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Senate Adopts Bill on Designer Drugs

By Mark Langford
UPI Capitol Reporter

AUSTIN—The Texas Senate this week passed bills that would crack down on so-called designer drugs and speed labs and require the parents of unwed teenage children to be financially responsible for their grandchildren.

The Senate also passed a House resolution Wednesday creating a Tax Equity Commission.

Sen. Ray Farabee, D-Wichita Falls, sponsor of the child support bill, said the measure was not only designed to make parents financially responsible but also help prevent teenage pregnancies.

"It would discourage parents from putting their teen children and their children out on the street," he said. "It would involve parents to a greater degree to influence their children not to become pregnant."

Under the bill, the parents of unwed teenagers who have children would be financially responsible for those children, until they reach age 18, and their grandchildren.

The bill, adopted on a voice vote, would not apply to the parents of married teenage parents or those teenage parents who can provide their own financial support.

Farabee said Texas has the second highest number of teenage pregnancies in the nation and is first in the nation in the number of births to girls under age 14.

In 1985, 18,600 babies were born to unwed Texas teenagers, Farabee said, adding that 80 percent of all pregnant teenage girls do not finish high school. Despite a current law that makes par-

ents financially responsible for children under age 18, Farabee said many teen mothers are being forced to seek public assistance for herself and her child or go without any financial support.

Farabee also sponsored a bill that would amend the Controlled Substance Act to reduce the proliferation of "speed labs" and designer drugs.

The bill, adopted on a 28-0 vote, would require chemical manufacturers and retailers to keep records of sales transactions of certain "raw" chemicals used in the manufacture of methamphetamines.

Farabee said the measure would allow law enforcement agencies to find out who is buying the chemicals and trace them to the illegal manufacturing facilities. The bill would also reduce the manufacture of illegal designer drugs that can be made legal by slight changes in their chemical makeup.

The bill adopts language in current federal law that makes illegal any drug that is substantially similar in chemical makeup and has the same effect as the controlled drug.

The Senate also unanimously adopted the House-passed Tax Equity Commission, which will conduct a comprehensive study of the state tax system and make recommendations for possible changes.

"In today's changing economy... we need to study what would be in the best interests of the state as a whole," said Sen. Grant Jones, D-Temple, the bill's sponsor.

The Senate added an amendment providing that the lieutenant governor and House speaker jointly choose the commission's chairman.

Survey: Americans Favor Contraceptive Ads on TV

By Aurelio Rojas

LOS ANGELES (UPI)—A majority of Americans believe television portrays sex as "all fun and no risk" and that broadcasters should encourage the use of contraceptives, a Harris Poll commissioned by Planned Parenthood says.

Planned Parenthood Federation of America will use the findings of the poll in an effort to influence the television networks to broadcast contraceptive commercials, President Faye Wattleton told a news conference Wednesday.

Seventy-four percent of the respondents favored contraceptive advertising on television after being reminded that the surgeon general had called for the increased use of condoms to reduce the spread of AIDS.

Sixty-three percent of the 1,250 adults surveyed nationwide Jan. 28-Feb. 1 said they believed that most television programs give the impression that sex is "all fun and no risk."

Wattleton said 64 percent of those polled believe that watching television encourages teenagers to be sexually active and contributes to the fact that the United States has the highest teen pregnancy rate of any industrialized country—more than 1 million a year.

"We know that the networks air more than 20,000 sexual references in one year, but birth control is mentioned only on rare occasions," Wattleton said. "Consequently, the message our teenagers get is that sex is fun and exciting, but that there are no consequences to

worry about."

The survey also found that 83 percent of Americans believe TV exaggerates the importance of sex.

Wattleton said it also rebuts the contention of many local television stations and the three major networks that have refused to air commercials for contraceptives on the grounds they would offend viewers.

"Our poll shows that a clear majority of Americans, 60 percent, believe that television stations should be allowed to air contraceptive advertising," she said.

"Sixty-four percent disagree with the statement that contraception is too controversial to be mentioned in television programs, and a large majority of the American public—72 percent—would not be offended by contraceptive advertising on television."

The survey reported that "... there is more support for contraceptive advertising than there is for the advertising of beer and wine (53 percent to 45 percent), and for feminine hygiene sprays (58 percent to 39 percent), both of which are frequently advertised on television."

Wattleton called on the networks to show a more realistic picture of the world in their programming and commercials, and said the networks were "completely out of step with the great majority of the American people" on the subject of contraception.

Wattleton said that only 11 percent of Americans have a religious or moral objection to birth control and family planning.

Neighborhood Sports

Sports News from Montrose & Community Groups

◆ Morris Stays On Top of Houston Tennis Club Ladder

Andrew Morris defended his No. 1 ranking in recent Houston Tennis Club action with a 6-1, 6-1, 6-4 victory over No. 2 Mark Pack. Pack went on to defend his No. 2 position with a 6-4, 6-2 win over No. 6 Spike Siegel.

In other action Mike Houston defeated No. 10 Rich Corder 6-3, 3-6, 7-6 (7-2). Corder was able to defeat Armi Alabanza 3-6, 6-3, 6-3. No. 14 Ronnie Moss won over Randy Lunsford 6-4, 6-4. New challenger Thalia Thompson fell to Gary Schwartz 6-4, 7-5. Shawn Paulk held onto his No. 13 ranking with a 6-2, 6-4 defeat over Schwartz. Lunsford met the challenge from Eff Reyes for the No. 16 rung of the singles ladder 7-5, 6-2.

New doubles team Mark Pack and Spike Siegel took over the No. 2 doubles ranking from Bruce Willis and Rich Corder, 6-2, 6-2.

The club is making good use of the early spring weather with some good challenge matches during regular club play from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Sundays and 7:30-9:00 p.m. Wednesdays. For more information on the Houston Tennis Club, call Rich at 524-2151.

◆ Garage Sale to Benefit Tournament

A Trash & Treasure Garage Sale will be held in the parking lot of The 611 on March 28-29, 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Donations will help sponsor the Houston Billiards Invitational to be held May 23-25, 1987.

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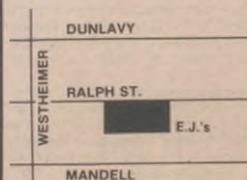
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Community

News from Neighborhood & Community Groups

Community Center Proposals to be Presented at Forum Meeting

Proposals received from Montrose area building owners to provide a facility to serve as a community center for Montrose will be presented at the next public forum meeting of the Montrose Activity Center. The meeting will be held on Monday, March 23, 7:30 p.m. at the Montrose Counseling Center, 900 Lovett Blvd., Suite 201.

Dwayne Wells, chairman of the community center committee, reported that between four and six proposals were expected by the March 20 deadline.

The committee is seeking public feedback on the proposals as a means of assisting the Montrose Activity Center, Inc. board of directors in their negotiations with prospective landlords.

MCCR Presents Third Alpha II

The Metropolitan Community Church of the Resurrection will present the Third Annual Alpha II Fun(d)raiser on Saturday, March 21, at 7:30 p.m. A \$7 donation is requested for the show which will be held at the church, 1919 Decatur. Door prizes will be awarded.

KPFT Hosts Third Cajun Gumbo Cook-Off

The Third Annual KPFT Cajun Gumbo Cook-Off will be held Sunday, March 22, at Clear Lake Park from 11:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

The benefit will be hosted by Pe-Te Johnson for the listener supported station. Admission is free, with gumbo, soda and beer at \$1.

The cook-off will be held rain or shine at the park in Clear Lake, on Nasa Road One, just past the main gate into NASA. Call 526-4000 for more information.

AIDS Hospital Closed to Indigents

The nation's first hospital devoted entirely to the treatment of AIDS victims has stopped accepting new patients who lack the funds or insurance to pay for their care, hospital officials announced.

The Institute for Immunological Disorders operated by American Medical International has provided \$2 million in services to impoverished patients since it opened in September.

By August hospital officials expect the total cost of caring for indigent patients to have risen to \$5 million.

Those cost are far in excess of the \$250,000 committed to indigent care by AMI when it signed an affiliation agreement with the University of Texas System establishing the hospital.

"The highest priorities of the institute are to continue to provide care of the highest quality to its current patients as well as to continue its research program directed toward eventual elimination of this disease," the institute's board said in a prepared statement March 13.

"The need for services by patients who are without health insurance and have no other financial resources has reached a point that threatens the ability of the institute to serve these two priorities," the statement said.

"Therefore the institute is not currently accepting new patients who are unable to pay for their health care."

The hospital serves about 600 outpatients and has the capacity for 150 inpatients but on March 14 had only 10 inpatients, a spokeswoman said.

Indigent patients already accepted for admission and patients whose insurance or funds lapsed after admission will continue to receive treatment, hospital officials said.

Officials said they also will counsel patients with AIDS-related disorders about financial problems and help them maintain their health insurance and other resources.

The facility also will help indigent patients gain admittance to Jefferson Davis Hospital, a county operated facility with an outpatient AIDS clinic and 16 beds for inpatients.

In Memoriam



PAUL A. REICHENECKER

June 7, 1963—February 20, 1987

Paul passed away at his Houston residence February 20, 1987 with his mother and father by his side.

Paul is survived by Mr. and Mrs. George Reichenecker; three sisters, Angie, Lynette, Amy, and a brother, Dennis, all of Illinois.

A service was held in his hometown in Illinois. A memorial service will be held in Houston on Sunday, March 22, 1:00 p.m. at MCCR.

Paul will be truly missed by his many friends who knew and loved him.

GEORGE PROCTOR

February 2, 1952—March 11, 1987

George left this life at 4:45 p.m. on March 11 in a Washington, D.C., hospital from complications due to AIDS.

Formerly of Houston, George was involved through the years with set design for the Alley Theatre, Townhouse Theater, Windmill Dinner Theater, and Theater Under the Stars. He also designed the Ripcord's float for the Gay Pride Day Parade in 1983. The float went on to win the Grand Marshal's Award of which he was very proud.

George is survived by his parents and his lifemate Jeff Dodd of Washington, D.C. Among other things, George will be remembered for his never failing good humor and constant smile. In fact, he is most likely smiling down on us all right now.

Interment will be in his hometown of Pawhuska, Oklahoma.

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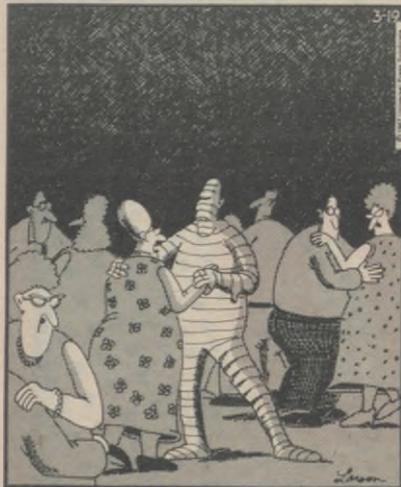
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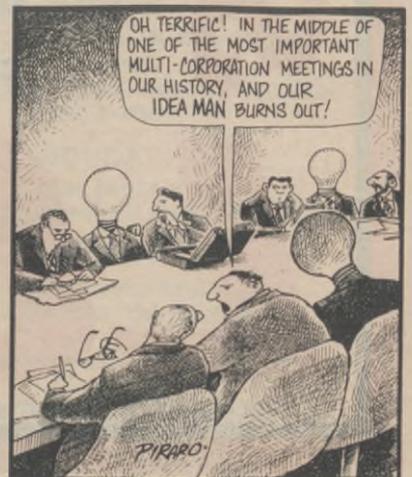
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Nation's Controversial No.2 Health Official

By Tamara Henry

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Dr. Robert Windom has explained health issues to patients for 27 years as a practicing physician and for 10 years as a Florida television host, but as the nation's No. 2 health official, he may have some real explaining to do.

Windom, who has been assistant secretary of health nine months, was criticized earlier this month when he tried to explain to a Senate subcommittee why he wanted only a 28.5 percent increase in federal dollars for AIDS research and education.

He also landed in hot water late last year when he mistakenly told reporters at a luncheon that the Taiwan A flu vaccine should be taken by everyone under 35 years old and over age 65, when, in fact, key health officials recommended the vaccine only for persons with severe health conditions.

And in less specific matters, Windom struggles to explain the recent rapid technological advances within the health care industry and refuses to predict the future, only to say: "I hope in the next period of years we could have every disease prevented by certain forms of medical intervention, like vaccine."

Part of the problem stems from the job itself. As assistant secretary of health, Windom directs the activities of the Public Health Service, a component of the Department of Health and Human Services, which with a \$360 billion budget is one of the largest federal agencies.

Windom has served as assistant health secretary since June 1986, after

being nominated by President Reagan and confirmed by the Senate. Before joining HHS, he was a practicing physician, for 26 years, specializing in internal medicine in Sarasota, Fla.

For 10 years, Windom produced and was the host on regular television programs on health topics in Florida.

The Public Health Service includes the Health Resources and Services Administration, the Alcohol, Drug Abuse and Mental Health Administration, the Centers for Disease Control, the Food and Drug Administration, the National Institutes of Health, and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.

"It's a constantly evolving and moving organization," said Windom in an interview. "On top of that, we get new diseases, new threats—tampering, for example—and we get problems of new diseases, like AIDS, and other manifestations of old diseases."

"The Public Health Service has evolved and is going along with the times, and even been ahead of it at times," said Windom.

Acquired immune deficiency syn-

10 Million May Have AIDS Virus

GENEVA (UPI)—As many as 10 million people are believed to be infected with the virus that causes AIDS, the director of the World Health Organization's AIDS program said Thursday.

Dr. Jonathan Mann said between 4 percent and 15 percent of healthy adults in some parts of the world carry the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) and related retroviruses.

But the figure is as high as 60 percent to 80 percent in high-risk groups, Mann told an international symposium on immunization.

Mann said prospects appear encouraging for a vaccine against HIV, the virus that causes acquired immune deficiency syndrome. People with the virus do not necessarily develop AIDS.

"However, the development of a vaccine of proven efficacy and safety, should it be feasible, is a long-term objective that, at best, will take several years to accomplish," Mann said.

He said the current 42,000 reported cases of AIDS worldwide "represents only a fraction" of the real total because of "reticence in reporting from some areas combined with under-recognition of AIDS and under-reporting to national health authorities."

It is more significant, Mann said, that 91 countries have by now officially reported cases of the disease to WHO.

That figure is more relevant when assessing the "extraordinary scope and unprecedented urgency of the HIV pandemic," he said.

"The numbers of AIDS cases provides, at best, an inaccurate and, at worst, a misleadingly optimistic view of the real extent and intensity of HIV infection," Mann told the symposium.

"WHO estimates that between 5 million and 10 million persons are currently infected with HIV," said Mann, an American.

Testing possible AIDS vaccines will be "complex, difficult, and time-consuming," he warned.

"An AIDS vaccine for general use will not be available, if at all, before 1991 and is unlikely to be available before the mid-1990s," Mann said.

drome has become a key focus of the Centers for Disease Control based in Atlanta.

The National Institutes of Health recently announced the development of a new vaccine for whooping cough that may eliminate the serious side effects of the current vaccine. A pilot study of 100-150 children 18 months old is about to start in Massachusetts.

Windom describes the NIH as "the mecca of health research in the world," starting in 1887 as an attic-room laboratory in the Marine Hospital on Staten Island, N.Y. It is considered the symbol of high-technology medicine; the last-resort clinic where people may turn for

the latest experimental therapies when conventional remedies have failed.

Even the Public Health Service itself had humble beginnings. It came into being in 1798 as the Marine Hospital Service when President John Adams signed into law an act providing for the "care and relief of sick and disabled seamen."

With all the recent changes in the health care field, Windom rejected the idea that society may be moving toward socialized medicine.

"This pendulum has been swinging for a long time, you know," Windom said. "There are trends that go back and forth."



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Texas Firm Optimistic in Finding a 'Super' Vaccine

SAN ANTONIO (UPI)—Testing of a single vaccine designed to target three sexual diseases—AIDS, herpes and hepatitis B—is under way at the Southwest Foundation for Biomedical Research.

"The approach looks very promising," Ronald C. Kennedy, an associate scientist at the San Antonio research center, said Monday.

"What we're doing now are potency studies to determine how powerful it is in small animals," Kennedy said.

The basis for the experimental vaccine is a weakened smallpox virus, Kennedy said.

New York scientists, who first developed in 1985 a combination vaccine by splicing herpes simplex II and hepatitis B genes into the weakened smallpox, invited the foundation to add genetic material for AIDS.

Scientists at the San Antonio center last month cut into the smallpox genetic code machine-made parts of AIDS virus genes.

Work is under way to make sure the right AIDS genetic material spliced into the unusual vaccine produces the desired antibodies.

Some studies have indicated certain antibodies produced in more traditional vaccine approaches actually help the virus infect white blood cells.

"If you make antibodies do the wrong thing, you enhance infection," Kennedy said.

"We are still trying to determine which pieces stay in and which pieces come out," he said.

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No Condoms for Texas Prison Inmates

HUNTSVILLE (UPI)—State prison officials, citing security and ethical reasons, said they have decided against distributing condoms as a method of curbing the spread of AIDS among Texas inmates.

Prison doctors instead will launch a massive educational campaign to teach inmates more about the disease, said Dr. Vonda Reeves, director of the AIDS program at TDC.

"This is an institutional issue that basically, at this point, we've made a decision not to issue the condoms," she said. "This is not a firm decision, but at this point we're following the lead of the two larger prison systems (California and New York) in the United States."

"As the disease changes, so will we modify our protocol and procedures to adapt, to try and address what is happening with it."

The Texas Criminal Justice Task Force has recommended that condoms be distributed to Texas prison inmates as a possible way to help curb the spread of AIDS in state prisons.

Dr. Lawrence Cunningham, TDC medical chief of staff, said security was a major consideration in deciding against such a policy. Corrections officials are concerned about the potential for inmates' smuggling drugs in prison with the help of condoms, he said.

Prison officials also are concerned the distribution of condoms would promote homosexuality.

In the meantime, Reeves said, prison officials will initiate an informational drive on AIDS within the prisons.

"We're launching a massive program of education for inmates," Reeves said. "It will be group education sessions and we will utilize pamphlets and audio visual materials."

Cunningham and Reeves spoke with reporters following a daylong TDC

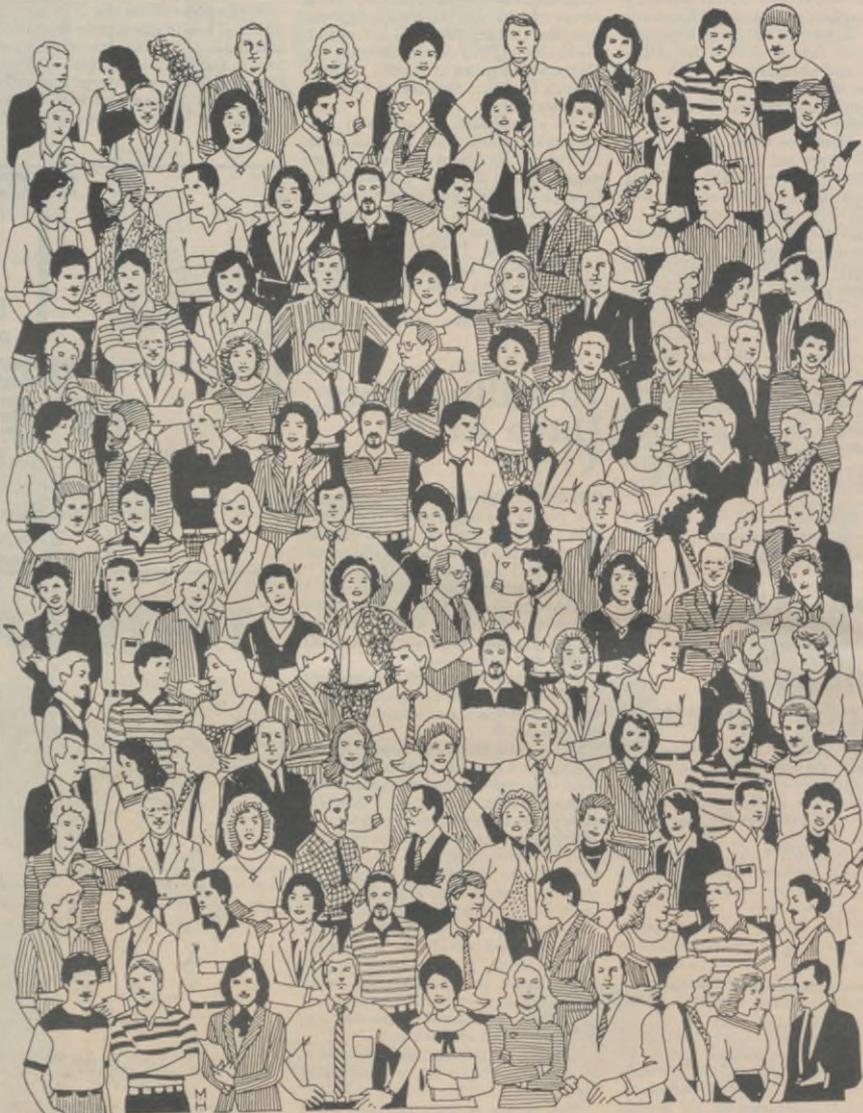
seminar for about 400 prison medical workers on the medical, ethical and legal issues of AIDS in prisons. The seminar is the first of several workshops the TDC will offer its personnel.

Fifteen TDC inmates have died after developing acquired immune deficiency syndrome, the latest this month. At least five others have AIDS and 32 more have tested positive for the AIDS virus.

Two suicides have also been reported among inmates diagnosed with AIDS, Reeves said.

The TDC does not screen inmates for the AIDS virus and does not routinely isolate all AIDS patients, she said.

Currently, the TDC isolates only those AIDS patients in high risks, such as known homosexuals or intravenous drug users, Reeves said.



Indians Get AIDS

At first it was thought AIDS was a non-Indian problem, but 32 cases have been reported among native Americans since 1981, according to the government's Indian Health Service and Centers for Disease Control.

The cases were reported in 14 states as of Feb. 20, according to Pat Johannes, communicable disease activities coordinator for the CDC in Phoenix, Ariz. The total number of deaths from AIDS was 17, with 44 percent of them in California and New York.

The age of the patients ranged from 17 to 53 years old.

"There is enough evidence to suggest that despite the remoteness of many Indian reservations, even those communicable diseases dependent upon lifestyle for transmission will affect Native Americans, and considerable effort must be put into their identification, treatment and prevention," Johannes wrote in an IHS newsletter.

Burt on AIDS

By William C. Trott
United Press International

Burt Reynolds is still irked by rumors that he has AIDS and credits girlfriend Loni Anderson with helping him deal with the reports.

"It's real difficult to have any dignity and class when people are saying you're dying of a disease and saying the things they were saying about me," he says in an interview that was to be broadcast last week on "Hour Magazine."

"Loni was sensational. When they write about this, somebody should write about how much class and dignity she had through it all."

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3. **HATS or HAIR and FINISHING TOUCHES TO MS. VACANT LOT'S WARDROBE.** Size is no obstacle. Ingenuity a plus. Long trains acceptable.
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2. A presentation by the contestant demonstrating how he or she would cope with a difficult situation which Ms. Vacant Lot could encounter during her reign.

5. SLEEPWARE ... ???

The categories of 4. TALENT and POISE and 5. SLEEPWARE will be judged on Wednesday Night, April 1, at 9:30 p.m. Final judging will be Saturday Night, April 4, approximately 10pm. Judging will be done by notorious and infamous crazed people of our community. Each category has a possible high score of 10 points. Final score will be closest to a perfect 50 point score.

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Spring Has Sprung

"Soap" by the Staff of the Montrose Voice

Today marks the vernal equinox, more popularly known as the first day of spring. The poets say this is the season when the mind wanders to far away places with dreams of adventure and romance. Does this mean there will be a sudden influx of people to Montrose?



Don't think St. Patrick looked quite like this

The season kicks off with the official opening of two new watering holes. E./J's isn't really new. They held court over on Richmond for years. Now they invite everyone to their new spot on Ralph Street off Westheimer.

The Camp Closet is open on Tuam. It's the same building that housed The Hole.

□ Food and More Food

The Pot Pie is still running their special breakfast for late nighters and early risers. The feast includes two eggs, two strips of bacon, two sausages and two pancakes. Definitely a gastronomical eye opener.

The 611 Breakfast Club (another eye opener) is having a bake sale tomorrow, March 21, at noon benefitting Omega House. Ron promises some delectible edibles.

□ Behind the Eight Ball

Rick Clyne is expanding his successful pool tournaments at the Venture-N to include Mary's on Sundays and Thurs-



Rick Clyne and A.J. celebrating at Venture-N

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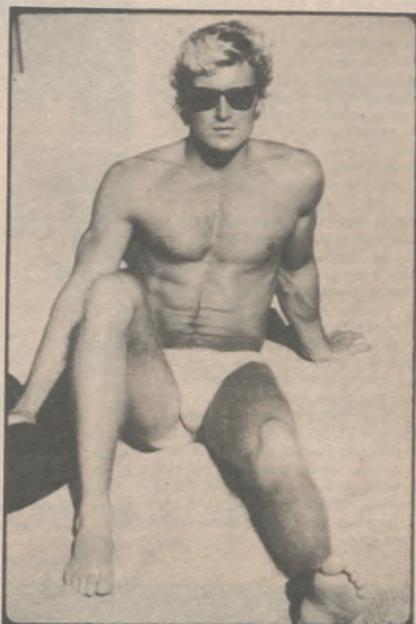
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Houston Live by Bill O'Rourke
Montrose Voice

I know some of you are afraid of Shakespeare. You associate his name with blown-up ham actors chewing the scenery. Or with archaic language that's difficult to understand. Or ancient people fighting over things that don't matter to us now. Besides, how can anything that's supposed to be that good for you ("the greatest English dramatist that ever lived!") be any fun at all?

There is nothing to fear and much to enjoy in the Main Street Theater production of *Much Ado About Nothing*.

There is no overacting. If anything, some of the characters are a little underacted. Nearly everyone, however, is very believable in a very modern way. These people might live next door, if you live in River Oaks.

Spoken with clarity, accompanied by actions and emotions we hold in common, the words are actually very easy to understand. These are not street people. I, for one, am glad of that. Right now there are too many plays colored red, what with profanity and other gutter vulgarities. In this production, by and large, here we have the muted pastels one imagines he might here in any boardroom."



Steve Garfinkle plays Dogberry in MST's "Much Ado About Nothing"

in love with each other. How can they admit it to each other without losing face?

Can the day really be saved by Dogberry (Steve Garfinkle), a pompous lower-class ass with a flair for malapropisms.

Shakespeare did have one habit that

rehearsal clothes. The whole effect is interesting, at times very pretty.

It is never allowed to intrude into the action of the play. In fact, it has no interaction with the play itself whatever. Several of Shakespeare's plays were written to be plays within plays, but this wasn't one of them.

However, this approach is not without solid precedents. In Shakespeare's day, the actors wore hand-me-downs from rich fans. They made no attempt to fit the clothes to the locale and time. Evening in a garden, sure—but a hundred years ago in a foreign country, forget it!

There's even a famous example where the playwright himself mentioned a clock in a play set long before they were invented, right there in the dialogue. In our own day, Richard Burton's most successful Hamlet was done completely in rehearsal clothes.

If it feels good, do it. If it works, emotionally and aesthetically use it. Bless historical accuracy! Send it to heaven and get it out of our hair! (Unless, of course, it would work better.)

So, if you've never seen Shakespeare, this would be a good spot to dip your toe in. If you have, this is a welcome visit with an old friend. Whatever, this is a most enjoyable show.

□ Notes

Don't forget the Houston International Festival, all this week!

The Alley Award, Houston's most prestigious theater honor, is given each year in recognition of a lifetime's efforts. This year the husband and wife acting team—Jessica Tandy and Hume Cronyn—are the worthy recipients. Their careers, separate and together, have spanned many decades and many styles, originating roles in several modern classics. May they live long and never retire!

Well, all of the entries are in for Chocolate Bayou's Preston Jones New Play Symposium. There are some 200 plays from all over the country and only three can be chosen. John Pierson, the symposium's coordinator, tells me that each year's crop often reveals trends

characters, whether their orientation is central to the plot or not. John also points out a trend away from something. Every year there have been several new, lousy rewrites of *Medea*. This year, thankfully but surprisingly, there are none!

By the way, they've been able to bring John Henry Faulk's one man show back. It will open March 26 for a three week run. So, if you couldn't get tickets the first time, here's your chance.

The Houston Community College production of Kopit's Chamber music, which opens there this Thursday, has already won several top honors at the Texas Junior College One Act Play Competition.

When *Babes in Arms* was translated from the stage to the screen, it became the first of the several in which Judy and Mickey rounded up the kids to do a musical in an old barn. Now, real kids are doing the original at the HITS Unicorn Theater.

The Human has traced along Houston city streets to form the giant outline of a man. In the works since 1982, the first phase is now done. You can get maps and see an exhibit at Diverse Works. Then, if you drive the route, you will find permanent markers at the top of his head and the tips of his hands and feet. The tour will take you through a wide diversity of Houston neighborhoods, but not ours. His right bicep touches Westheimer down at Baldwin. Eventually, the sponsoring group hopes to paint the entire route to make the silhouette visible from the air.

Richard Fluhr and 100 of his students from the Art Institute of Houston will be completing a mural for the City Wide Club of Clubs Family Recovery Center (4715 Caroline St.) this week. They should have it finished by the evening of March 20. This 145' x 8' mural will fit inside the walls of the existing, two-year-old mural there.

Prepaid RSVPs must be in by March 25 for CACH & Business Volunteers for the Arts' 11th State of the Arts Luncheon, March 30 at Two Houston Center. Writer Philip Lopate, artist Derek Boshier and curator/critic John Caldwell will discuss The Creative Arts in Houston: The Challenges, The Opportunities. \$12.50. 658-2483.

□ Celebrate!

March 25, 1903—A court of inquiry was



The distinguished acting couple of Jessica Tandy and Hume Cronyn are recipients of the 1987 Alley Award. The Tony Award-winning couple will discuss their careers in "A Conversation with Jessica Tandy and Hume Cronyn" Saturday, March 21, 6:00 p.m. on the Alley Theatre Large Stage

There are two plots. In one, handsome Claudio (Dane Cruz) falls in love with shy Hero (Vicki Luman). His friend Pedro (Tim Plaumbo) helps them become engaged. But on the evening before their wedding, instead of a bachelor party, they're tricked by nasty John (Ray Simmons) into believing that Hero has been sleeping around. Claudio reacts much as any conservative fiancé would today. Her father (Vaughn C. Johnson) takes his side, too. How can poor Hero ever prove her virginity?

In the other plot, Beatrice (Claire Hart-Palumbo) and Benedick (Jerry McCulley) are always reading each other's beds. They might remind you of Benson and Krause. But then their friend tricks them into realizing they're

not all of our contemporary playwrights do. He always looked at the down side of his funny situations and the funny side of his catastrophes. It makes for a well-rounded play. But with all the insults, the teasing and other word play, the overall mix in this play is hilarious.

To point up the play's relevance and to excuse any small errors in authenticity that might be made to help the audience understand the finer details, director Rebecca Greene Udden has turned this show into a play within a play. When we arrive, the actors are doing their warm-ups on stage. Kathleen Lipscomb's sets all face away from the audience. Only half of the period costumes ever reach the theater. So the actors are partly in costume, partly in



Randy Brecker and Eliane Elias perform at the Spring Jazz Festival of the Houston School for the Performing and Visual Arts

towards certain subjects. From the ones I've read (I'm helping to judge it), this year's trend seems to be towards gay

ordered to investigate charges that Sir Hector "Fighting Mac" Macdonald, one of the most admired generals of the Brit-



The Li-Mei Hua Chinese traditional dance group is one of the many popular international performers in the Houston International Festival March 19-29, 1987

ish Imperial Army, was homosexual. Rather than face those charges, he committed suicide.

B'days: 20—William Hurt, Hal Linden, Carl Reiner. 21—James Coco, Edgar Buchanan, Flo Zigfield. 22—Rosa Bonheur, Stephen Sondheim, Andrew Lloyd Weber. 23—Joan Collins, Joan Crawford, Chaka Khan. 24—Harry Houdini, Bob Mackie, Steve McQueen. 25—Hoyt Axton, Elton John, Arturo Toscanini. 26—Leonard Nimoy, Diana Ross, Tennessee Williams.

"Society attacks early when the individual is helpless."—B. F. Skinner (born March 20)

□ **Openings**

The Butler Did it! (Country Playhouse, 20)—Yes, but which one?

Sixth Annual Member's Exhibition (Houston Center for Photography, 20)—Freebies

Vance, Davis, Spanky (Comix Annex, 20 & 21)

Young Uck Kim, violinist (Jones, 20)—John Nelson conducts the HSO.

A Conversation with Jessica Tandy and Hume Cronyn (Alley 21, 6:00 p.m.)—ONO!

An Evening on Bourbon St. (First Unitarian, 21, 6:30)—spicy food, cold drinks, jazz by Tom Benjamin and his Gang. Costumes encouraged. ONO!

Ragstreet Rascals (Houston Zoo, 22, 2:30)—Freebies. ONO!

Alley Award Evening (Texas Commerce Bank Lobby, 22)—honoring Hume Cronyn and Jessica Tandy. RSVP 228-9341. ONO!

Cowboy Hat Band (Tranquility Park, 23, noon). Freebies. ONO!

David McCullough (UH Hilton Building, Constellation Room. 24)—a lecture by the writer-historian, host of TV's "Smithsonian World." Freebies. ONO!

Ebony Brass (Martha Hermann Square, 26, noon)—Freebies. ONO!

John Henry Faulk (Chocolate Bayou, 26)—folksy humorist

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Legislators Grill Health Commissioner on AIDS Programs

By De'Ann Weimer
UPI Capitol Reporter

AUSTIN (UPI)—Conservative lawmakers grilled State Health Commissioner Robert Bernstein March 13 for not advocating abstinence as a way for gay men to avoid contracting AIDS.

"Organized agencies have joined in what I consider a propaganda campaign of delusion, (by saying) that this disease AIDS is not particularly related to the homosexual community," charged Rep. Bill Ceverha, R-Dallas.

Bernstein and Dr. Ron J. Anderson, chairman of the Board of Health, appeared before the House Appropriations Committee to testify on the Department of Health's budget for the next biennium.

Some lawmakers chose to question Bernstein and Anderson on the Health Department's seeming failure to lobby for stricter laws to control the spread of AIDS.

"I certainly cannot tell people when to have sex and who to have it with," Bernstein said in response to Ceverha's suggestion that the state consider making sexual activities between homosexuals of higher illegality than its current level of Class C misdemeanor.

"What bothers me about the whole thing is somehow or another our official agencies, yours included, are trying to perpetuate a myth that says 'don't worry homosexuals, this is not a homosexual disease,'" Ceverha said.

"And what we're telling those people is to go ahead and go on about their business, practice safe sex," while the accumulated evidence shows that gays still run the risk of contracting the disease, he said.

"That is totally unfair to those young individuals who are involved in that activity. I have never seen anything come out that said, 'Don't engage in homosexual activities because you stand a good chance of contracting the disease and you're going to die,'" Ceverha said.

Anderson argued that sodomy laws are not effective because they drive AIDS victims underground, making it impossible for health officials to track the epidemic.

"I'm a First Baptist and so I'm not trying to tell you I'm for an alternative lifestyle," Anderson told committee members. "But at the same time, I think sometimes we let our prejudice towards homosexuals get in the way of the public health problems we have to deal with."

"The most fundamental of us are having to work this out and sort out our priorities," he said.

Comparing the disease to an epidemic of small pox, Rep. Tom Waldrop, D-Corsicana, queried Bernstein on the feasibility of quarantining AIDS patients and carriers.

Unlike small pox, Bernstein said someone must "go out of their way" to contract AIDS and quarantining would serve no purpose because the disease is spread by intimate sexual contact only.

Anderson worried that discrimination against AIDS victims has placed the burden of carrying for victims of the disease on the state.

Individuals identified as carriers frequently lose their jobs, homes, and insurance because their test results become public.

Government Announces Nationwide Blitz on AIDS

By Jan Ziegler
UPI Science Writer

WASHINGTON (UPI)—The government, beginning a nationwide information blitz to combat the spread of AIDS, will recommend that tens of thousands of Americans who received routine blood transfusions be tested for the AIDS virus.

The U.S. Public Health Service, in a bulletin that was expected to be released Thursday, will say physicians should consider offering AIDS tests to people who had transfusions from 1978 when the disease first began appearing to April 1985 when blood banks began better screening, NBC News reported.

It also will suggest tests are more important for those who received multiple transfusions and for sexually active recipients because if infected they would be more likely to pass the disease along.

M. Roy Schwarz, director of medical education for the American Medical Association in Chicago said on the NBC "Today" program that a "very, very small" percentage of the approximately 34 million to 36 million Americans who received blood transfusions between 1978 and 1985 may find themselves in a "high-risk" situation—people who received multiple transfusions and live near New York, San Francisco and Los Angeles.

Schwartz said the odds are 0.06 percent that a person would be found to have the virus. "But I think if you're a person who had multiple transfusions, those numbers don't mean anything. You ought to know if you are at risk."

Estimates of those who received the transfusions and may have the AIDS virus range from 12,000 to 20,000 people.

Rep. Henry Waxman, D-Calif., told CBS's "The Morning Program" that the government does not have the funds for AIDS testing or counseling. "And we don't even have the confidentiality in place, which would allow people to feel free to come forward for that testing."

Waxman said there are waiting lists for people who want to be tested in New York, San Francisco and Los Angeles.

"We need more testing facilities. We need more people to counsel."

Waxman said testing is "going to be a very, very expensive proposition. If we ask people to pay for it themselves, just the testing may well be \$50 to \$200."

The government information plan released Monday does not address testing, concentrating, instead, on mass media advertising and school education to get people to be more cautious about their sexual contacts and is also designed to induce drug abusers to avoid sharing needles.

"Our best hope today for controlling the AIDS epidemic lies in educating the public about the seriousness of the threat, the ways the AIDS virus is transmitted and the practical steps each person can take to avoid acquiring it or spreading it," Health and Human Services Secretary Otis Bowen said in a preface to the plan.

The acquired immune deficiency syndrome virus is spread by intimate sexual contact and contaminated blood or needles. People are being urged to remain in strictly faithful monogamous relationships or use a condom.

The plan was released Monday by Dr. Robert Windom, assistant secretary for health, before a subcommittee of the House Committee on Government Operations.

The plan uses as a base the 22 guidelines on AIDS issued between 1982 and 1986 by the Public Health Service and calls for cooperation among all branches of government, professional and service organizations and the private sector.

"Everyone must be aware of behavior that puts them at risk," the plan said.

To reach the public at large, the plan recommends a mass media campaign under contract with a major advertising agency, forming a coalition of public and private sector groups to exchange and coordinate education efforts, setting up an information clearinghouse and continuing to support a toll-free AIDS hotline, in existence since 1983.

Among the recommendations for education of school-age and college stu-

dents are a national coalition on AIDS education, development of programs especially for black and Hispanic youth and providing extra help in areas with a heavy percentage of AIDS cases.

"The scope and content of the school portion of this AIDS education effort should be locally determined and should be consistent with parental values," Bowen's statement said.

Public Health Service spokesman James Brown said an advertising agency will be contracted in June, while the national coalition and clearinghouse are in the works. Plans are just beginning for the school coalition, he said.

The cost of starting programs called for in the plan will be covered by the \$70 million education appropriation in the 1987 budget and the \$104 million requested in the fiscal 1988 budget, he said.

The financing does not, however, include another tactic under consideration at PHS: direct mailings about AIDS to every household in the country, Brown said.

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Anti-Viral Drug Fights AIDS-Related Infection

By Larry Doyle
UPI Science Writer

CHICAGO (UPI)—An anti-viral drug appears effective in controlling an unusual oral infection associated with the AIDS virus and could also lead to therapy for people chronically infected with a form of mononucleosis, researchers reported March 13.

The drug, called desiclovir, is not likely to be a treatment for acquired immune deficiency syndrome, but Dr. Deborah Greenspan of the University of California-San Francisco said researchers want to see if it could help prevent someone with the AIDS virus from developing the deadly disease.

"All of this is quite speculative, but I think you could say we're opening up some very promising avenues for research," Greenspan said at a meeting of the International Association for

Dental Research.

Greenspan, an associate clinical professor of oral medicine, and her colleagues have been working with patient afflicted with hairy leukoplakia (HL), a whitish patch that appears on the tongues of people who are infected with the AIDS virus but who have not been diagnosed with the disease.

HL is technically considered a form of AIDS-related complex, and is considered a marker for later progression to a full-scale case of AIDS.

Proposed AIDS-Free Card Draws Mixed Reviews

ARLINGTON, Texas (UPI)—Health counselors and gay community leaders fear that cards being sold by a Michigan company, which guarantees that the bearer has tested free of AIDS and serious venereal disease, will impart a false sense of security to those being tested.

Peace of Mind Inc. earlier this month said it planned to open an office in the Dallas and Fort Worth area to perform a range of tests and sell the warranty cards at prices between \$99 to \$649.

AIDS educator Dianne Garcia, who works with the Oak Lawn Counseling Center in Dallas, said the program could give those tested the wrong idea. She said it takes four weeks to six months before a person exposed to AIDS, acquired immune deficiency syndrome, tests positive.

"If you don't tell people that, they may not be aware there is a window of time where it may actually be just forming the antibodies, but not be detectable," Garcia said.

Daniel T. Michaud, co-founder of Peace of Mind Inc., said the card indicates only that the bearer was free of disease when tested.

"Now, they must be concerned with (those sexual partners) they meet since the date of the test," he said.

The company will test customers at regular intervals. If results are negative, the clients will be issued plastic cards with their photographs, descriptive information and the date of testing, he said.

Private physicians and local health centers offer the same battery of tests.

Michaud said Peace of Mind will perform two AIDS tests every six months for \$99. The next plan, for \$225, tests for AIDS, genital herpes, gonorrhea and yeast infections on the first visit, and then again for AIDS six months later.

The deluxe package, for \$649, includes tests for venereal disease every three months.

Bruce Bernard, director of the hospital laboratory and vice president of Harris Methodist-Fort Worth, said tests alone are worth little without interpretation by a physician.

"Without the presence of a clinical confirmation, lab tests are pretty much a useless venture and a waste of money," he said.

Craig Hess, volunteer coordinator for the Dallas Gay Alliance AIDS resource center, also is skeptical about the program's worth.

"I question the accuracy of it (testing) and what people are going to do with the information once they receive it," Hess said.

In a recent experiment, 14 people with HL were either given desiclovir or a dummy drug. All eight people treated with desiclovir experienced completely or dramatically reduced lesions. No change was seen in the control group.

Greenspan said the finding was particularly interesting because HL appears to be caused by the Epstein-Barr virus, the agent responsible for infectious mononucleosis and which is linked to several cancers. Tissue samples taken from the patients showed no presence of EBV after the drug was administered.

"What is exciting about this study is that this drug is clearly effective against Epstein-Barr virus," she said. "What role, if any, this will have in AIDS I really don't know at this point."

Scientists have speculated that EBV, as well as other viruses, may be necessary to cause a person infected with the AIDS virus to develop the disease. Greenspan said that if this is the case, desiclovir may help prevent progression to AIDS in some patients.

About 90 to 95 percent of adults carry the EBV virus without becoming ill, but some apparently develop an unusual chronic mononucleosis-like syndrome, in which they experience depression, lethargy and an inability to concentrate.

Dr. Gary Holmes, epidemiologist with the CDC, said he had not seen Greenspan's research, "but if she's got something that controls EBV, she's really got something." He added, however, that acyclovir, a drug related to desiclovir, has been shown to be ineffective in controlling EBV.

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Springbreakers Fear AIDS

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (UPI)—The scene is the same—college students from the North soaking up sun and suds on Florida's beaches—but the fear of AIDS apparently has ushered in a time of less sexual promiscuity.

Although the collegians said in a recent poll that warnings about acquired immune deficiency syndrome had not dampened the party atmosphere of the annual 350,000-student pilgrimage to Daytona Beach, most admitted the AIDS epidemic has made them less promiscuous this year.

"You don't go around jumping anyone you want to, like last year," said Ric Arcadi, a sophomore at Mercyhurst College in Erie, Pa.

To help combat the spread of AIDS during spring break, a Catholic priest in the spring break mecca of Fort Lauderdale undertook a beachfront "safe sex" campaign to distribute condoms and pamphlets to college students. This action followed Surgeon General C. Everett Koop support of the use of condoms to fight the disease.

The makers of Trojan condoms, in a stepped-up promotional campaign following Koop's report, said they also planned to pass out samples and literature this week at Daytona Beach.

Students surveyed by The Orlando Sentinel seemed to agree with Koop.

"We're worried about it," said Gina Johnson, a sophomore at Old Dominion University in Norfolk, Va. "You can get it so many ways."

"We've heard it over and over, 'If you go to Florida (for spring break), don't pick up any diseases,'" said Nancy Neilson, another sophomore at Old Dominion.

Brian Fierro, a junior at the State University of New York Maritime College, the Bronx, said it was tougher this year to get women to dance in bars. But he also said he and his friends were being more selective in seeking dates.

As an alternative to using condoms to fight AIDS, a Volusia County Christian group called The Spring Break Challenge is promoting the idea to students that abstinence from sex before marriage is the best precaution against AIDS.

Challenge spokesman Bernie Yandura said the students need religion instead of sun, sex and beer, and that providing a birth control tool—such as condoms—to students only encourages sexual activity.

Phony Personal Ad Brings Hate Mail

By GREG BURKE

CHICAGO (UPI)—Gay men who answered a phony personal advertisement discovered that their responses were being mailed to neighbors and employers with a hate letter that said: "Avoid this homosexual at all costs."

An attorney representing two of the men said the ad may have been placed by the same person or group that sent letters to neighbors and families of 150 people who signed a petition condemning anti-homosexual activities at the University of Chicago.

Postal inspectors are investigating the incident, attorney Robert Dachis said. The University of Chicago said it is also cooperating with a police investigation.

"Whoever typed them is rather clever," Dachis said Wednesday. "There are no overt threats here, and actually they are worded carefully enough that there is nothing defamatory per se."

The phony ad describing a University of Chicago student who wanted to meet other gay men ran about four weeks ago in the Chicago Reader newspaper, a weekly distributed free throughout the city. At least eight men who responded have been the targets of hate mail, Dachis said.

One of the letters sent to a neighbor said, "As proof of this individual's homosexuality, we are including a photocopy of a letter which he recently wrote to a so-called gay matching advertisement. If you are not convinced, call them up and ask them about it."

Underlined and capitalized at the bottom of the letter was the statement, "Avoid this homosexual at all costs."

One of the men who responded works at a Chicago school. Letters saying he was homosexual were sent to his neighbors, landlord and the principal, assistant principal and teachers at the school.

"I had just moved to Chicago and was trying to meet new people," the man, who asked not to be identified, told the Chicago Tribune. "I responded and heard nothing. Then last week, my neighbors started coming to me, showing me these letters."

Dachis said letters were sent to two supervisors and a colleague of one of his clients, and the other client received a letter addressed to "resident."

The letter was written on stationery with the heading "Great White Brotherhood of the Iron Fist" and marked with an inverted triangle containing a fist and a dagger.

A skull and crossbones were at the bottom of the page with the Latin words, "Oderint dum metuant," which roughly translate to "Hate me but fear me," Dachis said.

A letter to the employer of one of the gay men said he was a "health threat to you and your organization," Dachis said. Under the body of the letter were the words "Friends of the City."

Dachis said he suspects the phony ad was placed by the same person or group responsible for the recent mailing to neighbors and families of the students and faculty members who signed the University of Chicago petition.

The petition condemned anti-gay activities on campus, including hate mail sent to openly gay students and bumper stickers placed on buildings that said, "Fight AIDS, Castrate all Gays."

The Windy City Times, a gay newspaper in Chicago, warned readers this week not to give their full name, phone number, or address when responding to personal ads.

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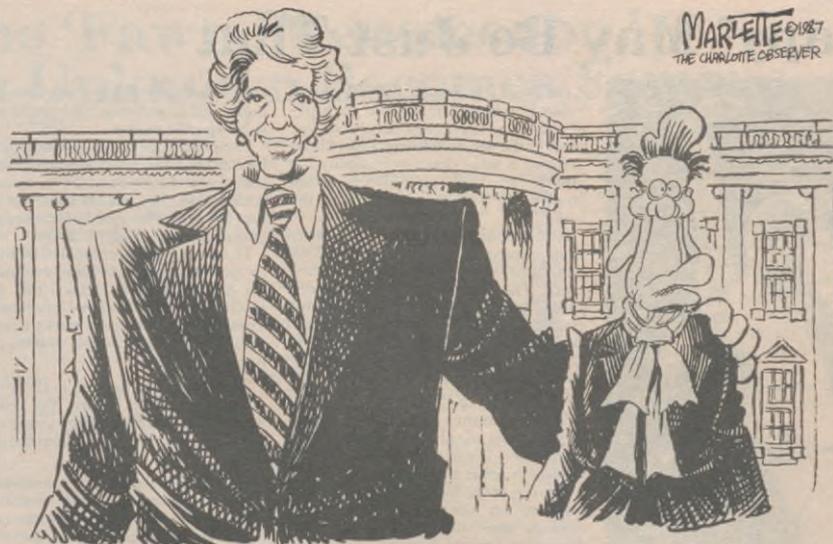
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Star Wars or Bust

By Arthur Hoppe

If you already have a headache, there's no reason to read this column. It's about the administration's current attempt to reinterpret the Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty so that it won't interfere with Star Wars.

News stories have detailed the hubbub this new policy of "broadly interpreting" the treaty has raised in Congress and with our NATO allies, but none I read told me what the argument was about.



I finally came across an account in *The Defense Monitor*, a widely respected publication of the Center for Defense Information in Washington. Seeing that the fate of life on this planet could conceivably hinge on the issue, I thought I'd do my best to outline it here. Bear with me.

The ABM Treaty was signed by President Nixon and Secretary Brezhnev in 1972. Its basic purpose was to ensure the policy of Mutually Assured Destruction or MAD—the policy we have relied upon to ensure nuclear peace, rightly or wrongly, for the past 40 years.

Thus the treaty limits each power to protecting either its capital or one missile site with ABMs—thereby leaving the rest of each country completely vulnerable to incoming enemy missiles. To further bolster MAD, the treaty also limits both us and the Soviet Union to "no more than one hundred ABM launchers and no more than one hundred ABM interceptor missiles."

Most important, both countries agreed under the treaty "not to develop, test, or deploy ABM systems or components which are sea-based, air-based, space-based or mobile land-based." In other words, the only missiles that could be developed, tested or deployed were land-based missiles in fixed sites.

So what about Star Wars? It is, of course, a space-based system specifically forbidden by the treaty. To shoot down thousands of incoming Soviet missiles and dummies, it would possibly require more than a hundred interceptor

missiles. And lastly, it is designed to defend the entire United States, thus abrogating MAD, the very policy the ABM Treaty was written to ensure.

How then can the administration "broadly interpret" the treaty to permit it to go ahead with Star Wars? *The Defense Monitor* says the new interpretation is hinged on the advanced technology involved, such as laser and particle beams. Agreed Statement (D) which accompanied the ABM Treaty says, "The parties agree that in the event ABM systems based on other physical principles . . . are created in the future, specific limitations on such systems and their components would be subject to discussion."

The administration apparently feels this allows them to create and deploy any ABM system they want using "other physical principles"—as long as they talk about it afterward.

But the *Defense Monitor* says this clause "actually makes the Treaty more strict." It refers only to *fixed land-based missiles* using other principles, for that's the only kind the treaty permits. And it requires that "specific limitations" on even these systems can be negotiated—certainly before and not after they are deployed.

So much for Star Wars.

As I pored through all this turgid language and convoluted reasoning, I had the noble feeling that I was doing my duty to become a well-informed citizen in a democracy—the kind of feeling you get when you wade through a ballot argument.

But the more I thought about it, the more sure I became that the administration would interpret the treaty any damn way it pleased. Logic had nothing to do with it. And if for some inconceivable reason, it was stopped from irrationally interpreting the treaty, it would simply break it—just the way it broke the SALT II agreement. We don't observe treaties that no longer serve our purpose.

So I felt as though I had waded through all the ballot arguments only to find that my vote didn't count. And, more and more these days, it doesn't seem so. How's your headache?

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'Bugs' in Phone May be Real

AUBURN, Ala. (UPI)—That crackle sometimes heard in a phone may mean the line is bugged—literally—by cockroaches, spiders or wasps, says an expert hired by South Central Bell to debug its equipment.

South Central Bell officials estimate the company spends \$22 million a year repairing insect damage to telephone equipment.

Arthur Appel, an assistant entomology professor at Auburn University, said Wednesday that cockroaches, fire ants and wasps are the most common insects found in phone equipment, and they can cause extensive damage.

"Wasps and hornets can get into equipment and cause personnel to be stung," Appel said. "Also, spiders spinning webs across terminals—especially when the humidity is high—cause moisture to collect on the terminal, leading to shorting out or glitches in your telephone connection."

"Termites . . . can actually bore through cable lines."

Fortunes

Communicating with Old Friend Puts Leo Back on Course

By Mark Orion

Your Horoscope from the Voice

For Friday evening, March 20, through Friday morning, March 26, 1987.

ARIES—Relief from the confusion that started off March still isn't in sight, but a good guide in this time is to emphasize the spiritual over the physical.

TAURUS—Something weird and wonderful comes right at you from a most unlikely place. There's no way to plan for or expect who or what it is, but wowie and wahoo! What kind of love is this? You're going to love it, whatever it is, that's for sure.

GEMINI—First you want one thing, then another. First a friend, then a lover. You can't quite make up your mind. Perhaps you're too analytical in an area where analysis has little value. So, step back. Enjoy the times.

CANCER—You're the playboy of the zodiac this time—playful, cheerful, child-like and fun-loving. You're able to give darker moments your own light touch. That should make you popular, especially with one person who needs that special gift.

LEO—Last time you were showing someone else how to do it, but this time, someone's showing you. In trying too hard to be everything you want, this person may put you off. But is too much really too much? Communicating with an old friend will put you back on course.

VIRGO—You're going to find out what friendship is for. Whether it's an old friend or a new one, a casual or a best friend, something special is going to happen for the two of you together, and bring you closer than you've ever been.

LIBRA—Been missing magic and excitement? Here it comes, back with a bang. Fireworks in the springtime for you this time. Explosive creative energy vibrates through all the aspects of your life. Lots of lights and action.

SCORPIO—Think twice! Something that looks like an offer you can't refuse, or someone who looks like a perfect ten could be just what you don't need. You don't have to develop a full-blown paranoia, but be more cautious than usual. Don't take the bait.

SAGITTARIUS—Your mind is working overtime on all those pieces you have to put together. Just when life is feeling like the world's biggest jigsaw puzzle, someone or something from the past shows up to point out the missing part.

CAPRICORN—As someone moves away, someone else moves closer. Don't let the end of one relationship blind you to the possibilities a new one has to offer. Learn the value of saying both goodbye and hello in just the right way.

AQUARIUS—Christmas in the spring? You've got a present coming that will make you feel like it. It's something you deserve, but also something unexpected. Untie the ribbon and open the box. Can you believe this one?

PISCES—It's your move. Someone expects you to make the next one, too. Don't let all of life's busy stuff get in the way of what's most important. Take care of business, then take care of that next move. Make it!

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'Beyond Therapy' May Be Just That



(left to right) Tom Conti, Jeff Goldblum, Julie Hagerty, Chris Campion, Christopher Guest and Glenda Jackson in "Beyond Therapy"

Houston Screens by Bill O'Rourke
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□ Beyond Therapy

Beyond Therapy?

Well, if you've been reading my theater columns, you'll know that Christopher Durang is not my favorite playwright. Oh, he cooks up a funny premise and a good beginning. He adds an enjoyable middle that's controversial enough for several good arguments. The man simply cannot write an ending. Sooner or later a revolver is fired, his idea of a climax. Then, rather than resolving anything, everything unravels fairly quickly.

However, I can read box office figures as well as the next man. Durang does have a following. The production of *Beyond Therapy* at Houston's Stages was quite popular. So one may wonder

what happened with the first movie of one of his major works.

In some ways, the Stages production was a lot better. Charlotte, the childish psychologist, was a lot more fun. Two-time Oscar winner Glenda Jackson is woefully miscast here. She seems to miss the point entirely. Everything she does is so adult and dignified.

The show involves a bisexual man, Bruce (Jeff Goldblum), who finds a lady, Prudence (Julie Hagerty), through a personal ad. He obviously did not clear the ad with his lover, Bob (Christopher Guest). Naturally, this upsets Bob.

Rather than accord the lovers' relationship the same dignity they would a marriage, thus being forced to understand Bob's outrage, the filmmaker's attitude can be summed in a quote from a press release, "Bob, a psychologically unstable individual intensely jealous of his live-in lover."



Bob (Christopher Guest), Bruce (Jeff Goldblum) and Prudence (Julie Hagerty) find themselves in a strange and uncomfortable situation in "Beyond Therapy"

On stage, Bob was a fruitcake as in nutso. But, he was no stranger than any of the other characters. In the movie, most of the other characters have been deflated a little, down to basically life size. It now looks as if Bob has been singled out for more ridicule than the rest.

And no longer do Bruce and Prudence keep visiting a metaphysically empty restaurant where the waiter is never seen. The waiter is now threaded throughout the entire work and his character changed in ways that might best remain a surprise. He is played by Chris Campion, whose boyish beauty was thought by many to be the only redeeming value in Polanski's *Pirates*.

The restaurant and its habitués actually becomes one of the most interesting characters. It's now Bruce's own fault that he is never waited on.

On the other hand, the naturalness imposed on the script by its new medium does reign in the worst of Durang's excesses. This new discipline does pay off at times.

Director Robert Altman adds some weirdness of his own, though. For example, he thought of this as a French-style farce. So he shot it in France with a French crew and supporting players. This story about Yankees who occasionally wish they could go to Paris now has the feel of a foreign art film.

I wouldn't be surprised if this film does eventually do well in art houses. However, I wonder about its success in general release. I don't even really expect it to find a large cult following. But I've been wrong about Durang's audiences before.

each killed individually. Both entertainingly and inventively, each expires for some specific reason.

Partly because of that, perhaps partly because of a fairly weak musical score, the screen is not crammed with bursting with action. The pace is more natural, less frenetic. The aim is for more suspense, more meaningful action.

The sex is very graphic, but only verbally. The pretty boy does eventually get his addenda threatened and then shallowly slashed with some shears. Then that act is questioned by a mafia don. But at neither time do we even get a rear shot.

The plot is not handed to the viewer on a silver platter, either. You have to work your own imagination to link everything together at first. I liked the challenge.

The film's return to conservative values might make it feel a little old-fashioned, but I would welcome more like it. Too many people have lost sight of what "gratuitous violence" means.

□ Openings

Burglar—Whoopi Goldberg and Bernie Rhodenbarr

The Good Father (Belair)

My Sweet Little Village (Belair)—the Czechoslovakian nomination for the best foreign film Oscar

One Woman or Two (Greenway)

Lolita: The Loved One (Rice Media Center, 20)—ONO!

True Stories (Greenway and River Oaks, 20)



Bernie Rhodenbarr (Whoopi Goldberg) and Carl Heffler (Bob Goldthwait) plan how they will circumvent the police and find the murderer for the crime Bernie is suspected of in "Burglar"

□ Heat

Burt Reynolds' latest movie, *Heat*, is probably not going to be as big a hit as *Lethal Weapon*. That's really sad, because it's a better-made movie.

The pretty boy who has a twisted psychotic need to hurt other people is the villain, not the hero. When he says that he didn't do anything wrong when he savagely beat a woman because she's a whore and it's impossible to be cruel to a whore, you know not only that his days are numbered but also that they deserve to be.

The hero does not glorify in violence. It is only something that he does well. The necessity of it gives him headaches.

This is the kind of movie where you should count every bullet. But the filmmakers don't stop there. They accord human life the same honor.

There are only as many people on each side of the conflict as there logically must be. Those who must die are

Tutti a Casa (MFA, 20)—Everybody Go Home! ONO!

To Be or Not to Be; Miss Tatlock's Millions (Rice Media Center, 21)—the Jack Benny original. ONO!

La Voglia Matta (MFA, 21)—Crazy Desire. ONO!

Fundi: The Story of Ella Baker (Rice Media Center, 22)—biography of a woman who committed her life to the American civil rights movement.

Risate di Giola (MFA, 22)—Joyous Laughter. ONO!

Bad (River Oaks, 23)—by Andy Warhol

8½ (River Oaks, 25)—by Federico Fellini

Nosferatu (Goethe Institute, 26)—Klaus Kinski as the vampire. Freebies. ONO!

The Rules of the Game (Rice Media Center, 26.)—ONO!

The 'Fawn Phenomenon,' an Unknown Becomes Famous

By Jan Ziegler
UPI Science Writer

WASHINGTON (UPI)—It has become a familiar phenomenon—pretty but unknown female caught up in national scandal is noticed by national media, receives modeling, nude photo and movie solicitations.

That's what happened to Fawn Hall, Lt. Col. Oliver North's personal secretary, as it did to a number of other women including Rita Jenrette, former wife of former Rep. John Jenrette of South Carolina, convicted in the Abscam scandal.

A former model on the local scene described by her friends as a "straight arrow," Hall toiled in obscurity and now finds the same organizations that may have been uninterested in her services before willing to pay hundreds of thousands of dollars for the privilege of publishing or promoting pictures of her.

Psychologists attuned to media trends find nothing surprising about it at all and point out several ingredients that lead to such instant celebrity.

"First of all, beauty is an important factor," said Dr. Stuart Fischhoff, a psychology professor at California State University at Los Angeles and a screen writer. "It determines whether you get convicted of crimes, whether you get sentenced. It sells papers."

Research has also shown what may seem obvious: attractiveness attracts. For instance, one study showed attractive women in cars stopped because of flat tires on the West Side Highway in New York received many more offers of help than would a homely woman or one who otherwise does not fit the current

definition of attractiveness, Fischhoff said.

Witness Rosemary Woods, mature and a bit stout, who melted into the background while everyone concentrated on the 23 minutes missing from Nixon's tapes.

"It could play to men's fantasies about attractive women," Dr. David Sears of Los Angeles, head of the American Psychological Association's mass communications division, said of the Fawn Phenomenon. "There's a market for appealing to men's fantasies, just as there are markets for other things."

Fischhoff said men tend to be in posi-

tions of power and decision-making jobs, so women are more likely to be targets. If women were in power, he said, men could find themselves in Hall's position more often.

But why is she suddenly so interesting to, say, the big modeling agencies?

"Attractive women are a dime a dozen in the modeling field," Fischhoff said. "If you're going to sell someone, you have to have a little sizzle with the steak."

The Iran arms scandal, he said, "gives her a distinction she didn't have before."

In addition, said Dr. Michael Broder, president of the American Psychologi-

cal Association's media psychology division, "the press loves people with some kind of double identity."

Not just any identity, Sears said "It has to be big-league."

"It would apply to athletes who are quite accomplished in some other area, a mixture of the physical skill with some other more intellectual skill. What's interesting about Bill Bradley (the Democratic senator from New Jersey) is that he was an accomplished basketball player and is also a politician."

"If you're a steam fitter, am I interested," said Fischhoff. "No."

For Sears, who admits to being a bit of a cynic, it's all a matter of feeding the media's "voracious appetite."

"It doesn't seem very complicated here. You have a big scandal and a good-looking woman. Put the two together and you've got a good story for a few days," he said.

Teenager Runs Up a \$5,000 Phone Bill

OAKLAND, Calif. (UPI)—A chef who took up two extra jobs to pay for more than \$5,000 in telephone charges from calls to pornographic and other 976 service numbers by his "bored" teenage son was eventually let off the hook.

Clester Jones, a chef for a San Jose airport restaurant, received bills totaling \$5,313.44 that accrued from Dec. 5 to Dec. 24 when his son Kevin, 15, made hundreds of calls, some for up to 10 hours, to about 20 different pornographic and other service numbers with a 976 prefix.

Although Pacific Bell has a policy not to charge families for first-time abuse of 976 services by an unsupervised minor, the company disconnected Clester Jones's phone and gave him three months to pay the bill. Jones took two part-time jobs, working 90 hours a week, to make the payments.

When one of Jones's checks bounced, Pacific Bell cut off service to his sister, who had co-signed for his telephone. The family complained to the Public Utilities Commission and service was restored to his sister.

The company, recognizing it had held Jones accountable against its own policy in this case, gave him an apology and cleared his account.

"I'm very sorry to say this, but evidently this particular case fell through the cracks," Pacific Bell spokeswoman Lynn Jimenez said Tuesday, acknowledging the \$5,313.44 mistake.

Kevin Jones, who said he was unaware the calls carried fees of \$2 each plus toll charges, explained why he placed the calls: "I was bored."

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More LaRouche Followers Rounded Up by the Feds

By Thomas Ferraro

LEESBURG, Va. (UPI)—Nine followers of political extremist Lyndon LaRouche, including a key aide, were arrested Tuesday night at sites near his fortress headquarters on charges of bilking victims out of millions of dollars in a scheme to raise money for affiliated groups.

The roundup, the third in six months involving LaRouche adherents in rural northern Virginia and elsewhere around the country, was prompted by an indictment handed up March 3 in New York charging 15 LaRouche followers with crimes ranging from fraud to grand larceny.

LaRouche's cult-like political organization has been under investigation in recent months by federal, state and local law enforcement agencies. The inquiries have generally focused on fund-raising activities.

On Oct. 6 a federal grand jury in Boston capped a two-year probe by indicting 10 LaRouche associates on charges of credit-card fraud and obstruction of justice for allegedly making unlawful withdrawals from accounts of contributors.

On the same day, about 300 federal, state and local law officers seized two truckloads of financial records from LaRouche headquarters, prompting a Loudoun County Grand jury on Feb. 17 to indict 16 LaRouche followers and five LaRouche-affiliated groups on charges of state securities fraud.

Those individuals and groups were accused of using false and misleading promises to solicit about \$30 million in

loans nationwide from about 3,000 people, most of them elderly.

LaRouche himself has not been named in any of the indictments.

Last fall, LaRouche, who lives in a heavily fortified, \$1.3 million estate outside Leesburg, vowed to defend himself against any arrest, but later said if charges are brought he would surrender peacefully.

LaRouche, 64, a four-time presidential candidate, and his followers have denounced the previous grand jury indictments as unfounded political harassment and part of a conspiracy by the White House and the Kremlin.

Lt. Terry McCracken of the Loudoun County sheriff's office said that, acting on the New York indictment, 16 law officers arrested nine people Tuesday night at their homes and LaRouche-affiliated businesses near their leader's heavily fortified and guarded headquarters.

David Fishlow, a spokesman for New York Attorney General Robert Abrams, said arrest warrants also were to be issued against four people in New Jersey, one in Illinois and one in California.

The New York indictment, handed up March 3, was not to be unsealed until Wednesday, but was made known to reporters in Virginia on Tuesday night.

Fishlow said the New York charges stem partially from information gathered by the grand jury in Virginia.

The suspects arrested Tuesday night were identified as Edward Spannaus, 43, LaRouche's 1984 presidential campaign treasurer and now one of his legal

advisers; his wife, Nancy Spannaus, 43; Cathy Wolfe, 36; David Pepper, 49; George Canning, 36, Linda de Hoyos, 37, Paul Gallagher, 42; Merielle Kronberg, 39, and David Shavin, 34.

They were cited with a total of 42 counts involving charges ranging from conspiracy to fraud, the fraudulent sale of securities and grand larceny.

Fishlow said the defendants are accused of "borrowing money that they never intended to repay. They signed promissory notes dating back to 1979 that were never repaid."

The Loudoun County sheriff's office issued a statement saying prospective victims of the alleged fraud were contacted at airports or shopping malls by LaRouche volunteers, then received follow-up telephone calls or visits by the defendants, who often sought donations.

"When donations were no longer forthcoming from a victim the defendants would ask for the loans at above-market interest rates to be secured by promissory notes," the sheriff's statement said.

"Though interest to the loans were sometimes paid, payments were irregular and checks often bounced either because they were stopped or because funds were insufficient to cover them," the statement said.

LaRouche has zig-zagged across the political spectrum during the past two decades. At different times he has been called ultra right and ultra left. He has called the Queen of England a drug dealer and Henry Kissinger an agent of influence of the Soviet Union, and has

accused the International Monetary Fund of mass murder by spreading AIDS through its economic policies.

His followers generally belong to the National Democratic Policy Committee, a name similar enough to the Democratic National Committee to cause concern by the larger party and confusion among voters.

Judge Lets Sexual 976's Stay Alive

AUSTIN (UPI)—A state judge Tuesday temporarily blocked enforcement of a Public Utility Commission order allowing Southwestern Bell Telephone to drop service to two firms that provide live, sexually explicit messages to callers.

Travis County District Judge Joseph Hart granted a temporary restraining order sought by Omniphone Inc. and Audio Five Inc., which provides the service in four Texas cities.

Bell contended the companies—by providing the messages through the "Dial 976" exchange—violated their service agreement with the telephone company.

But lawyers for the two companies argued that disconnecting the message service denied their clients' constitutional rights to free speech.

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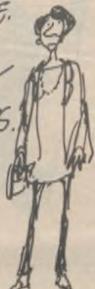
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Government Wants to Redefine AIDS

By Joe Parham

ATLANTA (UPI)—Federal health officials, saying statistics show 10 percent of AIDS cases go unreported, have proposed a new definition of the deadly disease that will cause the number of reported AIDS cases to increase sharply.

The revised definition is contingent on the reactions of state health departments, epidemiologists and other health-watch organizations, but a spokesman for the national Centers for Disease Control said the proposal is common with new diseases.

"We hope this expanded definition will be adopted for national reporting purposes by the Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists at their May meeting in Santa Fe, N.M.," said Dr. Tim Dondero, chief of the surveillance and evaluation branch of the AIDS program at the CDC.

The CDC currently excludes people who have been diagnosed by physicians as having AIDS, but who have not been diagnosed with a laboratory biopsy test.

"Studies have shown that between 10 and 15 percent of AIDS patients have been diagnosed through clinical rather than laboratory methods and they aren't included in our AIDS figures," Dondero said.

"We've gotten a lot of input through clinical physicians who deal a lot with AIDS and also through public health specialists in heavy AIDS areas."

Dondero said the revised definition of AIDS could increase the number of reported AIDS cases in the United States by 20 percent.

"This doesn't mean there is suddenly going to be X-number more people suddenly having AIDS," he said. "It's just that there are more people out there with AIDS than we officially count because of our current definition of the disease."

The new definition would add 6,500 cases of acquired immune deficiency syndrome to the 32,825 cases reported to the CDC as of last Monday, a spokesman said.

The revised definition will include two more diseases known to be associated with the AIDS virus infection—the Dementia complex, a deteriorating infection of the brain, and the wasting syndrome, a chronic duration of fevers, diarrhea and appreciable weight loss in people with AIDS virus infection.

The most common opportunistic infection attacking AIDS victims is pneumocystis carinii pneumonia, a parasitic infection of the lungs. Of the 32,825 AIDS cases, 21,203 of them have or did have that infection.

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Bishops to Warn Pope of Gay Protest

By Paula Butturini

VATICAN CITY (UPI)—A group of American bishops met with Pope John Paul II Wednesday to brief him on his upcoming United States trip, which some clergymen say may spark protests.

As is customary, the Vatican released no details of what was said during the private papal audience, which also was attended by a small group of senior Vatican officials.

A Vatican statement said only that the meeting was called to discuss plans for the papal visit and gave "the participants an opportunity to exchange information and views on the pastoral visit and its potential for fostering the life of the church in the United States."

U.S. delegates declined to reveal specifics of their talks, but Archbishop John May of St. Louis said the meeting went "fine."

Tuesday night May said the group planned to tell the pope about the possibility of protests during his visit, scheduled for Sept. 10-19.

May, president of the U.S. bishops conference, said he expected the topic of possible protests—especially by gay rights groups in San Francisco—to be discussed.

"It would be a real disservice not to," May said. "I'm sure we'll discuss how best to react to possible problems."

Gay rights groups have promised to protest the papal visit to demonstrate their dissatisfaction with a Vatican document issued last October that labeled all homosexual acts "an intrinsic moral evil."

The U.S. delegation is composed of 20 American prelates, including the bishops of eight of the nine dioceses John Paul will visit next fall. Bishop Ernest Unterkoefler of Charleston, S.C., could not attend because of a schedule conflict, the Vatican said.

The group was to meet twice a day Wednesday and Thursday and once again early Saturday with Vatican officials involved in organizing the tour. John Paul was expected to attend only Wednesday's first session and then lunch with the group after their meetings ended Saturday.

May said the group had prepared a slide show for John Paul to accompany their oral reports but that Vatican officials had asked them to skip the visual presentation.

During the tour John Paul will visit Miami, Columbia, S.C., New Orleans, San Antonio, Phoenix, Ariz., Los Angeles, Monterey, Calif., San Francisco and Detroit.

Archbishop Edward McCarthy in Miami, where the papal visit begins Sept. 10, said March 15 he would stress the Florida church's role in helping settle two major waves of Cuban refugees, plus a minor wave of Haitian refugees.

The bishops were expected to respond during the trip to criticisms of laxness in U.S. Catholicism. The rift between the U.S. church and the Vatican was apparent this month when the Vatican condemned all artificial techniques of conception, such as test-tube babies. Experts quickly predicted rank-and-file Catholics would largely ignore the ban.

"I think the Holy See is going to use

this opportunity in a very helpful way to discuss what is happening in the United States," said McCarthy.

McCarthy discounted suggestions that the Pope's American visit would be a "disciplinary" one aimed at driving home the points of fidelity and obedience to the church.

"Now, as a father, he will want to clear up ambiguities about where he stands, and he'll sometimes repeat some church teachings," McCarthy said. "But I don't imagine him scolding."

The Vatican was criticized last year when it stripped the Rev. Charles Curran of his right to teach theology at the Catholic University of America because of his liberal beliefs on sexual matters.

Last year the Vatican transferred key powers from Seattle Archbishop Raymond Hunthausen to an auxiliary bishop, for Hunthausen's alleged lack of firmness.

"The bishops are worried that if Hunthausen was picked off, they might be too," said the Rev. Richard McCormick, a theology professor at Notre Dame University.

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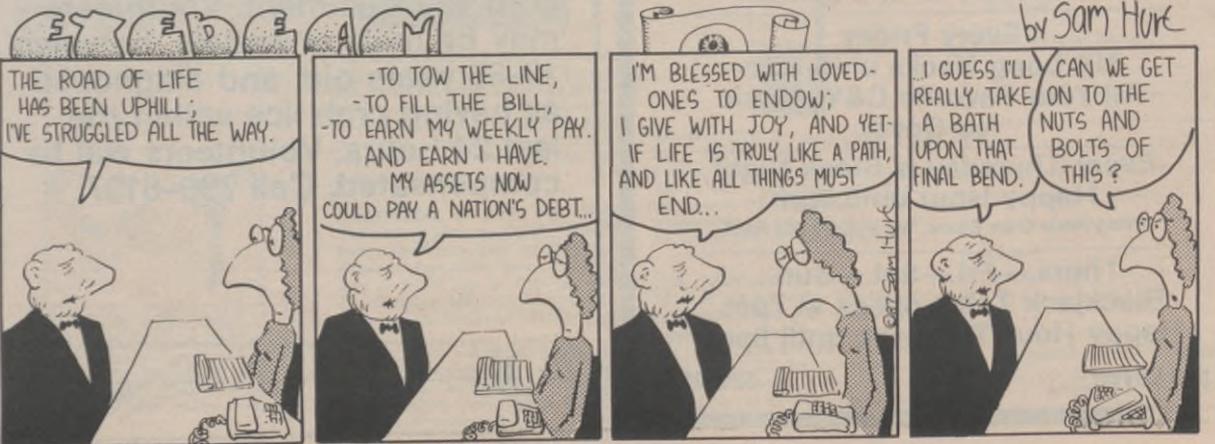
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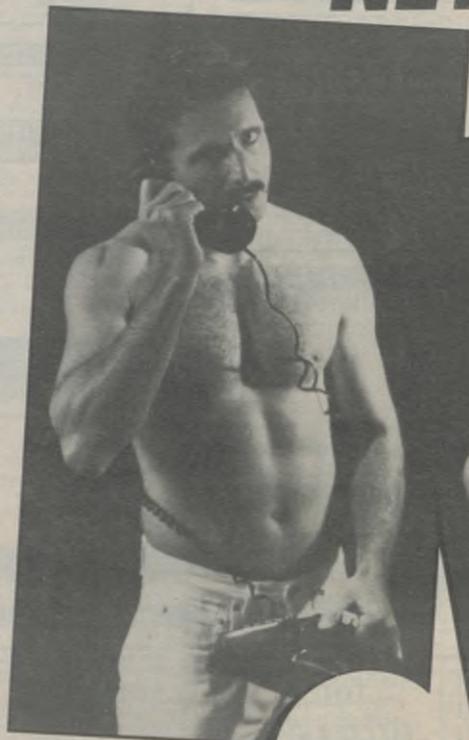
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