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Red Sox rally

SANFORD — The Sunland Red Sox came back from a 3-1 deficit to defeat the DAV Royals, 7-3, to remain undefeated in Sanford Little Major Baseball League action Tuesday night.
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BRIEFS

Volusia victim has Seminole connection

DeLAND — Laralee Spear, the 15-year-old girl whose body was found in a remote hang out for students at DeLand High School had just transferred to that school from Oviedo High School earlier this school year.

Spear's father David had been an employee of the Seminole County School District's facilities department for several years before the family left for a new home in Volusia County.

Her body was found a quarter mile from her home in the abandoned, burned out house where students often hang out.

It is unclear what happened to Spear, though police said that she had been shot several times.

The matter is still under investigation.

According to reports, Spear was an honors student and had just been selected for the school's cheerleading team.

Motorcyclist killed

LAKE MARY — A motorcyclist was killed late yesterday on Interstate 4, near the east-bound exit ramp at Lake Mary Boulevard.

According to police Capt. Sam Bellore, Robert Duff, 28, of Deltona, was traveling on the ramp when he failed to make a turn and drove across a grassed area.

"He apparently lost control of the motorcycle," Bellore said, "and was thrown across the interstate, where he was struck and killed by a passing van."

Bellore said the driver of the van reportedly had no opportunity to avoid hitting Duff. No charges were made.

The motorcycle was not struck by any passing vehicles, and ended up in the median of the interstate.

As a result of the accident, traffic on the interstate was held up for several hours.

Access 94 set for district two

SANFORD — The second in this year's series of town meetings by the Sanford City Commission and department heads has been set for Thursday May 12. The Access 94 meeting will focus on district two, and be held at the West Sanford Boys & Girls Club, 919 Persimmon Ave.

District two Commissioner Bob Thomas will be on hand to discuss problems and needs of the community. Also on hand will be Mayor Bettye Smith, City Manager Bill Simmons, and officials from such departments as Community and Economic Development, Parks Maintenance, Code Enforcement, Stormwater Management, and Police.

The meeting is being sponsored by the Westside Community Association and the City of Sanford. For additional information, phone 330-5670.

Center accredited

SANFORD — The Sanford Early Childhood Center is one of the latest around the nation to become accredited by the National Academy of Early Childhood Programs. Sanford Early Childhood Center, at 801 E. 25th Street, serves children from ages one month to 10 years old according to its director, Maudee Turner.

"Accreditation helps answer questions about what quality child care programs are," said Dr. Marilyn Smith, executive director of the national association.

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Afternoon showers



Partly cloudy with a chance of afternoon showers and thunderstorms. High in the mid to upper 80s. Wind southeast 10 mph. Chance of rain 40 percent.

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Crime across county

Longwood student nabbed on drug charges

By NICK PFEIFAU
Herald Staff Writer

LONGWOOD — A 19-year old senior at Lyman High School in Longwood was arrested by sheriff's deputies yesterday afternoon. The student was reportedly found in possession of 14 bags of what was proven to be marijuana.

Sheriff's spokesman Ed McDonough said the youth, identified as Jean Robert Milice, of 2814 Aloma Avenue in south Seminole County, was charged with possession of marijuana with intent to distribute.

According to McDonough, at approximately 12:30 yesterday afternoon, two school officials contacted the school resource officer after seeing Milice reportedly acting in a suspicious manner on the school grounds.

Assistant principals Black and Shakar had taken the student to Black's office and asked him to empty his pockets.

According to the arresting officer's statements,

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Lyman High School Senior Jean Robert Milice is escorted from the school by sheriff's deputies.



Herald Photo by Tommy Vincent

Sanford police patrolman Gary A. Smith, left, and crime scene technician Randy Smith, go over evidence found in a car stopped on 13th Street.

Sanford police stop stolen car, find gun, 'crack'

By NICK PFEIFAU
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — Police found more than they expected when they stopped a vehicle on 13th Street yesterday afternoon.

The car had been reported stolen and it was found to be carrying a large quantity of what police suspected to be crack cocaine.

According to police Commander Dennis Whitmire, "Officer Gary Smith was traveling on 13th Street at approximately 1:15 yesterday afternoon, when he noticed the driver of a Honda in front of him continuously staring into the rear view mirror. After a half dozen to dozen of these glances, Smith became suspicious and called in for a license check. The response was that the vehicle had been listed as stolen in Miami."

Whitmire continued, "Officer Smith then stopped the car on 13th Street near Railroad Avenue. When he investigated the contents of the vehicle, he found 124 grams of crack cocaine, and a shotgun."

Police said the man identified himself as Michael Alonso Green, age 29. "There were also indications that he was using other names as well," Whitmire said, "so he was booked as a John Doe until we determine his real identity. He also said he lived in Miami, but was in the process of moving to Sanford, so we don't even know his current address at this time."

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Lake Mary cops seek robber

By J. MARK BARFIELD
Herald Senior Staff Writer

LAKE MARY — Lake Mary police investigators are seeking the public's assistance in catching the man who robbed the Southern Bank on West Lake Mary Boulevard last Friday afternoon.

Investigators say the man entered the bank shortly after noon and stood by a customer island until a teller wasn't busy. The man then approached a clerk, handed her a plastic zipper bag and demanded \$50 and \$100 bills from her cash drawer. The teller reported the man told her "but the money in the bag and nobody will get hurt." No gun was seen.

The suspect is described as black, five feet, nine inches to five feet, 10 inches tall, weighing 165 lbs., with black hair and brown

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The bank robbery suspect

City pushes locals for mall jobs

By NICK PFEIFAU
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — City Manager Bill Simmons wants to be certain as many contractors as possible benefit from the construction of the Seminole Towne Center Mall. Community Development Director

Charles Rowe also wants heavy use of local workers for mall related jobs.

Simmons approached the situation during the commission work session Monday afternoon. "When we first started working with the mall people," he commented, "Tom Schneider (Melvin Simon repre-

sentative) assured me that everything would be done to obtain local contractors and workers. I want to be sure this is carried out now that construction is getting underway."

"We should have as many prime contractors, sub-contractors and sub sub-contractors as possible from the local area," Simmons said.

"What we need to do is set up a center where this information will be available, and keep an informational list such as when specific items come up for bids."

Simmons suggested the use of a bulletin board area in the lower floor of the City Hall for the posting of

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Officials design family friendly school schedule

By VICKI DeSORMIER
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — Officials constructing the year-round school calendar with its five tracks plus the "traditional" high school track want to keep it "family friendly."

The tracks, while they operate parallel to one another, must also operate in conjunction with one another to avoid too much disruption of family life for those families which have students at different levels and on different tracks.

As the calendar committee worked over the last few months to construct a calendar for the 1995-96 school year they kept five objectives in mind.

The calendar, they said, had to be academically sound, had to be more closely aligned with the traditional calendar so families could have more time together, had to be "family friendly", had to include a high school calendar that begin earlier in August so that the first semester was concluded before the start of the Winter Break and had to permit eighth graders to take advantage of summer school opportunities.

"I think we did very well with that," said Dr. Michael Mizwicki, principal of Jackson Heights Middle School and the district's "expert" on year round education. "We knew we wouldn't be able to please all of

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Picturesque picnic area OK'd by civic center

By NICK PFEIFAU
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — Residents will soon have a more picturesque place to picnic and stroll near the Sanford Civic Center.

The Sanford City Commission Monday approved expenditure of Scenic Improvement Board funds to landscape and improve the courtyard area north of the Sanford Civic Center.

SIB had already been budgeted for \$7,258. The commission however, was required to give consensus

approval to the use of the money. The SIB approved the recommendations during an April 6 meeting. Plans call for a revitalization of the courtyard grounds between the civic center and senior center.

To be included are the establishment of an open lawn area for special events including the setting up of tents, a winding concrete walkway, new trees, shrubs and flowers, and changes in the existing concrete areas.

Along the walkway plans call for four regular and two handicapped

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In training



Herald Photo by Susan Werner

Donta Poyser might one day participate in the Olympics as a world class gymnast, but for now the 10-year-old Sanford boy is doing his training on the monkey bars at Park on Park. The game of the day was hide and seek, but Poyser had to use his speed and agility to keep out of the view of his friends.

Report card says state short on black managers

By **BILL BERGSTROM**
Associated Press Writer

TALLAHASSEE — It's inadequate that blacks hold 7 percent of state agency management posts when they make up nearly 14 percent of the population, two black groups say in a report card on state hiring.

Though the Department of Commerce got an "A" with nearly twice the expected number of blacks in senior posts, most agencies got an "F" in the report released Tuesday. Three agencies are listed as not having blacks in managerial positions.

"We were not, and are not seeking quotas," said Chiquita Williams, Tallahassee chapter president of the National Political Congress of Black Women, one of the groups doing the ratings. "We were and are asking that state government be reflective of its population."

"We are not excluded from paying taxes, so why should we be excluded from the decision-making process?" said Ray Shackelford, interim president of the other group, the African-American Political Action Network.

The groups counted agency management and professional employees, then compared the number of blacks with the 13.6

percent in the general population.

For example, Gov. Lawton Chiles' office got a "C" grade, with five blacks among 51 management employees, 71 percent of the expected total of seven.

The 71 percent was up from 51 percent a year earlier, said Chiles' spokesman, Ron Sachs. "While these numbers demonstrate great progress, I feel the governor looks forward to doing even better."

Shackelford criticized the Citrus Commission, Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission, and Probation and Parole Commission, all listed with no black management employees.

"When people want to do right, they can and will do so," Shackelford said.

Actually, the Parole Commission's 17 management personnel now include one black and two women, an improvement since the Dec. 31 date of the data used in the report, said Jeffrey Bryan, assistant to Chairman Gene Hodges.

The game and fish commission still has no black managers, but has two women in management and has increased minority employment agency-wide from 3 percent to 10 percent in two years, executive director Allan Egbert said.

It's hard to match offers that

qualified minorities receive elsewhere in the wildlife field, Egbert said.

"If you find an African-American who has a master's degree in wildlife biology, I guarantee he'll be working for a federal agency, because we just can't compete," he said.

Citrus Commission officials didn't return a call for comment.

The top-ranking Commerce agency had 8 blacks among 29 management employees, compared with an expected 4.

The agency's top priority is to hire qualified applicants, spokeswoman Vicki Knappenberger said.

"But we also believe that to prepare this agency for the future, in which a larger and larger percentage of the work force will be minority, that it's important to get these people in management now," Knappenberger said.

The only other "A" went to the Department of Labor and Employment Security, where 22 blacks matched the number expected among 105 management employees.

Labor Secretary Shirley Gooding and former secretary Frank Scruggs have emphasized hiring and contracting with minorities, spokeswoman Deborah Bergstrom said.

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the people, but we did our best to keep the best interest of the students in mind."

Supt. Paul Hugerty said that he believed the district was doing what it could to increase family time together, especially during the summer when families traditionally vacation together.

Despite the best efforts of the committee, parents representing the "minority opinion" said there was not enough time on the traditional (high school) calendar to allow for summer school opportunities and for a two-week family vacation.

Kathy Mellor, who represented the parents, spoke to the school board at a meeting Tuesday night.

"We don't feel you should be denying us the opportunity of having a vacation with our children," she said. "I realize that creating this schedule is a unique challenge, but there are

some things we could do to create more family time during the summer."

She offered suggestions of beginning the high school calendar with the green track, which begins classes July 17, 1995 (the high school track is scheduled to begin Aug. 7, 1995); of shortening the Winter Break, which is scheduled from Dec. 20, 1995 through Jan. 3, 1996, by a few days; and of changing the summer school schedule from four days a week for six weeks to five days a week for five weeks.

Mizwicki warned that making changes that were too drastic might upset the precarious balance found by the calendar committee. If they were done carefully, minor changes might be effected.

While board member Larry Strickler objected to moving ahead too quickly, the other board members were in a hurry to finalize the calendar so that parents could begin making plans for their vacations

during the 1995-96 school year.

"I want to feel more comfortable about what the stakeholder groups (parents, teachers and students) really feel," he said. "I do think we need to make a decision within three or four weeks, but I believe the committee needs to look at this again."

Despite his protests, the other board members approved the calendar as presented but changed summer school to five days a week for five weeks from four days a week for six weeks.

"Ultimately the buck stops here," said chairman Barbara Kuhn. "Sooner or later this board has to make a decision."

By a 4-1 vote, the board approved the slightly altered calendar.

According to Mizwicki, the calendar approved by the board will still work and will allow the tracks to co-exist well while still allowing more time for families to spend together.

Negotiators agree on lower penalties for blocking clinic

By **MARCY GORDON**
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — Congressional negotiators agreed on prison sentences of up to 18 months for abortion protesters who block or damage clinics or intimidate patients or staff.

The maximum federal penalties for blocking access to clinics were considerably lighter in the compromise bill than those the House had approved.

Negotiators on Tuesday resolved differences between the House and Senate versions of the bill, both passed last November. Last month, in a series of procedural votes, abortion-rights activists in the House beat back attempts by anti-abortion lawmakers to derail the legislation.

The compromise now returns to the House and Senate for final votes.

The compromise was reached as an Oregon woman who admitted shooting an abortion doctor outside his clinic last summer drew a sentence of nearly 11 years from a judge in Wichita, Kan. The judge refused a prosecution request to double

the time that Rachelle Shannon spends in prison.

The bill would make it a federal offense to block a clinic entrance or damage a clinic. It also imposes federal penalties on those who intentionally intimidate, injure or interfere with clinic staff or patients by using force, threatening force or physically blocking their way.

Negotiators adopted a proposal that would set a maximum fine of \$10,000 and six months in prison for a first offense and a maximum penalty of \$25,000 and 18 months in prison for a subsequent offense.

The House bill had called for fines of up to \$100,000 and one year in prison for a first offense and up to \$250,000 in fines and three years in prison for a second offense.

"I don't think there's any question that this is an issue regarding violence in our society and also constitutional rights," said Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass.

The legislation is partly a response to the fatal shooting a year ago of Dr. David Gunn outside the abortion clinic where he worked in Pensacola, Fla. The

man who shot him, Michael F. Griffin, was recently sentenced to life in prison, with no chance of parole for 24 years.

Opponents of the bill have argued that it singles out anti-abortion activists for punishment, and therefore threatens their right to free speech.

"This is the first time I've seen us punishing nonviolent civil disobedience," said Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah.

Rep. Henry Hyde, R-Ill., leader of anti-abortion forces in the House who had tried to expand the bill to cover labor disputes and other conflicts, said, "Equal protection of the law ought to apply to everybody, everybody, even if they're against killing unborn children."

Pamela Maraldo, president of Planned Parenthood Federation of America, said, "We are satisfied that the conferees have adopted the strongest possible legislation. Given the presence of such outspoken anti-choice lawmakers as Senator Hatch and Congressman Hyde, the process could have been much more contentious."

Beautify

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picnic tables and two large grills.

During work session discussion, Grounds Maintenance Coordinator Howard Jeffries explained that the city has the capability of manufacturing the concrete picnic tables, which will help keep the cost of the improvements down.

City Manager Bill Simmons said the proposed improvements have been submitted to the Waterfront Steering Committee for information.

There was no immediate indication of when the work may get underway.

Aquarius scientists to surface after nine wet days

By **NICOLE WINFIELD**
Associated Press Writer

MIAMI — Sixty-five feet underwater off Key Largo, six researchers are plotting the course for future studies on coral damage.

The team is living in Aquarius, a 43-foot-long, 16.5-foot-tall steel cylinder laboratory in the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary.

They have been there since April 19, drilling markers in the reefs for future monitoring and taking coral specimens on board to document their condition.

"It's not a real sexy kind of study," says Steven Miller, science director for the University of North Carolina's National Undersea Research Center, which sent an observer on the mission. "But it's the only way to document change when it occurs."

The five scientists and one UNC researcher are seeking evidence of reef damage to study its implications. After subsequent visits, Miller says researchers should be able to learn why coral reefs are deteriorating and perhaps keep the damage from worsening.

"Reefs thrive in clear, clean water," he said. "Where reefs are close to large population centers, their health is threatened. Declines have been documented."

Scars are evident in the coral reefs off the Keys, but no long-term studies of progressive deterioration have been conducted on deep-sea coral, Miller said.

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The coral-charting mission by Aquarius, which is scheduled to end Thursday morning, is intended to launch that project.

"We hope Aquarius will get us the kind of information to help distinguish between natural causes of deterioration and human causes of damage," Miller said.

The scientists strap on oxygen tanks for dives from the submerged lab, giving them more flexibility in their work.

"On surface dives, scientists are limited to time," Miller said. "Because the aquanauts are not resurfacing, there are no physiological problems from changes of depths. In 95 feet or less, they can stay up to nine hours a day. With surface dives, they may have an hour."

Aquarius was launched in 1987 off St. Croix in the Virgin Islands. The vessel had five missions last year, and eight are planned this year.

The \$10,000-a-day cost is absorbed by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

The watery lab five miles off the coast of Key Largo has a laboratory, kitchen, hot showers and sleeping quarters. Experiments can be performed on a wet porch.

The scientists are from the sanctuary, NOAA, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection and the University of South Florida.

They should be in pretty good shape following decompression even after nine days underwater.

"The biggest problem is rashes," Miller says. "Little cuts and abrasions don't heal real well underwater."

Jobs

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information to the Greater Sanford Chamber of Commerce.

"We will need to create a plan room, possibly a small room right here in City Hall," Simmons suggested. "where we could have the plans laid out, and all of the information in one location for interested bidders, workers or contractors."

Simmons said he would expect the room would be needed for approximately a year. The Sem-

inoe Towne Center Mall is scheduled to have its grand opening on September 7, 1995. He suggested naming it the "Mall Work Center."

"This is an excellent idea," commented Mayor Beitye Smith. "We can't force local people to get involved, but we should do everything we possibly can to keep them informed."

Community Development Director Charles Rowe also spoke on helping ensure that the mall work would involve local employment. "The Job Services

of Florida operation will be placing signs at the construction site, telling people where to go to obtain work. Job Services will be sort-of policing the hiring of the mall workers," Job Services is located at the Reflections Plaza on Lake Mary Boulevard.

Rowe said the information signs will also be included in the Mall Work Center posting at city hall.

"We will also be tracking job placements of people who are hired by zip codes," Rowe said. "to determine the impact the mall has on our local labor force."

Following construction, he said efforts will continue to concentrate on hiring local people for positions in the retail stores, restaurants and other operations which will be part of the mall and surrounding area.

"This will have a terrific impact on local employment," Rowe commented. "as long as we continue to work with the mall developers and contractors to have this reflect on the local people as much as possible."

Initial plans for the Seminole Towne Center Mall predicted approximately 2,000 permanent jobs once the facility is operating. Five major department stores and approximately 130 specialty stores are planned for the two-level enclosed regional mall.

Drugs

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J.R. Milice nervously went into his front pants pocket and started to empty his pocket, when suddenly Mr. Black saw what he thought to be a weapon coming out of J.R. Milice's pocket.

The report continues, "Mr. Black, fearing for his safety, grabbed J.R. Milice's hand and simultaneously called out for Tom Lawrence to arrest him."

School resource officer, deputy Juan Melendez actually made the arrest, and reportedly recovered the 14 clear plastic ziplock type bags from Milice's pockets.

A presumptive test indicated positive that the substance was marijuana.

Deputies said the marijuana would have a street value of approximately \$140.

Milice was taken to the John E. Polk Correctional Facility, where he was held under \$3,000 bond.

McDonough said Milice is a citizen of Jamaica, and a registered alien in the United States.

McDonough said Deputy Sheriff Melendez, who handled the arrest, will be forwarding a copy of the arrest report to the U.S. Immigration Service.

Crack

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Investigators said the 124 grams of crack cocaine had a base value of approximately \$5,000, but if sold in individual rocks, could bring between \$7,000 and \$8,000.

Following a check of the crack cocaine, Whitmire said the substance proved to have been altered, and was considered fake cocaine.

In consideration of the alterations, the man was charged with possession with intent to distribute in lieu of a controlled

substance.

Police said the shotgun found in the vehicle did not have any visible serial number so nothing could be learned about the weapon. In connection with the gun, Green was charged with possession of a firearm.

The additional charge of grand theft auto was also placed against him on the John Doe arrest.

Police investigators are trying to determine the man's true identity, and are following additional leads in the case.

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eyes. The man was wearing a blue White Sox baseball cap. The man is believed to have left in a faded or dirty black pick-up truck. The make of the vehicle could not be determined.

Police are investigating whether the suspect is a local resident.

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Mandela votes, but blast mars election mood

By **TINA SUBMAN**
Associated Press Writer

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa — With a new flag heralding the birth of democracy, Nelson Mandela cast the first vote of his life in an election expected to make him the country's first black president.

But a bomb blasted Johannesburg's international airport, renewing fears of a terrorist campaign.

The blast came minutes after a jubilant Mandela voted at a polling station in the hills outside Durban, a coastal city about 300 miles southeast of Johannesburg. Police confirmed 18 injuries, two of them serious, and said a white man was being questioned.

The attack was a reminder of the obstacles facing Mandela's African National Congress if, as expected, it comes to power after the election.

Right-wing extremists have vowed to wage war rather than live under a black government, and at least 21 people have died in bombings since Sunday. Police said the man being questioned in today's bombing was dressed in khaki, the color usually worn by the extremists.

The bomb shattered the euphoria that spread across the country after voting opened Tuesday to the sick, elderly and other "special voters" who needed extra time to cast ballots.

Blacks impatient for their first taste of democracy arrived at

polls in wheelchairs and even wheelbarrows in some rural areas. At hospitals, they roused themselves from sickbeds and hobbled to hospital polls wearing their nightclothes.

Many broke into tears after making their mark. "We need freedom," said 72-year-old Florence Ndimga, voting with other elderly people near Cape Town. "We are tired of being slaves."

"It is the beginning of a new era," Mandela said after dropping his ballot into a simple brown box outside a school founded by John Dube, one of the first ANC leaders. "It is a realization of our hopes and dreams — the dreams of a South Africa which represents all South Africans."

The day dawned with a new flag flying over the nation, and the sounds of a new national anthem lingering in the chilly air. The changeover occurred at midnight in the nine cities that will serve as provincial capitals under the new, post-apartheid constitution, which took effect today.

The old flag, seen by many blacks as a symbol of white rule, was lowered for the last time at nationally televised ceremonies as the old anthem, "Die Stem," ("The Call"), was sung.

As the new flag was raised, the anthem of the anti-apartheid movement, "God Bless Africa," was sung for the first time as one of the two official national anthems. "Die Stem," an Afrikaner hymn, will remain as the second anthem.

Despite late-arriving ballots and waits so long in some places that people collapsed, the mood among blacks casting the first vote of their lives was jubilant.

Lines snaked through white suburbs and black townships. Many people brought folding chairs, warm drinks and breakfast rolls.

In a sign of the changes, many whites showed up to vote with their black domestic workers, who were never before allowed cast ballots.

"It's like Martin Luther King's dream coming true in South Africa," said 21-year-old Vukle Mzamane, who voted in Guguletu outside Cape Town.

One of those who voted today was President F.W. de Klerk, who freed Mandela from prison in 1990 and began the reforms that will end his presidency.

He was confident "the next five years will be five formative years in which South Africa will establish itself as a country which offers great hope for all its people."

Mangosuthu Buthelezi also voted. The Zulu nationalist leader dropped his boycott of the election just one week ago to run in the election.

"I think if all voters are given the opportunity to cast their votes, then I will have no problems," he said. "But I'm also concerned about the widespread rigging that seems to be taking place."

There was no confirmation of his claim that underage youths were voting or that monitors from his Inkatha Freedom Party were chased from some polling stations. Election officials did acknowledge delays at some polls Tuesday because of materials arriving late in largely rural Natal Province, the Zulu stronghold.

The Independent Electoral Commission said it would decide later whether to give voters in Natal extra days to vote.

The election, set to conclude Thursday night, will select a national assembly and nine provincial assemblies. The ANC is expected to win about 60 percent of the vote. Second place should go to de Klerk's National Party, which implemented apartheid to separate the races, then dismantled it under growing pressure at home and abroad.

The 75-year-old Mandela, who struggled all his life against apartheid and spent 27 years in prison, is expected to be sworn in as president of South Africa's first democratic government on May 10. He will govern a deeply divided country, with unemployment and illiteracy higher than 50 percent among blacks.

"We have moved from an era of pessimism, division, and limited opportunities," said Mandela. "We are starting a new era of hope, of reconciliation, of nation-building."

He vowed to create a multiracial democracy. "I have fought very firmly against white domination. I have fought very firmly against black domination; I cherish the idea of a new South Africa where all South Africans are equal, where all South Africans work together in order to bring about security, peace and democracy."

In one of the few outbreaks of violence at polls, policemen guarding a voting station near Orangeville in the northern Orange Free State late Tuesday returned fire after assailants cut power to the building and sprayed gunshots damaged doors and windows. Police said the attackers approached on foot and escaped in a vehicle.

Shadow of 'boss politics' still looms

By **BUCKY OLSON**
Associated Press Writer

PHILADELPHIA — Boss politics lingers in Philadelphia, where elections are decided on voting machines in people's homes and where even the dead cast ballots.

Cynicism about the system was reinforced last fall by a special state Senate election, the results of which were overturned Tuesday by a federal judge who found widespread fraud and gave the victory to the Republican loser.

Bruce Marks had won on the voting machines, but Democrat William Stinson finished 481 votes ahead with nearly 80 percent of the absentee ballots.

Stinson is accused of miscounting ballots with the help of his mother and son, and his campaign is accused of taking advantage of voters who spoke little English.

"Philadelphia has never outgrown the boss politics of the 19th century," said Barry Kauffman, executive director of Common Cause of Pennsylvania. "Until we have a strong political system instead of a boss system, these problems are likely to continue."

Stinson was thrown out of office in February by U.S. District Judge Clarence Newcomer. An appeals court reversed the ruling, saying Newcomer acted unconstitutionally. But his second ruling, on Tuesday, was even stronger, laying part of the blame on election commissioners and ordering reforms.

Stinson was charged with voter fraud in March along with two campaign workers.

The charges illustrate the inbred nature of Philadelphia politics, where neighborhood polling places are in homes, an election commissioner can also serve as a ward leader, and party bosses have held the political system in a virtual stranglehold.

The Stinson-Marks race was pivotal last November, when control of the Senate hung in the balance and Marks' victory would have given Republicans a 26-24 edge. That changed when a Democratic senator died last month.

Authorities say that Stinson — himself a ward leader — opened voting machines, using keys he got from his mother, an election judge, and that he also counted

absentee ballots with his son.

"There's one for me," he allegedly said each time a ballot carried his name — and sometimes when it didn't.

Stinson acknowledged opening the ballots but denied reading the votes.

Many residents of the Northeast Philadelphia district said Stinson campaign workers persuaded them to vote absentee, not explaining that state law allows absentee ballots only for people unable to get to the polls.

Many voters who said they were misled were Hispanics with poor command of English. Some said workers told them how to fill in the ballots; others said the campaign workers filled in the ballots for them. One said she was told her vote was more likely to be counted if it was cast in absentia.

Others said that they didn't vote at all and that their signatures were forged. One vote was counted for an 87-year-old woman who died nearly nine months before the election.

"It's a scandal," Marks said. "The people of Pennsylvania deserve to have the candidate they chose. It's just outrageous."

In his ruling, Newcomer said Stinson's campaign and city election commissioners engaged in "an intentional and deliberate scheme ... to abridge the right to vote of hundreds of persons."

Newcomer said two election commissioners — Margaret Tartaglione, a Democratic ward leader, and Alexander Talmadge — allowed the Stinson campaign to submit absentee applications past the deadline.

He said another problem was the board's longstanding custom of handing absentee applications directly to candidates for distribution. He ordered an end to the practice.

Stinson's lawyers appealed, and he refused to comment. Tartaglione did not return calls, and Talmadge denied wrongdoing.

"Anytime you have system as important as election system called into grave question, it's really an affront to democracy," said Fred Voigt, executive director of the election watchdog group Committee of Seventy. "Even the perception is a problem because people don't trust government. That's tragic."

Ordinary citizens pay tribute to Nixon at his birthplace

By **ERNEST SANDER**
Associated Press Writer

YORBA LINDA, Calif. — Presidents and other dignitaries gathered for Richard Nixon's funeral today, but the night belonged to ordinary people who stood for hours in rain and hail to say goodbye.

Mourners waited in a line three-quarters of a mile long to file past the flag-draped mahogany casket of the 37th president, borne home with fanfare Tuesday to the place of his austere and dolorous childhood.

"He came from here and he wanted to come back here," said Rosemary Falcon, 68, from the nearby Los Angeles suburb of West Covina.

Nixon's body was carried home aboard the same blue-and-white jet that brought him back to California after he resigned in disgrace 20 years ago. He died Friday in New York at age 81 after a stroke.

An estimated 15,000 people had filed past the closed casket at the Richard Nixon Library & Birthplace by late Tuesday night, and the crowd showed no signs of letting up. The viewing was to continue nearly until noon; the funeral was to be held this afternoon.

In the library's lobby, mourners were greeted by a photograph of a grinning Nixon giving a thumbs-up gesture. Wreaths from China, Poland and Russia adorned the coffin, which stood on a pedestal under the gaze of a military honor guard.

Visitors, some wearing Nixon campaign buttons, shook off their umbrellas and paused briefly at the casket. Some wept quietly. One woman crossed herself.

"This is probably the most emotional experience I've been through, including my marriage and the birth of my children," said Debbye Shepard, 43, of Cerritos. "My stomach is still moving inside."

Today's ceremony was for the powerful, with every living president and delegations from at least 55 countries expected. President Clinton, who as a student protested Nixon's Vietnam War policies, was to deliver a eulogy.

First in line for the viewing was Bill Anderson, 47, of Barstow, who left home at 6 a.m. to pay his respects and to see his 21-year-old son, Albert, a member of the honor guard.

"For any man to give his whole life for this country, I would have to have a strong feeling for him," Anderson said.



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Sports

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IN BRIEF

LOCALLY

Deltona in to 5A-4 tournament

DELTONA — Freshman Tasha Mathis hurled a no-hitter and Debbie Hinson scored three runs as Deltona ousted the Mainland Buccaneers, 10-0, in a Class 5A-District 4 Tournament game at Deltona High School Tuesday.

The victory puts the Wolves (10-10) into a 4 p.m. game at No. 1 seeded Lyman today.

Mathis, Hinson, Aaryn Majub and Gina Mangelli had two hits each for Deltona.

Cubs win

ORLANDO — Rod Robertson was 3-for-4 and Orlando scored three runs in the eighth inning to break a 1-1 tie and give the Cubs a 4-1 win over the Carolina Mudcats.

AROUND THE STATE

Stars edge Lookouts

JACKSONVILLE — Tim Fortugno's errant pickoff scored Raul Rodarte in the bottom of the ninth inning, giving the Jacksonville Suns a 6-5 win over the Chattanooga Lookouts.

Oviedo's Mark Merchant and UCF's Chad Mottola had RBI singles for Chattanooga.

Harvey on DL

MIAMI — Closer Bryan Harvey will be out for 15 days, and the Florida Marlins are delighted.

Test results Tuesday indicated that Harvey strained flexor muscle mass in his right elbow, an injury less serious than the Marlins feared when he walked off the mound in the ninth inning of Monday's 4-3 victory over Atlanta.

Braves avoid sweep

MIAMI — Mike Kelly knows he's not going to be the Atlanta Braves' rookie of the year. He'll settle for rookie of the night.

Kelly got his first major-league RBIs with a three-run double to break an eighth-inning tie, lifting the Atlanta Braves past the Florida Marlins 9-6.

Fellow rookies Javier Lopez and Ryan Klesko homered for Atlanta. Lopez's blow landed in the upper deck.

Kelly, who entered the game in the seventh inning as a pinch runner, pulled a 3-2 fastball from Yorkis Perez down the third-base line with two outs in the eighth and the bases loaded.

Mark Wohlers (3-0) gave up a game-tying homer to Orestes Destrade, his third, leading off the seventh. Greg McMichael pitched two perfect innings for his fifth save.

Gary Sheffield hit a three-run homer, his seventh, as the Marlins scored five in the fourth.

AROUND THE NATION

"Penny" NBA rookie of month

NEW YORK — Chicago forward Scottie Pippen, who averaged 23.3 points, 9.2 rebounds and 6.3 assists in April, is the NBA player of the month. Orlando guard Anfernee Hardaway, who averaged 19.3 points, 8.2 assists and 6.6 rebounds in April, is the rookie of the month.

Holyfield hangs up gloves

ATLANTA — Evander Holyfield, who lost his heavyweight title to Michael Moorer on a 12-round decision Friday night, retired after being diagnosed with a heart condition.

Holyfield's personal physician, Dr. Ronald Stephens, said the condition was manifested by severe fatigue and was diagnosed after the fight.

Stephens told a news conference at Crawford Long Hospital that the condition, diagnosed as a non-compliant left ventricle or "stiff heart," prevented sufficient oxygen from being pumped to muscles and tissues. He said the 31-year-old, 30-2 with 22 knockouts, could lead a normal life if he follows a less strenuous lifestyle.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Boys' Baseball

- Lyman at Lake Howell, 7 p.m.
- Oviedo at Lake Mary, 7 p.m.
- Seminole at Lake Brantley, 7 p.m.

Girls' Softball

- 5A-District 4: Deltona at Lyman, 4 p.m.; Lake Mary at Oviedo, 6 p.m.; Spruce Creek at Lake Brantley, 7 p.m.; Lake Howell at DeLand, 4 p.m.
- Boys' Golf
- 5A-4A-District 5 at New Smyrna, 9 a.m.

Tennis

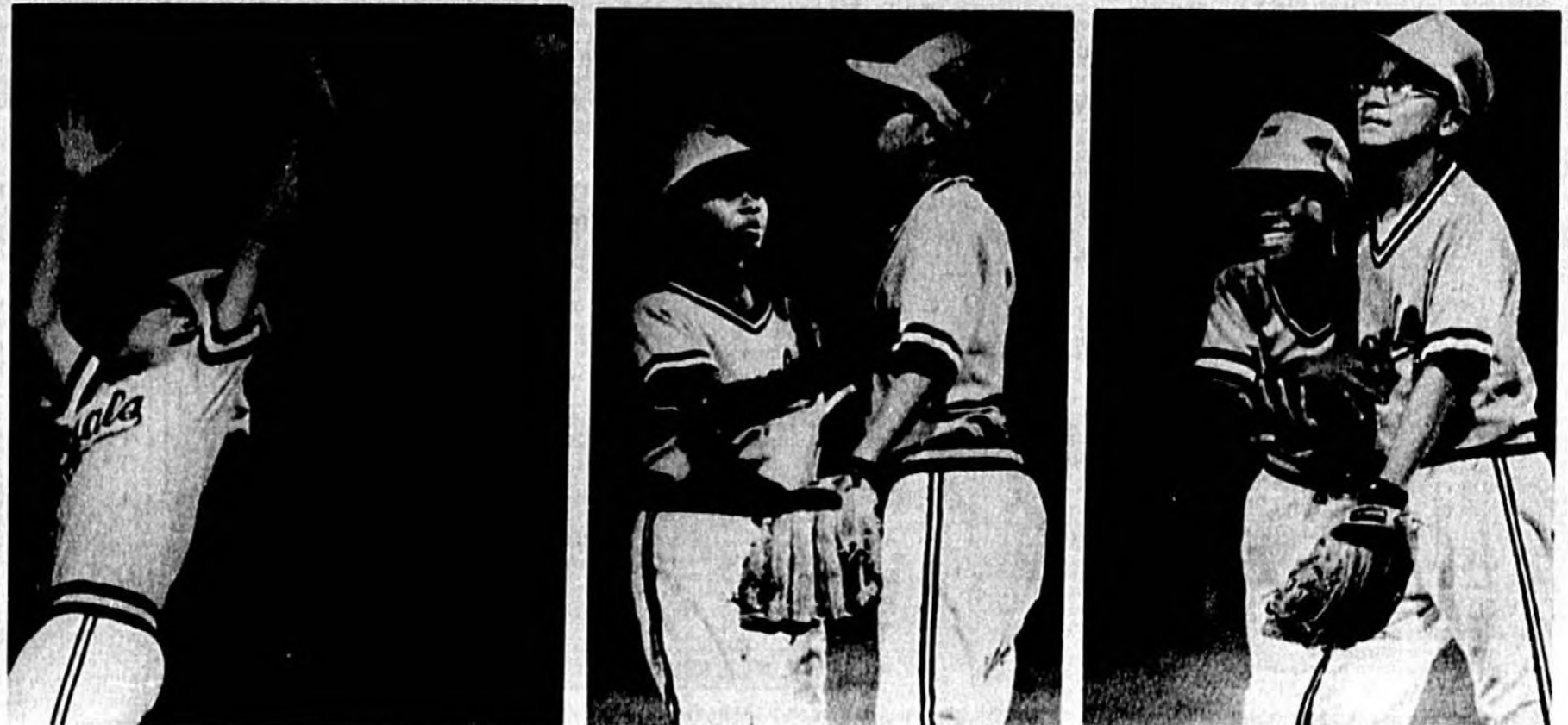
- 5A-District 4 at Sanlando Park, TBA
- 4A-District 3 at Titusville, 9 a.m.



HOCKEY

- 7:30 p.m. — ESPN, NHL playoffs, Eastern Conference playoffs, TBA

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Herald Photos by Mark Harris

Every baseball and softball player eventually comes to know the horror of having to backpedal for a ball hit right over your head and into the lights. Royal first baseman Anthony Ratanony experienced that first hand Tuesday

night (left) in a game with the Red Sox. Dwayne Tillman, the Royals' second baseman, was quick to back up Ratanony on the play (center) and provide some immediate moral support (right). Isn't that what teammates are for?

Those are the breaks

Sunniland Red Sox seize opportunity, remain unbeaten

From Staff Reports

SANFORD — All it took was one little mistake.

The undefeated Sunniland Corporation Red Sox and Disabled American Veterans (DAV) Royals were tied 3-3 after five innings in a classic pitcher's duel at Lakeside Field Tuesday night.

But with one out in the top of the sixth inning, the Red Sox' Levi Raines Jr. reached on a seemingly harmless error. By the time the inning had ended, the Sox had scored four times and won their 11th straight Sanford Recreation Department Little Major Baseball League game, 7-3.

In other games Tuesday night, the Rinker Materials Dodgers whitewashed the Fun World at Flea World Cardinals, 11-0; the Cook Construction Orioles trimmed the First Union Bank A's, 10-4; and the

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Freddie Howard Pirates scored in only two innings, but it was enough as they took the Rich Plan Expos, 11-5.

Thursday night, the National Division leading Railroaders Cuba (9-0) will host the Marlins (6-4) at Roy Holler Field and the Fisher, Laurence, Deen & Fromang Blue Jays (2-7) will take on the Stairs Realty White Sox (6-4) at Lakeside Field. Both games will start at 5:45 p.m.

The Royals (7-3) had taken a 3-1 lead in the bottom of the first inning, but the Red Sox (11-0) scored single runs in the second and third innings to tie the score at 3-3.

Raines and the Royals' Anton Anderson did a super job on the mound. Raines allowed only two hits and struck out 14. He worked out of a bases loaded, no out jam in the fifth inning with two strike outs and a pop up to preserve the tie and set the stage for the winning rally.

Anderson was also strong, as he retired nine straight batters from the third inning until the error in the sixth and finished with a six-hitter against the hard-hitting Red Sox. He had seven strike outs.

Providing the offense for the Red Sox were Raines (triple, single, two runs, RBI), Adam Frank (triple, run), Nick Erickson (double, run, two RBI), Bud Bennett (single, run), Troy Brinson (single, RBI) and

Randy Ford and Matt Mergo (one run scored each).

Offensively for the Royals it was Jason Sheffield singling and scoring a run, Donovan Redden singling and Dwayne Tillman and Anthony Ratanony scoring one run each.

Christian Burdick did what a leadoff man is supposed to do for the Dodgers (8-3). He got on base and scored runs. Burdick reached base all four times he came to the plate, on two triples, a double and a fielder's choice, scored four times and drove in another to lead the Dodgers offense.

Also contributing were Andrew Beatty (double, single, two runs, RBI), Jason Murray (two singles, run, two RBI), Shyne, Burnsed (single, RBI), Chris Downer (single, run), Jammie Dorsey (single), Kendall Kemion (two runs) and Mike Thomas (run).

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Herald Photo by April Keniston

Making the big leap

Seminole High School senior Andre Scott, who holds the national record for the longest triple jump in a sanctioned high school meet, formally accepted a track scholarship from Auburn University on Tuesday.

Balough notches two more wins, assists in a third

By PAUL MARSEGLIA Special to the Herald

NEW SMYRNA BEACH — Not only did Gary "Hot Shoe" Balough score two feature wins last Saturday, April 23, at New Smyrna Speedway, his helpful hints helped Sprint car driver Larry Tyler win the Winged Outlaw feature event.

When Tyler makes a first appearance at a new race track, he seeks out the track's top Late Model driver to see if he can pick up any pointers about getting around the track.

"They said that Gary was the man to see at New Smyrna," said Tyler, 38, who was nine Sprint Car feature event wins. "Gary helped me with the stagger and the wedge. The set-up was completely different from what we usually use."

"We decided to give it a shot because I knew Gary was a top-notch driver with a bunch of victories and years of experience. It worked and

now the set-up is our secret."

Chasing Tyler to victory lane in the Sprint Car feature were Stan Butler, David Steele, Jeff Bloom, and Red Stauffer.

Earlier in the evening, Balough piloted Herman Korpl's Modified to the checkered flag. Immediately after that race, he jumped into the Pee Wee Griffin Late Model and cruised to his 11th win of the season.

Balough, who has not raced a Modified since 1981, is having an outstanding season in the Late Model division. Since he joined Griffin Racing, he had posted 19 wins in 24 starts.

"We have an outstanding team where everyone works together but they still have their own thing to do," said Balough. "When a job is done, we know it's right and no one has to go back and check it a second time."

Griffin, the car owner, agreed with Balough, adding that the team has several advantages

going for it that other teams don't have.

"In Gary, we have an outstanding driver who knows race cars," said Griffin. He can come off the track and advise us about setups.

"The other thing is since I was a driver, I watch Gary going around the track and I can tell by how he's going into the corner if the car has a good set-up or if it's pushing or something.

"I also spot for Gary during the race and that's real important. If someone blows an engine or if there is an accident, I see it first and I warn Gary about it. I can advise him on whether to go high or low. Like Gary says, it's a total team effort."

Rounding out the top five in the Late Model division were Ricky Wood, Michael Staggs, Greg Froemming, and Bruce Everett.

The finishing order behind Balough in the Modified main event had Jerry Jones coming in

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STATS & STANDINGS

DOGS

Table of dog race results for Tuesday night and various other races. Columns include race number, name, time, and other details.

WEST DIVISION

Table showing West Division standings with columns for team, wins, losses, and percentage.

Tuesday's Games

Table of game results for Tuesday, including scores and key player statistics.

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Table showing Western Conference standings.

FLORIDA STATE LEAGUE

Table showing Florida State League standings.

FLORIDA STATE LEAGUE

Table of game results for Florida State League.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Table showing National League standings for Eastern and Central divisions.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Table showing National League standings for Western division.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Table showing American League standings for Eastern division.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Table showing American League standings for Central division.

Advertisement for Goodyear tires featuring 'FREE EXTENDED WARRANTIES' and a table of tire models and prices.

RAINES GAUGE

Tim Raines is a Sanford native and Seminole High School graduate now playing for the Chicago White Sox...

Raines Gauge statistics table showing batting average, home runs, RBIs, and other metrics.

NBA PLAYOFFS

Series by Series All Times EDT FIRST ROUND (Best of 7)

WESTERN CONFERENCE Detroit vs. San Jose San Jose leads series 3-2

San Jose vs. Detroit Detroit leads series 2-1

San Jose vs. Detroit Detroit leads series 3-0

San Jose vs. Detroit Detroit leads series 4-0

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San Jose vs. Detroit Detroit leads series 4-16

Meridith stays out front

from start to finish line



Tim Raines

Meridith stays out front

from start to finish line

ORLANDO — It was Ed Meridith all the way in the Late Model feature event last Friday, April 22, at Orlando Speedworld...

New Smyrna

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Completing the top five behind Stevens were Jeremy Fitch (who led the first four laps), Chuck Vola, and Doug Gould...

NHL PLAYOFFS

All Times EDT CONFERENCE QUARTERFINALS (Best of 7)

EASTERN CONFERENCE N.Y. Rangers vs. N.Y. Islanders Rangers win series 4-0

Pittsburgh vs. Washington Washington leads series 3-2

Pittsburgh vs. Washington Pittsburgh leads series 3-3

Pittsburgh vs. Washington Pittsburgh leads series 3-4

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TV/RADIO

Table listing TV and radio broadcasts for baseball and hockey games.

Baseball

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Burdick also did the job on the mound as he struck out 13 and allowed just three singles...

Brad Locke and Erick Rogers combined on a three-hitter as the Orioles (5-6) topped the A's (1-10).

Doing the damage for the Orioles were Mike Doney (triple, single, two runs, three RBI), Dennis Bridger (single, run, RBI), Tom Fodrie (single, two RBI), Locke (single, two runs), Mick Doney (single), Erick Rogers and Terry Nut (two runs scored each) and Troy Lewis (run).

Pacing the A's were Matt Bozella (double, two RBI), Chris Parra (single, run), Eddie Wells (single) and Willie Bennett, Doug Teixeira and Brian Wade (one run scored each).

Softball

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two singles, run, two RBI), Jeff Aten (three singles, two runs, two RBI), Steve Aten (three singles, run, RBI), Eric Johnson (double, single), Craig Tost (two singles, run, two RBI), Vince Howard and Brian Howard (two singles, one run and one RBI each) and Chris Wargo (two singles, three runs).

Also hitting were James Thompson (double, two RBI) and Mike McLaughlin (single, run).

Providing the offense for Gager Pest Control were Cardell (three singles, RBI), Tom Pennington (triple, single, run, RBI), Todd Morgan (two singles, RBI), Turner (single, run), Walker, Gager and Rich Heminger (one single each) and McCoy (run).

Leading Monroe Harbour were Dale Peters (home run, two singles, three runs, three RBI), Tony Smith (two singles, two runs, two RBI), Keith Arce (two singles, two runs, RBI), Bruce Brown (two singles, run, RBI) and Arthur Barnes (double, run, RBI).

Baseball Boxes

Table of baseball statistics including batting averages, home runs, RBIs, and other metrics for various players.

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Advertisement for Body Scrubs for Men.

BLONDIE by Chic Young

BOY, SOMEBODY HAD A GREAT IDEA... A LITTLE PACK OF BLUE-ON HAIR

NOW I CAN SEE WHAT I'D LOOK LIKE WITH A MUSTACHE... NOT BAD! LET'S TRY A LITTLE MORE!

WELL, WHAT DO YOU THINK?

SHE SURE CAN SAY A LOT WITH ONE RAISED EYEBROW

BETLE BAILEY by Mort Walker

I LIKE TO HEAR MY STAFF LAUGH

A HAPPY STAFF IS A PRODUCTIVE STAFF

HA HA HA

GOOD MORNING, STAFF

OH, GOOD MORNING, GENERAL, WE WERE JUST TALKING ABOUT YOU!

THE BORN LOSER by Art Sansom

HE STILL ENJOYS "HAPPY HOUR" WHEN HE GETS OFF WORK...

BUT THESE DAYS, "HAPPY HOUR" IS A GLASS OF WARM MILK AND A NAP!

PEANUTS by Charles M. Schulz

OKAY, SAY, "BIRDSEED"

EEK & MEEK by Howie Schneider

IN THE EIGHTIES WE WITNESSED THE TRANSFER OF BILLIONS OF DOLLARS INTO THE POCKETS OF THE RICH AND INFLUENTIAL...

NOW WE'RE FUSSING OVER A HUNDRED THOUSAND...

WE'RE MAKING PROGRESS

TUMBLEWEEDS by T.K. Ryan

I'M IN MOURNING, SWEETS... HENRY, MY PET TOAD, DIED!

I THOUGHT HE DIED SOME TIME AGO!

THAT WUZ HENRY THE ELDER... THIS WUZ HENRY THE YOUNGER!

OH, HENRY, HENRY! WOOD THAT I COULD SEE YOU ONCE AGIN!

PROB'LY BEST THAT I DON'T... WE MUST LOOK RATHER BIZARRE WITH WINGS.

ARLO AND JANIS by Jimmy Johnson

I THOUGHT YOU WEREN'T GOING TO WATCH BASEBALL ANYMORE

SOMETHING ABOUT NEW PLAYOFFS AND THE GREED OF PLAYERS AND OWNERS

YEAH, WELL...

THE ONLY TIMES I'M TAKEN SERIOUSLY ARE WHEN I'M NOT SERIOUS

FRANK AND ERNEST by Bob Thaves

OKAY, THE REST OF THE UNIVERSE IS RUSHING AWAY FROM US, BUT THERE'S NO PROOF THAT IT'S BECAUSE OF MY TV BROADCASTS!

GARFIELD by Jim Davis

I'VE SECRETLY HIDDEN A BRICK IN THIS CAKE

CRUNCH CRUNCH CRUNCH

I'VE SECRETLY DEVELOPED A TASTE FOR BRICKS

ROBOTMAN by Jim Meddick

LOOK AT THIS CHARM I BOUGHT FROM ONE OF THE VILLAGERS

OH NO! I RECOGNIZE THAT CHARM FROM THE BRADY BUNCH'S HAWAIIAN VACATION!

THAT'S A BAD LUCK CHARM!

COME ON, BE REALISTIC. OUR VACATION'S ALREADY RUINED BY THE RAINY SEASON. HOW COULD IT GET ANY WORSE?

RUN! SEEK SHELTER!

THE 7-YEAR DUNG FROGS ARE MIGRATING!

Arthritis treatment depends on the type

DEAR DR. GOTT: When you have the space, will you please give us old folks some up-to-date information on the latest medication and treatment for arthritis? Mine began with cricks in my neck that were cured by a shot of cortisone. Then my joints began aching, and the slightest movement was like being stabbed with an ice pick. I was given Naprosyn, followed by Voltaren. Abdominal bleeding resulted. I suffered horrible withdrawal pains with soreness and headache, leaving me with several months to regain lost strength. Now I'm on Peppid and Lodine. How long can I remain on this medication before another bleeding episode occurs? My knuckles are not enlarged, my ankles are not swollen. Just what type of arthritis do I have?

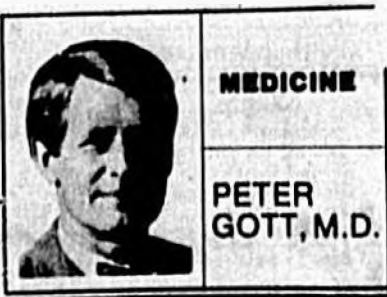
DEAR READER: To an extent, the type of arthritis you have will determine the treatment; the various forms can be differentiated by blood tests and X-ray examinations. For example, osteoarthritis -- the kind that affects most of us in old age -- is caused by the gradual wearing-down of joint surfaces, causing stiffness and pain that is usually controlled by aspirin.

On the other hand, the inflammatory arthritic conditions, such as lupus and rheumatoid arthritis that frequently affect younger people, are usually more severe and require prescription drugs, such as Naprosyn and Voltaren. The problem with these drugs is that they commonly cause stomach upset and irritation, which may lead to ulcers and bleeding.

This is the reason your doctor has quite properly prescribed Peppid (to reduce the possibility of ulcers) along with Lodine (to reduce joint inflammation). Another medication, Cytotec, is also widely used to prevent the complications of long-term arthritis therapy.

I cannot tell, from the limited information you supply, what kind of arthritis you have; this is a question you should direct to your doctor. Nonetheless, he appears to have prescribed a reasonable combination of medicines.

To give you more information, I am sending you free copies of



my Health Reports "Consumer Tips on Medicines," "Understanding Osteoarthritis" and "Managing Chronic Pain."

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WIN AT BRIDGE

By Phillip Alder

Yesterday I mentioned that if one side thinks it is right to play on a suit, it isn't right for the other side to play on the same suit -- but not always.

Today's deal occurred during a challenge match held last December in New York. An Italian television producer, Leandro Burgay, put up \$50,000 to back his claim that his methods of responding to a one-no-trump opening are superior to anyone else's. An American team of Eric Rodwell, Jeff Meckstroth, Bobby Goldman and Paul Soloway won the match, but it proved nothing for there were few deals in which method counted.

South was Frenchman Alain Levy. After his compulsory opening bid, showing 16-18 points and any 4-3-3 or 4-4-3-2 distribution, North, Herve Moulet, described in three bids a game-forcing 4-1-4-4 shape. South's first two rebids were forced.

The apparently hopeless contract was kept alive by the low heart lead round to South's nine. Levy played a low club: nine, 10, jack.

To defeat the game, East must cash one or both of his top clubs. But following the principle alluded to above, East returned a heart. West took declarer's jack with his queen and exited with the spade 10, won by South's king.

Levy cashed the K-Q of diamonds and spade queen before playing a spade to dummy's ace. After cashing the 13th spade and the diamond ace, Levy exited with dummy's last diamond. West won with the nine and cashed the heart ace, but he had to concede the last trick -- declarer's ninth -- to the heart king.

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♣ 10 7 5 4

EAST

♦ J 9 8
♥ K 8 5
♠ J 10 8
♣ A K J 3

SOUTH

♦ K Q 5
♥ K J 9 2
♠ K Q
♣ Q 8 4 2

Vulnerable: North-South
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
1 NT	Pass	2♥	Pass
2♣	Pass	2 NT	Pass
3♥	Pass	3♠	Pass
3 NT	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♥ 7

HOROSCOPE

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YOUR BIRTHDAY
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In the year ahead you might become more closely involved with a friend who has a reputation for being luckier than most. Your pal will show you some of his/her tricks.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Your mode of behavior will score points with friends today if you focus on their qualities instead of their failings. Conversely, they'll view you through the same lens. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you to understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail \$2 and a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Matchmaker, P.O. Box 4465, New York, N.Y. 10163.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Instead of being intimidated by adversity and opposition today, these forces might stimulate you to try harder. If so, major achievements will be reachable.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Your best asset today could be your ability to neutralize negative thoughts and conditions, whether they be your own or associates. Gear yourself to think "win" and you will.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Several opportunities may orbit around you today which will not be of your making. Lady Luck might use an intermediary to connect the circuits.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Today you might become involved with an old, dependable ally on a new partnership endeavor. This arrangement could produce equal benefits for both parties.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Involvements which up until now have either been unproductive or unprofitable might undergo a transformation starting today. The change will be something you'll relish.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Focus on cementing better bonds with close friends today, because this may help you realize something for which you've been hoping. It could come about in a rather unusual way.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Regardless of how situations start off today, don't let condi-

tions dilute your belief in positive conclusions. You're a stretch runner who can make your move when it really counts.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You might be tempted to withhold some critical information today when dealing with a friend, but you'd be wise not to do so. Lay everything out on the table.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) There are indications you could be luckier than usual today in both your material affairs and where your status and reputation is concerned. You've been dealt a hand loaded with trumps.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Unless it is absolutely essential, do for yourself today instead of depending on others. Your success is linked to your assertiveness and your positive, personal touches.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) In commercial involvements it is usually unwise to play your hunches and perceptions. Today, however, could be an exception and it might pay to take a chance.

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THE BAD GUYS ARE AFTER A NUCLEAR AUTO ENGINE YOU HAVE? ISN'T THAT ER... DANGEROUS, OLLIE?

NO -- NOT IN PRINCIPLE, ANYWAY... MINNIE...

HMM... IT SURE DIDN'T HURT MR. JACK & KABLE THAT I SAW THAT BIRTH CERTIFICATE IN THE NAME OF "JOHN SMITH"...

...BUT IF I ASK HIM WHAT HE'S DOIN' WITH IT, HE MIGHT WANT TO KNOW WHAT I'M DOIN' ON THE ROAD...

HERE WE GO, AND IF I DRIVE WHILE WE EAT?