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Drug reduces risk of stroke, study finds

By Melissa Rosenthal
Staff Writer

A drug originally used to lower cholesterol can reduce the risk of stroke and heart attack, two UK researchers announced yesterday.

The drug, Lovastatin, also fights the early build-up of plaque in the arteries, said Dr. Byron Young,

chairman of the surgery department at UK's Albert B. Chandler Medical Center, and Dr. Robert Dempsey, director of the stroke program at UK's Sanders-Brown Center on Aging.

The study found that Lovastatin reduced lipoprotein levels in the blood. Young said lipoprotein particles accumulate inside arteries and contribute to the buildup of plaque

— a condition known as atherosclerosis that can lead to strokes.

Participants for the study were healthier than the general population with the exception of their unusually high cholesterol levels.

When the participants were put on Lovastatin, Young said their cholesterol levels dropped noticeably.

Although Young said the same

results are possible with a very low-fat diet, "Taking the pill, modifying the diet and taking an aspirin a day is what we recommended to the participants in the study," he said.

Dempsey said the study's findings have broad implications.

"In the long run, using this drug to prevent atherosclerosis will save money because (it lowers the risk of) suffering disability from stroke

and (incurring) lost wages."

A generic version of the pill has not been put on the market, but is expected to appear soon, Young said.

"Our hope is that the public will at least know that the drug is out there and if they have high cholesterol, they will go see their doctor and find some type of treatment to deal with their problem," Dempsey said.

The UK College of Medicine was one of four medical schools that participated in the five-year clinical trial.

The national study was funded by the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute.

Institute officials said more trials involving larger numbers of people will be necessary to answer further questions about the drug.

Miller Hall renovation continuing

By Clarissa Blair
Staff Writer

Inhabitants of 90-year-old Miller Hall will spend the 1993-94 academic year in cramped quarters while the building is renovated, but campus officials say the planned improvements are worth the inconvenience.

"I'm moving back on Aug. 9," said Julius Power, director of the Cartography Lab. "We're in the dungeon over here in (White Hall) Classroom Building. It's not much space, but it's usable space."

For many years, Miller Hall has been the home of various programs, including the Undergraduate Advising Center, the College of Architecture, the Honors Program, the geography department and the cartography lab.

Jack Blanton, vice chancellor of administration, said construction crews will gut the inside of Miller Hall for a complete renovation and install an elevator, handicapped accessible restrooms and side entrances that are wheelchair accessible from the ground level.

The \$2 million project, which is funded by money left over from President Charles Weinington and Chancellor for the Lexington Campus Robert Hemenway's fiscal budgets, also will include cleaning the outside bricks and adding new mortar, wiring the building for computers, a new roof and minor landscaping.

Charles Graves, dean emeritus and professor of the College of Architecture, said about eight design studios temporarily were moved from Miller Hall to Boyd Hall and W.D. Funkhouser Building.

"When Miller Hall is finished, it will be more efficient for juries because of the wide halls and more wall space for hanging pictures," Graves said.

Hugh Johnson, an architecture senior, said the current classroom arrangements are bearable because they are only temporary.

"The studios are in the basement at Boyd Hall. They are stuffy and cold," Johnson said. "We feel more alienated there. At least the bookstores and Student Center were on



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Bates Restoration employees Steve Wells and Mike Smith clean the brickwork of Miller Hall.

the same side of campus as Miller Hall."

Christine Havice, director of the Honors Program, complained that the old Miller Hall was noisy and often was either too hot or too cold. She said she has "high hopes" for a better classroom environment when the renovation is finished in July 1994.

"Next year, the building will be sandproofed between the floors," Havice said, "and the heat will be climate controlled. Steam heat is always on or off. It doesn't shut off when the temperature is comfortable, so it is usually too hot in Miller Hall."

Havice praised the architecture firm involved in the renovation, Pearson, Bender and Jolly Archi-

itects of Lexington, saying the building's reconstruction was planned in consultation with the different groups that will occupy the building and will meet their diverse needs.

"The classroom will have a little less footage, but at least we got to choose the room," Havice said.

Graves said the renovation will "maintain the integrity" of the old building since the outside will not change structurally.

Pointing to the annex built onto the Electrical Engineering Building, Graves said improvements often can change the overall appearance of the structure.

"It's a nice thing that they've done everything to Miller Hall without harming the outside," he said.

Officials kick off holiday gift drive

By Britt Dykeman
Contributing Writer

UK employees and students kicked off the annual Circle of Love campaign yesterday at the Student Center with the unveiling of a commemorative wreath.

The campaign collects holiday gifts each year for needy children whose parents can't afford to buy toys.

Kathy DeBoer, UK's associate athletics director, encouraged the audience of about 30 students and faculty to "give with no strings attached."

"This is a special campaign at UK every year which gives all of us the opportunity to get involved with helping children in the community enjoy the season," DeBoer said.

Any UK student or employee may help in the effort by becoming a sponsor.

Sponsors need only to purchase a gift from the wish list of a child and

return the wrapped gift to 245 Old Student Center on Dec. 6 or 7 between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Wish lists are available from UK's Human Resource Development Office.

Volunteers also will be needed to work at the collection point Dec. 6-7.

Ruby Ingram, an employee of UK's Physical Plant Division, said the joy that Circle of Love brings to area youngsters is worth the small amount of time she spends volunteering in the effort.

"I think it's a very worthy program," Ingram said. "When all of the presents are collected at the end, all of our efforts are worth it."

A similar effort, to be headed by Bonnie Hardwick, also will take place at UK's Albert B. Chandler Medical Center.

The Circle of Love campaign has been a part of UK since 1988. In

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Set up of computer sites eases registration woes

By Brant Welch
Senior Staff Writer

Since setting up computer terminals across campus to assist students with class registration, officials say things are back on track.

The registrar's office decided to set up the sites Thursday after encountering numerous technical problems with the new UK-VIP telephone registration system.

UK-VIP was billed as an end to registration hassles, but its glitches infuriated many students.

"The terminal sites seem to have provided adequate capacities to get the registration completed and get students registered for classes," UK

registrar Randall Dahl said.

But Dahl added that most students still are registering by telephone.

"In fact, through (Tuesday), two-thirds of all the people that had registered had registered by telephone," he said.

The terminal sites, however, will remain open throughout registration, which ends as scheduled on Nov. 18.

Students are eligible to use the terminals only on the second and third days of their particular registration window, Dahl said.

On the second day, students may use the terminal sites at the time determined by the last digit of their

social security numbers.

There are no time constraints for when students may register by the terminals on their third day.

"Though students have been complaining of problems with UK-VIP, Dahl said the terminal sites have been less than packed.

"There is not a consistent flow of people coming up to the terminals," he said.

"There are times we don't have anybody at the terminals, then all of a sudden, in between classes, we'll have 75 students at the terminals."

Dahl said there is an adequate number of terminal operators at various times during the registration process.

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Café Shahrazad gives UK a taste of Arabian fare

By Tammy Gay
Senior Staff Writer

Everyone will have the opportunity today to experience Arabic culture — including food, artifacts and music — without leaving campus.

The Arab Student Union is sponsoring "Café Shahrazad," which continues in its final day at 245 Student Center.

"Our mission is to present our culture in an international way," said club president Omar Ayyash, who was born in Jordan.

Axel Al-Banna, a member of the club who is from Iraq, said prices were set as low as possible to draw people to the event and expose them to Arabic life.

"It's a way to educate people about our culture," Al-Banna said.

The café has a wide variety of snacks, desserts and beverages.

Choices include sambousak, a baked spinach bread pocket stuffed with spinach, meat or cheese; baklava, a delicate pastry filled with walnuts and cinnamon and covered in syrup; a flaky filo dough covered with ground cashews, syrup and mango juice; guava juice and mint tea.

The club also is offering Turkish coffee for free.

Along with the food, the club has set up displays around the room. One corner of the room's floor is covered with a rug, and decorative pillows lean against the wall. Al-Banna said sitting on the rug and leaning against one of the pillows would be a typical way for someone of an Arabic culture to sit.

Several videos, detailing subjects like belly-dancing, and Arabic poetry and singing, also are available to watch, and music adds ambience to the entire café.

Al-Banna said club members thought it would add to the atmosphere to have the music playing as guests ate their food.

Two civil engineering students were enjoying that atmosphere yesterday.

Paul Johansson, a junior, tried baklava, sambousak and mango juice. He said he decided to sample the fare because his wife is taking an Arabic class this year, and he likes the food.

Bernadette Dupont, also a junior, said she has studied Arabic culture and is a belly-dancer.

The club also is sponsoring a party Friday that will feature music

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MONICA SACRE/Kentucky Staff

UK sophomore Jim McIntosh paints faces at this year's Big Brothers/Big Sisters Halloween Party.

Students find new siblings

By Robin Osgood
Contributing Writer

Chad Espeland grew up with three older sisters in his family, but he always wanted a brother.

A year ago, the UK junior got his wish.

Espeland became a volunteer for Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Lexington, and he now spends several hours each week as a male role model for an active 11-year-old boy.

Espeland said he's just a typical student with the usual concerns about tight finances and time constraints. But being a big brother gives him something else to focus on.

"It doesn't take money all the time," Espeland said of the program. "It's something you can work through. If you can put forth the time, it gives you an enjoyable experience."

"The kids really do like it when someone is there filling the void."

Ernie Hatfield, director of Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Lexington, said the program is one of the most important services in Lexington for single-parent families.

"At any given time, we have

on average of 250 children waiting to be matched with a big brother or sister," she said.

Hatfield said about 10 percent of the program's volunteers come from UK and she would like to increase that number.

"Students help stress the importance of education to the kids," she said.

"This is evident with Espeland's match."

"When we were first matched," Espeland said, "my match wasn't doing well in school. But this year, he is doing much better. This is the biggest change I've noticed since we've been matched."

Espeland said his little brother enjoys going to the arcade, but he especially likes it when Espeland can attend his baseball and basketball games.

To be a big brother or big sister, Hatfield said applicants must have lived in Lexington for six months and be willing to commit to a child for one year.

Volunteers also are required to go through a six-month screening period, which consists of background checks and visits.

"We like getting student vol-

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ious sites to register students.

"This system was designed specifically to resolve and supplement the telephone piece at this time," Dahl said.

"We're trying to make sure we get services delivered not only in a timely fashion, but an equitable fashion."

Dahl said that, periodically, some of the 48 UK-VIP phone lines are being taken down, but, for the most part, they all are operating simultaneously.



Student records employee Wanda Brooks help political science junior Jamie Miller register earlier this week.

House approves I-69 proposal

Associated Press

HENDERSON, Ky. — The U.S. House of Representatives approved and sent the Senate a resolution that would route proposed Interstate 69 near western Kentucky communities along U.S. 60.

The resolution specifies the interstate would follow "a Kentucky corridor centered on the cities of Henderson, Sargis, Smithland, Paducah, Bardwell and Hickman."

U.S. Rep. Tom Barlow, D-1st District, said, "the main thing is that by designating these locator towns, it locks (I-69) into Kentucky" instead of southern Illinois.

"This is just the one-yard line," with 99 yards to go, Barlow said by telephone from Washington.

Union County Judge-executive Jimmy Veach said an interstate would boost economic development in the area.

"We do not have a good transportation system," Veach observed, noting that the only federal highway in Union County is the narrow, two-lane U.S. 60.

The precise route won't be known until engineering and feasibility studies and an economic analysis can be performed.

Barlow said that may not begin for three or four years. "We're looking at roads that

probably won't be fully completed for 12 to 15 years," Barlow said.

The project is part of a multi-state campaign to extend I-69 from Indianapolis to Houston.

Officials in eight states along the route are awaiting word as to whether the 1994 federal fiscal year budget includes money for a 12- to 18-month-long I-69 feasibility study, said David Smith, Kentucky's assistant state highway engineer for planning.

If the study is funded, he said, "By early to mid-1995, we ought to have some idea of the feasibility of I-69."

Clinton declares war on high crime in America

By Terence Hunt
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Clinton suggested an outright ban on so-called cop-killer bullets yesterday and promised to develop a "sustained, organized, disciplined approach" to curbing violence in America.

Clinton said that crime is "the No. 1 personal security issue for most Americans."

Referring to bullets that critics say are intended only to maim and

kill, Clinton said, "Some of that ammunition, it would seem to me, there might be a consensus that we ought not to make it at all in this country."

At an afternoon news conference in the East Room of the White House, Clinton also claimed progress in his uphill fight to win House passage of a trade agreement with Mexico and Canada. He said four more congressmen had come out for the agreement and predicted that "by the time we get to vote-counting, we'll have enough to win."

The House will vote on the pact next Wednesday.

Defending his foreign policy team Clinton said he had not meant to give a lukewarm endorsement to his national security advisers in a televised interview Sunday. He said they deserve high marks for their work on the most important foreign issues, including Russia, the Middle East and nuclear nonproliferation.

The president said he was pleased by progress in peace talks between Israel and Jordan but discounted reports in Jerusalem that an accord would be signed when Israeli Prime

Minister Yitzhak Rabin visits the White House tomorrow.

"I would be pleased if it did, but the truth is we have no reason to believe that anything will be happening Friday," the president said.

He said he had asked the Justice Department to review a request from Rabin to cut the life sentence of spy Jonathan Pollard to 10 years. Pollard, a former U.S. Navy intelligence analyst, was convicted in 1987 of espionage for selling classified documents to Israel.

Clinton opened the news conference by reading a long list of administration accomplishments, including enactment of the family leave law and his deficit-reduction plan.

"We are finally tackling issues that are central to the lives of all Americans, replacing gridlock and inaction with progress and pursuit of the common good," the president said.

With crime a politically potent issue, the president indicated that he would make crime-fighting the cen-

terpiece of his State of the Union address in January.

"What you will see from us over the next several months is a sustained, organized, disciplined approach so that we don't just respond to the horror we all feel when a little kid gets shot... or when these children plan their funerals," the president said.

He said the crime bill being debated on the Senate floor would help by authorizing 100,000 police officers on the street.

"But we have to rebuild families and communities in this country," the president said. "We've got to take more responsibility for these little kids before they grow up and start shooting each other. We have to find ways to offer hope and to re-connect people." He said a key to solving the problem was making sure jobs are available for everyone.

Clinton said the administration was giving "a lot of consideration" to a proposal from Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan, D-N.Y., for huge tax increases to fund ammunition like

.50-caliber bullets and "talon" bullets that have razor-sharp petals and travel sideways through soft tissue.

However, the president wondered "whether we ought not just to get rid of those bullets" if they are made safely for having a devastating effect on their targets.

On foreign policy, Clinton indicated there was little he could do to reduce the suffering in Bosnia and Haiti.

He said none of the parties in Bosnia is willing to make peace on terms acceptable to the others. "All we can do," Clinton said, "is to try to make sure that we minimize the human loss coming on for this winter." If Sarajevo is seriously shelled, Clinton said, a NATO option to use air strikes should be "an actual live option and not just something on the books."

On Haiti, Clinton showed no willingness to relax a U.N. embargo. "I grieve for the people of Haiti. We need almost 700,000 people a day in Haiti... I don't want anybody else to hurt down there."

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past years, the effort has collected thousands of gifts for deserving central Kentucky students.

This year, the main campus program is expected to benefit 640 Fayette County children. Youngsters are selected for the program if they participate in the free lunch program at Fayette County Public Schools.

For more information or to get involved, contact UK Human Resource Development at 257-1851.

Café

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from all cultures. "Our party is going to be more than an Arabic party but an international party," Ayyash said.

Ayyash said everyone is invited to attend and bring music. Tickets are \$3 in advance at the café and \$4 at the door of the Student Center Ballroom. The party is scheduled to begin at 9 p.m.

Volunteer

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untests the second half of their freshman or beginning of their sophomore year," Hatfield said.

If a student feels he or she can't give up three to five hours per week or is unsure about whether he or she would really like being matched with a child, Big Brothers/Big Sisters has another option.

A new program for children on the waiting list, called Escapades, allows volunteers to participate in activities with youngsters once a month.

Louis Ward, a case work supervisor for Big Brothers/Big Sisters, said the program has been especially beneficial for the children.

"Escapades has been real successful in helping these children not feel left out or forgotten while they wait for a match," he said, adding that it takes about two years to match a child with a volunteer.

Requirements to be a volunteer for Escapades are basically the same as being a big brother or big sister except the volunteer is not matched with one child, and Escapades is only once a month instead of once a week.

Fred Reeder and his wife, Kim, both UK business students, are for-

mer Big Brothers/Big Sisters volunteers who now participate in Escapades.

"I probably enjoy the activities more than the kids," Fred said of the program.

"It's fun to do things that you're only allowed to do when you're with a child, that if you did on your own you'd get locked up in a rubber room for."

Kim agreed: "I love it; it's a lot of fun. I've been with other programs, but I enjoy the one-on-one experience that you get with this program versus other programs that you have a 13-to-1 ratio."

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And you built the robot yourself?

My uncle and I are quite the do-it-yourselfers. Together, we had the death ray up and running in two, maybe three days tops.

Mr. Ashcraft, this committee is quite concerned about the proliferation of such cartoon weapons.

Weapons, sir? Weapons? Just shove a finger or a carrot in an assassin's gun and you're in Backfire City.

It's not just the cartoon guns. Let's not forget the destructive influence of the anti-magics.

It's like my Uncle Hugo says: magnets don't drive people's heads into their own shoes. People do.

ATTENTION STUDENTS

Advance Registration Update

UK-VIP, the telephone registration system is available for sophomores starting November 10 and freshmen starting November 12 (see page 9 of the schedule book for details).

IN ADDITION TO UK-VIP, TERMINAL-BASED REGISTRATION services will be available at college registration sites 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. on the following schedule:

WHO	Last #	SS #	DATE	TIME	PLACE
SOPHOMORES	5,6		Thursday, Nov 11	8 a.m.	Students in colleges of A&S, B&E, COM, and EDUC report to round information desk on main floor of Funkhouser Bldg. ALL OTHER STUDENTS REPORT TO THEIR COLLEGE SITE.
	7		Thursday, Nov 11	9 a.m.	
	8		Thursday, Nov 11	10 a.m.	
	9		Thursday, Nov 11	11 a.m.	
	0		Thursday, Nov 11	12 p.m.	
	1		Thursday, Nov 11	1 p.m.	
	2		Thursday, Nov 11	2 p.m.	
	3		Thursday, Nov 11	3 p.m.	
	0-9		Friday, Nov 12	8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.	
FRESHMEN	5,6		Monday, Nov 15	8 a.m.	Students in colleges of A&S, B&E, COM, and EDUC report to round information desk on main floor of Funkhouser Bldg. ALL OTHER STUDENTS REPORT TO THEIR COLLEGE SITE.
	7		Monday, Nov 15	9 a.m.	
	8		Monday, Nov 15	10 a.m.	
	9		Monday, Nov 15	11 a.m.	
	0		Monday, Nov 15	12 p.m.	
	1		Monday, Nov 15	1 p.m.	
	2		Monday, Nov 15	2 p.m.	
	3		Monday, Nov 15	3 p.m.	
	0-9		Tuesday, Nov 16	8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.	
ALL STUDENTS (including nondegree)	0-9		Wed., Nov. 17 - Thur., Nov. 18	8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.	Students in colleges of A&S, B&E, COM, and EDUC report to round information desk on main floor of Funkhouser Bldg. ALL OTHER STUDENTS REPORT TO THEIR COLLEGE SITE.

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Journalism search panel meets again

By Brant Welch
Senior Staff Writer

Despite problems that led to a meeting being adjourned last week, everything seemed to be fine yesterday as faculty of UK's School of Journalism and Telecommunications met with the chairman of a search committee.

Charles Hayward, chairman of the committee formed to find a new director for the school, said yesterday's meeting helped clear up problems encountered last week.

"I think we have made a big step in establishing appropriate communications," Hayward said.

Bob Orndorff, one of the two UK journalism and telecommunications faculty members on the committee, agreed that the environment had improved.

"It sounded like all parties are going to work together on this," Orndorff said.

"I think that's what everybody wants. The air is clear now."

Haywood abruptly adjourned a committee meeting last week where several non-committee members, including acting school director Roy Moore, were present.

Yesterday, Hayward said he adjourned last week's meeting because he "perceived" the faculty members' presence at the search committee brought them to the "brink of a confrontation."

"There was no communication with me that there was going to be anyone else there," Hayward said.

"Second, there was no communication to me that there was going to be a presentation made on behalf of the faculty."

Orndorff disagreed, saying he did inform Hayward. Hayward then said he would have "given the circumstances, appreciated" getting the information earlier.

Telecommunications professor Gregory Lowe interceded to smooth things over.

"I respect the difficulty of the search committee's job," Lowe said last week.

"I think we should all work together to find the best person for the job."

Haywood said the deadline for applying for the post is Dec. 1 or "until the position is filled."

Dean of the College of Communication and Information Studies Douglas Boyd, who selected the search committee, said some applications already have been received.

He did not specify the exact number.

Police search Jackson residence

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Michael Jackson's security chief confirmed yesterday that police searched the home of the singer's parents as part of an ongoing child molestation investigation.

"There was a search warrant. They were there. Do we care? No. It's really a nonstory," Anthony Pellicano said of Monday's raid at the Encino estate owned by Jackson.

Police are investigating a 13-

Jury acquits Va. man of sexual assault

Wife to be tried later this month on charge of malicious wounding

By Anne Gearan
Associated Press

MANASSAS, Va. — John Bobbitt was acquitted yesterday of sexually assaulting his wife after a jury rejected her argument that she sliced off his penis to retaliate "at the very thing that harmed her."

"I'm thankful to the jury. They believed me," Bobbitt said. "I just want to get on with my life."

Bobbitt's wife, Lorena, will be tried on Nov. 29 on a malicious wounding charge. The same prosecutor will handle that case and

wants to use the testimony against her. She faces up to 20 years in prison if convicted, as her husband had on a charge of marital sexual assault.

The jury of nine women and three men deliberated about four hours before clearing Bobbitt.

Bobbitt, 26, jumped from his chair and hugged his lawyer, Gregory Murphy, then buried his face in Murphy's shoulder as Bobbitt's aunt shouted, "Oh Lord, thank you!"

"I look forward to the day when Lorena Bobbitt is not in the lexicon of the feminist movement because

she's not telling the truth," Murphy said.

Mrs. Bobbitt, 24, who had been cited by some feminists as a symbol of just how far abused wives can be driven, wasn't in court.

In closing arguments, both sides focused on inconsistencies in the couple's stories of what happened the night of June 23.

"Why did she cut his penis off? Something happened and I submit to you something sexual happened that offended her and drove her over the edge," prosecutor Paul B. Ebert said.

She "struck out at the very thing that harmed her, the thing that hurt and she severed it," Ebert said.

Mrs. Bobbitt testified that her husband woke her, pinned her to their bed, yanked off her underwear

and raped her.

Bobbitt testified that he initiated sex and his wife didn't resist. Murphy said Mrs. Bobbitt concocted a story of sexual abuse because she was angry over the dissolution of their four-year marriage.

"The prosecution tells you that two wrongs don't make a right. Well, that's right," Murphy told the jury. "The emasculation of John Bobbitt is the first wrong. The second wrong is the fabrication of facts in this case."

After cutting off her husband's penis, Mrs. Bobbitt testified, she fled their apartment and threw the severed organ out her car window.

Police found it in the grass and it was reattached in a nine-hour operation. Bobbitt is recovering but has not yet regained sexual function,

doctors said.

Murphy listed a half-dozen points where Mrs. Bobbitt's testimony contradicted other witnesses or her previous statements.

He said she gave conflicting statements about where she was on several days preceding the alleged attack, and took scissors to her underwear to make it appear they were ripped off her body.

A crime lab scientist testified the tear appeared to come from force, but an expert witness for Bobbitt said the panties were cut.

Murphy also noted testimony from a woman who accidentally hit Bobbitt on his bicycle with her car a few days before the mutilation. Murphy said Mrs. Bobbitt was jealous of the woman when she delivered a new bike.

Rain threatens homes damaged by wildfires

By Michael Fleeman
Associated Press

MALIBU, Calif. — Fire worries turned to fear of flooding yesterday as residents piled sandbags to protect homes, or what was left of them, from an approaching storm that threatened to trigger mudslides on barren hills.

A quarter-inch to a half-inch of rain was expected in Southern California by today.

It was the first storm since wildfires destroyed hundreds of homes and burned vegetation off more than 200,000 acres in six counties.

Tim Swain, who lost his Malibu home in a fire Nov. 2, rented a truck and drove to a fire station to pick up free sandbags.

"This is scarier than the fire," said Swain, noting his house was insured against fire but not landslide.

"If the rain comes and washes out our lot, we'll be in big trouble."

In Anaheim, a prosecutor met with fire investigators to decide what charges should be filed against a 17-year-old high school dropout who was arrested in the

Oct. 26 Anaheim Hills fire.

The youth, who wasn't identified because of his age, was in custody in connection with the fire that grew to 750 acres and damaged 31 homes, causing about \$1 million in losses.

All told, 26 major fires fanned by Santa Anas killed three people and caused millions of dollars in damage. Nineteen blazes were determined to be arson.

John Magaw, national director of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms told a Los Angeles news conference that he didn't believe the fires were the work of a serial arsonist.

But he said he wouldn't be surprised if authorities were able to link four or five fires to Thomas Lee Larsen, the so-called "Foddbuster" arrested for investigation of sending threatening fire letters.

Larsen hasn't been charged with setting any fires.

At the San Diego Wild Animal Park, workers stacked hay bails to thwart mudslides from nearby burned hills that could damage enclosures holding the Arabian Oryx, an endangered animal, as well as 80 species of birds and mammals.

Court awards \$178,000 to woman jilted by fiance

By Sarah Nordgren
Associated Press

CHICAGO — She said he promised her "a great adventure." He said she wasn't truthful about her background. Their romance fizzled and she did more than get mad. She sued. And won — \$178,000.

Sharon Wilsey said her breakup with her fiance, Oregon rancher Richard Austin Springs, cost her income, pain, suffering and psychiatric fees.

On Tuesday, a U.S. District Court jury of seven men and one woman agreed and awarded her the money, based on a 1947 Illinois law written expressly to restrict damages when love loses its allure.

The 50-year-old divorcee was awarded \$93,000 in damages for pain and suffering, \$60,000 for the loss of income from her law practice and \$25,000 for psychiatric counseling that she underwent after their seven-week engagement broke off.

"It is a serious women's issue and one that hasn't received too much attention," Wilsey said. "This has been a very painful experience for me and my family and I'm very tired."

She referred further questions to

her attorney, Terence Flynn, who didn't return telephone calls yesterday.

The case was shifted from state to federal court at Springs' request. The state's Breach of Promise Act says: "The best interests of the people will be served by limiting the damages recoverable in such actions."

Matrimonial attorney Donald Schiller said the law was intended to allow brides or grooms to recover actual damages, such as rental fees for a reception hall — not the costs associated with pain and suffering.

"If that trial was under Illinois law, I think the awarded damages were in error," said Schiller, who wasn't involved in the case.

Spring's attorney, Bernard Nussbaum, said he will ask U.S. District Judge Suzanne Conlon to reverse the award.

"Obviously, we didn't think we would lose the case," he said. Nussbaum argued in court that Wilsey hid aspects of her past from Springs, including previous psychiatric problems.

Legal issues aside, this is the story of a budding romance between Wilsey and Springs, 50, that quickly wilted and died.

The two were introduced by a

mutual friend in January 1992 and chatted occasionally on the phone before meeting over dinner later that month.

She proposed to him at an Orlando airport in March after a brief vacation in Florida. He agreed, singing love songs to her as they drove back to Chicago. But the divorced father of three from Adrian, Ore., had second thoughts and broke the engagement in a letter to Wilsey seven weeks later.

Wilsey said the breakup left her immobilized and depressed.

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Nutrient imbalance may accelerate AIDS

By Paul Rezer
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — An imbalance of certain nutrients may accelerate the collapse of the immune system in patients infected with the AIDS virus, scientists said yesterday at the National Institutes of Health.

Studies presented at an NIH-sponsored conference suggested that after an infection by the AIDS virus, the body slowly loses its ability to process oxygen free radicals,

a naturally occurring molecule that can be highly destructive if not controlled in the bloodstream.

Oxygen free radicals are normally neutralized in the body by the so-called antioxidant nutrients — such as a beta-carotene and vitamins A, C and E.

But the AIDS virus has been found to destroy the body's absorption and use of these nutrients, said Dr. Howard C. Greenspan, the chairman of the NIH conference.

"The virus has some mechanism that shuts down the body's defense

against the overproduction of these free radicals," Greenspan said Wednesday at a news conference.

"There are studies now that show that HIV (human immunodeficiency virus, which causes AIDS) creates an overabundance of these free radicals."

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SPORTS

Fanning's Kats have experience

By Chris Tipton
Staff Writer

Basketball fanaticism is approaching a fever pitch as the UK men's basketball team prepares to play its first exhibition game Nov. 19.

But before the Wildcats take to the floor of Rupp Arena, their female counterparts will open the 1993-94 season with a pre-season meeting Nov. 16 at Meromonte Coliseum.

The UK Lady Kats held their annual Media Day yesterday at Wildcat Lodge. Head coach Sharon Fanning previewed the season, and the four members of this year's senior class were in attendance to discuss the upcoming schedule.

They're showing great effort and team chemistry, so now it's just a matter of the learning process.

—Sharon Fanning, Lady Kat head coach

"The team's been working very hard, pushing the ball up and down the floor," Fanning said.

"They're showing great effort and team chemistry, so now it's just a matter of the learning process."

One early-season challenge for Fanning is to replace the offense and leadership lost in the graduation of Jocelyn Mills and Mia Daniel.

Combined, the those two players contributed 26 points and 14 rebounds per game last season. Mills gave the Lady Kats a powerful presence in the lane, and Daniel's outside shooting provided a big lift for the team.

In looking at her returning players, Fanning said senior Kayla Campbell and junior Kerri Koach have made the most improvement over the summer.

"They've both worked hard in the pre-season and done well in the first week of practice," she said.

"We're seeing a more experienced team, and it's showing in their understanding of the fundamentals."

Fanning also is pleased with the incoming freshmen. Chrissy Roberts, Keoma Wardford and Stephanie Higginbotham all have impressed their new coach with

their speed, abilities and overall hustle.

Youth is one of the dominant factors for the Lady Kats this season, Fanning said.

"There's eight players on the team in their first or second year," she said.

"We've got five freshmen and a lot to learn, so we're trying to take things a little slower."

One way UK plans to counteract this youth is by utilizing a large rotation. Fanning intends to use 10 or 11 players to maximize

the team's depth and get some actual game experience for the newcomers.

The Lady Kats once again have the misfortune of playing in the Southeastern Conference, annually the strongest in the nation.

The 1993-94 season looks like it will be no different from past years. Vanderbilt, Tennessee and Auburn are nationally ranked No. 1, No. 2 and No. 4, respectively.

UK's SEC schedule also includes games against No. 18 Alabama, No. 22 Georgia and No. 23 Ole Miss. At SEC Media Day, UK was picked to finish eighth in the conference.

In her comments about this tough schedule, Fanning said UK needs to strive for more consistent play.

"I think rebounding is a factor, just like it was in some of our close games last year. We also have to get to the free-throw line more and make things happen for us," she said.

One trademark UK has established in recent years is strong team defense.

Last season, the Lady Kats ranked third in the SEC in both scoring defense and opponents' field goal percentage, and second in steals.

As the UK Lady Kats enter the season, their ace-in-the-hole appears to be team unity. Fanning has been stressing the concepts of team basketball in practice and on defense.

Runnin' Rebels free once again

Cats' probation was tougher; NCAA punishment inconsistent



Brant Welch
Kernel Columnist

UNLV. It must stand for University of No or Little Violations. And I always thought it had something to do with Las Vegas.

The UNLV basketball program this week was handed three years probation by the NCAA (No Credibility As Always) for 26 violations dating back to 1986 and the recruitment of former New York prep star and current San Antonio Spur Lloyd Daniels.

This includes:
•No home games during the 1994-95 season against non-conference foes.
•No televised road games against non-conference foes for the next two years.
•A loss of one scholarship each of the next two years.

UNLV will be eligible to play in the big show, however.

This has anger everyone who was involved with UK basketball in the aftermath of NCAA violations during the Eddie Sutton era.

Since UNLV's challenge to the allegations tied up the matter in court for some time, it took more than six years before the NCAA could levy infractions against the Runnin' Rebels.

"We wanted to have the least effect upon present student athletes," NCAA Infractions Committee chairman David Swank said. "Many ... were in high school or junior high when some of the violations occurred."

Too bad no one in the NCAA considered this notion when UK was handed three years' probation in 1989, which included two years of no post-season play.

No one at UK over those three years had anything to do with the

violations.

Former Athletics Director Cliff Hagan, Sutton and his staff were gone. Chris Mills, Sean Sutton, Eric Manuel and LeRon Ellis also were gone.

So current Athletics Director C.M. Newton, head basketball coach Rick Pitino and his staff, The Unforgettables (Sean Woods, John Pelphrey, Deron Feldhaus and Richie Farmer), Jeff Brassow and a host of others were left to carry out the penalties.

It's like if you went to work at a new job and the person who worked there before you had punched the boss and you had to suffer the consequences. Not really fair, huh?

But I'm not suggesting that UK should have gotten treatment similar to UNLV's (or Oliver North's) — the team did commit some pretty serious violations, you know.

But the NCAA needs to redevelop its rule book as badly as the UK football team needs to reinvent its offensive playbook after the Vandy shabbacle.

The NCAA needs a certain set of penalties for certain infractions. For

instance, if a coach gives a player a cash payment, that player should have to transfer — and then sit out the entire season.

The coach should be put on probation for one year, meaning no in-home visits with potential players. He also should know that if he messes up again, he's through.

What the NCAA does now, as it has in the cases of UK and UNLV, is give different kinds of penalties for basically the same type of crimes.

They may give one mass murderer five years in the joint and another the electric chair.

The problem is, the NCAA all too often is a mirror image of America's judicial system — a system that has its problems and shouldn't be imitated.

But as much as the Runnin' Rebels have slipped over the past couple of seasons, a just penalty could have been to make former UNLV coach Jerry Tarkanian come back and coach for the Rebs again.

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Cowboys capture Kosar with Super Bowl in mind

Former Browns' QB finds new life in Big D, football

By Denne H. Freeman
Associated Press

IRVING, Texas — The Dallas Cowboys solidified their run for a second straight Super Bowl title yesterday by signing Bernie Kosar, who was released two days ago by the Cleveland Browns.

Kosar, who played for Dallas coach Jimmy Johnson at the University of Miami in 1984, signed a one-year deal and could start Sunday against the Phoenix Cardinals in place of Troy Aikman, who is nursing a strained left hamstring.

But Johnson said he wouldn't announce until game day whether Kosar, Aikman or Jason Garrett will start against the Cardinals.

The Cowboys released backup quarterback Hugh Millen to make room for Kosar, who will become a free agent after the season. Terms of Kosar's deal weren't released.

But Johnson and Kosar made it clear that the signing was a short-term solution for both of them.

"I am not here to move anybody

out and take over Troy's job," Kosar said, adding that he was impressed with the Cowboys' confidence in him and "fully intend not to let anyone down here."

"I'm a Dallas Cowboy," he said. "My main goal is learning on our play sheet here."

Johnson said, "I have followed Bernie's career at Cleveland ever since he left Miami. He's one of the top quarterbacks in this league. I've always been impressed with his performance."

Cowboys owner Jerry Jones said signing Kosar increased the team's chances of winning back-to-back titles.

"Bernie Kosar's record speaks for itself," he said.

Johnson spoke highly of Kosar during a Tuesday morning news conference but expressed pessimism about signing him based on salary concerns.

Yesterday, Johnson said he wasn't bluffing then and was legitimately surprised the Cowboys were able to pull off a deal.

"Knowing how many teams in the NFL need quarterbacks, I just didn't feel we had a shot," Johnson said. "I know how many teams out there desperately need talented quarterbacks. And I know the talents of Bernie Kosar."

Kosar said other teams were interested, but once he heard the Cowboys were in the hunt, "there really wasn't much of a decision left for me to make." Kosar is especially attractive to the Cowboys following an injury to Aikman, who pulled a hamstring Sunday in the third quarter of Dallas' 31-9 victory over the New York Giants that propelled the Cowboys into sole possession of first place in the NFC East.

Released unexpectedly by the Browns on Monday, Kosar cleared waivers Tuesday at 3 p.m. Early in the day it appeared the Miami Dolphins had him locked up, but the Cowboys joined the fray in the af-

ternoon and beat out Miami, Kansas City and Philadelphia for his services.

The Dolphins signed Steve DeBerg today to back up Scott Mitchell, who is replacing the injured Dan Marino.

Kosar, 29, was released by the Browns one day after he started for them in a 29-14 loss to the Denver Broncos. Todd Philcox is now Cleveland's starter.

Kosar played for Johnson at Miami in 1984. He led the Hurricanes to a national title in 1983, one year before Johnson became coach. Kosar left Miami with two years of eligibility remaining so the Browns could choose him in the 1985 supplemental draft.

Browns owner Art Modell said earlier that he was unaware of the Cowboys' interest in Kosar. "If he goes to Dallas, fine. I wish him well. He's a dear friend of mine," he told The Dallas Morning News.

Kosar began the season as the Browns' starter, although the off-season hiring of former college teammate Vinny Testaverde as a backup had him looking over his shoulder all season. He was benched in the second half of three consecutive games before Testaverde took over as the starter in game six.

One game later, Testaverde separated his shoulder, making Kosar the starter again for Sunday's loss to Denver. Kosar had respectable statistics in that one, passing for 226 yards and two touchdowns, but he was sacked six times.

On the season, he was 79 of 138 for 807 yards with five touchdowns, three interceptions and 21 sacks. In his career, he has thrown 83 interceptions in 3,288 attempts, the lowest career interception ratio in NFL history. He took the Browns to three AFC championship games in the 1980s.

Parachuter didn't plan big incident

Associated Press

LONDON — James Miller, the self-proclaimed "Fan Man" whose paraglider carried him into the ring at Saturday's heavyweight championship fight, said the incident was an accident — sort of.

Miller, who caused a 21-minute delay in the seventh round of the Evander Holyfield-Riddick Bowe bout, sent a fax to news organizations on Monday saying he would submit to interviews at a secret location if journalists would send him a fax pledging a contribution to charity.

Colin Hart, the boxing writer for The Sun newspaper, a Swedish journalist and a Las Vegas TV crew responded and met with Miller at the entrance to Sky Harbor airport outside Las Vegas at dawn Tuesday.

The group was greeted by an Englishman, who drove them by jeep towards Boulder City, according to Hart. After 40 minutes, he drove off the road and headed into the desert.

"Then in the middle of nowhere, there was Miller complete with crash helmet, flying suit and parachute," Hart wrote in the Sun.

The press conference consisted of the man asking and answering his own questions. This was the Sun's transcript:

Q. Was Fan Man's landing in the ring intentional or was it an accident?

A. There was no intention to land in or anywhere near Caesars Palace. This came about because of mechanical problems.

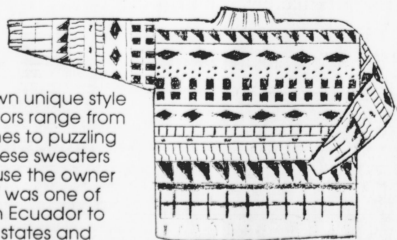
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Durham's Dawgs distinctly different, difficult

By Ed Shearer
Associated Press

ATHENS, Ga. — With five starters returning from last year, it shouldn't take long for the Georgia Bulldogs to claim the four basketball victories needed to lift coach Hugh Durham to the 500-victory plateau.

"It means you've been around a while," Durham says of his quest to become the 36th Division I coach to reach the 500 mark.

"Naturally you feel good," he

said. "It means you have had a chance to do what you like to do for a long time. I really enjoy coaching."

Durham has elevated Georgia's basketball program since taking over in 1978-79 following a 12-year stint at his alma mater, Florida State. In 27 seasons before Durham arrived, Georgia had only five winning seasons. During his 15-year stay, only one team failed to play 500 ball and 13 others were above .500. His overall record is 496-285.

"You can't spend a whole lot of

time thinking about games you have already won," Durham said, turning his attention to the task at hand.

Georgia has been picked to finish third in the Southeastern Conference Eastern Division behind perennial power Kentucky and defending SEC champion Vanderbilt.

"I don't think you have to be a genius to pick the two teams that are favored in each division, Kentucky and Arkansas," Durham said. "Both have been picked in the top 10, most of the time top five nationally. Both of them are quality teams."

Durham has a positive outlook on the upcoming season, which begins Nov. 18 when the Bulldogs entertain Alabama State in the first round of the preseason National Invitation Tournament. If Georgia wins the opener, it will face the winner of the Rice-Minnesota game in the second round Nov. 20.

"We got a chance if we get some improvement out of some of our players," Durham said. "The reason I feel positive about having everybody back is the fact that we played well down the stretch last year."

Returning starters are forwards

Carlos Strong and Cleveland Jackson, center Charles Claxton and guards Bernard Davis and Ty Wilson.

Claxton, a 7-foot junior, led a balanced scoring attack last year with 11.6 points per game and Jackson averaged 11 per game. Jackson, bothered by a hamstring injury early in the season, became the starter in the 14th game last season and averaged 15.2 points in that role.

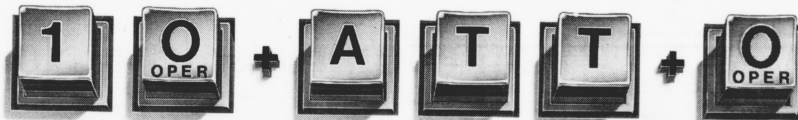
Strong averaged 9.2 points and made the All-SEC freshman team last year. Davis and Wilson gave the Bulldogs a solid 3-point shoot-

ing threat, Davis hitting 40.7 percent and Wilson 37.1 percent from behind the 3-point arc. Davis averaged 9 points a game and Wilson 8.5.

The top reserve will be Shandon Anderson, brother of former Bulldog star Willie Anderson, now with the San Antonio Spurs. Shandon Anderson averaged 9.4 points during his freshman season last year.

Pertha Robinson and Kris Nordholz are returning lettermen in the backcourt, and Dathon Brown provides off-the-bench support in the front court.

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DIVERSIONS

'Signs of Life' surreal play with strong pulse

Drama explores exploitation of women, social misfits



By Rebecca Farmer
Staff Writer

Gynecology and open caskets being discussed over a cup of tea is an indication of the surreal and sometimes morbid nature of "Signs of Life" by Joan Schenkar.

The play is brilliantly directed by Rhea Lehman and wonderfully performed by actors of the UK Theatre.

"Signs of Life" takes place in the United States during the late 1800s. It unfolds through the conversation of the author Henry James and the overzealous gynecologist Dr. Sloper over tea and biscuits. The subjects of their conversations are revealed through surreal flashbacks.

The first act revolves around Dr. Sloper's account of his experience with the deformed Jane Merritt, known as the Elephant Woman, and the second act focuses on Henry James' account of his relationship with his sister Alice.

The two women lead symmetrical lives, masterfully represented by the symmetric nature of the set. The women's physical and spiritual signs of life are drained by the men,

who consider them evil. The women are considered freaks to be abused and exploited, and are not seen as human beings by the men until after their deaths. Left with no hosts to drain of life, the parasitic men in the play crumble and are revealed to be the true freaks.

The play courageously attempts to drive home several points about society and the individual, the relationship of men and women, and the abuse and exploitation of those who differ from social norms. The play is too convoluted with these points, however, and many contradict each other, making it hard to focus on and truly grasp any of them.

The play's power lies in its dialogue. The characters paint graphic images with their words. Humor also gives "Signs of Life" strength in that it gives the audience respite from the bombardment of points.

Rhea Lehman's direction of the difficult "Signs of Life" makes it fascinating and enjoyable to watch. The physical elements of the play, the realistic and subtly symbolic set and costumes and the mood influencing lighting, are masterfully woven together to provide an effective visual element to this predominantly verbal play.

It is the powerful acting that truly makes "Signs of Life" a brilliant production, however.



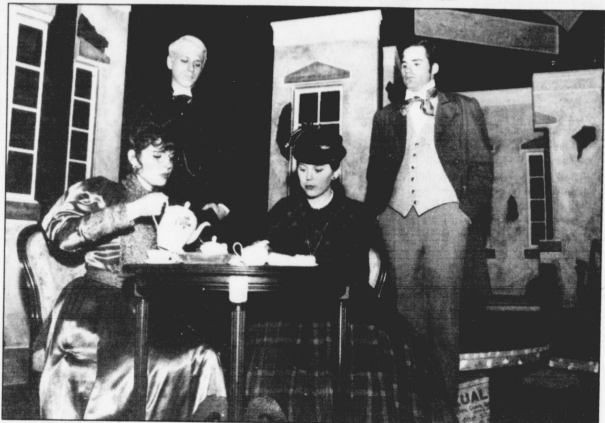
Zachary S. Freeman as Henry James and Christopher Carrier as Dr. Sloper masterfully play off of each other over the tea table. Their comic timing and chemistry draw out the play's humor, and the hints of their character's insanity kept the audience guessing.

Scott Winterton as P.T. Barnum draws the audience into the world of freaks with his booming, powerful voice and his flamboyance. Carol Hatt as Alice James and Laurie Genet as her companion Katherine Loring brilliantly hint at the fact that men are not the only exploiters.

The most outstanding performance was that of Rebecca Davis as Jane Merritt, the Elephant Woman. Though slim and beautiful, Davis conveys the feel of her character's heaviness and deformity with perfection.

Her emotion rolls off of the stage in waves, making her character the focus of the audiences sympathy.

"Signs of Life" should prove a strong contender in the Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival, in which it is participating.



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Dr. Sloper (Chris Carrier) and Henry James (Zach Freeman) watch as Katherine Loring (Laurie Genet) pours a cup of tea for mother (Tonya Houglund) in the UK Theatre drama 'Signs of Life'.

The festival is a nationwide contest for collegiate theater, and six productions are selected from more than 800 to perform at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

"Signs of Life" is not a play for the fainthearted, but is for those who appreciate brilliant direction and acting.

"Signs of Life" is showing tonight, Friday and Saturday at 8

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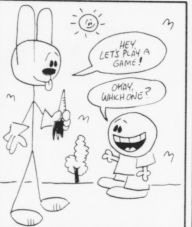
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big red letter day kicks off with "Sodajerker," featuring simple guitar chords and beautifully textured vocal harmonies.

"Sodajerker" currently is a favorite of MTV's Alternative Nation.

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of relaxation.

The album comes to a close with "Anything That Way," whose opening riff is reminiscent of classic Stones. Janovitz's emotion-filled voice takes over, concluding a stellar performance.

Buffalo Tom comes through with flying colors in every area but one. While every song is good, the band's music all has a tendency to sound similar.

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- (1) "Home Improvement," ABC, 22.3, 21.0 million homes
- (2) "60 Minutes," CBS, 21.2, 20.0 million homes
- (3) "Seinfeld," NBC, 20.2, 19.0 million homes
- (4) "Roseanne," ABC, 18.9, 17.8 million homes
- (5) "Frasier," NBC, 18.0, 17.0 million homes
- (6) "Grace Under Fire," ABC, 17.1, 16.1 million homes
- (7) "Coach," ABC, 16.7, 15.7 million homes
- (8) "Ghost" — "CBS Sunday Movie," 16.6, 15.6 million homes
- (9) "20/20," ABC, 16.5, 15.5 million homes
- (10) "Dances With Wolves, Part 1" — "ABC Sunday Night Movie," 16.4, 15.4 million homes
- (11) "NFL Monday Night Football," ABC, 16.4, 15.4 million homes
- (12) "Murphy Brown," CBS, 16.3, 15.3 million homes
- (13) "Wings," NBC, 15.9, 15.0 million homes
- (14) "Murder, She Wrote," CBS, 15.5, 14.6 million homes
- (15) "A Matter of Justice, Part 1" — "NBC Sunday Night Movie," 15.2, 14.3 million homes
- (16) "Unsolved Mysteries," NBC, 15.0, 14.1 million homes
- (17) "PrimeTime Live," ABC, 14.9, 14.0 million homes
- (18) "Fresh Prince of Bel Air," NBC, 14.6, 13.8 million homes
- (19) "House of Secrets" — "NBC Monday Night Movies," 14.6, 13.8 million homes
- (20) "Northern Exposure," CBS, 14.5, 13.7 million homes
- (21) "Blossom," NBC, 14.3
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- (24) "Dr. Quinn Medicine Woman," CBS, 14.0
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- (28) "George Special," ABC, 13.5
- (29) "Love and War," CBS, 13.5
- (30) "Rescue 911," CBS, 13.5
- (31) "Conviction: K. Dodd" — "CBS Tuesday Movie," 13.2
- (32) "Hart to Hart Returns" — "NBC Friday Night Mystery," 13.1
- (33) "Simpsons," Fox, 13.1
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House approves Brady Bill

Background check, five-day wait would be required for gun buyers

By Carolyn Skorneck
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Responding to public fear of street crime, the House approved the Brady bill yesterday that would require a five-day wait and a background check on people who want to buy handguns.

The House voted 238-189 for the bill and sent it to the Senate.

The House also approved Brady two years ago only to see it fail after being attached to a larger crime bill blocked by Senate Republicans. This time, it is being kept separate in the hope the Senate will send it to President Clinton, who has promised to sign it.

During the debate, Rep. Lucien Blackwell, D-Pa., noted that his West Philadelphia neighborhood has hundreds of deaths each year from pistols.

"We need to stop these thugs from getting these guns rapidly, and if we pass the Brady bill, we will do that," Blackwell said. "What is wrong with waiting five days to get a pistol? What is wrong with that?"

The Brady bill, named for press secretary James Brady who was shot during a 1981 assassination attempt on President Reagan, would impose a five-day waiting period before a handgun purchase could be completed and would require a background check during that time on would-be buyers.

Brady, who waited outside the House chamber throughout the debate, said he was "euphoric" at the outcome. Sarah Brady, who joined her husband in a "thumbs up" for photographers, said there will be a tough fight getting the bill through the Senate. They have campaigned for the bill for a decade.

On the other side, Rep. Sanford

Bishop, D-Ga., supporting a successful amendment to set a deadline of five years for developing a computerized, nationwide system of instant background checks and a phaseout of the waiting period, said:

"If we can check credit card purchases instantaneously, if we can have our policemen check driving records instantaneously, then certainly we can check criminal histories instantaneously."

But Rep. Butler Derrick, D-S.C., said a waiting period of five working days represents less time "than most people have to wait for their dry cleaning."

The amendment, backed by the National Rifle Association and proposed by Rep. George Gekas, R-Pa., was approved by a 235-198 vote. Gun control proponents characterized it as an attempt to gut Brady's effectiveness.

Rep. Mike Synar, D-Okla., called it "a very clever attempt to derail the five-day waiting period."

"Using this amendment's common sense," Synar said, "one would

quit giving CPR (resuscitation) to a heart attack victim after five minutes."

Rep. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., who as chairman of the House Judiciary crime subcommittee battled for the Brady bill for months, said the passage of the Gekas amendment left Brady bill supporters with 85 percent of what they wanted.

He said House members who voted for the amendment did so "to throw the NRA a bone."

"I'm just glad they didn't give them the whole skeleton," he said. "Anyone who thinks the NRA is dead or out of the ring is unfortunately mistaken."

The five-year deadline was imposed on a provision already in this year's Brady bill which said that when background information is sufficiently computerized and instant checks are possible, the waiting period would end, and instant checks would be required on purchases of both handguns and long guns.

Likely civil rights nominee questioned

By James Rowley
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Clinton's likely choice to be the nation's chief civil rights enforcer wants to dissolve a sweeping court decree that directs major improvements in the District of Columbia's child welfare system. The judge wants to know why.

John Payton, the expected nominee to head the Justice Department's civil rights division, was recently criticized by several members of the Congressional Black Caucus who questioned his dedication to enforcing the Voting Rights Act. He is black.

Payton, the corporation counsel of the District of Columbia, has since won the support of most caucus members.

But now the federal judge who approved the consent decree the city had agreed to in 1991 to "fundamentally change all facets of the district's foster care system" wants Payton to explain why he signed a petition to dismantle the order.

At a hearing yesterday, U.S. District Judge Thomas F. Hogan questioned the legal reasoning for the district's contention that a federal appeals court ruling in the case had, in effect, nullified the judge's order.

Several times during the hearing Hogan read a passage of the appeals court decision stating that: "Because the district court's order is independently supportable by District of Columbia law, we affirm the court's decision in favor of the children in this case."

In upholding Hogan's rulings, the appeals court earlier this year directed

the judge to rewrite the final order to remove scattered references to federal statutes so that it would rely exclusively on District of Columbia child-protection laws.

Payton's office argued in court papers that the appellate court ruling "constitutes an abandonment — a vacating — of this court's memorandum opinion."

"I just have trouble following the argument, when the Court of Appeals affirms my opinion," Hogan told Deputy Corporation Counsel Arlene Robinson during a hearing.

The judge also voiced concern that the tone of the district's legal position was "not only begrudging but... obstinate to the job of remedial order and that I'm afraid will transfer to the (child welfare) agency."

Robinson said that even without the order, the district fully intended

to continue to improve the child welfare system, which Hogan has described as abysmal.

Hogan scheduled a Dec. 6 hearing to question the city's welfare chief, Vincent Gray, about why the district wants to end court supervision of the foster-care and adoption system in the nation's capital.

Hogan also strongly suggested that Payton attend the hearing "to explain what it means to enter into a consent order and then attempt to withdraw from it on the basis of a Court of Appeals decision affirming the court's ruling."

The judge ordered preparation of transcripts of Gray's 1991 court statements agreeing to the consent order.

Those statements would be the basis for questioning Gray next month, Hogan said.

Christopher fires 2 from State Department

By George Gedda
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Secretary of State Warren Christopher has fired two State Department political employees for their role in searches into the personnel files of 160 Bush administration appointees, it was announced yesterday.

The two were Mark Schulhof, a staff assistant to Assistant Secretary of State Thomas Donilon, and Joseph Carver, who has served at a State Department training facility since September.

Christopher was described as "angry and disappointed" over the actions of the two, but his spokesman, Mike McCurry, said it was not clear whether their activities were illegal. The case has been referred to the Justice Department.

Christopher acted after being briefed by the State Department inspector general, Sherman Funk, who has been investigating the incident since it was first disclosed by The Washington Post on Sept. 1.

Based on Funk's briefing, McCurry said, Christopher "immediately lost confidence" in the two employees, and ordered that they be dismissed.

Funk and his staff conducted 62 interviews since undertaking their investigation more than two months ago.

Both Carver and Schulhof worked on the Clinton-Gore election campaign last year and on the transition after President Clinton's victory.

Carver reportedly was involved in fund-raising efforts during the campaign.

McCurry said he had no information to suggest that the file searches were part of a wider circle of activities aimed at uncovering private information about Bush administration appointees.

Disclosure of the file searches evoked memories of similar actions a year ago when Republican loyalists working in the State Department perused the passport files of then presidential candidate Bill

Clinton and his mother, Virginia Kelly.

The original Post story said that among the 160 files searched were those of Jennifer Fitzgerald, a former deputy chief of protocol and former aide to President Bush; and Elizabeth Tamposi, who was fired last year for her role in the searches of Clinton's file and that of his mother.

McCurry said senior officials have been asked to contact Fitzgerald and Tamposi to express regret that their files had been tampered with.

Ruling may foster harassment suits

By Laurie Asseo
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court's new ruling on sexual harassment may encourage more women to sue and persuade employers they must try harder to prevent offensive behavior at work, legal experts say.

"This decision creates an even stronger incentive for employers to try to ferret out and stop sex harassment," said Donna Lenhoff of the Women's Legal Defense Fund.

"I would hope that companies would get smart and say 'we want to avoid this in the first place,'" added Helen Neuborne of the National Organization for Women Legal Defense and Education Fund.

The high court strengthened workers' protection against sexual harassment Tuesday, ruling unanimously that employees can collect economic damages even if the victim did not suffer psychological injury.

The ruling reaffirmed and clarified the court's 1986 ruling that said on-the-job sexual harassment is illegal sex discrimination if it creates a hostile or abusive work environment.

"You might see an increase in claims, but that's not necessarily bad from an employer's standpoint," said Douglas McDowell, a lawyer for an employers' group called the Equal Employment Advisory Council.

"We're telling our members to get their anti-harassment policies in place," he said. "Having an effective procedure in place may negate an employer's liability for

harassment by a supervisor or fellow worker."

Employers began trying harder to head off sexual harassment after Anita Hill's accusations during Clarence Thomas' confirmation hearings for the Supreme Court in 1991, said Boston lawyer Beville May, who teaches companies how to identify and prevent such behavior.

Hill said Thomas had harassed her years earlier, but Thomas strongly denied any such conduct. The Equal Employment Opportunity Commission has said sex harassment complaints rose 53 percent the year after the Thomas hearings.

"Before the Thomas hearings, companies just thought this is somebody else's problem," May said. Companies are beginning to view the problem as "less a moral issue and more an economic issue" involving loss of worker productivity, she said.

Neuborne said the court's ruling may encourage more women to sue their employers over alleged harassment.

"But I don't think that's the way we're going to win this war," she added. "We will win when men understand that the behavior is inappropriate."

Lenhoff agreed, saying, "The main practical effect is that women are going to be able to use this ruling to go to their bosses and say, 'I need this behavior to stop and I have the law behind me.'"

The ruling also might make it easier for employers to enforce their existing policies on harassment, Lenhoff said.

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Time is running out for commission to begin addressing real issues

EDITORIAL

Imagine going to the doctor with a severe case of cancer and being diagnosed only as having a toothache.

That's the treatment higher education has been getting so far from the Governor's Commission on Higher Education Review.

The only issue that the group of university presidents, board chairmen and state officials have sunk their teeth into is that of dental schools. And it's been only a minor bite.

The commission tentatively decided to close UK's dental school, making the University of Louisville's the only one in the state.

The dental school issue is one that was hotly debated for four months last year and ended with the state Council on Higher Education deciding to cap enrollments at both schools. The controversy seemingly was solved.

Yet after three meetings of the commission, the issue has dominated talk. So much so that Sen. Mike Moloney resigned from the commission in disgust.

Closing a dental school will not solve all of the problems in Kentucky higher education. Formula funding, duplication of programs, admission standards and graduation rates, among other issues, need serious attention.

The commission has just 45 days remaining before its Dec. 21 deadline. We hope that at its next meeting, on Tuesday, real problems and real solutions begin to be addressed. It's time for university presidents to lay on the line what they're willing to sacrifice and what changes they want.

Only then can there be successful surgery on the ills of Kentucky higher education.

Veteran's Day time to remember peace

Mary Ann Estrada
Kernel Columnist

Gettysburg. I was 5 years old when my father took us there, and what I remember is rolling green land, much greener than the land of west Texas and southern New Mexico that I was familiar with.

I remember toy brass cannons my father bought us. And I remember hearing how thousands of men had died there in a great battle during the Civil War.

While my older brothers seemed to get into the spirit of military jingoism, I figured it out that armies of soldiers had met and killed each other.

Soldiers. My dad was a soldier, and I remembered thinking that people like my dad had fought and died here. (Actually, I doubt if there were many Mexican-American U.S. Army officers at the Battle of Gettysburg, but I was only 5 years old at the time.)

Thus, the seeds of pacifism took root in me.

When I was 11, my father served a tour of duty in Vietnam.

I knew he had served in Korea when he was young, and it didn't seem right to me that he had to go off to another war.

But I knew that when you're in the Army, you go where they send you.

I used to watch the news and see if maybe somehow some news organization would show my dad in the background or something, so I'd know he was OK.

I knew intellectually that Saigon was safer than most other places over there, but I also knew stuff was going on like explosions in the PX and Viet Cong activities, and I wanted my dad to come home safely to me, my four brothers and my mom.

One evening, I watched a TV special on what was going on, and at the very end they showed a plane being loaded with oblong black things.

I looked more closely and saw they had zippers with tags on them. I then realized they were body bags, there were bodies in them, and, while my

dad might not be among the bodies, somebody's dad was.

My dad made it back and not in a body bag. However, his health had so deteriorated that at 38 he was deemed unfit to serve in the Army and retired. I believe, 100 percent disabled.

My father did not then, and does not now, glorify war, but taught my brothers and me to respect and honor the sacrifices that men and women made in service to their country.

I used to think it odd that Veterans' Day would be celebrated on what is usually a cold and damp day. As I studied my history, I learned how it had been Armistice Day, the day World War I had ended.

Now it seems an eminently suitable day to honor those that have given so much; a day when at least, theoretically, for a time after 11 a.m. on November 11, 1918, no soldiers would die.

We don't need to see the picture of the dead U.S. soldier being dragged through the streets of Mogadishu to know that we will continue to send soldiers into dangerous situations, and that soldiers will die.

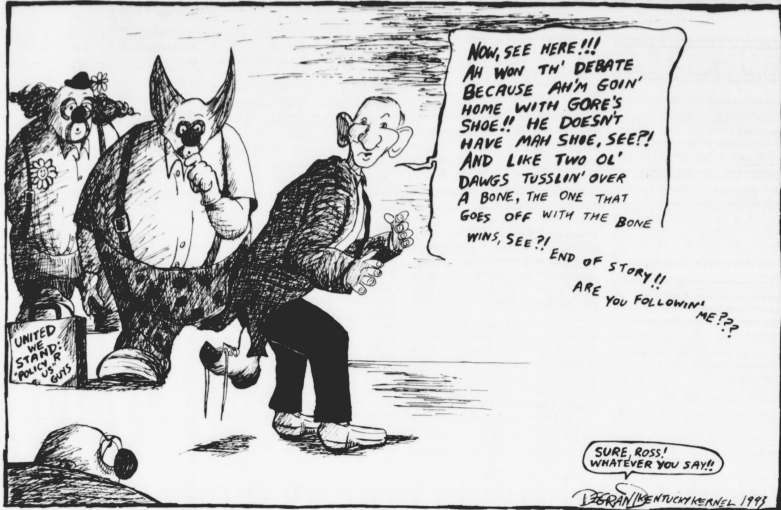
And how, even with the best intentions in the world, like trying to alleviate famine and human suffering, sometimes it just doesn't seem worth the death of even just one of our own. Still, we continue to "intervene," "assist" and "advise."

Human nature being what it is, I expect that we'll keep getting involved, and keep getting our soldiers shot at and maybe even killed.

Pacifist though I generally am, I can see that there are times when military intervention is necessary.

But for the most part I stand with William Tecumseh Sherman, who said, "I am tired and sick of war. It's glory is all moonshine. It is only those who have never fired a shot nor heard the shrieks and groans of the wounded who cry aloud for blood, more vengeance, more desolation. War is hell."

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Status quo, spin rule in NAFTA debate



Don Puckett
Kernel Columnist

The "Comeback Kid" may just do it again.

First it was the election. After the war against Iraq, most people thought President Bush was unbeatable. But Bill Clinton beat him.

A few weeks before Congress passed his budget, the critics were saying the upcoming defeat would destroy Clinton's presidency, which was still in its infancy. But Congress passed it.

Now Clinton is on the verge of a pulling off a third victory, this time with the North American Free Trade Agreement.

Last week, Clinton decided to roll the political dice by sending Vice President Al Gore onto national television to debate Ross Perot, who has led the charge against NAFTA.

Tuesday night, the gamble paid off. Americans, by nearly a two-to-one margin, think that Gore out-performed Perot in the debate. According to a CNN poll conducted before the debate, Americans opposed NAFTA, 38 to 34 percent.

A second poll conducted after the debate shows that a large majority of the undecided voters were persuaded by Gore. The second poll showed that Americans now favor NAFTA, 57 to 36 percent.

But, just as Perot said during the debate, who won or lost is not the real issue. Perot said the issue is

long and is written entirely in legalese.

How many Americans have read enough about NAFTA, and have enough knowledge of macroeconomics, to even form their own opinion? Once again, very few.

People have been forced to base their opinions not on facts, but on the slant that spin-doctors from each side have put on the truth.

Perot, for all his whining about foreign lobbyists, has been the biggest spin-doctor of them all.

Perot claimed 85 million American jobs would be jeopardized by NAFTA. If one were to believe Perot, passing NAFTA would escalate America's unemployment to more than 70 percent.

Lately, his claims about the ill effects of NAFTA have reached absurd levels. An Associated Press story on Tuesday said Perot claimed 85 million American jobs would be jeopardized by NAFTA. That is out of the 120 million Americans who have jobs.

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But Perot's campaign against NAFTA, truthful or not, was successful until Tuesday. Most of all, his preaching has put the fear of

rather than take the blame if NAFTA fails, members of Congress are sticking with their constituents and the status quo.

After Tuesday's debate, congressional Democrats should begin to realize that the labor unions were just a vocal minority. Many Americans had not yet made up their minds about the trade deal, but Gore's performance in the debate was convincing enough to many people.

A NAFTA victory is by no means a sure bet at this point. But Clinton now is much closer to pulling off the upset than he was just last week.

They don't call him the "Comeback Kid" for nothing.

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God (or the fear of low-wage Mexicans, as the case may be) into leaders of labor unions. Because labor unions are highly organized, they have been able to communicate their fears to members of Congress effectively.

Congressional Democrats are especially hesitant to vote for NAFTA. The labor vote has long been a traditional base of support for Democratic coalitions, and labor defections from that coalition could spell defeat for many Democrats a year

Cincinnati is new 'home of homophobia'



Jeff Jones
Kernel Columnist

Cincinnati certainly is a strange city.

More than a few of my friends who are from this city or have lived there refer to it as a "police state." Considering its politics in the past decade, the Queen City seems intent on besmirching its economic base and creating an image of militant intolerance.

Thus, it is a great irony that it was ranked as the No. 1 most-livable city in the "1993 Places Rated Almanac." One must ask who did the rating. Pat Buchanan, Rush Limbaugh, a group of neighborhood skinheads?

Let us look at the city's record as a place for tolerance and level-headedness.

In the mid-1980s, two men were arrested in Cincinnati simply for holding hands!

To lend support for racist Cincinnati Reds owner Marge Schott, the Ku Klux Klan set up a wooden cross in downtown Cincinnati recently.

Cincinnati also is the infamous site of the Mapplethorpe scandal, where a museum director was arrested on charges of obscenity for an exhibition of the works of Robert Mapplethorpe. Although only a handful of the works were more risqué than your average Obsession ad, the right-wing of Cincinnati had the exhibit closed and the director arrested.

Today, Mapplethorpe's works have skyrocketed in price as a result of the controversy.

Cincinnati also prides itself on having "driven out" sex industries like adult bookstores. In fact, these businesses simply relocated across the river in Newport, Ky., safely out of sight but within easy driving range.

If you have ever gone to a rave dance in Cincinnati, you might also be aware of a bizarre law that outlaws the touching of anyone in a G-string in an establishment that sells alcohol. This law is used to arrest anyone the police consider to be a "dirty dancer."

One of my friends recently was arrested under this law for dancing at a costume party with someone who happened to be in a G-string. At his hearing, the Cincinnati

nance protecting people of all sexual orientations (heterosexual, bisexual and homosexual) from discrimination in hiring, housing and public accommodations.

So, once more you can fire a lesbian or kick a gay man out of an apartment legally simply on the grounds of homosexual identity. It does not matter if the people are celibate or even heterosexual: If you think they are a little "funny," out they go.

What is far more disturbing than yet another example of rampant homophobia is that this law not only repeats the former ordinance but also completely denies

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judge all but blamed my friend for inducing the decline of Western civilization!

In another telling tale, a recent investigative TV show sent a woman and a man with equal resumes to interview for various jobs, shop for cars and apply for various services. Time and again, the woman received worse service, was quoted higher prices or was channeled toward lower-paying, non-management jobs.

Where was this vivid insight to sexism filmed? Cincinnati.

Finally, in the election last week, a majority of Cincinnati voters repealed a year-old ordi-

access to the political process by bisexuals and homosexuals.

Cincinnati voters basically passed a Colorado-style law that forbids the enactment of any policy or law that protects gay, lesbian or bisexual people from discrimination.

This law targets a definable group for restriction from public group life. Thus, like Colorado's shaky Amendment 2, Cincinnati's law probably is unconstitutional and is being taken to the courts.

In other words, even if a Cincinnati is the most feral homophobe, voting for this new law, is-

sure 3, is economically stupid. The City of Cincinnati will now be forced to spend literally thousands of dollars in legal fees to defend the law as it works its way through the courts.

Moreover, bigotry does not go over well with many Christian and other groups.

In the aftermath of its anti-gay Amendment 2 last November, Colorado has lost upward of \$81 million in tourist, convention and investment dollars in one year.

Officials in both states say that there is no way to even calculate the number of groups or companies that decided not to invest in either state.

Already the United Church of Christ, the American Library Association and the American Historical Association have moved major annual conferences out of Cincinnati or are seeking alternate sites. All three groups have pointed to Issue 3 as the reason.

So, a boycott of Cincinnati is in the offing even in the first week. Cincinnati has a long history of racism, xenophobia, homophobia and racism. Still, there also have long been voices of resistance, including the 37 percent of voters who voted against Issue 3, or the museum director who stood up against censorship.

Yet, I had hoped even the bigots would understand that they just voted in a major blow to the city's budget and economy. It proves once more that bigotry hurts everyone, both victim and victimizer.

I hope Cincinnati learns its lesson.

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