reduce the federal deficit.

Many Democrats support the idea of ending unfunded mandates but object to the Republican plan to rush the bill to a vote without holding hearings.

Rep. Martin Oliv Sabo, D-Minn., the ranking Democrat on the House Budget Committee, wrote Rep. John Kasich, R-Ohio, the panel's chairman, on Wednesday to urge more debate on the bill.

The measure requires Con-

gress to provide funding for future programs imposed on state or local jurisdictions that cost more than \$50 million. Exempt are provisions involving civil and constitutional rights, national security or treaty obligations, emergencies and voluntary programs.

Some Democrats said the legislation could have serious consequences.

"It could imperil the ability of Congress to protect children from pollution, to provide family leave to working parents and to protect the elderly from unsanitary conditions in nursing homes," said Rep. Henry Waxman, D-Calif.

Rep. Rob Portman, R-Ohio, an author of the House version of the bill, insisted before a House panel this week that the measure is not anti-health or anti-safety.

"We all want clean air, clean water and safe working conditions, but let's do these things sensibly, give our state and local governments some say and make decisions in the public view," he said.

The Senate, with its tradition of unlimited debate, spent five days on the Congressional Accountability Act extending workplace rules to the legislative branch.

The House passed its version unanimously, after about one hour of debate Jan. 4, the opening day of the 104th Congress. The House is expected to accept the Senate's more detailed version later this week.

Reflecting the new order in Congress, Senate Republicans used their 53-47 majority to stop

Democratic attempts to add provisions on campaign financing, congressional pensions and social welfare issues to the bill.

"I understand this is an opportunity to offer a lot of amendments and make the Republicans look heartless and cold, and all this. This is not going to work," said Majority Leader Bob Dole of Kansas.

The bill applies to workplace safety and labor laws to the Congress, such as the Fair Labor Standards Act, the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 and the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993.

For the first time, congressional employees would have the right to file suit in federal court, as well as the right to a jury trial, over complaints arising from those laws.

Also on Wednesday, Republicans in the House Judiciary Committee used their majority muscle to block one Democratic amendment after another and send to the House floor a constitutional amendment requiring a balanced budget. The measure passed after nine hours of debate on a party-line, 30-13 vote.

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National debt ceiling

WASHINGTON — Before their balanced budget amendment could have even a symbolic impact, Republicans are going to have to confront the awkward reverse side of the issue — the national debt ceiling that will have to be upped to \$5 trillion before springtime.

That ceiling used to be a handy vehicle for protest votes and bargaining on budgets. It was safe enough because in the end, conservatives knew there would be enough Democratic votes to raise the limit so the government could keep paying its bills. In the end, it always passed, because it is unavoidable.

But this time, minority Democrats are likely to use the debate — and perhaps some protest votes of their own — to hassle the GOP on budget balancing by constitutional amendment, a measure that would make it far more difficult to raise debt ceilings.

The balanced budget amendment wouldn't. Making the title come true will require the drudgery and political risks of massive cuts in federal spending, so far undisclosed, by Republican design.

Digging out after storm

SANTA BARBARA, Calif. — Amid the stink of sewage and scrape of bulldozers, Californians used precious hours of dry weather to dig out of the muck left by storms that killed at least eight people and caused millions of dollars in damage.

Buses cleared briefly Wednesday and forecasters predicted a brief respite from storms that drenched California from the wine country north of San Francisco to the fire-ravaged hillsides of Southern California. Some areas got up to 16 inches of rain in the past nine days — twice the normal total for the entire season.

Forecasters warned that a weaker storm lurking offshore was poised to strike this weekend.

In Malibu, tons of dirt fell on the Pacific Coast Highway as soaked hillsides gave way. Roadways were coated by a 6-inch carpet of brown ooze, and beach homes were sandbagged against the threat of mudslides from hills left barren by 1993 wildfires.



Girl survives crash

BOGOTA, Colombia — A 9-year-old girl was alive today, the only known survivor of a midair explosion that sent a Colombian plane crashing into a grassy field. At least 51 other Colombians were believed killed.

Civil Aviation Director Alvaro Raad Gomez said it would be "premature and irresponsible" to speculate on whether a bomb caused the intercontinental Aviation DC-9 to crash Wednesday evening as it approached the Caribbean resort city of Cartagena.

However, he said the pilot of another plane saw an explosion rip through the DC-9 as it flew at an altitude of about 14,000 feet.

"The girl seems to be the only survivor," said Raad Gomez. "She said she fell out of the plane when it broke up and fell into a swamp."

Artillery pounds Grozny

GROZNY, Russia — Russian artillery pounded Grozny in a new attack today, battering the city center and Chechen morale as the Kremlin's forces moved their big guns closer to the presidential palace.

Russian army troops tried to encircle the palace overnight but did not succeed. Forces from the Interior Ministry, meanwhile, were ordered to move closer to Grozny in an effort to tighten the ring around the secessionist capital. Only one road out of Grozny from the south is now open.

In the countryside, there were few people on the roads, and the Chechens prepared to resist a fresh Russian assault.

The renewed Russian advance came a day after an uncharacteristically subdued Chechen president admitted even his determined fighters could not defeat the entire Russian army.

From Associated Press reports

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Sports

IN BRIEF

Magic extend home streak
ORLANDO — The Orlando Magic won its 16th straight game at home Wednesday night, beating the Detroit Pistons 124-107 behind a 37-point performance by Shaquille O'Neal. Detroit was led by Joe Dumars with 21 points.

Tars get past North Florida
WINTER PARK — Daniel Parks scored 22 points in Rollins' 63-59 win over North Florida in Sunshine State Conference play Wednesday. Phil Caple and Jesse Hudson led North Florida with 11 points. Chris Sneed added 10.

No. 16 Florida women romp
BOCA RATON — Murriel Page scored 20 points and four other Florida players were in double digits as the No. 16 Lady Gators trounced Florida Atlantic 112-53 Wednesday. Amanda Whitney led FAU with 16 points.

Eckerd beats Fla. Southern
LAKELAND — Rodney Chatman scored 23 points to lead Eckerd over Florida Southern 54-77 in a Sunshine State Conference men's basketball game Wednesday. Tim Gatz led Florida Southern with 24 points.

Barry blasts Fla. Tech
MIAMI SHORES — Marques Tampa scored 17 points to lead Barry University to a 91-75 win over Florida Tech Wednesday night in a Sunshine State Conference game. Rob Terry led Florida Tech with 23 points.

Rockets hold off Heat
HOUSTON — Robert Horry and Vernon Maxwell helped Houston tie an NBA record with eight first-quarter 3-pointers, and the Houston Rockets overcame Miami's fourth quarter press for a 108-97 victory Wednesday night. Harold Miner scored 19 points to lead Miami.

Miami stuns St. John's
NEW YORK — Keyin Norris scored 21 points, including two free throws with 14 seconds to play Wednesday night, as Miami beat St. John's 82-79, the Hurricanes' first-ever Big East road victory after 29 losses.

Miami women top Georgetown
WASHINGTON — Rinat Zaitz scored 21 points and three other players were in double figures as Miami defeated Georgetown University in a Big East Conference women's matchup Wednesday.

NHL players accept deal
NEW YORK — The NHL season was saved Wednesday when players gave in to a management ultimatum and sacrificed some freedom to play hockey again. Leaders of the NHL Players Association accepted the owners' take-it-or-else proposal, effectively ending the 103-day lockout and pulling off the biggest save in hockey history.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Boys' Basketball
 □ Wymore at Seminole, JV, 6 p.m.; V, 7:30 p.m.
 □ Oronoosed Christian at Pine Castle, JV, 8:30 p.m.; V, 7 p.m.

Girls' Basketball
 □ Seminole at Lyman, F, 4:15 p.m.; JV, 6 p.m.; V, 7:30 p.m.
 □ Lake Mary at Lake Howell, F, 4:15 p.m.; JV, 6 p.m.; V, 7:30 p.m.
 □ Lake Brantley at Oviedo, F, 4:15 p.m.; JV, 6 p.m.; V, 7:30 p.m.

Girls' Soccer
 □ Seminole at Lyman, F, 4 p.m.; JV, 6:30 p.m.; V, 7:15 p.m.
 □ Lake Howell at Lake Mary, F, 4:30 p.m.; JV, 6:45 p.m.; V, 7:30 p.m.
 □ Oviedo at Lake Brantley, F, 4:30 p.m.; JV, 6:45 p.m.; V, 7:30 p.m.

Wrestling
 □ Colonial at L. Mary, JV, 6:30 p.m.; V, 7:30 p.m.
 □ Astronaut at Lyman, JV, 6:30 p.m.; V, 7:30 p.m.

BEST BETS ON TV

PRO BASKETBALL
 □ 8 p.m. — WTBS, Miami Heat at San Antonio Spurs. (L)

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Like kissing your sister

Tie disappointing for 'Hounds, Lions

By RYAN ANDERSON
 Herald Correspondent

OVIDO — It's not often that a result leaves both coaches disappointed. But such was the case Wednesday, when the Oviedo Lions and Lyman Greyhounds played to a 1-1 draw in a crucial Seminole Athletic Conference and 6A-District 4 boys' soccer contest at John Courier Field.

Both teams needed a win to keep pace with Lake Mary in the SAC race and the chase for the No. 1 seed in the district tournament.

"I'm real disappointed with the way things turned out tonight," Lyman coach Ray Sandidge said. "We really needed this win. If we had won it would have put us in really good shape for the district tournament. Now, we just have to wait and see what happens."

Oviedo coach Joe Avalone, who watched his team lose its 1-0 lead with :53 left in the game, also was less than pleased with the tie.

"This is really unfortunate, the way things turned out," Avalone said. "The boys really deserved this win. They really outplayed Lyman. Lyman hustled out there but I really think we hustled more. I will remember the number 53 for a long time and it is definitely not going to be my favorite number."

"We played with a lot of heart and for the most part I am pleased with the way we played. We're sticking it out and we are not causing any problems on the field, and that's the most important thing."

In first half, Oviedo kept Lyman on the defensive by utilizing quick passes. The Lions controlled possession of the ball and the pace of the game, giving Lyman little time to mount any offense.

Oviedo capitalized on its ball control early in the second half when Travis Weeks' free kick from the right sideline nailed the left goal post and flew past the Lyman 'keeper with 37:01 left in the game.

Oviedo's lead held up until Brian Diebler nodded a header past Oviedo 'keeper Darren Oakwig with :53 left in the game to tie the score.

Oviedo finished with 16 shots on goal and Lyman had 19. Oakwig recorded seven saves for the Lions and Shane LaPica had 10 for the Greyhounds.

Oviedo (11-4-2, 4-3-1 SAC) will host the Lake Brantley Patriots in another conference and district game Friday night at John Courier Field. Lyman (17-3-1, 5-1-1 SAC) will host the Patriots on Monday night.

Wednesday's junior varsity game was a 1-1 tie.
RAMBLE RALLY BY PAYS
LAKE MARY — Aren Cook netted a pair of goals as

the Lake Mary Rams came back from an early 1-0 deficit to stop the Lake Brantley Patriots, 4-3, in Seminole Athletic Conference boys' soccer play at Don T. Reynolds Stadium.

Jamison Bailey and Nate Garcia each added a goal for the Rams, who were ranked second in this week's FACA Class 6A state poll.

The junior varsity game ended in a scoreless tie. The freshman played to a 1-1 draw.

Lake Brantley (2-4 SAC) struck first in the varsity game, scoring in the 25th minute. Lake Mary equalized just three seconds before halftime, Garcia striking during a scramble in front of the Patriot net.

Cook scored the go-ahead goal in the second half. After Bailey stole a pass back from a defender to the Lake Brantley goalie and netted an insurance goal, Cook made a run from midfield and scored his second goal of the match.

The Patriots got a goal back with 4:00 left to play.

"They (Lake Brantley) came out and played us real well," said Lake Mary coach Larry McCorbie. "For us to score the goal before the half was very important emotionally. The goal fired us up and I think it took some of the momentum away from Lake Brantley."

Now 19-2-1 overall and 5-0 in the SAC, Lake Mary travels to Volusia County Friday night to play Daytona Beach-Beachview (the No. 1 ranked team in Class 5A). Lake Brantley visits Oviedo Friday night.

HAWKS RPTWIDE

SANFORD — Jeff Yearick scored four goals and assisted on another Wednesday in Lake Howell's 7-3 rom over Seminole in a Seminole Athletic Conference boys' soccer match at Thomas W. Whigham Stadium.

Lake Howell also won the junior varsity match, 3-0. Brian Kolecaar added a goal and two assists for the Silver Hawks in the varsity match. Ben McKeedy scored a goal and assisted on another. David Dittges also scored a goal. Austin Punneo and Josh Holcomb each had an assist.

Scoring the goals for Seminole were Steven Broadbent, Stanley Kowalczyk, and Phillip Falk.

Lake Howell, which led 6-0 at halftime, outshot Seminole 31-10 and had a 5-2 advantage in corner kicks, forcing Tribe goalkeeper Jason Cyrus to make a dozen saves. Silver Hawk 'keepers Zoaky and Campbell combined to make seven saves.

Now 8-10-1 (2-6 SAC), Lake Howell will play again Saturday at home against Titusville-Astronaut. Seminole (3-10-1, 0-8 SAC) isn't scheduled to play again until Monday, Jan. 23, at Leesburg.



Photo by Apri Kestison
 Toby Morris (No. 16) and the Lyman Greyhounds keeper netted a late goal to salvage a 1-1 tie with Oviedo Lions.

Back-ups deliver for Seminoles

From Staff Reports

LEESBURG — Thanks to a superlative effort by their second line, the Seminole Fighting Seminoles were able to overcome serious foul problems Wednesday and beat the Leesburg Yellow Jackets 64-48 in 6A-District 6 girls' basketball action.

Leesburg won the junior varsity game, 32-30. Whistled for 17 fouls in the first half and 27 for the game, the Seminoles had to modify their aggressive, up-tempo style and use more of their bench more frequently.

As a result, nine different players contributed points while only one Seminole player, defensive specialist Mindee Hampton, fouled out.

SEMINOLE 64, YELLOW JACKETS 48
 Seminoles
 Eutell 9 0 0 6, Henderson 1 0 0 2, Morgan 3 0 1 4, Morrill 4 0 0 16, Hampton 3 4 7 16, Southward 1 0 0 2, Sanders 9 0 0 8, Shiao 2 0 0 4, Eason 9 2 3 26, Montgomery 1 0 1 2, Miller 4 0 0 8. Totals: 59 0 11 64.
 Leesburg
 Galloway 3 2 3 9, Carter 6 2 2 15, Neebitt 1 1 3 4, Mosby 7 5 5 16, Cooper 1 0 0 2, Smith 0 1 0 1, McRanste 0 0 10. Totals: 18 20 48.
 Seminoles 29 16 14 14 = 66
 Leesburg 11 18 13 19 = 48
 Three-point field goals — Seminoles 3 (Morrill 3), Leesburg 1 (Galloway). Total fouls — Seminoles 27, Leesburg 15. Fouled out — Seminoles, Hampton; Leesburg, Neebitt and Carter. Technicals — None. Records — Seminoles 10-3, Leesburg 15-1.



Photo by Phil Kestison
 Charles Gipson (No. 10) and Seminole's Arrow Force III will have little time to savor Wednesday night's win over Lake Howell. Tonight, Seminole hosts Wymore Tech.

Defense sparks AF III victory

From Staff Reports

WINTER PARK — Brilliant defensive play in the second quarter sparked Seminole High School's Arrow Force III boys basketball team to a 71-55 win over the Lake Howell Silver Hawks in Seminole Athletic Conference play Wednesday.

Leading 17-16 after one quarter, Seminole outscored Lake Howell 16-9 in the second period and were never seriously challenged the rest of the way.

"I was not pleased with our defensive alertness in first and third quarters," said Seminole coach Bob Trains. "We just weren't alert. We allowed a couple of three-point baskets to be shot without any pressure. We want to contest every shot. And we didn't do that in first and third quarters."

When the Tribe did put defensive pressure on Lake Howell, it jumped-started the Seminole offense.

"We got a lot of easy baskets off missed shots by them," said Trains. "We were able to get out on break and either get a good shot at the other end of the floor or they'd foul us and we'd go to the free throw line."

Led by Brad Trains (the coach's son), Seminole made 19 of 23 charity tosses. Trains, who finished with a game-high 20 points was 10-for-10 on free throws.

Eric Roberts contributed 17 points for Seminole (11-6, 3-0 SAC). Chuck Smith had six points and 10 rebounds while Reggie Holloway contributed eight points and eight rebounds.

ARROW FORCE III 71, SILVER HAWKS 55
 Seminoles
 Gipson 3 0 0 4, Lafflow 1 0 0 2, Roberts 6 2 4 17, Hall 3 0 0 4, Trains 5 10 10 20, Shaw 3 0 0 6, Holloway 2 4 0 8, Martin 1 0 0 3, Smith 12 3 2 16. Totals: 25 19 23 71.
 Lake Howell
 Greene 2 5 7 17, Manning 6 2 3 15, Cooper 2 2 7 18, Brisson 1 2 2 4, Rovinski 3 1 2 8, Martin 1 0 0 2. Totals: 17 14 59 55.
 Seminoles
 17 16 21 17 = 71
 18 19 18 = 48
 Three-point field goals — Seminoles 2 (Roberts 2), Lake Howell 7 (Greene 4, Manning 1, Cooper 1, Rovinski 1). Total fouls — Seminoles 14, Lake Howell 16. Fouled out — None. Technicals — Seminoles, Holloway; Lake Howell, Steele. Records — Seminoles 11-4, 3-0 SAC; Lake Howell 6-12, 2-3 SAC.

Associated Press: Erickson leaving Miami for Seattle

By JIM COUW
 AP Sports Writer

SEATTLE — Dennis Erickson made his name coaching the Miami Hurricanes. Now he hopes to earn NFL coaching fame with the Seattle Seahawks.

Erickson, who led the Hurricanes to two national championships and a 63-9 record from 1990 through 1994, was to be introduced today in Palo Alto, Calif., as the Seahawks' new head coach.

A source, speaking on the condition he not be identified, confirmed the hiring Wednesday night.

In seven years as Seahawks majority owner, northern California land developer Ken Behring has had five losing seasons. Behring says he wants to see the Seahawks in the Super Bowl.

Erickson will coach the East in Saturday's East-West Shrine All-Star game at Palo Alto. Then he's coming back to his home state, and is

scheduled to appear Monday at the Seahawks headquarters in suburban Kirkland.

It won't be easy to turn the Seahawks from losers into winners, but fired coach Tom Flores didn't leave the cupboard bare.

Erickson inherits one of the NFL's young quarterback prospects in Rick Mirer, the second player picked in the 1993 draft. Mirer should flourish under the offensive-minded Erickson.

Then there's AFC rushing champion Chris Warren and four-time Pro Bowl defensive tackle Cortez Kennedy, who became a big star in his senior season at Miami in Erickson's first year there.

But the Seahawks need some more talent, as evidenced by their 3-9 finish in going 6-10 under Flores this season.

The Seahawks ranked 24th in total offense and 23rd in total defense this season.

That — and a half-empty Kingdome — cost Flores his jobs as coach and general manager.

Erickson, 47, coached underdog Washington State to a 9-3 record and into the Aloha Bowl in 1988, beating Houston 24-22 in Hawaii. He was the Pacific-10 Conference's co-coach of the Year in a year when Timm Rosenbach was the nation's passing efficiency leader.

In Miami, Erickson's first (1989) and third (1991) teams won national titles.

His Hurricanes went 10-2 this season with a loss to national champion Nebraska in the Orange Bowl. It was Erickson's third consecutive bowl loss and ended a difficult season.

The Hurricanes' other loss this season was 38-20 defeat by Washington on Sept. 24, a defeat that snapped Miami's NCAA-record 58-game home winning streak.

Erickson will be hard to replace. The leading candidates for the Miami job are Colorado State coach Sonny Lubick, Miami Dolphins offensive coach Gary Stevens and Dallas Cowboys defensive coordinator Butch Davis. All are former Hurricanes assistants.

People

IN BRIEF

Join seniors for day's trip

The Sanford Senior Travelers are planning a trip to the Seniorfest at Busch Gardens in Tampa. Seniorfest is a full day just for seniors. See all the animal exhibits and ride the monorail. There are also special shows throughout the day just for the seniors. The cost includes a nice boxed lunch, transportation and admission to Busch Gardens. The event will be on Feb. 6, but the deadline for reservations is Friday, Jan. 19. Tickets are \$45 per person. The bus will load at 7:30 a.m. at the Sanford Senior Center and will return there by 7 p.m. For more information or to make reservations, call the senior center at 330-5889.

Overeaters Anonymous meets weekly

Overeaters Anonymous meets every Thursday, at 7:30 p.m., at the Community United Methodist Church, Pines Ridge Road and U.S. 17-92, Casselberry. For information, call Carol, 323-0857.

American Legion, Unit meet Thursday

American Legion Post 83 and Unit meet the second Thursday, at 8 p.m., at the post home, 2874 S. Sanford Ave. For information, call 323-1882.

Sunrise Kiwanis meets Friday

The Seminole Sunrise Kiwanis Club meets every Friday, at 7 a.m., at Shoney's, US 17-92, south of Airport Boulevard. Visiting Kiwanians are welcome. For information, call Lou Hevey, 323-0082.

Understanding what 'psychic' is

(Editor's Note: "Jerry Knows" will appear twice weekly on The Herald.)



"JERRY KNOWS" JERRY STEWART

In writing a column about "parapsychology," what most people refer to as "psychic," you must first understand what psychic means as compared to "fortune teller."

First of all, I believe the area of psychic sensitivity is one that each has within us. It is that distinct feeling you get in the pit of your stomach that is referred to as a gut reaction or intuition. That natural instinct that tells you who might be calling on the telephone or if your child is not feeling well is a communication between individuals that has never been explained. Yet it is misunderstood by many.

How do you explain that feeling you have been some place before that you haven't been or have met someone unknown to you except that you know you are truly meeting that person for the first time. In the days and weeks to come, we will explore the various ways in which I have been able to use this ability or talent, as some might call it, from the simplest of situations to complex situations.

What you will be able to do is to write to me at the Sanford Herald and get some possible answers or solutions to problems. It might be about your job, your love life, finances,

vacations, maybe even questions about psychic. Through your letters, whether I hold them or not, I will be able to get "vibrations" about you. My responses will not be generated for just everybody like the astrological forecasts, but more individually "for you" personally, and in direct response to your letters.

Under no circumstances is "fortune telling" a part of what I do. Furthermore, I don't believe in those practices as they are fraudulent and I will periodically reveal to you how they run their course on the public.

When most people meet me for the first time and they find out that I am a psychic, they immediately hold out their palms and want to know what lottery numbers I have for them. Well, if it was that easy, then I would be picking out numbers for myself, winning all the lotteries, and living on Maui. What you might

not find me doing is predicting earthquakes, air disasters, or football scores. What you will find though is intelligent, ethical, practical, and common sense answers to the problems that you face very day.

While my response, I believe, is from the "psychic plane," you must understand that it is not a guarantee of any outcome. Sure, my track record is very high, but only because persons chose to use the information wisely either pro or con towards any given situation that demanded an "outside perception." Sometimes, we ourselves, are too close to a particular situation and cannot get a grasp on something that we need to know about immediately. Try to remember that this column is not for emergencies. If you need help that fast, dial 911 please!

You know, people by nature enjoy hearing about themselves and others, so I think, so, I know ... you're going to enjoy reading this addition to the Sanford Herald. Being local, in the Greater Orlando area, I will also be available for speaking engagements for your group or organization, as well as, available on an individual basis for those "in depth" sessions that do require more time than a column can allow. When writing to the Herald, please do not send money, donations or anything

that resembles a fee. This column is for your enlightenment, education, and entertainment. There will be no prayer cloths for sale or 900 phone numbers for you to call. What you will find, though, are revealing facts about this field and some answers to those questions about which you will be writing to me.

If you want to arrange for your group or organization a speaking engagement (which also includes a live demonstration most of the time) or if you want to speak with me personally first and find out more about how I might function on your behalf, call me at 1-407-239-LIFE (5435). It's an Orlando number.

I look forward to the times ahead that I will spend answering your letters, talking with you, and helping you solve those seemingly unsolvable problems that have caused a dilemma in your life. For some replies (if I feel that I need to contact you) why don't you include a self-addressed stamped envelope. You just might get a surprise "bonus" personal reply. Obviously, I won't be able to answer everybody.

(Write to "Jerry Knows", c/o Sanford Herald, 266 N. French Ave., Sanford, 32771. Jerry Stewart's phone: 1-407-239-5465 for information and speaking engagements.)

Hobby: Mice Passion for rodents started as a child

By SUSAN WENNER
Herald Correspondent

SANFORD — Sandy Stanbury has a house full of rodents. Before making a call to the Health Department bear in mind, they aren't real. With a collection of ceramic, sandcast, stuffed, porcelain and wood, the only moving creature resembles a mouse greeting card.

Stanbury has been in Deltona for two years and in Sanford for three years. She has been employed at triple A (AAA) as a cartographer for the five years of her stay in Florida. As Stanbury put it, she was lead here by the Lord to make a move.

Sanford Christian Church has been her church home for two years. She leads an active sing life and keeps herself busy assisting with the youth group and organizing craft fairs with the church.

Her fascination with mice began at the age of about five or six. "While most girls were playing with doll houses I was playing with the mouse house I got for Christmas," she said. "It was just like a doll house but with mice. It had beds, furniture and all the other necessities of a house."

Although one of her smallest furry, four-legged friends is only a one-inch shrew mouse, she also displayed a stuffed Santa mouse

measuring about one-foot tall. Favorite of the bunch was named as a baby mouse in a tencup dressed in red, Christmas pajamas that was a gift from her cousin.

She discussed the most unusual of her over 150 mice collection. "My sister gave me a greeting card," she said. "On the outside it has a mouse with ice skates on. When you open it up it is cut in the shape of the mouse and it plays music."

Stanbury told of several others in her collection. "I have a wooden mouse keychain," she said. "I have a mouse playing baseball. Another unusual mouse I have is a little mouse in an old shoe that has on reading glasses and he's climbing out of a hole in the shoe."

Thirty of the mice in her home are part of the Woodmouse family. "They are a family with generations of mice in the collection," she said. "They start with a bride and groom. The family includes a genealogy chart and explanations about who the parents are of each and what their jobs or professions are. For example, Letitia Plum is an accomplished artist and art historian. All the mice bring their restorations to her. There really is an in-depth background history on each of them."

Another set Stanbury has are mice from Hallmark. "They are



Sandy Stanbury surrounded by mice.

Mountainside mice," she said. "There are eight in the set, but I only have six. They make a complete village. Each one comes in a box. The box looks like a house on the outside. One I have is named Hilary Hemetitch. She is a seamstress. Inside the box a sewing machine, spools of thread and sewing needles are found."

Village mice were another set that Stanbury named. These mice have a farmer with a rake and others performing various jobs.

In keeping with the past holiday season, Stanbury recently brought out her Christmas mice. "I have lots of Christmas mice,"

she said. "There is one set of them decorating a Christmas tree. Some building snowmen and others snowploding."

She attributed much of her collection as gifts from family and friends. Occasionally a stray horse from her collection of 75 may gallop to share a shelf with a mouse. "People just began giving me mice and horses," she said. "I love both of them."

Telling all may be a big mistake

DEAR ABBY: Please tell "Repenting in South Carolina," the man who insisted that his wife tell him all the intimate details of a previous love affair, that he was lucky she refused to tell him.

My husband was unfaithful several years ago, and when I confronted him, I, too, insisted on knowing all the intimate details. My husband unwisely obliged.

What a mistake! It provided me with mental images to keep in my mind, as if I had witnessed the whole thing.

Now I realize that my recovery would have been far easier had I relied on my imagination, rather than knowing all the graphic details for which I foolishly begged.

DEAR POLLEE: Thank you for sharing a valuable lesson, for which you paid dearly. Those whose spouses have been unfaithful are often tormented by a compulsion to "know everything." However, knowing the details can be more painful than not knowing them.

DEAR ABBY: Perhaps someone will use this idea for Thanksgiving or Christmas — or any other occasion when families gather.

I am a certified sign language interpreter. Last Thanksgiving, I was hired by a family who has a sibling who is deaf. For whatever reason, no one in the family really learned to sign as they all grew up. I was there to follow this individual from group to group, signing whatever was being discussed, or voicing the thoughts being contributed to the conversation by sign.

Abby, most deaf children are born into hearing families, but only a few of these families learn to communicate fluently in American Sign Language. As new family members are added through marriage, it becomes even more difficult for all to communicate as well as they would like.

I thought hiring an interpreter was ingenious — and wanted to share the idea with your readers. Please don't use my name; just sign me ...

ALOMA
DEAR ALOMA: Your letter a first. What a wonderful gift for a family to give themselves — the deaf member of the family is not the only family member who benefits.

DEAR ABBY: The letter from the woman who said she had been invited to a bridal shower, but not to the wedding, reminded me of my most embarrassing moment:

I had ordered only 50 wedding invitations, as I was paying for everything myself with very

ADVICE

ABIGAIL VAN BUREN

limited resources. You can imagine my embarrassment when, the evening after all 50 wedding invitations were mailed, I was surprised with a lovely shower, given by five co-workers, only two of whom had been invited to the wedding. Of the other 20 guests, only three had been invited.

Caught off-guard, I suffered in silence. No amount of explaining to everyone later made me feel any better about the situation.

What should have been the most wonderful time of my life was ruined for me.

C.J. O'MALLEY

P.S. My fiance had known about the shower plans for two months, but never thought about the repercussions. After 30 years of marriage, I have almost forgiven him.

DEAR C.J. O'MALLEY: There's a lesson to be learned here. Brides, always order plenty of extra invitations; better to have them and not need them than to need them and not have them.

WORTH REMEMBERING: "Our ideals, laws and customs should be based on the proposition that each generation in turn becomes the custodian rather than the absolute owner of our resources — and each generation has the obligation to pass this inheritance on to the future."
ALDEN WETZMAN

(Problems? Write to Dear Abby. For a personal, unpublished reply, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Dear Abby, P.O. Box 69444, Los Angeles, Calif. 90069. All correspondence is confidential.)

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LITTLE WOMEN PG
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HELL PG-13
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BURN AND BURNER PG-13
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RICHIE RICH PG
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STREETFIGHTER PG-13
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by Chic Young



BEETLE BAILEY

by Mort Walker



THE BORN LOSER

by Art Scafe



PEANUTS

by Charles M. Schulz



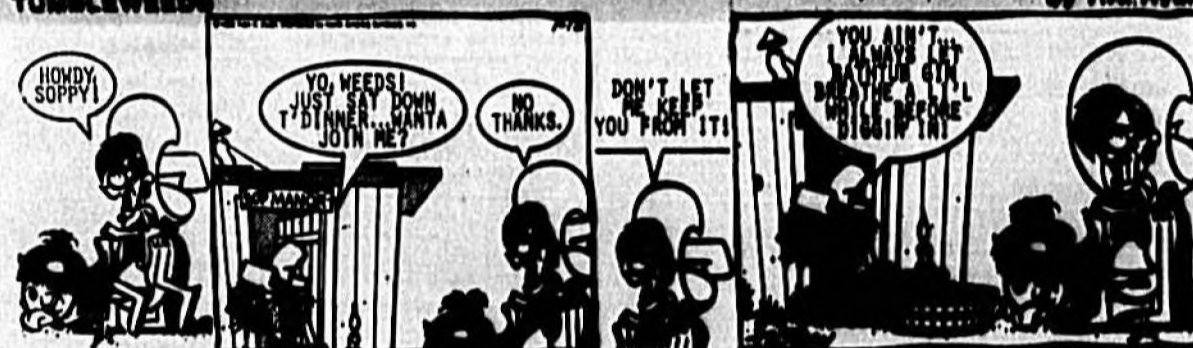
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by Mervin Schneider



TUMBLEWEEDS

by T.M. Ryan



ARLO AND JANIS

by Jimmy Johnson



FRANK AND ERNEST

by Bob Thaves



GARFIELD

by Jim Davis



ROBOTMAN

by Jim Meddick



Dry mouth, eyes may be Sjogren's



MEDICINE

PETER GOTT, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My sister has a very dry mouth continually and sometimes is unable to speak. She's been to many doctors, but no one seems to be able to help her.

DEAR READER: Without examining your sister, I cannot diagnose her condition. However, her doctors might wish to consider Sjogren's syndrome as a cause of her problem.

This disease, which is an auto-immune disorder, commonly affects people middle-aged and older, and is characterized by dry mouth and eyes. In addition, arthritis is often present.

The diagnosis is made by blood tests, especially those that measure SS-B antibodies (proteins that have been formed as part of the immune system). Also, a biopsy of the salivary glands may demonstrate the inflammation that marks Sjogren's syndrome.

Treatment consists of constantly wetting the mouth with liquids, chewing sugarless gum (to stimulate production of saliva) and using a mouthwash.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Can swallowing toothpaste after brushing your teeth be harmful to your thyroid gland or your throat? I recently found I have an underactive thyroid condition, anxiety, sleep difficulties and palpitations. Could it be related to my toothpaste-swallowing habits?

DEAR READER: The inconsequential amount of toothpaste that may be swallowed during a brushing is not harmful. Specifically, the symptoms you mention are not caused by your practice of swallowing toothpaste.

My question is: Why do you do it? Dentifrice is to be used for cleaning the teeth; after this process, it should be spit out. Why complicate the issue? Use the toothpaste appropriately, then you won't have to worry about the effects it might have.

Your symptoms need to be addressed by your family doctor. In particular, you should be

prescribed thyroid-replacement medicine, such as Synthroid, to treat this deficiency.

Also, you should be tested -- with a cardiogram and, perhaps, a stress test -- to discover the cause of your palpitations.

Finally, your anxiety (and the resulting insomnia) may require counseling.

Along with reviewing these health issues with your doctor,

- ACROSS
- 1 Kind of curve
 - 4 Cook slowly
 - 8 British machine gun
 - 12 Common — Philips
 - 13 Privately Hatten family
 - 14 Renewed
 - 15 Room in —
 - 18 Private conversation
 - 19 Saker
 - 20 Sixth sense (abbr.)
 - 21 Club —
 - 22 Electrified particle
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 - 25 Permitted
 - 28 Page Page's job
 - 34 Compose pt.
 - 35 Part of speech
 - 37 Cheese
 - 38 Strayhorn
 - 40 Error —
 - 42 Card game

- DOWN
- 1 Sharp fish
 - 2 Living bird
 - 3 To — old eye (abbr.)
 - 4 Letter in writing (abbr.)
 - 5 To — jump
 - 6 Immature

you should spend some time discussing your toothpaste-swallowing behavior, because you may need some advice about overcoming this habit.

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- Answers to Previous Puzzle
- 1 Curved
 - 2 Sparrowhawk
 - 3 Old eye (abbr.)
 - 4 Letter in writing (abbr.)
 - 5 To jump
 - 6 Immature
 - 7 Toad
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WIN AT BRIDGE

By Phillip Alder

Christopher Morley, the novelist and journalist, remarked about something that provides "wonderful training for girls: it's the first way you learn to guess what a man is going to do before he does it." What was he talking about?

In today's deal, you can try to guess what to do yourself, or you can call on the opponents to help. Which do you think is better? Right -- get the opponents to assist.

North cue-bid four clubs to show the club ace and a good raise to four hearts, in case South had a slam in mind.

Declarer won the club lead in hand, drew trumps in two rounds and played a diamond to dummy's king. East won with the ace, cashed the diamond queen and exited with a club. Now South had to find the spade

jack for his contract. As you have probably already guessed, he didn't do it. He won the club return in hand, played a club to dummy's ace and led a spade to his queen. However, West won with the ace and returned his last spade: one down.

South should have taken the simple precaution of eliminating the clubs before playing a diamond toward dummy's king. Then, after the defenders have taken their two diamond tricks, they must either lead a club, which concedes a ruff-and-discard, or open up spades, which saves South the guess.

And now, back to Morley's quotation. He was talking about dancing. On this deal, South failed to step from trick to trick correctly. He trod on his own toes -- and, I suppose, those of his partner.

NORTH		1-10-90	
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AK 9 8 7	AK 9 8 7	AK 9 8 7	AK 9 8 7
AK 7	AK 7	AK 7	AK 7
AK 5 4	AK 5 4	AK 5 4	AK 5 4
WEST	EAST	SOUTH	NORTH
AK 5	AJ 6 5 3	AQ 9 4	AQ 9 4
AK 7 3	AQ 3	AK J 10 8 5	AK J 10 8 5
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		South West North East	
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		4 0 Pass 4 Pass Pass	
		Opening Lead: A J	

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HOROSCOPE

By Bernice Bode Good

YOUR BIRTHDAY

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In the year ahead, you might find yourself at a crossroads. The route you choose could be entirely different and might have much more promise than your former paths.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) It could be to your advantage to alter your social patterns a bit today. Instead of associating strictly with old faces, check out an interesting recent acquaintance. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences that govern you in the year ahead. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today by mailing \$1.25 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4466, New York, NY 10163. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) If you've been contemplating a career change, today would be a good day to make some discreet inquiries as to what's available.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)

Get out and mingle today. Exciting things could happen through new social contacts during this cycle. You will make an excellent first impression right now.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Concentrate on situations that could mean immediate returns as well as security for the future. Something significant might be at your disposal.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Clothe yourself in optimism today. Solutions can be found for problems you've labeled unsolvable. Do not restrain your imagination.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) An opportunity might arise today that enables you to participate in someone else's lucrative arrangement. It could substantially add to your resources.

CANCER (June 21-July 23) Things will work out well for you today in your personal encounters. You will instinctively know what to say to bring out the best in others.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 23) This is an excellent time to initiate programs for self-improvement and increasing your resources. Stop procrastinating.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 23) Plan some type of social activity today, preferably to move around physically as well as mentally. It will have a strong rejuvenating effect.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Make a concerted effort to finalize financially meaningful matters today. You're presently very strong in this area.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23) A change of scenery is called for to renew your outlook. A short trip today might do the trick. You don't need to go far, just keep a definite destination in mind.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) The tide will turn in your favor concerning material interests. The more money-conscious you are today, the greater the probability will be for a harvest.

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