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## A Night With The SWAT Team

# Climb, Trudge And Wait For The Bad Guys

By Susan Loden  
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Second of three parts

It's about 8 p.m. The three SWAT team commanders and team leaders are briefed on the "situation," while the SWAT deputies get one more round of practice in three shooting exercises, which they've already performed once.

The staged challenge is: An undercover sheriff's agent is to meet cocaine dealers (portrayed by other deputies) in a tent in the woods. He is set to swap \$300,000 cash for 10 kilograms of cocaine. The top bad guy, who has hired a handful of mercenaries to protect his stash and the cash from interloping drug dealers, but who isn't anticipating a raid by lawmen, is expected to



Herald staff writer Susan Loden spent a day and a night with the Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) teams from three counties for a behind-the-scenes look at their secret operations.

arrive on the scene in a four-wheel drive vehicle. The agent, who is wired for sound, is expected to tip the SWAT teams, telling them when to

move in to make the bust and save the cash, stash and him.

Within the hour the team leaders make their plan. They will divide into three groups to make their approach to the tent. Orange County, with 21 deputies in the exercise, will break into groups A and B, to approach the tent after trekking through the roughest, swampiest terrain. Seminole's five men will merge with Volusia's eight to make a C team of 13, to approach the tent along a sandy road from southeast.

All day through shooting practices and other exercises the Seminole team members kept asking if I was going to stay through the night exercise. "I'll wait and see how it goes," I said through the routine day, hoping for some real

action. Now, as the event was about to start, Seminole County's Lt. Marty LaBrusciano asks if I'm going on the maneuver.

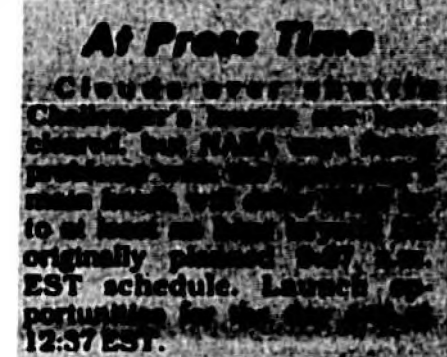
"I didn't stay not to go," I say. But he hadn't mentioned the canal before I made my decision.

To get to the woods adjoining the shooting range there is only one way, across a 30-foot wide canal, which LaBrusciano says is 60-feet deep. The gator and others have already been spotted. Mention is made of wild hogs, raccoons and snakes.

"I don't want to get wet," I say, and give LaBrusciano a "what have you gotten me into?" look. He "guarantees" he will get me across the canal and I won't get wet. Other deputies

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## Hatch Latch Delays Launch



CAPE CANAVERAL (UPI) — Shuttle Challenger's blastoff was delayed today because of a balky ship's hatch but eager space teacher Christa McAuliffe and her six crewmates remained strapped in their seats awaiting takeoff.

Launch processing proceeded smoothly through the morning under a clear sky but as the day progressed, heavy cloud cover moved into the area.

Conditions improved as launch time neared but problems closing the shuttle's complex hatch slowed work at the pad and mission managers delayed the countdown at 9:28 a.m. EST after a planned 10-minute "hold" at the T-minus nine-minute mark.

"We'll wait at nine minutes for the weather and to finish work up there in the white room (on the hatch)," said launch director Gene Thomas.

McAuliffe, a high school social studies teacher from Concord, N.H., commander Francis "Dick" Scobee, co-pilot Michael Smith, Judith Resnik, Ellison S. Sizemore, Ronald McNair and satellite engineer Gregory Jarvis patiently waited out the delay, missing their planned 9:37 a.m. launch time.

NASA had three hours to get Challenger off the pad and weather conditions at emergency landing strips in Africa were acceptable.

Thousands of spectators, including McAuliffe's husband and two children, and scores of educators and students stood by to witness the teacher's thundering debut as the first ordinary citizen to ride in a space shuttle.

Despite repeated tries, the crew could not get one of the

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Herald Photo by Deane Jordan

## Horse Trailer Jockeys

With a mighty heave here and a tug there, eight men maneuver an empty horse trailer sideways off railroad tracks along Old Lake Mary Road where it had become stuck Saturday just north of Airport Boulevard in Sanford. A Sanford police officer said the

tandem-wheel four-horse trailer with three appaloosas aboard came unhitched from its truck and ran onto the tracks around noon. Two of the trailer's wheels crossed one rail. The horses were removed after they calmed down. One received a small cut.

## By 4 Jail Guards

# DUI Suspect Claims He Was Beaten

By Susan Loden  
Herald Staff Writer

A Maitland man charged with driving under the influence following a Sunday morning traffic accident is accusing four un-specified Seminole County jail guards of beating him. Doctors who examined the man at Winter Park Hospital following the alleged incident, however, said they could find no evidence of an attack, a Seminole County sheriff's report said.

Sheriff's Capt. Roy Hughey said today that Chief Deputy Duane Harrell is slated to review the allegations made by Raymond G. James, 21, of 1209 Thunder Trail, who also reportedly claims \$60 was stolen from his wallet and that his \$140 watch was missing when he bonded out of jail.

James was arrested by a Florida Highway Patrol trooper at 4 a.m. Sunday after his vehicle reportedly struck and became lodged on cement gate posts on private property at the east end of Summerwood Drive in Fern Park, a sheriff's report said.

After James was released from jail he was admitted to the emergency room of the Winter Park Memorial Hospital as a "walk in patient," who claimed he "was assaulted by four police officers at the Seminole County Corrections Facility..." com-

plaining of neck and head pains," according to a report written by sheriff's deputy Debra J. Jacobs, who was called to the hospital.

Ms. Jacobs wrote: James had complained he had been kicked and the kicks had caused blurred vision, nausea, headaches, memory loss and weakness to the left side of his body.

"A conversation with the attending doctor and nurses by this deputy revealed the following," Ms. Jacobs wrote: "The subject has no bruises evident; eyesight is o/d 20/20, o/s 20/25; and the doctor advises that it is normal for a right handed person (which Mr. James is) to show weakness of the left side."

In their reports Sgt. John F. Negri and deputy Daren Tjornstal, who was set to administer a breath analysis test to James, wrote that once in the jail James was screaming obscenities and running a metal object across the wire mesh of a cell, indicating he had not been properly searched. Tjornstal requested he quite down and submit to a search, but the man allegedly continued to curse and refused to cooperate.

Tjornstal, Negri and corrections officer Tom Price entered the cell and "again politely asked for cooperation," Tjornstal wrote.

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## Geneva Residents Concerned About County Sludge Dumping

Sarah Nunn  
Herald Staff Writer

Geneva residents say they are fearful that sludge from the Iron Bridge sewage plant being dumped at the nearby Seminole County landfill will contaminate their water.

And, they say, they are confused as to whether the material is harmful or not. So much so that they have asked Orange and Seminole County officials to meet with them and help provide answers to their mounting questions.

The Geneva Citizen's Association has scheduled a special meeting for today discuss the issue. The meeting is to begin at 7:30 p.m. at the Geneva community building on First Street in Geneva. Association President Lee Voorhees said the purpose of the session is to both inform the residents and allow them to voice their concerns.

Two weeks ago the county allowed sludge from the wastewater treatment plant to be spread at the Osecola landfill on a temporary basis.

Normally the sludge is sprayed on agricultural and pastureland in east Seminole and Orange Counties with Florida Department of Environmental Regulation approval.

Unusually heavy rains which left water standing on the land, however, prevented trucks from taking the sludge there. Orlando asked Seminole County if it could spread the sludge at the Osecola landfill, and the county and DER agreed.

The Osecola landfill was chosen because it is closer to the regional treatment plant than the Orange County landfill.

Geneva residents are concerned that the sludge, some 200 tons of which was being hauled to the landfill each day, will contaminate the

area's underground water supply. They also complained that tanker trucks, making up to 40 trips per day, were running constantly through the center of town and in residential neighborhoods.

Lorraine Whiting, secretary of the citizen's group, said the trucks have stopped going to the landfill. However, as Voorhees said, "if it happened once it can happen again."

"Some citizens are very upset and have inundated county commissioners with phone calls," he said. "We need to get people better informed about the sludge situation."

Doug Bellin, a representative of Frenz Enterprises, the company in charge of hauling the sludge, will make a presentation on the Iron Bridge plant and how sludge is handled Monday night, Voorhees said.

Also expected to attend the meeting are Osecola Landfill Manager Fred Blakely, County Environmental Services Director Jim Bible, County Commissioner Bill Kirehloff and Orlando Wastewater Bureau Chief Tom Lothrop.

"We want the experts to dispel the belief that the sludge is harmful," Voorhees said. "We want to allay any concerns."

What the residents in Geneva need now is a learning, educational process, Whiting said.

"The sludge won't go away, so we should learn all we can to help people make proper decisions," she said.

County Administrator Ken Hooper said the spreading of sludge at the landfill is not harmful and presents no danger to the area's water

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## Tot Killed By Backing Car

A 4-year-old Casselberry boy was killed Saturday when a car backed over him in the driveway of his home.

Michael James Oglesby, of 1208 Lake Lucerne Cir., reportedly died enroute to South Seminole Community Hospital, Longwood. The accident occurred around 3 p.m.

According to the Florida Highway Patrol, the boy was playing near his home when he ran into the path of a car driven by Joyce L. Bright, 39, of the same address. The incident occurred around 3:18 p.m. More specific details were not included in the report.

The child's parents' names were not included on the report and residents at the home could not be contacted today.

A neighbor said he noticed a commotion Saturday afternoon and heard people hollering, but thought nothing of it because there are a lot of noisy children in the neighborhood. He said, however, he called an ambulance when an unidentified woman ran up the street screaming for someone to call an ambulance.

No charges were filed, although the incident is under investigation.

—Deane Jordan

## Citrus Growers Pray As Big Chill On Way

MIAMI (UPI) — An arctic cold front moved into Florida Sunday and forecasters warned farmers to take all possible precautions to protect their crops from a killer freeze.

"The weather news sounds real bad," said citrus farm owner Ben Hill Griffin Jr. of Frostproof. "We're just hoping and praying it won't get as bad as the weatherman says it will, cause it could do us some tremendous damage."

The forecast called for today's temperatures to drop down to the upper 20s in Miami and down to low to mid teens in the northern portion of the state by late Monday. After-

noon highs were expected to remain just above freezing in north Florida.

Meteorologist Andrew Stern said breezy winds tonight would not allow frost to form. Winds are expected to diminish Wednesday and allow a widespread frost over the state Wednesday night, Stern said.

Stern said the National Weather Service issued strongly-worded advisories to Floridians and farmers with temperature-sensitive crops Saturday and Sunday.

"Temperatures may approach all time record lows in some areas. This could be a major freeze on a par with the Christmas 1983 freeze and the

January freeze of last year," a National Weather Service crop advisory said. "All possible precautions should be taken to protect crops."

The '83 and '84 freezes devastated the central Florida citrus groves, prompting many growers to move south. Citrus crops can be damaged when temperatures fall below 28 degrees for four hours or more.

The temperatures may set new lows in south Florida and the Keys. On Jan. 22 of last year, a 30 degree reading was recorded at Miami International Airport, the coldest temperature since records were begun there in 1942. Stern said. The

day before, Key West registered a 41-degree reading, the coldest of the century there.

"We have a good chance of breaking those records Tuesday," Stern said.

Citrus growers took the warning to heart and began wetting down their groves to help them retain heat.

"Prior to a freeze we try to get as much moisture as possible. The water will absorb a little more heat and release it slowly through the night," said Alan Hemenway, vice president of Ben Hill Griffin Inc.

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## The Ordeal Of Gramm-Rudman

Gramm-Rudman should be given a chance to work. The legal challenges being mounted by some congressmen and by President Reagan's own Department of Justice should not interfere with the operation of the complicated Gramm-Rudman machinery.

Gramm-Rudman is named for the two Republican senators who sponsored this plan to require reduction of the federal budget deficit. They are Phil Gramm of Texas and Warren Rudman of New Hampshire. The name of the third co-author, Ernest Hollings, a South Carolina Democrat, has a way of falling out of the title. But half of the Senate Democrats, including Edward M. Kennedy of Massachusetts, and 118 Democrats in the House voted for it, so it is truly a bipartisan measure.

Gramm-Rudman provides for automatic, automatic board reductions in almost all federal spending programs in order to reduce a federal budget deficit gradually and automatically in five years.

It will either have an impact like an ICBM on the federal budget this year, or it will be one of the biggest fizzles since the early Atlas missiles.

President Reagan praised Gramm-Rudman when he signed it into law. There was no signing ceremony, and a statement issued by the president raised questions about the constitutionality of some of the provisions of the measure. Now Attorney General Edwin Meese has raised similar questions in connection with a lawsuit filed by several congressmen seeking to have Gramm-Rudman declared invalid. Meese says the congressmen have no right to sue at this time, he says the Department of Justice is awaiting a decision on the law's constitutionality.

Gramm-Rudman is giving the check-and-balance system of our government a workout. The legislative branch has, in effect, abdicated responsibility for the budget and has given over power to the president to make automatic budget cuts. The executive branch has, in turn, argued Congress has tied too many strings to the package. The judicial branch will have to decide the controversy.

Meanwhile, there are rumblings about the bill. Rep. Les Aspin, D-Wis., says Gramm-Rudman will cause the greatest damage to the peace-time history. Sen. Daniel P. Moynihan, D-N.Y., says it will mean the end of the federal budget. President Reagan is drawing a fiscal 1987 budget with \$50 billion in deficit and talk of selling off the Federal Reserve Administration and eliminating non-core functions of the federal government, such as the Interstate Commerce Commission and the Agricultural Stabilization Service.

If the courts intervene, there will be a crisis and there will probably be a tax increase. The president can keep his promise to cut taxes. There will be a crisis. There will be outrage. There will be a crisis. But if it all goes well, the Republic will survive and the budget, at long last, will be balanced.

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### BERRY'S WORLD



"He's kind of a young John Houseman."

### HELEN THOMAS

## Happy 75th Birthday, President Reagan

WASHINGTON (UPI) — President Reagan will be 75 on Feb. 6, and a public celebration is being planned for that day, according to Elaine Crispin, the first lady's press secretary.

Crispin said that on the following day, Feb. 7, Reagan's longtime friends, mainly the California group and remaining members of the "kitchen cabinet" are giving the president a private birthday party in the White House. She said four couples are "picking up the tab."

A similar event was held in the White House Reagan's first year in office when his friends and close political colleagues gave him a birthday celebration in the executive mansion.

Reagan often breaks the ice in a speech by joking about age, usually a self-deprecating remark. Other presidents have been referred to as "the old man" by their aides, but that is rarely heard in the Reagan White House.

Despite his years, Reagan exudes physical vigor, especially when dressed in riding clothes and astride a horse at his California ranch.

Reagan signed into law in 1984 a bill

establishing a United States Institute of Peace. He is required under the act to nominate a board of directors, composed of 15 members. So far, Reagan has submitted 13 names to the Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee — all male.

Barbara Levin, director of the women's agenda for the Center for Defense Information, and retired Rear Adm. Gene R. La Roque have written the president urging him "to redress this omission and to assure adequate representation of women on the board."

"There is fertile ground for arguing that if more women held positions of power in the military and national security establishments, humanity might not be on the edge of nuclear extinction as we are today," they wrote. "How much more incomprehensible it is, therefore, to omit women from the only official peace establishment currently being created by the federal government."

Their letter went on to express hope that Reagan will take this opportunity to demonstrate his "confidence in women by assuring

that they are adequately represented on the board of directors."

They added that such a move "would alleviate the embarrassment caused your administration by (White House chief of staff Donald) Regan's unfortunate aspersions of women's interest in military and national security issues at the summit in Geneva."

Regan, in an interview, indicated that women were interested in the lighter things and not "throw weight," a factor in arms control discussions. His remarks evoked protests from women and Regan apologized, declaring it was not his intention to suggest that women were less interested than men in international affairs.

Larry Speakes, who usually notes that press releases of any import are the product of the "principal deputy press secretary" did not put his name on any of the releases relating to President Reagan's recent extensive physical examination in the aftermath of Reagan's colon cancer surgery last July. Nor would he answer any questions. And reporters are wondering why.

### DONALD LAMBRO

## The Truth About The G-R-H Act

WASHINGTON — Among all the distortions swirling about the Gramm-Rudman balanced-budget law, says Texas Sen. Phil Gramm, perhaps none is worse than the widespread belief that it will make the federal budget shrink.

"You've got to realize that spending under Gramm-Rudman is going to grow, not decline," said the feisty Republican lawmaker during a lengthy interview. That, he said, "is totally lost in all of these stories of woe" about the law he initiated and helped to enact.

The frightening numbers being flashed across the nation's television screens by the network news shows, showing deep spending cuts, give only a static view of the budgetary equation mandated by the revolutionary five-year plan.

Totally ignored in the near-hysteria over the deficit-cutting figures is the simultaneous growth in revenues over this same period.

Gramm-Rudman will require that, over the next five years, "the deficit's got to be reduced by about \$200 billion," he says. "And if you look at the current level of spending (nearly \$1 trillion a year), you say, 'My God, that's going to be hard.'"

"But when you realize that the lowest estimate being made in the growth in federal revenues over the next five years is \$350 billion," says Gramm, "then you realize that you can meet the requirements of Gramm-Rudman and raise spending by \$150 billion over five years."

In fiscal 1987, for example, Congress must cut spending "by about \$40 billion — \$50 billion at the highest," he says, in order to come within the deficit target set by Gramm-Rudman. But the Congressional Budget Office and the White House Office of Management and Budget are projecting about a \$70 billion growth in revenues next year. "That means you've got between \$20 billion and \$30 billion more to spend," says Gramm.

In fact, in each of the next five years, total spending will be larger than in each previous year even with Gramm-Rudman's cuts — because Uncle Sam's revenues are projected to grow at about \$70 billion a year.

### JACK ANDERSON

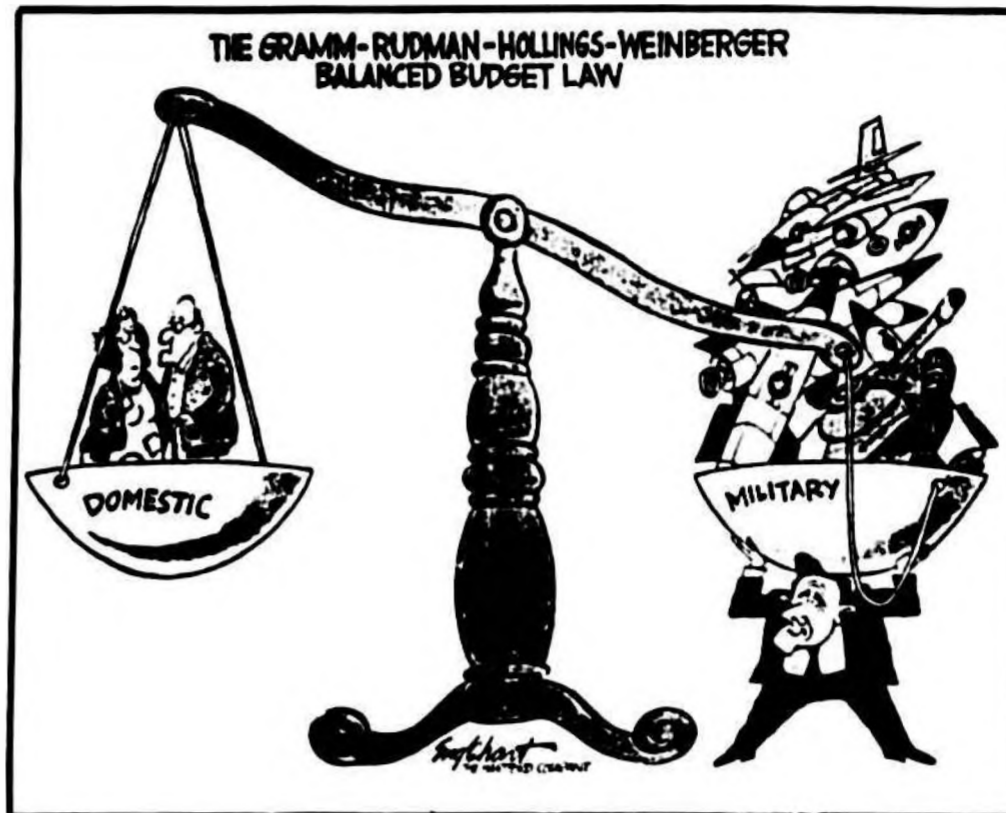
## Khomeini's Kamikaze Wings Are Ready

By Jack Anderson and Dale Van Atta

WASHINGTON — In an ominous replay of World War II's closing days, Iranian pilots have been trained to fly light planes loaded with explosives on suicide missions against U.S. warships in the Mediterranean or land facilities throughout the Middle East.

According to our intelligence sources — including the testimony of an Iranian defector — the young Iranian pilots are as fanatically dedicated to the Ayatollah Khomeini as Japanese kamikaze pilots were to Emperor Hirohito in 1945. The kamikazes destroyed 36 U.S. warships and damaged 368 in the battle of Okinawa.

What makes the possibility of suicide attacks on the Sixth Fleet particularly galling is the fact that the aircraft that would be used were made in West Germany and Switzerland. The two types of planes may be able to evade the U.S. warships' radar protection, on land, it would be virtually impossible to protect American embassies against a flying suicide attack.



### ROBERT WAGMAN

## Sell FDIC And FSLIC?

WASHINGTON (NEA) — Some conservatives, both inside and outside of the Reagan administration, want the U.S. government to stop insuring deposits at federally chartered banks and savings and loan institutions.

They're calling for a privatization system — the privatization of both the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation.

Those who support this plan point to the recent spate of bank failures, such as that of Oklahoma's Penn Square Bank. These failures, they say, prove that while the FDIC is good at rescuing failed banks, it has a far poorer record of regulating them to prevent such failures.

Proponents of privatization say that the cushion of federal regulation actually encourages financial institutions to take risks that result in disasters.

Two Heritage Foundation economists, Catherine England and John Fiality, are among the plan's proponents. "A system of privately provided deposit insurance," they say, "would enhance the safety of deposits within the system, increase the ability of the banking system to adjust to changing conditions and the needs of consumers, reduce the burden of overregulation, and therefore contribute to the long-run health of the economy."

However, a more sobering view comes from a just-released report by a special counsel of the Maryland legislature on that state's almost two-year-old savings and loan crisis.

For years, 102 state-chartered savings and loans in Maryland, with

combined deposits of more than \$8 billion, were insured not by the state but by the Maryland Savings Share Insurance Corp., a private corporation.

The MSSIC was the nation's largest private insurer of financial institution deposits. The Maryland crisis began when the Baltimore-based Old Court Savings and Loan was rumored to be in major difficulty because of numerous bad real-estate loans. A run started, and the MSSIC was almost immediately in trouble. This triggered runs at other S&Ls — and, almost instantly, the MSSIC was declared insolvent.

All deposits in state-chartered S&Ls were frozen while the private corporation was liquidated and replaced by the state-backed Maryland Deposit Insurance Fund. Many of the larger S&Ls obtained federal insurance or were sold; the smaller ones now do business under state insurance. However, at four thrift institutions with deposits of about \$1.5 billion, accounts are still frozen and withdrawals are allowed only in hardship cases.

The Maryland General Assembly appointed Baltimore lawyer Wilbur Preston to determine what happened. Preston has completed his investigation, and he puts much of the blame on "a hopelessly flawed system which permitted the industry to make and enforce its own rules."

Given the speed with which the MSSIC toppled and the findings of the special counsel, many hard questions must be asked before considering the private insurance of deposits in the nation's federal banks and S&Ls.

### ROBERT WALTERS

## The Truth About The G-R-H Act

WASHINGTON (NEA) — Regular readers of this column will note that until now there has been no mention here of the Gramm-Rudman-Hollings deficit-reduction and responsibility evasion law since it was enacted late last year.

That silence was not intended to signal approval of the abominable legislation. Instead, it was inspired by the naive hope that the law would somehow collapse under its own weight without pummeling from yet another critic.

The federal courts may yet relegate the statute to the far side of oblivion, but that is not altogether certain. In any event, pending litigation will not be resolved for many months.

In the interim, the convoluted procedure leading to "sequestration" (the year's first hot new buzzword among the political cognoscenti here) and other dreaded results is well underway — although few people (including the politicians who approved the law) understand how the process actually works.

What is known is that if Congress and President Reagan continue to disagree, as they have for the past five years, about the size, shape and scope of the federal budget (which is likely), the government's spending choices will be made through a mechanical process wholly devoid of common sense and rational judgment.

The protagonists in that tawdry drama would not be elected officials in Congress and the White House but bureaucrats in the Office of Management and Budget, General Accounting Office and Congressional Budget Office.

Getting into this mess was not easy. Indeed, it required a rare combination of cowardice and stupidity on the part of both the legislative and executive branches of government.

The ill-conceived scheme was overwhelmingly approved in the Republican-controlled Senate, although a few dissenters warned of the calamity that would surely follow.

"We are... mindlessly surrendering our constitutional duty to set spending priorities for this government," said Sen. Gary W. Hart (D-Colo.). "In a stunning and sad confession of impotence, we are lacing ourselves into a fiscal straitjacket — as if to say 'stop me before I kill again.'"

low-level flight exercises. One who survived and got back to Iran was Hushang Mortezaei, and he was so unimpressed at the prospect of imprisonment (or the imam that he defected the first chance he got. Mortezaei skedaddled from a four-plane formation heading for a base near the Strait of Hormuz.

Now hiding in London, young Mortezaei has told his debriefers it's not surprising that he was the only one of Khomeini's kamikazes to defect. "I must tell you that my comrades are 100 percent fanatics," he explained. "They are preparing to make their strikes and nothing will stop them."

As evidence of his ex-buddies' anti-American zeal, the defector described their "reactions of uncontrollable joy" whenever Shiite terrorists succeeded in hijacking a plane or blowing up a U.S. installation.

The possibility of Iranian kamikaze pilots sneaking into the United States has not been discounted by security experts. White House defenses include radar and anti-aircraft missiles.

















**BLONDIE**  
I'LL BET ALL THE MEN ARE IN LOVE WITH HER!  
NOT!  
IT'S LIKE WHEN YOU'RE DEALT A GREAT HAND IN POKER!  
YOU'RE FOOLISH TO WANT ANYTHING ELSE!  
I NEVER KNEW POKER COULD BE SO ROMANTIC!

by Chic Young

**BEETLE BAILEY**  
ADMIT IT, BEETLE!  
YOU'RE PLANNING TO SLEEP ON WATCH THE MINUTE I LEAVE, AREN'T YOU?

by Mort Walker

**THE BORN LOSER**  
UH...CAN YOU LEND ME FIVE BUCKS, SAUL?  
CAN'T SPARE IT, BUT THERE'S A GUY WHO OWES ME...  
IF HE EVER PAYS UP, IT'S YOURS.  
YEAH? WHO'S THE DEADBEAT?

by Art Sansom

**ARCHIE**  
I'M THROUGH WITH THE KITCHEN SINK, MR. ANDREWS! ANYTHING ELSE NEED REPAIR?  
NO, I'M HAPPY TO SAY THAT EVERYTHING ELSE IN THIS HOUSE WORKS!  
WELL, ALMOST EVERYTHING!

by Bob Montana

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IT'S A MINI-SERIES

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WHAT IS THE RICHEST COUNTRY IN THE WORLD?  
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WHAT MAKES YOU THINK IT'S IRELAND, MR. FUNNY?  
BECAUSE ITS CAPITAL IS ALWAYS DUBLIN!

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FUDD GREAT MAGIC!  
I WILL NOW PULL A WABBIT OUT OF THE HAT!  
BE PATIENT  
HISS BOO BOO FAKE  
THERE! BRAVO YEAH WOW

by Warner Brothers

**FRANK AND ERNEST**  
LAUNDROMAT  
WHEN I WAS IN SCHOOL EVERYBODY WOULD SIT AROUND THE CLASS BRAIN DURING TESTS. WE CALLED IT 'RING AROUND THE SCHOLAR.'

by Bob Thaves

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SIGH  
GRAVITY  
WHY FIGHT IT?

by Jim Davis

**TUMBLEWEEDS**  
HOW'S LIFE TREATING YA, WEEDS?  
ABOUT THE SAME.  
THAT BAD, EH...  
I CAUGHT MY LUCKY RABBIT'S FOOT CROSSING ITS TOES.

by T. K. Ryan

# Can't Eat Many Things So, What Can He Eat



**Dr. Gott**

DEAR DR. GOTT — I am 64, obese, diabetic, arthritic, have gallstones and take Feldene, Diabinese, Chentix and Cytomel. Because of the gallstones, I can't eat cabbage and related foods. You know what I, as a diabetic, can't eat. I am allergic to yeast, rice, meat, fish and many condiments and spices. Because I take Chentix, I'm supposed to avoid members of the nightshade family (such as potatoes, eggplant and tomatoes). I was doing fairly well, but now, since discovering that I have food allergies, I can't figure out what to eat and am all messed up. What do you advise?

DEAR READER — Your dietary problems are so complicated that I'm not surprised at your confusion about where to turn next. I think the best person to sort out the situation is a licensed dietitian. See if there is such a person in your local hospital. If not, try the dietitians in a larger hospital.

DEAR DR. GOTT — I saw on TV a new procedure for emphysema patients where they make an incision in the trachea and insert a tube so oxygen goes right into the lungs. Would this help a person who is in the final stages of the disease?

DEAR READER — Perhaps, but it is quite drastic; even the most severely handicapped emphysema patient can usually be helped by supplemental oxygen delivered by a machine (or tank) through a tube leading to the nose. The technique you describe is more suited to acute respiratory insufficiency in a hospital setting — or, of course, to television.

DEAR DR. GOTT — My friend's husband has developed a brain tumor, and the doctor suggests immediate surgery to remove it. He also said that his left side will be paralyzed. I'd like to know the danger of having this surgery and what results one can expect. What is the difference between a brain tumor and a brain hemorrhage?

DEAR READER — A neurosurgeon who is familiar with your friend's husband's case is the only person who can

(and should) provide the information you seek. Each patient with a brain tumor must be evaluated individually; generalizations are not appropriate. Tumors come in variety of sizes and shapes; they may be malignant or benign. They usually cause trouble by pressing on vital nerve tissue or by causing an increasing pressure within the skull. A brain hemorrhage

can also cause pressure, but the blood clot from brain bleeding can ordinarily be removed more easily (and through a smaller incision) than can a tumor.

Send your questions to Dr. Gott at P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, Ohio 44101.

**ACROSS**

- Cow's stomach
- Unfounded report
- Loon shark
- Green
- Deny
- City on the Loire
- Formerly
- Angry
- Parched
- Wild donkey
- Traitor (sl.)
- Young goat
- Loved
- Set fire to
- The
- Mutiny
- Antelope
- Yellowstone attraction
- One of two
- New Zealand bird
- Actress Novak
- Fake
- Fateful time for Caesar
- Noun suffix
- Muslim priest
- Spruce up
- Crystalline gem
- Carpot
- Divine
- Informal word
- Pronoun

**DOWN**

- Ancient writing
- Customer
- Drinking vessels
- One of the Muses
- Tennis equipment
- Genetic material
- Vases
- Cut at an angle
- Musical drama
- Remount a gem
- Redid
- Below
- In the past
- Christmas (fl.)
- New
- Relative
- 1957 science event (abbr.)
- Genetic material (abbr.)
- Twenty-four hours
- Bantu language
- Doctrine
- New (pref.)
- Division of geologic time
- At no cost
- Threefold
- Curly letter
- Old Testament book
- Paragon
- Stiffer and
- Zero
- Bandleader Kenton
- Contemporary painter
- Sweatsop
- One of an ancient race
- Fowl product
- Grain

Answer to Previous Puzzle

XVI	LES	XII
RING	OATS	ERN
ASTO	URAL	NOT
YEOMAN	RUNON	
	ENGORGE	
LARDER	WYNN	
LEN	SI	MOO
LEO	SN	COG
DRAB	DOMIAK	
	UPENDED	
YEMEN	DRAPES	
LEX	ASTI	HAKA
LAP	TUAN	OPEN
BRO	ERG	ADD

## WIN AT BRIDGE

South elected one no-trump for his second bid rather than mention his jack-high spade suit. That was legal, but probably inadvisable, since North might well have held four spades and still have responded one diamond. If North and South had a partnership agreement that the one-diamond response denied a four-card major holding, then their opponents were entitled to be so informed.

Although fourth-best leads are traditional, the lead of a deuce as fourth-best announces a four-card holding in that suit. That information presented declarer with the key to safely making one no-trump. As you can see, declarer has four club tricks and the A-K of hearts. That is only six tricks, but there is peril in

trying to develop one more trick in either spades or diamonds. The danger is that East and West might take three tricks in whichever of those two suits declarer leads first. Those three added to two hearts and the other A-K total seven, and the one no-trump contract fails.

Although the two of hearts might have been led from only three cards, declarer was justified in assuming four. Accordingly, he won the king of hearts and played out four rounds of clubs. He then played the ace and another heart from dummy, throwing a spade. The defenders could cash one more heart trick, but now they had to play the side suits for declarer. He could not be prevented from eventually taking a seventh trick.

**NORTH** 1-27-88

- ♠ A 6 2
- ♥ A 5 4
- ♦ Q 7 6 2
- ♣ Q 10 5

**EAST**

- ♠ K 10 5
- ♥ Q 10 6 3
- ♦ A 8 3
- ♣ A 8 6

**SOUTH**

- ♠ J 7 3 3
- ♥ K 7
- ♦ J 9 4
- ♣ A K J 2

Vulnerable Neither  
Dealer South

West	North	East	South
Pass	1♦	Pass	1NT
Pass	♦	Pass	Pass

Opening lead ♥ 2

## HOROSCOPE

**What The Day Will Bring...**

**YOUR BIRTHDAY JANUARY 28, 1988**  
General work or career conditions will change for the better in the coming year. Both promotion and increased earnings are likely.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)  
The opportunity might arise today to remind one who is indebted to you of his obligations. Present your gentle prod in an unemotional manner. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it.

**PISCES** (Feb. 20-March 20)  
Mutual benefits will be derived today from harmonious relationships. You fit nicely into arrangements that require teamwork.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19)  
It will enhance your feelings of self-worth today if you utilize

your time and talents productively. Find ways to be of service to others.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20)  
If you are planning a social happening today, limit it to a small group of select friends. An intimate gathering has advantages a large one lacks.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20)  
Try to give domestic matters top priority today. Focus your efforts and energies on things you can do for the family that they can't.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22)  
Use some of your spare time today to update your correspondence and paperwork. Later in the week you might not be able to do so.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)  
Your common sense and practicality will come to the fore today in your material affairs. It's not likely you'll be bested by a shrewd horse trader.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)  
You have the potential to gain the

upper hand today in most situations that confront you, provided you do not treat them with indifference.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)  
This will be a pleasurable day for you if you don't get immersed in anything too noisy or disorganized. Solitude is required to perform effectively.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)  
Friends who are both practical and productive will be the ones with whom you'll feel the most at ease today. Aimless types should be avoided.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)  
Today, if your aims and purposes are clearly defined, it will give you a definite edge over your competition in career matters. Plan ahead.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)  
Be both philosophical and realistic in handling any critical issues that may pop up today. A proper frame of mind assures victory in a crisis.

**ANNIE**

OMIGOSH! IT WAS STELLA HAN WHO SHOT UP OUR PLACE!!  
ARE THERE ANY WOUNDED?  
NO, MA'AM - SOME OF THE MEN GOT HOOKED AROUND SOME, BUT LUCKILY IT WAS ONLY SOME OF OUR WEAPONS THAT THEY DAMAGED!  
THAT WASN'T LUCK...  
IT WAS DELIBERATE! AND HIS HAND WILL LOSE! BECAUSE THEY'RE SOFT!

by Leonard Starr