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NEWS DIGEST

World

Hostage granted reprieve

Hezbollah terrorists holding American hostages in Beirut agreed to delay the scheduled 11 a.m. execution of Joseph Cicippio by four hours Thursday morning. The reprieve was granted, the captors said, due to a plea by Cicippio himself to spare his life.

Meanwhile, U.S. warships of the Sixth Naval Fleet steamed toward positions off the coast of Lebanon and Iran.

Florida

Hurricane Dean draws closer

Hurricane Dean continued on a west-northwest path Thursday morning, prompting hurricane warnings in Puerto Rico and other Caribbean islands. Forecasters think the storm, if it continues on its current path, could threaten Florida by this weekend.

Trident 2 test a success

The Navy successfully conducted an underwater launch of its new Trident 2 missile Wednesday afternoon in a test conducted 50 miles off the coast of Cape Canaveral. After shooting away a Soviet spy ship, the launch went off without a hitch. The Trident 2 is a multiple-warhead missile capable of striking within 200 yards of projected targets at distances up to 5,000 miles.

Sports

Local team in title game

The West Seminole Bronco League team can wrap up the title tonight in the Southern Regional All-Star Tournament in Newnan, Ga. But even with a loss, the locals will still have a shot at the crown.

Oviedo stars eliminated

Oviedo's dream ended Wednesday afternoon with an 8-1 loss at the hands of Coral Springs in the Major League All-Star State Tournament.

Business

Economic indicators decline

WASHINGTON — The Commerce Department reported Thursday its gauge of future economic performance fell 0.1 percent in June, the fourth drop in five months and a sign that the economy may be sliding dangerously close to a recession.

The decline in the Index of Leading Indicators, which projects economic performance six to nine months in advance, follows a sharp 1.3 percent drop in May and reflects the continued effect of the Federal Reserve's efforts to slow economic growth and rein in inflation.

The Fed pushed interest rates up between early 1988 and this spring to create a "soft landing" of moderate economic growth and inflation but recently has been easing its credit policies under the growing threat of a recession.

NBC claims 103 nominations

LOS ANGELES — NBC led the three major networks by claiming 103 of the Emmy nominations announced Thursday while CBS's cowboy mini-series "Lonesome Dove" picked up 18 nominations.

CBS was named 95 times while ABC earned 85 nominations when the Academy of Television Arts & Sciences announced the finalists for the 41st annual Primetime Emmy Awards. Thirty-two nominations went to PBS. The fledgling Fox network received 12 and HBO had eight.

The awards will be televised by the Fox Broadcasting Co. Sept. 17 from the Pasadena Civic Auditorium.

From United Press International reports

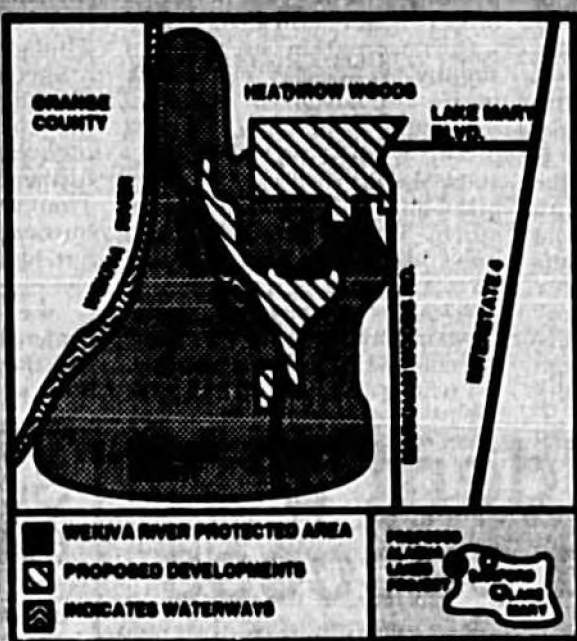
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Warm with a chance of rain



Partly cloudy today with a 50 percent chance of afternoon showers and a high in the mid 90s. A 20 percent chance of showers tonight, clearing late with a low in the mid 70s. Partly cloudy tomorrow with a 40 percent chance of rain.



Development near Wekiva clears hurdle

By J. MARK BARFIELD
Herald staff writer

SANFORD — Continuing a trend begun with the Seminole County commission's approval of the Plantation subdivision last month, planning and zoning commissioners last night recommended approval of the 1,234-acre Alaquas Lakes.

The proposed development would have 451 homesites smaller than one acre and 34 one-acre lots. The project is located at the western end of Lake Mary Boulevard near the Little Wekiva River. It includes an 18-hole golf course and a clubhouse.

Although most of the 11 people who spoke against the project opposed it because it represented a diversion from the county's trend of approving only one-acre homesites in the Markham Woods Road area, planning commissioners sided with county planning staff in favoring the development.

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Man killed; woman shot, leaps 3 stories

By SUSAN LOREN
Herald staff writer

ALTAMONTE SPRINGS — An investigation continued today into an incident in which one man was shot to death and a woman, apparently shot in the back of her head, leaped from the balcony of a third floor apartment when she saw police.

The name of the man is being withheld pending notification of relatives. His body was found by police inside the front door of Apt. 303, 938 Vineridge Run, State Road 438, at about 11:30 p.m. last night.

A woman at the apartment was apparently shot in the back of the head. She also jumped from a third-floor balcony when she saw police enter the apartment. She was undergoing surgery today at Orlando Regional Medical Center. Police spokesman Jeff Hawkins identified her as Carol Sparks, 21, address unknown.

Hawkins said Sparks did not appear to be seriously injured, although a bullet may have been lodged in her neck. A hospital spokesman said her condition had not been defined this morning.

Early today, Hawkins said police had not

determined what happened to the couple. Both were shot with an unknown caliber handgun and he declined to say if a gun was found at the scene. He also would not reveal the location or number of wounds the man suffered.

Hawkins said the shooting was initially reported to Orlando police, who relayed the call to Altamonte Springs police. An undercover Altamonte Springs policeman on duty nearby said he heard a couple of pops and a scream and headed to the apartment where the shootings occurred.

"He was there in moments and went up and heard noise inside the apartment," Hawkins said. When police identified themselves, Hawkins said, the woman reportedly said, "How do I know you're police?"

As police entered the apartment Sparks apparently jumped from the balcony.

This morning police had not determined a motive in the killing and shooting and Hawkins said they don't know if the incident is drug related.

Hawkins said he believes the dead man was the leasee of the apartment. The man is about 25 to 30 years old, Hawkins said.

Estrogen cancer risk cited; experts don't agree on use

From staff and wire reports

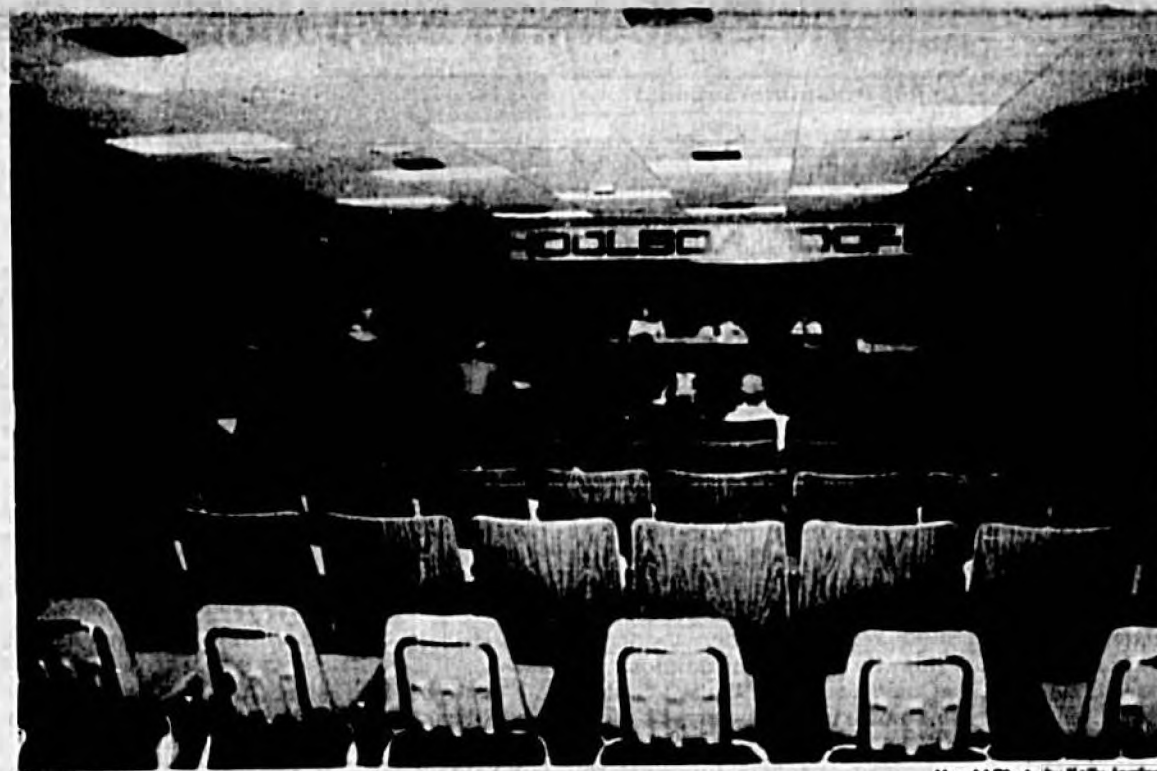
Estrogen, a hormone millions of women take to avoid hot flashes, heart disease and thinning bones, may increase the risk of breast cancer, researchers in Boston reported yesterday in a major new study.

A Seminole County medical expert and

others said the finding does not of itself warrant discontinuing the use of the drug. However, others urged women to reconsider its use.

The study, involving 23,244 Swedish women, found long-term estrogen use boosted breast cancer risk up to four times.

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Few residents chose to attend Wednesday's school budget public hearing.

Taxpayers quiet during school budget hearing

By VICKI DeBORNIER
Herald staff writer

SANFORD — Not one taxpayer stepped forward last night to comment on the budget that had been tentatively approved last week by the school board.

"Is there anyone from the public to speak on the budget or the millage," board chairman Ann Nelwender asked twice. The school board was conducting the first of two public workshops on the proposed budget. The final public hearing will be at 7 p.m. Sept. 13 in the board chambers.

Only the assistant superintendents of instructional services, business and finance, administrative services and facilities and transportation as well as several members of their support staff were in the audience.

Following some congratulatory remarks to the staff who helped him prepare the budget, Supt. Robert Hughes recommended that the board approve the tentatively approved the budget pending the final

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Disabled legislation gets local support

By LAURA L. SULLIVAN
Herald staff writer

SANFORD — A compromise with key senators from both parties was reached yesterday by President Bush on legislation — backed by hundreds of handicapped residents of Seminole County — that would extend the nation's civil rights laws to protect the disabled from discrimination.

John Mackey, Central Florida Paralyzed Veterans executive director who represents more than 200 voting members and 400 non-veteran members, said today that he met with Rep. Bill McCollum, R-Longwood, two weeks ago to express support of the legislation.

"This legislation will give handicapped the same rights that other minorities have had for years," Mackey said.

Although Florida statutes have prohibited discrimination against handicapped, Mackey said, federal statutes will broaden the message behind local legislation.

The accord was announced by the White House on Wednesday shortly before the Senate Labor Committee revised and approved the measure on a 16-0 vote, sending it to the full chamber.

The legislation would prohibit discrimination in the workplace or in public accommodations based on a physical disability, paralleling the 1964 Civil Rights Act that bans bias based on race, sex, national origin or religion.

"This will be landmark legislation, not only for the 37 million Americans with some form of disability, but for all Americans," White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said in a statement.

Fitzwater said the measure would fulfill Bush's goal of making "disabled Americans ... full partners in America's opportunity society," and that the president hopes to sign it into law by the end of the year.

The White House said Bush reached a "consensus" on the legislation with key senators from both parties — Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., David Durenberger, R-Minn., and Tom Harkin, D-Iowa.

The senators basically went along with the administration on penalties for violations, while the White House went along with them on the scope of coverage, officials said.

In a joint statement, Labor Committee Chairman Kennedy, Durenberger and Harkin said, "This historic legislation will end segregation and discrimination against people with disabilities in all aspects of American society."

The Americans with Disabilities Act would prohibit discrimination based on disability in the public and private sector in employment, public accommodations, public service, transportation and even telecommunications.

Key elements of the legislation include: —Federal protection for the disabled against discrimination in the workplace. Initially applying to all employers of 25 or more workers, the requirement eventually would cover those with 15 or more employees.

—Prohibit discrimination in public accommodations, including restaurants, stores, schools, movie theaters, hospitals, even shelters for the homeless. The measure would cover only new facilities, except in those cases where "retrofitting is readily achievable" as determined by the attorney general.

—Key stations for light and commuter rail service must be made accessible to the disabled within 20 years.

As introduced, the bill would have allowed those who believe they suffered discrimination in the workplace to

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State education award presented to LMHS principal

By VICKI DeBORNIER
Herald staff writer

LAKE MARY — Lake Mary High School principal Don Reynolds is one of only 18 principals in the state to receive the Principal Achievement Award for Outstanding Leadership.

The award was presented by Commissioner of Education Betty Castor at the recent summer principal's conference in Tarpon Springs.

Castor established the award to honor principals who have shown "exemplary leadership and achievement in their schools," she said. She hopes to make the award an annual event.

Lake Mary Assistant Principal Don Smith said the award was reserved for innovative administrators who had been able to target "at-risk students and create a positive environment in which they would learn and stay in school."

He added that Reynolds was pleased with the attention the award would bring to the

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NEWS FROM THE REGION AND ACROSS THE STATE

Dean clears Caribbean Islands

MIAMI - Hurricane Dean, its winds howling at 85 mph, began a turn toward the northwest Thursday, prompting forecasters to lift all hurricane warnings for Puerto Rico and the other islands of the northeast Caribbean.

At 9 a.m., the second hurricane of the 1989 Atlantic-Caribbean season was centered near latitude 19.4 degrees north and longitude 63.1 degrees west, about 210 miles east northeast of San Juan, Puerto Rico.

expected to continue for the next 12 hours with a more northwest motion tonight and tomorrow. Forecasters had said the hurricane is following a track on which, historically, storms have threatened Florida, but that appeared to be changing Thursday.

pressure cell over Florida and there is a weakness between the two," Sheets said. "If that continues to be fairly weak then this system will turn up toward the northwest. It will go between the two."

Two die in single-engine plane crash

BRADENTON - Two people were killed Wednesday when a single-engine plane lost power shortly after takeoff from the Sarasota Airport and crashed into a Manatee County residential area.

Two children in custody after arrests

CRESTVIEW - Two children who were found in a room with the door held tightly closed with sheets were turned over to juvenile authorities after their parents were arrested on attempted robbery charges, police said Wednesday.

Prisoner eats strange objects

NEW FORT RICHEY - Convicted felon and escape artist Frank James Pizzo is about to take his strange diet out of Pasco County, much to the relief of local law enforcement officials and taxpayers.



Florida benefitted from HUD scandal

WASHINGTON - A federal audit shows Florida was the biggest beneficiary of money and housing contracts from the U.S. Housing and Urban Development program that has been the focus of a recent scandal and investigation.

Rabies worries Gainesville officials

GAINESVILLE - Health officials have issued a citywide pet quarantine in an effort to stem an increase in the number of rabies cases.

Navy Trident 2 launch a success

CAPE CANAVERAL - The Navy chucked up its first successful launch of a Trident 2 missile from a submarine Wednesday, five days after protesters aboard foreign-flagged ships disrupted a launch try by refusing to leave a danger zone.

quite a ways." It was the 21st test flight of a Trident 2 missile, the deadliest strategic weapon in the Navy's inventory, and the first successful launch from a submarine.

Search for heaven lands Canadian man in jail

ORLANDO - A transplanted Canadian who lives for life's simple pleasures, like fishing and cheap beer, has abandoned his plans for a weekend retreat.

with carpeting, waist-high side rails and a canopy roof. The boat was going to be big enough to have a few lawn chairs on deck.

Quayle denounces execution, lauds congressional nominee

MIAMI - Vice President Dan Quayle called the hanging of Marine Lt. Col. William Higgins "a despicable act" Wednesday and described the situation in the Middle East as "very fragile."



That is the Israeli policy. They negotiate with terrorists from time to time. We don't.

very fragile," but declined to say whether military or other options had been discussed at Wednesday's meeting of the National Security Council.

David Fleischer with 688 votes or 3.4 percent and minister John Stemberger with 571 votes or 2.7 percent.

THE WEATHER

Today...Partly cloudy with a 50 percent chance of showers or thunderstorms this afternoon. Winds south at 5-10 mph and high temperatures in the mid 90s.

Table with 5 columns: FRI, SAT, SUN, MON, TUE. Each column contains weather icons and forecasts.

Table with 2 columns: NEW August 1, FIRST August 9, FULL August 17, LAST August 23.

MIAMI - Florida 24-hour temperatures and rainfall of 8 a.m. EDT Thursday: City Ni Lo Rain

THURSDAY: SOLAR TABLE: Min. 7:15 a.m., 7:40 p.m.; Maj. 1:00 a.m., 1:25 p.m.

St. Augustine to Jupiter Inlet Today...wind south to southwest 5 to 10 kts., except near shore an afternoon sea breeze from the east 10 kts.

Table with 3 columns: City & Forecast, Hi, Lo, Pcp. Lists various cities and their weather forecasts.

Sanford Herald advertisement containing subscription rates, contact information, and mailing details.

Boys Town hopes to help area teens

By LAMAR L. GULLIFORD
Herald staff writer

SANFORD — A request to place a shelter for abused and runaway teenagers in southeastern Sanford will go before the city planning and zoning commission tonight.

Tom Schuyler, Boys Town director of development for Florida, will ask the commission to approve a plan to place a residential care facility at 3500

S. Sanford Ave., between Fern and Rose Drives near Sanora.

The 18-bed facility would shelter adolescent victims of abuse and neglect from across Central Florida, Schuyler said. A three-shift staff of up to four counselors would operate the shelter, he said.

Boys Town plans to provide a foster parenting program, a family crisis intervention program and an eight-week parenting

course through the shelter, Schuyler said.

Boys Town will start up a \$500,000 fundraising campaign in the area to renovate apartments located on the 1.55-acre Sanford Avenue site, Schuyler said. The group hopes to open the new shelter by October.

Schuyler said Boys Town runs an 18-bed shelter in Oviedo at State Road 436 and Oklahoma Avenue. Two additional homes are planned for the Oviedo Boys

Town campus, upping its number of beds to 30.

Boys Town's \$70-million annual budget is funded almost completely from donations from across the county, with some grant monies and aid through Florida Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services.

City Planner Jay Marder has recommended to the planning and zoning commission approval of the Boys Town request.

Woman reports rape outside shop

APOPKA — Seminole County sheriff's deputies are investigating a report from 28-year-old Apopka woman who said she was raped by a man outside Dunkin' Donuts, Hunt Club Boulevard, rural Apopka.

The woman said she was sitting outside her car at about 3:30 a.m. Wednesday when the man approached and talked to her. When she walked toward a trash dumpster he reportedly followed, grabbed her and raped her. He then thanked her and walked away, according to a sheriff's report.

Two arrested after pot deal

ALTAMONTE SPRINGS — Two men allegedly involved in a sale of \$35 worth of marijuana to an Altamonte Springs police informant were arrested after the sale at 8 p.m. Wednesday at Brambley Square, State Road 436, Altamonte Springs.

Dean William Cox, 23, 555 North Lake Blvd., Altamonte Springs and Brian Patrick Mayles, 34, 505 Nantuxet Court 301, Altamonte Springs, are charged with sale and delivery of marijuana. Bond is \$3,000 each.

Sanford man arrested on drug charges

SANFORD — LeRoy Lee, 33, of 6 William Clark Court, Sanford, was charged with sale and delivery of cocaine, possession of cocaine with intent to distribute and possession of cocaine, after he allegedly sold an undercover Sanford policeman \$200 worth of crack cocaine.

The arrest was made at 303 S. French Ave., at 1:20 p.m. Wednesday, after Lee allegedly picked up the cocaine near Tiago Tavern on W. 13th Street, and then returned to the French Avenue location with the policeman. Bond is \$5,000.

Man threw cocaine over police car

SANFORD — When Sanford police were checking on Ralph Lyle Parrott, 36, of 1407 Locust Ave., Sanford, as a possible "suspicious person," they said he threw a cigarette pack containing cocaine over a police patrol car.

The cocaine was recovered and Parrott was charged with possession of cocaine at 3:35 p.m. Wednesday at 505 E. Eighth Street. Police said that is the location of an abandoned building and they were investigating Parrott's presence there. Bond is \$2,000.

Traffic stop brings alleged drug find

MIDWAY — When a Seminole County sheriff's deputy made a traffic stop of the car of Kelly Gaines, 20, of 1308 Perimmon Ave., Sanford, the deputy said he saw a bag of cocaine when Gaines opened the glovebox of Gaines' car.

Gaines was charged with possession of cocaine at 8:45 p.m. Wednesday on State Road 46, Midway. Bond is \$3,000.

Man arrested on DUI charge

SANFORD — The following person faces a charge of driving under the influence following arrest in Seminole County: Ronald Allen Stolarzki, 41, of DeBary, was arrested at 9:25 p.m. Wednesday at Central Florida Regional Hospital, Sanford, where he was treated following a traffic accident on Shell Road in Volusia County.

Complaints may put new road on Lake Mary map

By SANDRA BROWN
Herald staff writer

LAKE MARY — People are mad about the traffic on Broadmoor, Main and other roads in Lake Mary. Their complaints were so loud that the Lake Mary City Commission appointed a special task force to study the problem. That task force thinks another road needs to be built to alleviate traffic problems in the southeast quadrant of the city.

Tonight the commission will address a resolution by that traffic study committee to urge the Seminole County commissioners to consider the feasibility of acquiring the right of way for the construction of a public road north from Seminole Community College and the Five Points County Complex to Lake Mary Boulevard along Hospital Road.

The intention is to create a relief valve for college traffic and an additional access to the college.

Right now, the road is no more

than a 25-foot, sandy right of way for transmission lines on undeveloped land. The northern part of the road is wetlands and muck. Design and construction of the road would be a joint effort between Seminole Community College, the cities of Sanford and Lake Mary and Seminole County.

County Commissioner Bob Sturm said the proposed road has been considered by the county for many years but lack of funds and other priorities prevented its construction. "It's a road that may be needed, but the real question is whether it should be a county road," Sturm said yesterday.

Lake Mary Associate City Planner Mark Reggentin, a liaison for the traffic committee, said "I think it's by far the best alternative because the other alternatives are short-term, stop-gap measures."

Recommendations by the commission are expected to be made by the second meeting in October.

Kelley offers amended financial disclosure

SANFORD — Seminole County commissioner Jennifer Kelley mailed an amended financial disclosure form to the Florida Secretary of State's office Wednesday, lowering her net worth from \$338,081 to \$264,637.

Kelley could not respond Monday when asked why a \$59,850 mortgage from her mother-in-law Viola Kastner included in her July 1988 report was omitted from her December 1988 report. Her aide, Ennie Cosmato, said Tuesday Kelley told her she may have found an error in the report.

Kelley's amended report

shows she still owes Kastner \$57,000 on the mortgage. The amended report also shows Kelley purchased two 1988 Isuzu Troopers worth \$14,800 each, figures omitted from the previous report. She listed that she claimed half ownership of each vehicle.

Agents seize 1,200 pounds of cocaine

UPI report

MIAMI — One man was arrested and 1,200 pounds of cocaine were seized as the result of a joint operation between several law enforcement agencies in south Florida, the U.S. Customs Service said Wednesday.

Rene Rodriguez, 40, of Miami, was arrested Tuesday after agents found 1,200 pounds of cocaine in the boat he was hauling behind a pickup truck, customs spokesman Michael Sheehan said. Customs seized the cocaine, the 25-foot boat, its trailer and the truck.

Authorities were searching for a second suspect who fled the truck at the time of the arrest, Sheehan said.

The investigation began Monday when the U.S. Coast Guard observed the 25-foot Mako boat on the Great Bahama Bank.

'Joker' jailed for bank heists

United Press International

LAKE HELEN — A man believed to be the Joker, a bank robber so named for the heavy theatrical makeup worn during his most recent stickup, was jailed Wednesday as a suspect in four bank robberies, authorities said.

Police Capt. Ed Carlson said Richard Hanserling Jr., 25, of Deltona implicated himself during questioning as the bandit in a series of robberies over the last two months.

"He had a case of oral diarrhea," Carlson said, particularly when it came to Monday's "Joker" robbery at a Freedom Savings branch outside Orlando. "He was real proud of that one."

Witnesses were unable to tell if the Freedom Savings robber was a man or a woman. The thief wore heavy white makeup and eyeliner, a yellow rhinestone T-shirt and bright red lipstick, reminding witnesses of the villain in "Batman."

Orange County sheriff's spokeswoman Denise Gaynor said Hanserling had been charged with the Freedom robbery.

But he was held without bond in Volusia County, Carlson said, on a charge of robbery in the July 6 theft at the Florida National Bank in Lake Helen.

"He didn't dress overly bizarre in ours," Carlson said, "although he had donned a false mustache and these fancy high-tech sunglasses that are on the market now. The rubber ones."

About \$240 covered in the exploding red dye banks dump into bags of money during robberies was recovered from a convenience store in Deltona and traced back to Hanserling, Carlson said.

Authorities declined to say how much money Hanserling allegedly stole, but he also is suspected of bank robberies in Winter Garden, east of Orlando, and in Vero Beach in Indian River County, Carlson said.

Coalition vows to close fishery

United Press International

TALLAHASSEE — Accusing shrimpers of "hooliganism," a coalition of Florida conservationists vowed Wednesday to close shrimp fisheries unless the industry accepts devices intended to save endangered species of turtle.

The threat followed Commerce Secretary Robert Moebacher's decision, in the face of blockades and violence by Gulf shrimpers, to suspend regulations requiring shrimpers to use turtle excluder devices, or TEDs.

On Thursday, the Florida Marine Fisheries Commission is scheduled to vote on emergency regulations requiring TEDs in Florida waters. It was possible the issue could come before Gov. Bob Martinez and the Cabinet as early as next week.

The environmentalists argued that the federal Endangered Species Act mandates TEDs must be used or the fishery closed if necessary to save threatened species of turtle, including the Kemp's ridley turtle, one of the most endangered species on the planet.



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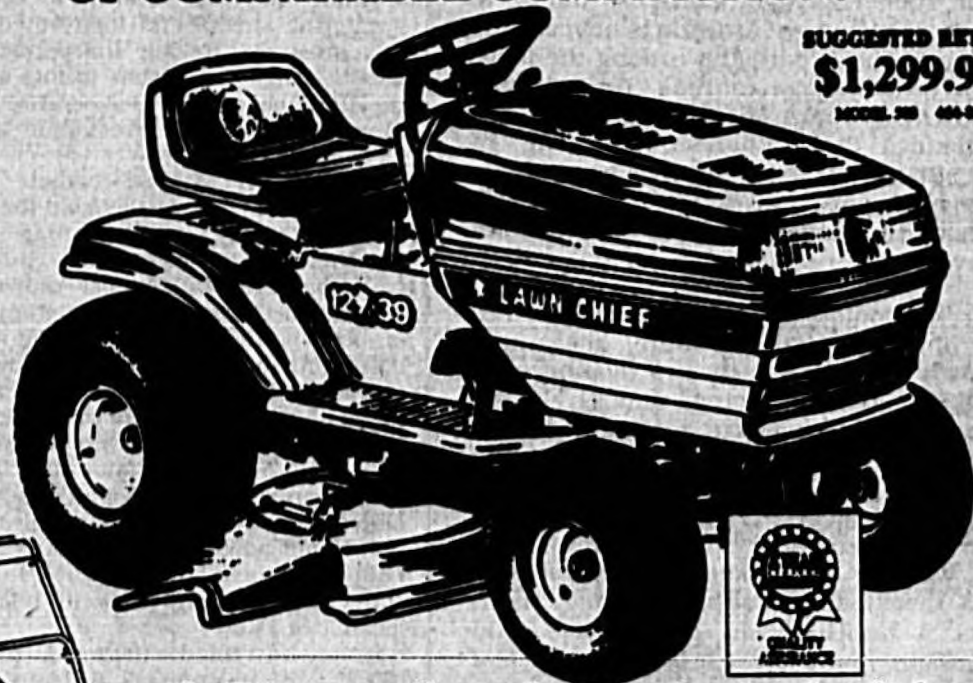
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Securities traders busted

FBI nets 46 in Chicago on 1,500 criminal counts

United Press International

CHICAGO — The FBI used a mink net to drag in some of the flashiest fish at the world's two largest commodities exchanges — The Chicago Board of Trade and the Chicago Mercantile Exchange.

The catch includes 46 traders indicted on some 1,500 counts ranging from racketeering and fraud to lying to federal agents. The indictments were announced Wednesday by Attorney General Richard Thornburgh, and officials said there could be more.

The defendants are accused of bilking hundreds of clients out of millions of dollars. Prosecutors refused to say exactly how much money was involved, but one assistant U.S. attorney speculated it was "millions and millions of dollars."

"The activities uncovered at these exchanges — the largest of their type in the world — cannot be tolerated," Thornburgh said.

"Those actions allegedly include creating and concealing fraudulent trades with other traders who served as 'bagmen,' and otherwise accommodated the illegal trades, often kicking back a percentage of the stolen customer monies into brokers' personal accounts," he said.

The 2 1/2-year investigation at the two exchanges — dubbed Operation Sourmash at the CBOT and Operation Hedgeclipper at the CME — probably were among the lushest FBI undercover sting operations in history.

The trappings included luxury apartments, exclusive clubs, fine jewelry, expensive cars and fast-paced, high-stakes action as freewheeling traders on the two exchanges.

"The FBI used extraordinary means to uncover extraordinary fraud," said FBI Director William Sessions, who appeared at the Chicago news conference with Thornburgh. "These practices must not and cannot be permitted to flourish."

Four FBI undercover agents were sent into the trading pits, living life in the fast lane and gathering evidence that traders were cheating customers.

Authorities have provided no specifics on what prompted the investigation, but it is widely believed it resulted from a complaint by Dwayne Andreas, chairman of Archer Daniels Midland, one of the world's biggest soybean and corn processing firms.

Andreas has complained more than once that speculators have turned the exchanges into gambling dens instead of legitimate instruments for locking in prices and currency exchange rates and guaranteeing adequate supplies of commodities.

The probe began in earnest in 1986 when agent Richard Ostrom, using the name Richard Carlson, began work as a phone clerk for ADM Inc., Archer Daniels Midland's commodity trading subsidiary. He worked his way up to floor broker before buying his own seat on the CBOT for \$335,000 in December 1987.

Ostrom rented a luxurious apartment on Chicago's Near North Side, wore a Rolex watch, drove a new Mercedes-Benz and — posing as a corrupt trader — partied with his trader buddies at expensive restaurants and exclusive clubs.

Judge: Larger fines warranted

United Press International

NEW YORK — A federal judge said he will increase the \$3.8 million in penalties for five former securities executives and a former trader convicted in the nation's first securities racketeering case if prosecutors make the request.

A federal jury recommended Wednesday that the five former executives of Princeton-Newport Partners and a former junk bond trader with Drexel Burnham Lambert Inc. forfeit \$3.8 million in illegal profits.

The six defendants were convicted Monday on virtually all charges in a 64-count racketeering and fraud indictment in the first use of federal Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations act in a securities case.

Prosecutors, who originally sought about \$20 million, said the government would file a motion seeking a larger forfeiture. U.S. District Judge Robert Carter said he would rule in the government's favor once the request is made.

"I'm definitely going to rule that way if the government makes a motion," Carter said, adding that he considered all the defendant's partnership interests, fees and salaries forfeitable.

Defendants convicted under the RICO act can be required to surrender all illegal income. Even lawyers' fees can be confiscated if it can be determined that they were paid with illegally acquired profits.

The case was considered a test of how effective the RICO law will be in prosecuting securities-related cases.

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NATIONAL BRIEFS



Defense bill in House-Senate conference

WASHINGTON — The fate of President Bush's key strategic programs — the B-2 stealth bomber, mobile missiles and "Star Wars" — is now in the hands of House-Senate negotiators.

Major differences between House and Senate versions of a \$305.5 billion defense bill will be resolved by the conference committee, which is not expected to complete its work until September.

The Senate, on a 95-4 vote, Wednesday finished work on its version of the bill, marking the fifth straight year the Pentagon budget has declined.

On the big issues, the Senate was far kinder to Bush than the House, and more of the weapons systems that Defense Secretary Dick Cheney wanted to knock off were killed in the Senate bill.

"We're going to have more differences with the House, more profound differences than we've had in a long long time," said Senate Armed Services Committee Chairman Sam Nunn, D-Ga.

His panel's senior Republican, John Warner of Virginia, agreed, saying the House-Senate conference "will be the most difficult conference in the last decade" but should emerge "with a bill which will meet the president's basic policy goals."

Wheel chock suspected crash landing

GREENSBORO, N.C. — Federal aviation investigators are keying on a hard rubber chock found in the wheelwell of a Piedmont Airlines jet as the cause of the jet's landing gear failure.

The failure forced the pilot of the Boeing 737-400 to land the craft using only the nose and right landing gears. No injuries were reported among the 101 passengers and crew of six.

The passengers aboard Flight 1489 burst into applause when the jet skidded to a stop on the north-south runway at the Greensboro-High Point-Winston-Salem Airport Wednesday.

David Shipley, a spokesman for USAir, said investigators with the National Transportation Safety Board had not officially ruled the chock as being the cause for the landing gear failure.

USAir and Piedmont officially merge Saturday into the nation's second-largest airline.

Chocks are 2-foot by 6-inch hard rubber blocks that are propped against an aircraft's wheels to keep it in place while it is parked.

Weather slows Western fires

More than 20,000 firefighters, Army infantrymen and National Guardsmen got some help from cooler, wetter weather in their struggle against nearly 600 wildfires that have charred about 350 square miles of parched Western timber and brush.

Most of the blazes were touched off by lightning, and most of the big ones were burning in Idaho and in Oregon, where wet weather Wednesday led fire bosses to predict containment by Friday of three major forest fires that had burned more than 50,000 of the 220,000 acres ablaze in the West.

"We're hoping to really make some headway on these fires," said Laurel Simos of the Boise Interagency Fire Center, national forest fire headquarters.

Most of the West's 33 major fires — and all of the bigger ones — were in Oregon and Idaho, where flames continued to threaten summer homes. Others burned in California, Montana and Washington.

Idaho fires that had already burned 15,000 acres advanced closer to other homes around Warm Lake east of the town of Cascade.

Alternate capital gains tax unveiled

WASHINGTON — Rep. Dan Rostenkowski, chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, unveiled an alternative capital gains tax plan Wednesday, hoping to heal deep Democratic divisions over the issue.

Rostenkowski, D-Ill., revealed his plan after briefing Democratic and Republican committee members behind closed doors. Panel Republicans then briefed Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady and budget director Richard Darman.

Rostenkowski described his plan, designed to reward long-term, productive investment, as a "possible compromise where everybody wins."

He and aides said it included indexing for inflation to lower the capital gains tax burden on short-term investments and an additional mechanism to reduce the tax on long-term investments.

They said it would increase revenue by about \$1.2 billion during the first year but lose about \$136 million over five years.

Ambassadors confirmed

WASHINGTON — The Senate confirmed Wednesday the nominations of U.S. ambassadors to Denmark, Czechoslovakia, Switzerland and the Vatican.

All were routinely approved by voice vote, without debate or dissent.

Confirmed were Keith Lapham Brown, Denmark; Shirley Temple Black, Czechoslovakia; Thomas Patrick Melady, the Vatican; and John Bernard Gilderhorn, Switzerland.

The Senate also confirmed William Taft as U.S. representative to the Council of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization with the rank of ambassador.

From United Press International reports

Cicippio execution delayed again

Iran indicates swap negotiations possible

United Press International

BEIRUT, Lebanon — Pro-Iranian extremists agreed to delay the execution of American hostage Joseph Cicippio by four hours today after the American pleaded with his captors to spare his life, the kidnappers said.

The extension was granted despite indications Israel does not intend to meet demands to free a Moslem clergyman kidnapped in southern Lebanon.

The Revolutionary Justice Organization said in a statement that was delivered to the office of a Western news agency in west Beirut that it was extending the deadline from 6 p.m. (11 a.m. EDT) to 10 p.m. (3 p.m. EDT).

"We have decided to delay the execution until 10 p.m. today in response to a request by Cicippio," the group said.

With the hand-written brief statement was a videotape in which Cicippio urged Israel to free a ranking Hezbollah clergyman immediately.

Iran's official Islamic Republic News Agency, meanwhile, reported today on a newspaper account that appeared to express Iranian willingness to negotiate the hostages' release.

"If the negotiations and contacts are based on the same principle of honesty, then the countries with interest in Lebanon are ready to use their good offices for the release of the captives," the English language daily newspaper Tehran Times reportedly said.

The report did not specifically refer to an offer by Israel to swap Sheikh Abdul Karim Obeid for hostages held in Lebanon, an offer already rejected by officials of the pro-Iranian Hezbollah.

Extremist leaders, meanwhile, said retaliation for the reported killing of hostage U.S. Marine Lt. Col. William Higgins would trigger suicide attacks on U.S. targets. One Hezbollah official indicated a hostage Israeli soldier may be killed if Obeid is not freed.

In Washington, President Bush said he was "leaving no stone unturned" and had been calling world leaders in search of a diplomatic solution to the hostage crisis, even as U.S. warships steamed toward Lebanon and Iran in a precautionary positioning of forces.

NBC News, in a report Wednesday night, cited senior administration officials as saying Bush had decided that if diplomatic efforts failed, the United States would strike back at Lebanese Shiites and their Iranian sponsors.

The Revolutionary Justice Organization threatened to kill Cicippio if Israel did not

release Obeid by 6 p.m. (11 a.m. EDT) Thursday. Cicippio, 58, the American University of Beirut's deputy comptroller, was kidnapped Sept. 12, 1986.

His captors had set a deadline Tuesday, but then announced they were giving Cicippio a 48-hour reprieve partly because of his wife's appeal for mercy. That deadline was extended again by four hours Thursday.

Israeli Defense Minister Yitzhak Rabin told Israeli television Wednesday that Israel had no immediate plans for releasing Obeid, a Hezbollah leader, partly because he can provide valuable information about Hezbollah's operations.

"He is in our hands and will stay in our hands," Rabin said. "The sheikh knows a lot more than he has already revealed and he is far from saying all that he knows."

Obeid reportedly has told Israeli interrogators that Higgins was alive at the time Israeli commandos kidnapped Obeid and two relatives Friday. A senior Israeli government official quoted by the New York

Times Thursday said that during questioning, Obeid "said he believed Higgins was alive."

A Hezbollah offshoot known as the Organization of the Oppressed on Earth said Monday it hanged Higgins because of Obeid's abduction. It released a videotape showing a hanged man who appeared to be Higgins. Higgins was heading a U.N. truce-monitoring force in Lebanon when he was abducted in February 1988.

Marrack Gouiding, the U.N. undersecretary for political affairs, arrived by land Thursday in Beirut's rambling southern suburbs and met for an hour with Hezbollah spiritual leader Sheikh Mohammed Hussein Fadlallah at Fadlallah's heavily guarded residence.

"I repeat that is not confirmed that he (Higgins) is hanged, and I'm very much hopeful that he is not dead," Gouiding said. But he said if Higgins was dead, he hoped his body would be delivered "for humanitarian reasons."

Fadlallah refused to comment.

Bush says hostages are a longterm problem

United Press International

WASHINGTON — A subdued President Bush is downplaying a crisis atmosphere that surrounds the fate of U.S. hostages in Lebanon, a situation the administration sees as a "long-term problem."

Although the pro-Iranian Hezbollah kidnappers had set a deadline for 11 a.m. EDT today for the execution of a second U.S. hostage, Bush and his top aides said there were several conflicting reports on the targeting of the American captives.

To emphasize business as usual at the White House, Bush scheduled no new meetings with top security advisers, with whom he has met every morning for the past three days. "This is a long-term problem. We're in for the long haul," said White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater.

Bush told reporters Wednesday he is "thinking prudently" and "planning prudently." He and his top advisers also apparently have decided to lower the heat in the crisis, with Fitzwater signaling "it is not a preoccupying force."

Bush was asked whether there was danger that the threatened execution of Joseph Cicippio, an official with American University of Beirut, would be carried out. "We're considering that might well

be the case, given statements that we've seen," Bush said.

The president said he is "leaving no stone unturned" to protect the hostages, but "it's very hard when you're dealing with this kind of cowardice and this kind of dastardly act to get all the information that you need to make a decision."

Resolving the situation through diplomatic channels remains the leading option, Fitzwater said.

"We have exercised every diplomatic channel that I can think of, some personal, some through the secretary of state and national security adviser," Bush said. "We've been in touch personally with many world leaders."

Still, the United States made a show of force in the Mediterranean Sea with two U.S. aircraft carriers and the battleship USS Iowa steaming toward Lebanon and Iran in what Pentagon officials insisted was a precautionary positioning of military force.

Bush said, "You can rest assured we are going about our business in a prudent way ... with a heavy heart. Please assume that we are thinking prudently in this matter in every way possible."

"I feel everyone I've talked to will do everything they can to help, but they face the same problem we do when it comes to getting the facts."

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Soviet evaluates Bush administration

MOSCOW — A Soviet analyst says President Bush works hard but is afraid to make a mistake, while Secretary of State James Baker is destined for greatness and Vice President Dan Quayle is an "ideological lightning rod."

Washington-based Soviet commentator A. Shalynov also took a swipe at former President Ronald Reagan in comparing the new administration's "packed schedule" with the relaxed style of the former American leader.

"Bush is different from Reagan, who worked from 9 to 5 at most," he said. But Shalynov, writing in the Tuesday evening edition of the official government newspaper Izvestia, said Bush is marked by a pronounced quality of "wariness."

"Bush is often motivated by a fear that the decision he is about to make will prove catastrophic, will cause bad press response or will be blocked by Congress," Shalynov said. "Hence he measures and remeasures not seven times, not 14 times, but 21 times before cutting rope."

Shalynov said the Bush administration "is operating as a team on which there are no people with excessive ambition and everyone is willing to play for their leader."

Still, Shalynov said Baker, the Texan who was treasury secretary under Reagan and tapped by Bush for the foreign affairs portfolio, stands out as a towering personality quickly mastering the intricacies of foreign policy.

Choice narrowed for prime minister

TOKYO — Former education minister Toshiki Kaifu has emerged as the likeliest choice to succeed Prime Minister Sosuke Uno despite his links to a scandal-ridden company, news reports said today.

The reports in major daily newspapers said Kaifu, 58, is certain to be elected president of the ruling Liberal Democratic Party with backing by most of major intra-party factions. "I feel the weight of my responsibility and at the same time I feel very honored. I will do my best," Kaifu told a news conference Wednesday night.

He admitted he received \$108,000 in donations and party tickets from Recruit Co., a major publishing and information conglomerate at the center of the bribery scandal, from 1983 to 1987.

But he stressed all donations from the Recruit Co. have been reported in accordance with the Political Fund Control Law. Recruit allegedly offered huge donations and pre-listed shares to influential politicians and business and public figures to seek their favors to expand its business.

The scandal forced former Prime Minister Noboru Takeshita to announce his resignation in May and led to indictment of 15 business executives and public officials, including two politicians.

Uno replaced Takeshita on June 2, but some three weeks later Uno himself announced he would step down as party leader and prime minister, to take responsibility for the party's worst election setback in its 34-year history in the upper house election last month.

China ousts book controller

BEIJING — The government has ousted the chief of a powerful agency that decides what Chinese can read, an official newspaper reported Thursday, in a move coinciding with a new campaign to ban books and tighten control of newspapers.

Du Daozheng, director of the State Press and Publications Administration since its founding in 1987, was replaced in early July just as the agency quietly launched a sweeping ban, since made public, on writings by dissidents and liberal intellectuals.

The Press and Publications Administration, which operates under the State Council, China's Cabinet, oversees China's 6,000 newspapers and periodicals and its more than 400 publishing houses. Censorship is applied along broad policy lines but the agency does not censor each publication.

Panama opposition meets OAS

PANAMA CITY, Panama — Panama's balky opposition agreed to return to the negotiating table for OAS-sponsored talks with the pro-government forces aimed at resolving the nation's political crisis.

The nation has been in a political stalemate since the government annulled violence-scarred May 7 presidential elections amid allegations of widespread fraud.

After holding two-hour talks with a four-member Organization of American States negotiating team Wednesday, former opposition presidential candidate Guillermo Endara said that opposition leaders will participate in the OAS-sponsored dialogue today.

Endara had earlier insisted that in order for the opposition to show up at the negotiating table, the government must first recognize the opposition's victory in the annulled elections. Panama's Catholic Church and foreign political observers said Endara's party had won the election by as much as a 3-1 ratio.

"Today, it was completely established that the dialogue will resume in accordance with the resolution approved by the OAS foreign ministers on May 17," said Endara, the candidate of the U.S.-backed Civil Democratic Opposition Alliance, or ADOC.

Post office collapses in Kiev

MOSCOW — Six people were killed when the portico of the main post office in the Ukrainian city of Kiev collapsed, the army newspaper Krasnaya Zvezda said today.

It said former paratroopers who were holding a reunion nearby on Kiev's main square, the Kreschatik, helped pull survivors from beneath the rubble.

"According to preliminary figures, six people were killed and three were injured when the portico of the main post office in the Ukrainian capital of Kiev suddenly caved in Wednesday," the army daily said.

The post office was built in the 1950s. The Vremya television news show said recent torrential rains had further undermined the dilapidated supports of the portico.

The television news program showed footage of firefighters and local residents pulling bodies from the rubble on the main square of Kiev, the country's third-largest city with a population of 2.5 million.

Vremya reported the collapse without specifying how much of the building had fallen, but the Tass news agency clarified the collapse Wednesday afternoon affected "the portico of the central entrance to the main Kiev post office."

The entranceway to the multi-story building fell without warning onto streets crowded with passersby at 4:20 p.m. following several days of rain.

Japanese seize cocaine

TOKYO — Two Venezuelan citizens were questioned Thursday on suspicion of smuggling into Japan a record 22 pounds of cocaine worth more than \$5 million, police said.

The suspects were identified as Blanca Argelia Ramirez de Ruiz, 43, who claimed to be a tailor, and Ryozo Tauchiya, 49, a resident of San Antonio, a western Venezuelan city on the border of Colombia.

The two were taken into custody in Tokyo Wednesday after a bag containing about 22 pounds of cocaine worth \$5.15 million was found floating at Kobe Port in western Japan July 25, police said.

Tauchiya and Ramirez told investigators they handed the bag to a man on a bicycle at a bus stop near the port in the early morning of July 26.

Blacks defy hospital apartheid

United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa — Scores of blacks sought medical care at whites-only hospitals on the first day of a civil disobedience campaign to protest parliamentary elections next month that exclude the black majority.

Police arrested 12 demonstrators carrying placards condemning segregated health facilities in Johannesburg, but authorities at eight hospitals targeted in the campaign treated nearly 250 blacks Wednesday, including babies and the elderly.

In Cape Town, 18 black activists announced they would defy government restrictions on their political activity.

In addition, the National Union of Mineworkers accused the giant mining house Anglo American of discrimination in gold and coal mines and said black miners began riding buses at the Springfield colliery generally reserved for white workers.

"Let us take this defiance campaign into every corner of our country," trade unionist Jay Naidoo told 500 singing students and activists jamming the foyer of Witwatersrand University's medical school attached to Johannesburg General Hospital.

"We are talking about destroying apartheid, not only in the hospitals, we will destroy apartheid wherever it exists," Naidoo said.

Recalling defiance campaigns of the 1950s, anti-apartheid activists vowed to carry out protests against segregated education, public parks and amenities despite a severe clamp on political activity under a state of emergency.

"We see the campaign today as being a major victory for us... in spite of the state of emergency," said Murphy Morobe, spokesman for the loosely organized anti-apartheid Mass Democratic Movement.

Johannesburg General treated 87 blacks, discharging all after treatment, hospital superintendent Reg Brockmann said.

At Durban's Addington Hospital, about 120 blacks received medical treatment, according to campaign organizers.

Thais investigate indicted officer

United Press International

BANGKOK, Thailand — Thai police began a broad-ranging investigation Thursday of a senior police general indicted in the United States for allegedly financing a major heroin trafficking ring, U.S. and Thai officials said.

The general, the most senior Thai official ever formally accused of heroin smuggling, may be subject only to dismissal from his post because the evidence is inadequate to charge him under Thai law, the officials said.

They said Assistant Police Inspector-General Maj. Gen. Veeh Pechborom was indicted by a New York grand jury on

four counts of narcotics violations. Similar charges against others in the ring brought 30-year-prison sentences.

"Due to the restrictions of Thai law, no legal action can be taken locally," said a senior U.S. narcotics official speaking on condition of anonymity. He noted Thai law does not allow extradition and does not provide for conspiracy in narcotics cases.

But Thailand's deputy police chief Gen. Vanit Dejkunorn, who heads the investigating committee, said he had a broad mandate to develop evidence leading to criminal charges.

He said he would interview the accused.

Arms negotiators report progress

United Press International

GENEVA — Chief U.S. and Soviet strategic arms negotiators reported solid progress today at the latest round of superpower talks on 50 percent cuts in long-range nuclear weapons.

American delegation head Richard R. Burt and his Soviet counterpart, Yuri Nazarkin, said major problems still exist, citing the United States' "Star Wars" anti-missile space research, difficulty in verifying cuts in sea-launched nuclear

over monitoring Soviet land-based mobile nuclear missiles.

Both men expressed satisfaction with the seven-week round that ends next Monday and the 11th since the Nuclear and Space Arms Talks began in 1985. Round 12 is provisionally set to begin in the last week of September.

U.S. and Soviet officials said the major breakthrough of the latest round was Moscow's acceptance of a U.S. proposal for experimenting with different verification procedures as talks continue to reach a final treaty text.

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IN BRIEF

AMERICAN LEAGUE

A's blank White Sox again

OAKLAND, Calif. — Storm Davis and two relievers combined to pitch the Athletics to a 2-0 victory Wednesday night, enabling Oakland to shut out the Chicago White Sox for the second consecutive game.

Davis, 10-5, hurled five strong innings, allowing five hits, one walk, and striking out four. Gene Nelson went 2-3 innings and Rick Honeycutt pitched 1-1-3 inning to pick up his career-high 12th save of the season. The A's have won 11 of their last 14 games and lead California by one-half game in the AL West.



Elsewhere in the AL, Cleveland blanked Milwaukee 1-0; New York and Minnesota split a doubleheader, New York winning the first game 7-8 while Minnesota took the nightcap 5-4 in 10 innings; Toronto ripped Kansas City 8-0; Detroit overcame Texas 6-4; Baltimore rallied past Boston 9-8; and California pounded Seattle 7-0.

FOOTBALL

NFL owners start search again

CHICAGO — A six-member committee of the National Football League owners met for nearly 10 hours Wednesday, reportedly paring down the list of candidates to succeed Commissioner Pete Rozelle.

Security guards kept reporters away from the conference room on the 10th floor of the O'Hare Hilton Hotel, where the committee huddled amid speculation they would emerge with a list containing only three names.

The search committee was set up to bring together two opposing factions, one supporting New Orleans Saints' president Jim Finks and the other dissatisfied at the way the search for Rozelle's replacement had been conducted.

The committee is comprised of two members of each faction, plus two neutral owners. In addition to New York Giants owner Wellington Mara, the members include Kansas City Chiefs owner Lamar Hunt, Seattle Seahawks owner Ken Behring, Minnesota Vikings managing general partner Mike Lynn, Los Angeles Raiders owner Al Davis and Washington Redskins owner Jack Kent Cooke.

TENNIS

Agassi, Chang win at Stratton

STRATTON, Vt. — Andre Agassi and Michael Chang relied on their distinctive strengths Wednesday to withstand the wave of upsets that swept six seeds from the second round of the \$602,500 Volvo International.

Upset victims included No. 4 Kevin Curren, No. 5 Amos Mansdorf, No. 6 Jay Berger, No. 7 Yannick Noah, No. 11 Paul Annacone and No. 16 Scott Davis.

Agassi, the No. 1 seed and defending champion, used his powerful top-spin groundstrokes to beat Marty Davis 6-1, 3-6, 6-3, overcoming a concentration lapse in the second set.

Chang, the No. 2 seed and French Open champion, capitalized on his sound strategy and shotmaking under pressure to defeat Sweden's Johan Carlsson 7-5, 6-3 in their first meeting.

Other seeds to advance, all in straight sets, were No. 3 Brad Gilbert, No. 9 Jim Courier, No. 12 Robert Seguso and No. 15 Derrick Rostagno.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Martinez, Dodgers walk to win

LOS ANGELES — Pitcher Ramon Martinez walked with the bases loaded in the fourth inning to bring home the go-ahead run and the Los Angeles Dodgers capitalized on eight walks Wednesday night to post a 7-4 victory over the San Francisco Giants.

Giants starting pitcher Allee Hammaker had to be carried off the field on a stretcher in the third inning with a badly strained knee.

Reliever Trevor Wilson, 1-3, took the loss as he gave up the tie-breaking run in the fourth inning.

Martinez, 3-0, appearing in his fifth game, worked six innings for the victory.

Jay Howell, the third Dodger hurler, picked up his 21st save by working 1-1-3 innings.



BEST BETS ON TV

BASEBALL

7:30 p.m. — WGN, Chicago Cubs at Philadelphia Phillies. (L)
 10:30 p.m. — SC, San Francisco Giants at Los Angeles Dodgers. (L)

BOXING

9 p.m. — USA, Miguel Santana vs. Rodney Moore. (L)

Broncos in title game

West Seminole can claim Southern Regional tonight

From staff reports

NEWNAN, GA. — Tommy Grigg and Matt DeSart have led an offensively potent West Seminole All-Star team to two wins in the Bronco League (11 and 12 year olds) Southern Regional All-Star Tournament being played in Newnan, Georgia.

West Seminole will play again tonight against Newnan in the opening round of the finals at 6:30.

If West Seminole should win tonight it will win the tournament outright. A loss would set up a winner-take-all confrontation.

"Our first win was not indicative of how we play," West Seminole manager Joe Foranocce said. "We had too many errors and our pitching wasn't on. I think that the first game of the tournament kind of scared them. After they got that first game over, they've come on."

On Monday night, West Seminole won a tough 12-11 decision in the

opening round over Dekalb, Ga. in a game that went into extra innings. The game was a seesaw battle that ended with Grigg delivered the winning run with his fourth extra-base hit of the game.

West Seminole got things started with a three-run rally in the bottom of the third. Grigg led off with a double and scored on a single by Scott Hannigan. DeSart followed with a run-scoring double and scored on consecutive passed balls to give his team a 3-0 lead.

Dekalb scored two runs in the top of the second before West Seminole picked up a run in the fourth. Grigg hitting a triple and scoring on an error to up the lead to 4-2.

In the fourth inning, Dekalb took a 7-4 lead by scoring five runs on five walks, a hit batter and an error. But West Seminole bounced right back with three runs to even the game as Casey Winn and David Cook connected on back-to-back singles and Keith Walsh and Grigg smacked consecutive doubles.

West Seminole added two runs in the fifth as DeSart led off with a double and scored on a double by K.T. Slawson. Cook then singled in Slawson to give his team a 9-7 lead. DeSart added a two-run homer in the sixth to up the lead to 11-7.

Dekalb came back again with four runs in the seventh to send the **See Bronco, Page 2B**



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Keith Acree (No. 20) rounds second with a double for Ken Kern's Transmission in their win over Heathrow on Wednesday night. Acree also

had two singles and two runs scored. Neil Miller (No. 2) played second for Heathrow while Kevin Driscoll (far left) was the shortstop.

The Barn takes over first place

By DEAN SMITH
 Herald correspondent

SANFORD — The Barn moved into sole possession of first place in the Sanford Men's Softball "C" League with an 11-6 victory over previously unbeaten Creative Invasion at Chase Park Wednesday night.

In other games played Wednesday, the Wrecking Crew moved into a tie for second place with Creative Invasion by posting a 6-2 decision over Mobilite. Ken Kern's Transmissions won its first game of the second half with a 7-5 defeat of Heathrow.

The Barn (4-0 in the second half) took the early advantage when it scored a run in the second and two runs in the third. A double by Brasser and an RBI single by Meeks scored the run in the second while an RBI single by Haddock and a sacrifice fly by Collins scored the two runs in the third.

But Creative Invasion (now 3-1 in the second half) refused to go down without a fight and scored three runs in the top of the fourth to tie the score 3-3. RBI singles by Brian Hartman, Tom Kelly and Joe Ferpes accounted for the runs.

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Oviedo Majors are eliminated

By MARK BLYTHE
 Herald sports writer

LAND O' LAKES — Oviedo's exciting post season play came to a sputtering halt Wednesday in the Major League (11-12 year olds) All-Star state tournament as they dropped an 8-1 decision to Coral Springs in an elimination contest.

After scoring a total of 30 runs in their last two games of the Section I tournament last week, Oviedo scored just one run in its two games at the state tournament this week.

"We just didn't put it together," Oviedo manager Eddie Norton said. "We hit the ball well but we hit right at someone. We had our chances and didn't do the things we had done so well to get here."

Oviedo made three untimely errors in Wednesday's game to help Coral Springs take the victory as the Oviedo pitching staff allowed just four earned runs in the contest.

"We made some very uncharacteristic errors tonight," Norton said. "Plays we usually make with no problem we made tough and they (Coral Springs) exploited our mistakes."

Coral Springs opened the scoring in the bottom of the third inning with three runs on a two-out rally. Tim Burton led off with a line drive single that Oviedo third baseman Byron Colffe was able to knock down and prevent from being a double. As it was, Colffe almost came up with a brilliant catch.

Mike Rospino and Derek Detassis then singled to load the bases before Jeff Brooks, the game's winning pitcher, helped himself with a run-scoring single. An error and a walk brought in two more runs to give Coral Springs a 3-0 lead.

Coral Springs took control of the game in the fifth inning when it exploded for five runs. After two errors placed runners on first and second, Brooks singled to load the bases. Jeff Brain then singled in a run, forcing Norton to replace starter Brian King with reliever Rich Ditore.

Ditore struck out the first two batters he faced before giving up a three-run triple to Fred Keith. After a hit batsman, Burton singled up the

See Majors, Page 2B

Bucs stage opening scrimmage

United Press International

TAMPA — Quarterback Vinny Testaverde and wide receivers Mark Carrier and Willie Drewrey stood out Wednesday during a 2 1/2-hour scrimmage by the Tampa Bay Buccaneers, with owner Hugh Culverhouse watching intently in sweltering conditions.

Testaverde, the NFL's lowest-rated passer last season, appeared sharp while playing with the first unit against defensive substitutes.

Carrier, who teamed with Bruce Hill last season to form the league's fourth-best receiver duo, grabbed a 50-yard Testaverde pass and made a diving reception for another first down. Drewrey, acquired as a free agent after playing four years in Houston, impressed Coach Ray Perkins by displaying sure hands and quick, elusive moves in the open field.

An estimated crowd of 2,500 at the University of Tampa reserved its biggest cheers for running back Nathan Wonsley, who is attempting a return to the NFL after suffering a broken neck as a Buccaneer rookie in 1986. Wonsley ran hard and shook off several hard hits.

"I'm pleased with the way Testaverde handled himself throughout the scrimmage," said Perkins, entering his third year as head coach of the Buccaneers. "Overall, I saw a lot of good work. We couldn't have even had this (scrimmage) two years ago. We're way ahead of where we've been in the past, with a long way still to go. But it's encouraging."

Diminutive running back and kick returner Sylvester Stamps. **See Bucs, Page 2B**



Herold file photo

From player to coach

Lake Mary High School graduate Courtney Hall (No. 32) has been appointed to fill the role of graduate assistant to Stetson University women's basketball coach Nancy Nichols this coming year. A 1989

graduate of Stetson, Hall will be working toward her Masters of Business Administration while working in the Stetson sports information department and assisting with the women's basketball team.

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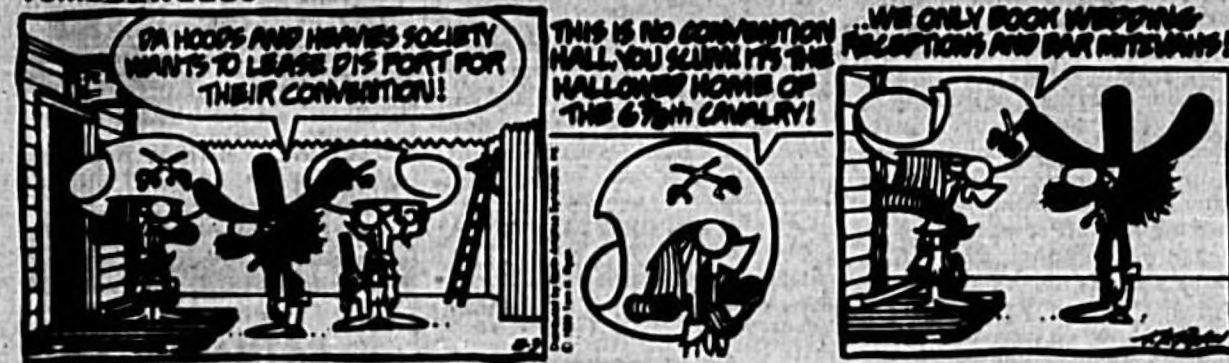
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by Bob Thaves



GARFIELD

by Jim Davis



ANNIE

by Leonard Starr



Paget's disease may weaken adult skeleton

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm a 78-year-old female with Paget's disease. What can I expect? DEAR READER: In all honesty, I think you can expect a real breakthrough in treatment within the next few years. Several experimental therapies show real promise as cures. However, judging from your question, I assume you mean "what does the immediate future hold for me?"

At present, treatment is directed at retarding the areas of overactive bone metabolism and strengthening bone that has already formed. Commonly used drugs include calcitonin, diphosphonates and pamidronate. Analgesics, such as indomethacin, may greatly relieve pain.



Given these facts, I believe you can be optimistic about the medical advances in the treatment of Paget's disease.

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down. Includes a 'WIN AT BRIDGE' section with a hand analysis and a 'HOROSCOPE' section with daily horoscopes for various signs.

WIN AT BRIDGE

By James Jacoby It was aggressive for South to bid four hearts. A better choice after North's false to two hearts would be to cue-bid three clubs to strongly invite game while showing the club ace. North would now certainly bid game, bolstered by the knowledge that his club king was not a wasted value. After a little thought, West led the six of diamonds. That hesitancy before leading told South he did not need to fear that East held a six-card club suit. So declarer could safely allow East to hold the first trick with the king of diamonds. You'll soon see why that play was necessary. East returned a diamond. Declarer won the ace and played queen of hearts. East won the ace and returned a heart. At this point South could make the contract if the spade

finesse was onside, but the opening bid from East made this unlikely. Instead declarer played A-K of clubs and then another club from dummy. But he did not ruff. Instead he discarded a spade. That left East on lead. If he played a diamond, declarer would ruff in dummy while discarding another spade. If he played a club, declarer would ruff, and dummy's last club would be a winner. And a spade would go into the jaws of dummy's A-Q. What if declarer had won the first trick with the ace of diamonds? East would win the ace of hearts and put West on lead with a diamond, and a spade would come through dummy's A-Q. And we'd have no trouble guessing that declarer's name — obviously Willy Nilly.

Bridge hand analysis showing North-South and East-West hands, a vulnerable declaration, and the opening lead.

HOROSCOPE

By Bernice Bede Cool YOUR BIRTHDAY Aug. 4, 1989 Interesting currents will be stirring in the year ahead that will strengthen your financial position. This could be an impressive cycle for you where earnings are concerned. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) There is nothing wrong with looking out for your self-interests today, provided you don't feather your own nest at the expense of someone else. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences which are governing you in the year ahead. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today by mailing \$1 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cincinnati, OH 45291-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Someone who has been friendly to you might come to you for assistance today. By all means help where you can, but don't volunteer to take on anything beyond your capabilities or means. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Be very selective today regarding

your social involvements. Try to avoid activities that are costly, because these could be the ones that turn out to be the least fun. SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) You're basically a rather courageous individual, but today you must be able to distinguish between boldness and what is just plain foolhardy. Don't buck the odds. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) There's a possibility you might be drawn into a debate today where your opposition has a firmer grasp of the facts than you do. Don't get in over your head. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Today you may have your hands full trying to keep your own affairs in order without going out of your way to try to sort out another's muddled milieu. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Partnership arrangements could be more of a hindrance than a help today. If there is an important goal you'd like to achieve, see if you can do it unaided. PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Where your career is concerned today do not rely upon co-

workers to attend to things for you that you should be taking care of yourself. If you do, disappointment is likely. ARIES (March 21-April 19) Let your hair down and enjoy yourself at social happenings today, but be careful you do not wear out your welcome. To be on the safe side, plan to make an early exit. TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Even though it may take a bit of doing, try to be tolerant of companions today who are not in harmony with your particular goals and purposes. Make allies, not enemies. GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Things you see to criticize in others today could be a reflection of your own shortcomings, so instead of trying to correct their faulty patterns, work on your own. CANCER (June 21-July 22) Be extremely careful about involving yourself in financial arrangements today that are outside of your particular field of expertise. The lesson you'll learn could be an expensive one. (C)1989, NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE ASSN.

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