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Gov. Jim Edgar addresses participants of Girls State Thursday evening in the Dvorak Concert Hall.

## Edgar: Individuals make democratic system work

By MATTHEW MARTIN  
Staff writer

Mirroring the topic of his speech to Boys State participants last week in Lantz Gym, Gov. Jim Edgar emphasized individual involvement in politics to more than 500 Illini Girls State participants Thursday night in the Dvorak Concert Hall.

"You should feel fortunate that you live in a country where democracy is important," Edgar said. He told the assembly, however, that it "takes individuals to really make our system work."

Edgar was invited to Girls State to address the participants and to help swear in the newly-elected student executives following a week of elections and classes dealing with Illinois' political system.

The governor told the students, all of whom were in the top 10 percent of their high school classes, they each "have a role to play in making our democracy work."

"Our nation depends on individual involvement," he added.

The governor also reminded the girls that they have a responsibility to help others.

Almost two dozen students got in line to speak

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— Gov. Jim Edgar

with the governor, but most were told to go back to their seats as only six girls were allowed to ask questions.

When asked if he planned to "change anything" in his campaign against Democrat Dawn Clark Netsch since he was facing such a "strong candidate," Edgar responded that he would continue to "do my job."

When questioned about Illinois' foster care system, Edgar indicated that the program needs more families to handle the 40,000 foster children in the state — a number Edgar said has grown by 20 percent per year for the last five years.

Edgar also addressed the decline of morals in government by saying the system "mirrors society." Edgar said he believes in strong character and added, "You don't force morals through law. You set examples."

He said that while government officials are not perfect, he would urge them

"to avoid hypocrisy."

Edgar preceded to swear in the student governor, Andrea Latrice Woods from Zion, and other state elected officials. Edgar was made an honorary citizen of the 1994 Illini Girls State.

After the governor's speech, some Girls Staters said they were pleased that he took time to address their convention. Not all, however, were supportive of the incumbent.

Tamekeyou Cheva House-Banks of Lockport, last year's student governor, felt Edgar did a "good job of motivating" the girls, but said she supports Netsch's bid for governor.

"There is lots of room for change," House-Banks added.

Rachel Moore of Fairfield, a mayor in this year's program, was more supportive: "I thought he gave a good speech and am glad we have a governor from this part of the state."

## State audit questions contracts

By STEVE LYSAKER  
Editor in chief

Although a state audit released last week criticized the director of Eastern's radio/TV center for arranging thousands of dollars in private university contracts, Eastern officials say he was simply following procedure.

The audit said WEIU Director John Beabout's arranging of private income-producing contracts for himself and others "created a potential for a conflict of interest."

In the instances criticized in the audit, Beabout arranged the paperwork, while the contracts were approved and signed by Beabout's supervisor, Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs Terry Weidner.

But Eastern Spokeswoman Shelly Flock said Beabout was simply "following an outdated procedure."

Twelve years ago, under then-President Dan Marvin, Beabout was given the authority to handle such contracts criticized by the audit. The

## Jorns: Audit not of much concern

By STEVE LYSAKER  
Editor in chief

Eastern President David Jorns said there was "not much of concern" in a state audit released last week of Eastern and eight other state universities.

Despite 19 major findings in the audit, which covered the financial year ending June 30, 1993, Jorns said the findings in Eastern's audit did not amount to much.

"They're meant to draw

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auditor general had never questioned the contracts

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## Blood bank faces severe shortage

By NEIL JOELLENBECK  
Staff writer

Eastern's campus is being asked to roll up its collective sleeves and donate blood for the American Red Cross from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday at the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

The Missouri/Illinois Regional Blood Services is under a code-red alert for a supply of blood, said donors services consultant David Cline.

"The blood supply is at critically low levels, and hospitals cannot maintain their supply levels either," Cline said. "All blood is needed, but we are particularly low on types O and B."

A code-red alert means if blood supplies go lower, surgeries will be postponed and canceled as soon as this week if the supplies do not improve, Cline said.

"About 120 hospitals are needing more blood," he said.

The goal for Thursday's drive has been set at 200 units. Cline said that Eastern's students and staff, campus organizations



and residence halls have been supportive donors in the past.

Communications director Sabrina Kallenberg says that their current supply level is at 35 percent of their optimum level.

"Normally, 495 units of type O is what we have, but as of Wednesday, we have 86 units of that type," Kallenberg said. "Serving 120 hospitals, you can see the mathematical problems with this."



# Governor would like to be buried at Capitol

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) — Gov. Edwin Edwards has already announced he won't run for a fifth term. But he'd like to become a permanent fixture at — or underneath — the Capitol.

Edwards wants to be buried near the statue of Huey Long, another contro-

versial governor who is the only person buried at the Capitol. Long was assassinated in 1935.

Speaking on the Louisiana Public Broadcasting show "Louisiana Legends," Edwards, 66, said he thinks it would be natural to be buried next to Long.

"Now, that's a rather macabre statement for me to make, but I've thought about it many times when I walk in that garden and I look at his statue and I think of the reverence the people of this state had for him," Edwards said Thursday.

"Although he, at the time

he was governor, was far more controversial than I am, if you think that's possible." Edwards, a colorful mainstay in Louisiana politics with a penchant for gambling and pretty women, stunned the people with his announcement earlier this month that he won't seek a fifth term next year.

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until this audit, covering the financial period ending June 30, 1993.

"(Beabout) was operating under what he understood was the way to do things," Flock said.

In April of this year, Eastern President David Jorns sent a memo to Beabout saying that "all income producing contracts for WEIU will now require the approval" of Jorns, the vice president for business affairs or the treasurer/director of business affairs.

Under one of the contracts criticized in the audit, Eastern paid Beabout and Eastern professor Laurent Gosselin \$4,800 each to produce a documentary for the Edgar County Positive Youth Development Group. Both were also guaranteed 80 percent of any syndication royalties for the documentary. Eastern was guaran-

teed 20 percent of the syndication royalties.

Eastern received \$2,000 in grant money from the group, but as of December 1993, neither Beabout, Gosselin or Eastern had received any royalty money. According to the audit, Eastern lost \$7,600 on the contract.

Beabout, who did not return phone calls Friday and could not be reached for comment this weekend, told the Charleston Times-Courier that this figure is not true.

The \$9,600 in payments came from royalties generated by an original documentary that was produced with non-appropriated dollars, Beabout said in Friday's edition of the Times-Courier.

The audit also states that Eastern has not received any royalties from the project. Beabout told the Times-Courier that this is because the production is not yet complete.

Jorns said that although Beabout was compensated for the production of the documentary, the basic profits from such productions go back to WEIU.

Although the audit stated that Beabout's private contract work was "substantially similar to his regular job description," Jorns said Beabout handled the documentary on his own time and there was no "double-dipping" involved.

"We watch that pretty closely," Jorns said. "We're very careful about double-dipping. We want to make sure no one's doing that."

Auditor General William G. Holland could not be reached for comment to discuss the findings and what the audit called "a conflict of interest."

Under another contract found by the audit, Beabout received \$1,000 for media consulting services and the pre-

sensation of a public-speaking workshop for a local company.

The audit also found two other personal service contracts arranged with WEIU employees for work similar to their regular job duties.

The first of these contracts gave \$2,600 to Eastern Sports Information Director David Kidwell for the production and hosting of 26 episodes of the "Panther Country" sports show for WEIU-TV.

The second of these contracts gave \$500 to WEIU Publicity and Promotions Specialist Gaye Harrison for handling training at two workshops for the educational Sesame Street PEP program.

The audit noted that despite the appearance of impropriety of these contracts, Kidwell and Harrison, despite the similarity to their regular job duties, generally used their vacation time to fulfill these contractual duties.

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attention with their wording," Jorns said Friday. "None of these findings are criminal things, they're meant to help us assess control problems."

A spokeswoman for the Auditor General's office agreed with Jorns that the findings in the audit were not a matter of law, but a matter of following principles and guidelines.

The audit reported a lack of controls in the following instances:

- Keeping inaccurate records in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union Bookstore. The audit said university management was unable to determine whether differences between perpetual records and physical counts were caused by errors, theft or other losses.

Based on the audit's projections, the bookstore's June 30, 1993, inventory was potentially overstated by \$11,811.

- University management did not follow the Board of Governors' regulations when approving construction activity and justifying construction change orders.

Two examples were: The university president did not approve \$285,010 in project change orders and the BOG did not approve \$138,946 in change orders for the student recreation center, and the

BOG did not approve \$132,000 in change orders for the new art studio.

- In 14 instances for a total of \$440, employees were reimbursed for non-reimbursable lunches for themselves or others. In one case, the audit said \$62 in alcohol was purchased, a violation of state travel regulations.

- Eastern students were not always required to submit proof of immunity against preventable communicable diseases prior to attending classes.

- The civil service/personnel office temporarily upgraded an employee position to a higher pay grade for more than 18 months without obtaining proper approval.

- Eastern failed to budget to meet the matching fund requirements of six National Science Foundation grants it received during the 1992 and 1993 fiscal years.

Jorns said Eastern agreed to comply with the regulations and guidelines suggested by the audit.

Jorns added that most of the instances reported in the state audit were also found in the university's internal audits. In the auditing process of universities, Jorns said auditors come up with preliminary findings and review these findings with the university and the Auditor

General's office.

"The auditors come up with a list of things we either feel are justified or we disagree with," Jorns said. "Frequently, people disagree, but we usually try to do what they ask."

One instance of disagreement reported in the audit deals with the granting of tuition waivers to individuals and organizations outside of Eastern in exchange for opportunities provided to student teaching candidates.

During the 1992 and 1993 fiscal years, Eastern provided \$97,755 and \$144,767 of these waivers, which could be used only for graduate level courses.

The university responded to this by saying it is authorized to grant these waivers under a Board of Governors Universities policy. The audit said Eastern wants to continue awarding these types of waivers and hopes pending litigation will clarify the issue and give the university statutory authorization.

While universities may frequently disagree with some audit findings, Jorns said the audits are beneficial overall.

"It's a good process," he said. "With all of the offices and employees a university had, it is difficult to watch everything. The audit helps us identify our problems and clean up our procedures."

# An alley runs through it

BALTIMORE (AP) — Chuck Ochtech knew exactly where he wanted to cast his hook.

"Just down the middle of the alley, near that water," Ochtech said early Sunday.

He wasn't talking about easing a carefully tied fly onto the surface of an inviting pool in a challenging trout stream, or flipping an artificial frog onto a lily pad.

Ochtech was one of nearly 40 contestants who cast hooks baited with bacon smeared with peanut butter, bits of hot dog or raw steak down garbage-strewn alleys for the Yellow Rose Saloon's second annual rat fishing contest.

"Chuck, you catch it honey, and I'll club it," said Ochtech's wife, Shirley Difatta, a red aluminum baseball bat at the ready.

"Look, look, look there goes one." The, uh, anglers paid a \$3 entrance fee, covering the cost of trophies and a donation to charity, to cast their bait down alleys in the East Baltimore neighborhood. They aimed for puddles that might attract rodents to drink, or particularly pungent piles of household garbage.

"We're sportsmen," said Ochtech, who organized the first tournament last year after reading about the city's rat problem.

"There's a lot of technique to it." No artificial lures, trotlines, bells, whistles or fire-arms allowed. No stuffing rats with lead or steel shot "or in any other manner in which to increase its weight." And no chumming. "There's enough stuff in that alley that we don't have to chum," Ochtech said.

The contest actually has a purpose.

"What we're trying to do is bring attention to the problem," Ochtech said. "There's more rats in Baltimore than there are people." Thanks for the help, but no thanks, say city officials.

"This just does not sound like a responsible way to address a rat problem," said Zack Germroth, a spokesman for the city's Department of Housing and Community Development.

"What this is doing is drawing more rats to the neighborhood than getting rid of them," Germroth said. The department warned the Yellow Rose Saloon to stop holding the contest last year, he said.

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# Gun crazy

## President Jorns signs support silencing 'loose talk'

By PATTY CULHANE  
Staff writer

Eastern President David Jorns let his opinion about the availability of assault weapons be known in Springfield last week.

Jorns was one of more than 900 people who signed a petition in support of a ban on assault weapons. He cited two separate instances on campus last year where University Police had to check into threats made by Eastern employees.

Jorns says the undisclosed employees

threatened to get assault weapons and come back to campus.

"It was just loose talk," Jorns said. "We checked into the threats and there was nothing to be concerned about." Jorns said. He continued to explain the threats as "frustrated people saying inappropriate things."

Jorns said he believes that if assault weapons were not easily available in Coles County, than the types of threats that were made would not have to be taken so seriously.

The petition, which was brought to

Springfield last week, was sponsored by The Illinois Campaign to Ban Assault Weapons. It asks the state to ban the manufacture, sale and possession of semi-automatic assault weapons.

Although Jorns was only one of the many signers, his did make it into the headlines of the Decatur Herald &



David Jorns

Review. The article said that the employees who had made the threats were "apprehended before they could bring assault weapons on campus."

Jorns said the Decatur article was inaccurate and misleading and stresses that the campus of Eastern is a safe place.

Jorns said that he signed the petition at the urging of another president of one of the state's universities, and added that all of the presidents of the Board of Governors' schools had their names on the petitions as well.

## Distinguished professor rocks to teaching honor

Eastern geology/geography Professor Gary Wallace, an authority on Black Hills geology and one of the state's leaders in earth science education, has been selected as Eastern's 1994-95 Distinguished Professor.

According to a press release, Wallace's teaching ability, research and creative activity and service to the university are what contributed to his selection as Eastern's 1994-95 Distinguished Professor. Wallace was nominated for the honor by his peers and will receive a salary increase as part of the award.

Wallace was also Eastern's nominee for the Board of Governors Universities' Distinguished Professor Award. The system winner, Northwestern Illinois University Professor June Sochen, as well as the university recipients, was announced at the regular meeting of the BGU trustees Thursday at Eastern.

Alan Barharlou, chair of Eastern's geology/geography department, said, "Dr. Wallace believes that research must have an immediate impact on teaching and that students must be the most significant beneficiaries."

"Gary believes that we should teach our students more than subject matter," Barharlou added. "He teaches responsibility, dedication, commitment, tolerance and fairness by setting a first rate example."

Wallace, a Charleston resident, joined Eastern's geology/geography department in 1970 and helped develop the bachelor of science in geology degree, one of the most comprehensive undergraduate degrees in the state.

During his 24-year teaching career at Eastern, he has developed new and innovative ways to teach introductory science courses. He initiated the Geology Summer Field Program - a capstone course where geology majors from Eastern and out-of-state apply the principles they have learned in courses at classic sites in the Black Hills of South Dakota and Wyoming.

This summer will mark Wallace's 17th year as field director.

Although Wallace spent nearly six years as chair of Eastern's geology/geography



Gary Wallace

department, he feels most comfortable when working with students in the classroom or field.

"Since most of my students are from Illinois, my research interests can usually stimulate an interest in geological conditions in their home areas," Wallace noted. "I love teaching and I love the students. It is this combination that has allowed me to achieve what I hope is a high performance level."

He added, "The term - 'classroom' in geology is not a four-walled room with windows and a door, but is also the earth's landscape and processes. My teaching success in introductory courses is based on my ability to bring that landscape into the walled classroom to help the students visualize it."

"In upper level courses for majors, I must be able to guide students to gather data, synthesize this data, draw conclusions and solve problems in the field."

His interest in the geology of South Dakota and Wyoming and in providing education for earth science teachers in the public schools inspired him to develop a graduate level course, "Earth Science Field Experience for

Teachers" in the Black Hills.

"Teaching teachers has been a most stimulating experience for me because of their eagerness to learn subject matter they can immediately take back to the classroom," Wallace said.

He attributes much of his teaching success to the overwhelming support he has received from his family, fellow faculty and the university.

"At Eastern, you are allowed to teach and that's why I have been here for 24 years. Eastern is blessed with a lot of good teachers because of that," he said, adding that his students' accomplishments are his greatest reward for his 24 years of teaching.

Outside of the university, Wallace has led many workshops for earth science teachers and presented lectures on rocks, minerals, fossils, earthquakes and other earth science subjects to public school children, local Rotary clubs and Boy Scout troops.

In 1990, while on sabbatical from Eastern to study earthquake hazards and preparedness, he gave presentations throughout the state on the prediction of a Dec. 3, 1990 earthquake along the New Madrid Fault.

## New bill would tighten DUI laws

By JEREMY R. KIRK  
City editor

Minors caught driving with a blood-alcohol content over .01 percent will have their licenses suspended under a new bill before Gov. Jim Edgar.

The bill, passed by the Illinois General Assembly, was introduced by Secretary of State George Ryan and is designed to stop minors from driving with any alcohol in their system. Mark Gordon, spokesman for Senate President James "Pate" Philip, R-Wood Dale, said the public has looked the other way at underage drinking for too long.

"Society has winked at underage drinking and unfortunately that has resulted in a great many tragedies," Gordon said. "I think society is moving in the direction that we will no longer condone underage drinking."

Provisions in the bill would excuse individuals taking medication containing alcohol. Minors involved in religious ceremonies requiring the consumption of alcohol would also be excused.

Police would require proof, however, of the exten-

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— Mark Gordon  
Spokesman for the  
Senate president

uating circumstances to prevent abuse of the provision.

Gordon said minors convicted for the first time will lose their drivers licenses for three months. Second-time offenders will receive a 12-month license suspension.

Gordon said he thinks the bill will reduce the number of drunk driving incidents by minors.

"The hope is to send a strong message that underage drinking is not acceptable and will not be tolerated," Gordon said.

Edgar has 60 days to sign or veto the bill once it has been sent to the governor's office.

## A fond farewell

### University and community bid comptroller good-bye

Members of the university and Charleston communities are invited to a farewell reception for Judy Michael of Charleston, who is leaving Friday as comptroller at Eastern after 28 years.

The punch and cake reception will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. Tuesday in the 1895 Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Michael joined Eastern's accounting department in 1966 as an accounting clerk and was promoted to comptroller in 1992. She is responsible for the accounting, accounts payable, cashier, collections, cash/investment and property control departments.

She is the recipient of the 1993 University Civil Service/Service Award and has been honored as Supervisor

of the Year.

Her committee work at the university has dealt with civil service employment and appraisal, disability services, employee recognition and budgeting.

Michael has also served on several search committees.

She is a member of Eastern's Women Administrators group, the Association of Illinois College and University Accounting Officers, the Central and National Associations of College and University Business Officers and the Treasury Management Association.

Michael and her husband, Bruce, who recently retired from Eastern as a construction project coordinator after 27 years of service, plan to remain in Charleston.



# OPINION

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MONDAY, JUNE 27, 1994

## Despite Jorns, audit is indeed of much concern

What if the university audit came, and no one cared?

This year's state audit of university finances raised several questions about the administration of Eastern's finances:

- Why was money missing from University bookstore?

### Editorial

- Is there a conflict of interest in the administration of WEIU-TV?

- Why are hundreds of thousands of dollars being spent on capital projects without the consent of the university president or Board of Governors?

- Why is Eastern's money being spent on the reimbursement of inappropriate lunches and booze?

Certainly these are questions the university administration should wish to tackle quickly, publicly and thoroughly.

President David Jorns simply said the audit "was not much of concern."

Jorns understands what it means to bring topics which are "not much of concern" to the university's. For example, Jorns' opinions on an assault weapon ban and his misguided strategic plan.

But mysteriously missing monies, free rides on the administration gravy train and other bold, costly irregularities are certainly of great concern to this university.

However, President Jorns doesn't really seem to care.

Within the span of a 24-hour period the university had cleared up all of the issues brought up from the audit, which covered the fiscal period ending on June 30, 1993.

Amazing.

The university can't deliver a copy of a student's academic transcript in under 10 working days, but two years of financial shadiness can be cleared up in one single "working" day.

What President Jorns feels about assault weapons, strategic plans and the questions raised within the audit is "not much of concern" to this campus.

But what is of concern, is that Jorns find answers for the students who's money he uses to keep himself and this merry band of money shifters employed.

## MTV requires a dose of 'The Real World'

The newest installment of "The Real World" has started, and I, for one, am enthused.

Okay, I don't have cable. I don't want cable. It sucks your brain and leaves a neatly coagulated mass of brain cells where you once had originality and imagination.

The only thing I look forward to is a small handful of sitcoms, some documentaries and the human-life drama of seven people, picked from across the country to live with each other.

This sounds like a great idea. You will get culture-shock, hatred, love and even the occasional fist-fight. For example, people from the heart of the Midwest have been dropped into Los Angeles and New York in the past to basically fend for themselves in the big cities.

The clash of race, sex and sexual-orientation will always make for witty banter and barbed exchanges. All three "casts" have included gays or lesbians among their numbers, but this is the first time that a confrontation seems to have been planned from the very start.

The gay cast member of this summer's show is not only into an alternate lifestyle, he is HIV-positive. Stacking this cast member with a Catholic young republican from Arizona, a state not known for its tolerance or forward-thinking, is like chain smoking inside a tank of propane.

The show does manage to collect a motley crew of people and kind of force them to interact, but the problems seems to lie in the surroundings that this group is forced to live in.

The San Francisco installment of the show has all the cast members living in a house that would probably go for in excess of a million dollars on the



Mitch McGlaughlin

*"The clash of race, sex, and sexual orientation will always make for witty banter and barbed exchanges"*

open market. This is not an isolated case of overkill. The other casts have crashed in a beach house in L.A. and an extremely spacious loft in New York.

There is not a bug or a busted pipe to be seen. All the windows open and there are no homeless making camp in this commune's doorstep. For those who still remember their first apartment in Charleston, let alone

in a major metropolis, the disparity will be obvious.

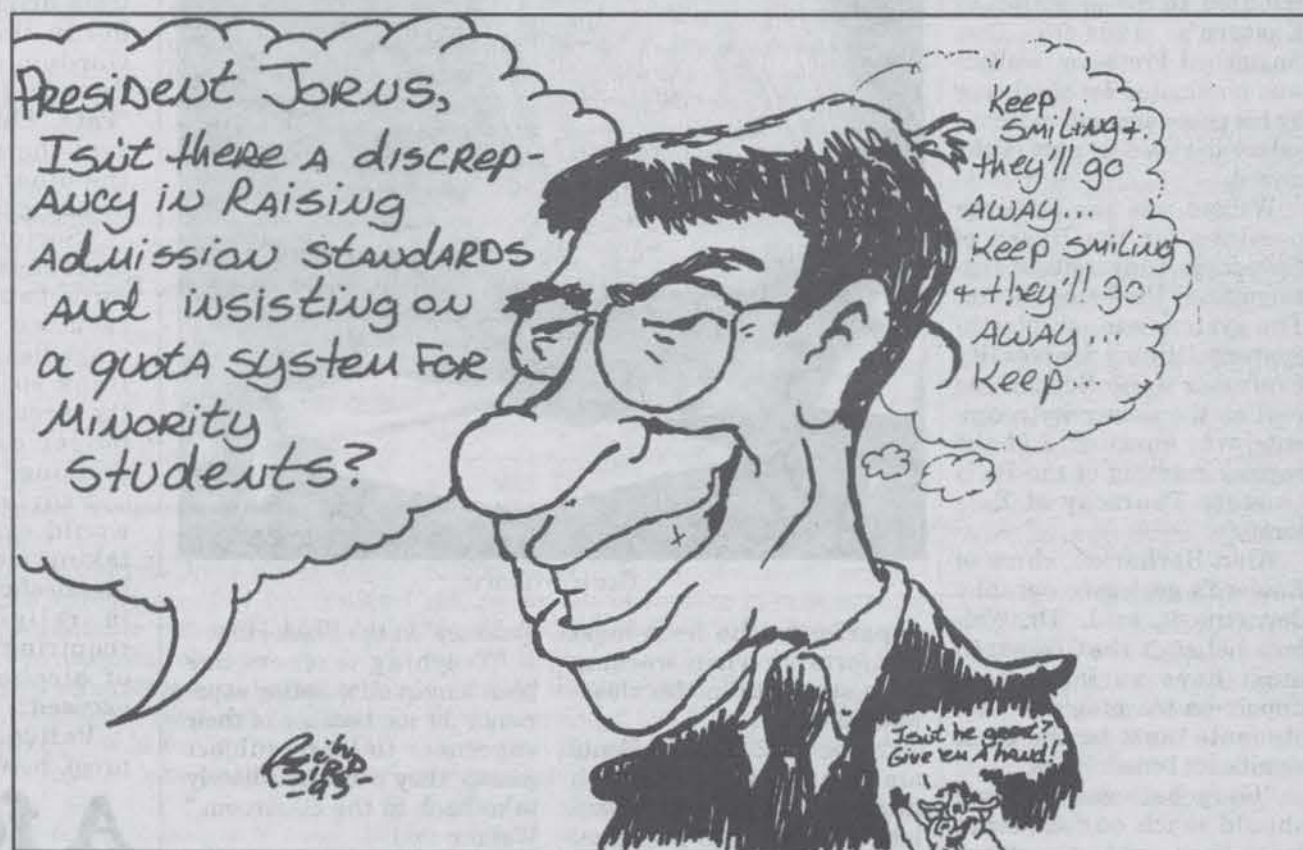
None of the cast members seem to worry too much about jobs or money while they are participating in this social experiment on a prime time scale. The competition for the seven or so spots on the yearly show is probably some of the fiercest seen since the riots over Streisand tickets.

If MTV, the great social reporter and conscience of the television generation, wants to see the real world, perhaps it would be better served in sticking a group of people picked randomly from the graduating class of all the community colleges in the world and sticking them in one of the insect-infested abodes available here in Charleston.

Remove the beautiful people mold that all these people seem to fit and put a group of totally opposite people together in a town that doesn't boast an over-abundance of things to do and places to hide, and maybe, just maybe, then you would have the real world.

But, since MTV won't do that, those thirsting for a more realistic real world may want to start by turning off the television.

— Mitch McGlaughlin is campus editor and a columnist for The Daily Eastern News.



## Columnist should leave North alone and focus on Illinois

Dear editor:

Oliver North for Senate? It sounds like a very proposition to me.

I do not understand your city editor's problem with Oliver North. He called him a "charlatan." I happened to hear Oliver North speak last summer in Naperville, and although being skeptical of his motives in regards to the Iran-Contra affair, I do believe that he was led astray due to his beliefs in such felonious abstract concepts as "honor, duty and country."

Why should we question this man's integrity in regards to his political ambitions and continued service to his country? In the logic of military doctrine, he simply followed orders during the Iran-Contra affair.

Albeit that his orders came directly from Ronald Reagan, with the knowledge of the succeeding president-to-be George Bush. Personally, I think the man should

## Your turn

be admired. He nearly toppled the administrations of Ronald Reagan and George Bush, what Machiavellian power!

He chose, however, to expediently lie to Congress, etc., in the name of the president of the United States, and of course abstract concepts, "honor, duty and country."

Let's be realistic, though. The city editor is concerned with a senatorial candidate from outside of our state when he should be more concerned with the circumstances of a wonderful career politician in our own state, Dan Rostenkowski.

"What stamps?" "What ghost employees?" "What gifts?" I believe an ABC news commentator characterized Rostenkowski as "a master of backroom negotiations" in regard to his political dealings. It sure looks like he mastered taking advantage of the American taxpayer too.

It seems to me that term limitations imposed on our legislators would harness the "clandestine

power of Washington" as the city editor so eloquently put it.

Oliver North is at least a man of conviction. I don't necessarily believe what he did was right, but he did what he believed was best for the country. I would rather have North in office with his convictions than career politicians like Rostenkowski, who suits his own purposes rather than the needs of the American people.

James McKirahan Jr.

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## TODAY'S QUOTE

Leisure with dignity

Marcus Tullius Cicero



# Prosecution contributes to hype in O.J. case

LOS ANGELES (AP) — District Attorney Gil Garcetti was hopping mad. A plague of pretrial publicity had descended upon the O.J.

Simpson's case, he complained, contending even Simpson's constitutional rights to a fair trial were at stake.

What Garcetti didn't say was that much of the publicity in the sensational double-murder case has been generated by him or his deputies.

Garcetti himself has appeared on several national television programs, including "Nightline" and "This Week With David Brinkley." Faced with charging a popular celebrity with a heinous crime, Garcetti has gone to great lengths to plant a seed of doubt in the minds of the public — and, thus, potential jurors.

Among Garcetti's comments: — Simpson has shown a "consciousness of guilt" and may "sometime down the road ... say, 'OK, I did it.'" — People like Simpson are "superficially well-known." — A judge "kissed ... off" a 1989 domestic violence case against Simpson.

## Enhanced 911 call reveals irate Simpson

LOS ANGELES (AP) — O.J. Simpson can be heard yelling about his ex-wife having sex with another man in front of their children on an electronically enhanced tape of a 911 call.

The tape was released to the media last week after Simpson was charged with murder in the June 12 stabbing deaths of his former wife Nicole Brown Simpson and her friend Ronald Goldman.

Simpson has pleaded innocent to the first-degree murder charges.

The two courtroom prosecutors also have gotten into the act, declaring at a news conference that Simpson is the "sole murderer" responsible for a "brutal" crime.

With so much news flowing from the district attorney's office, Garcetti's critics snicker at his complaints of pretrial publicity.

The tape of Ms. Simpson's telephone call was digitally analyzed and enhanced for The Associated Press by George Papcun, nationally recognized audio expert. Papcun, of the Los Alamos National Laboratory in Los Alamos, N.M., used sophisticated computer equipment.

Some words remain unintelligible or out of context on the enhanced tape, but comments that were previously inaudible can be heard.

"No use me hitting you. You know, I don't give a shit

anymore," Simpson can be heard saying.

"... Could you please leave? Please leave. Please leave," Ms. Simpson says.

"I'm leaving with my two fists is when I'm leaving," Simpson responds.

At another point, Ms. Simpson asks Simpson to be quiet because "the kids are sleeping." He replies by accusing her of performing oral sex on a man in the living room.

"They were here. (You) didn't care about the kids then. Oh, it's different now," Simpson says.

he said.

Simpson's lawyer, Robert Shapiro, even filed a formal objection to the prosecution's orations.

He wrote that it was "unconscionable for the prosecution to have made any comment on a case before arraignment."

But Charles Weisselberg, a

professor at the University of Southern California Law Center, said Garcetti may not have been as irresponsible as his critics suggest.

The Simpson case, according to Weisselberg, is unlike many others in that the public had a positive image of the accused before charges were filed.

"Usually, the first thing people ever hear about the person is the awful facts of the crime, and that by the time the defendant is linked to the crime, people have a low opinion of the defendant."

This is usually something the defense has to deal with," he said. "Here, there's a role reversal."

Garcetti denies stepping over the line in the area of pretrial publicity in the Simpson case.

In fact, it was Garcetti who asked Superior Court Judge Cecil Mills to question grand jurors about their knowledge of dramatic 911 tapes in which Nicole Simpson is heard pleading for help and O.J. Simpson is heard shouting threatening obscenities during a 1993 dispute.

# United States, Aristide at odds over boat people

WASHINGTON (AP) — Clinton administration efforts to discourage Haitians from trying to flee the country by boat are encountering stiff resistance from deposed President Jean-Bertrand Aristide, causing strains between the two camps.

U.S. officials are worried that a mass exodus of Haitians could overwhelm facilities the administration has set up on a ship docked off Jamaica where fleeing Haitians can make their claim for political asylum.

But Aristide opposes any effort to dissuade Haitians from leaving. He also opposes the U.S. policy of repatriating Haitians who do not qualify for refugee status.

"We cannot send them back to Haiti because it is a house on fire," Aristide told a gathering here Thursday night, alluding to reports of widespread repression by the Haitian military.

Since U.S. officials began processing Haitians at a U.S. Navy hospital ship docked off Kingston over a week ago, 194 have been interviewed and 52 asylum claims have been approved, a rate of almost 30 percent. Most of those whose claims were denied have been repatriated.


On a related issue, an Aristide aide, who spoke on the condition of anonymity, accused officials of the State and Defense departments Friday of trying to sabotage an agreement under which the Pentagon would beam messages from specially outfitted aircraft to Haiti's military and its citizens.

The messages from the so-called "radio station in the sky" would be aimed at laying the groundwork for Aristide's return to Haiti and at provoking opposition to the military-led regime.

The Pentagon wanted the messages to include an appeal to Haitians not to flee the country. Aristide objected and received assurances from senior administration officials that his wishes would be respected.

But several news accounts last week quoted U.S. officials as saying that Aristide had lost the argument. Aristide responded to the news stories by issuing an angry statement last week blasting U.S. policy toward boat migrants as a "cynical joke."

An Aristide aide, speaking on the condition of anonymity, on Friday said it is "not clear whether the White House has sufficient control over the government to be able to go forward with this program because there are a number of people in the Pentagon and the State Department who appear to be trying to torpedo it."



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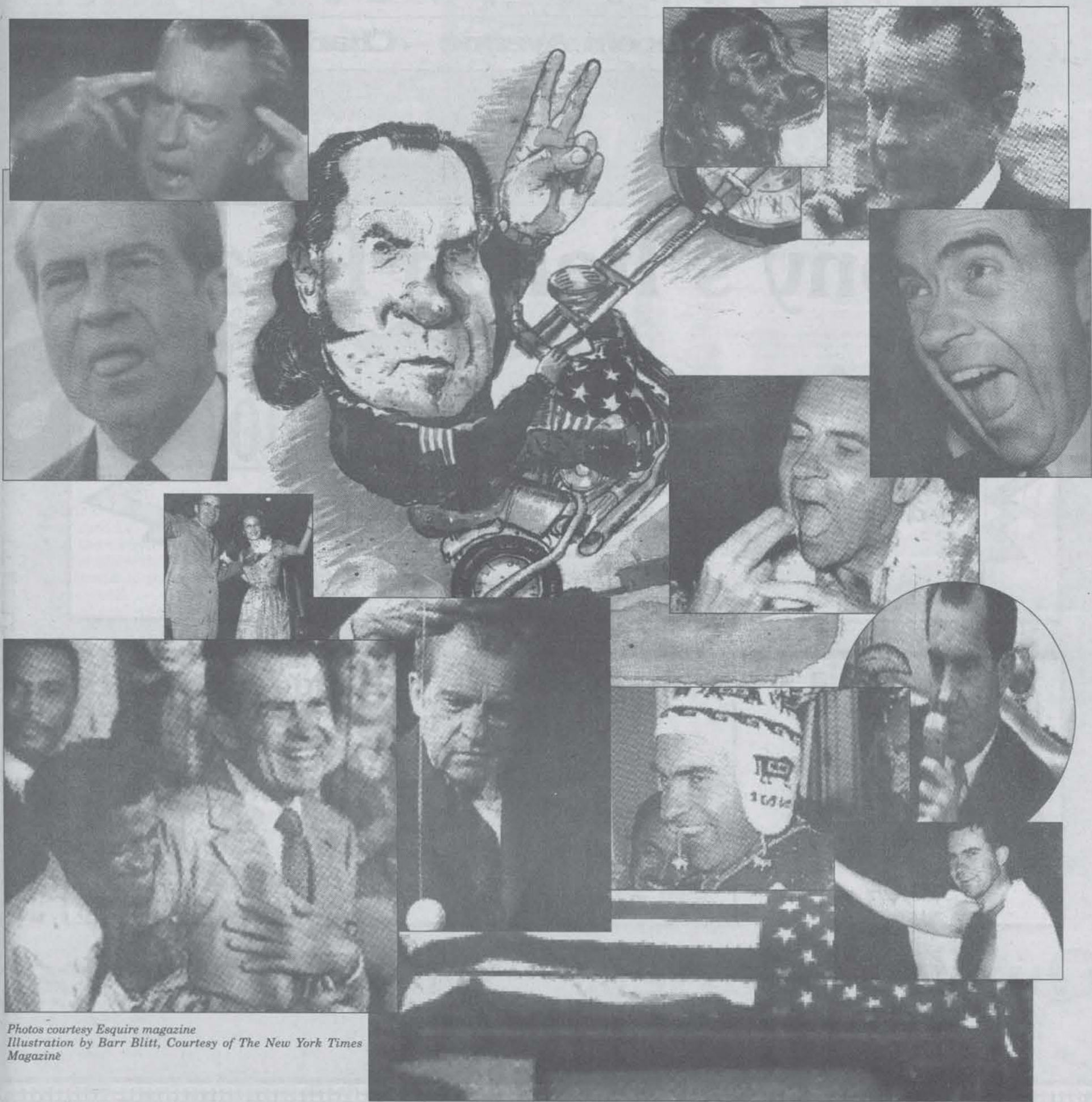

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# Tricky Dick



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*Nixon may be gone, but he is easily recycled*

Weeks after his death, America was unable to shake his image out of their head.

The news racks were plastered with his picture. The pictures of him in his prime.

The spectacle of the Checker's speech echoed in my ears from a thousand sound bites from all major and most minor networks. The circus sideshow atmosphere that had surrounded the former president during his life seemed to follow him to the grave.

Being too young to remember the man at the height of his power, most college students' only knowledge came from video clips and the countless pages of text written on the man.

From the Kennedy-Nixon debates to the final, haunting shot of a despondent Nixon wading in the ocean, Nixon's life was on constant public display.

The favorite whipping boy of writer Hunter S.

Thompson, Nixon became a parody and encapsulation of all that was wrong with politics and humanity. Few people have known the scorn of so many, for so long.

Even after the President Ford pardon, Nixon was not allowed to rest. He was alternately idolized and vilified by every political pundit and columnist. He has been the favorite subject of analogies concerning government gone bad since Woodward and Bernstein went digging.

No modern president has been the subject of so many movies and books, but few would welcome the commentary he received in his final years. Lynard Skynard even mentioned Watergate in "Sweet Home Alabama," a song that can be heard at least twice a day on any classic rock station.

Even in the movie "Where the Buffalo Roam," Bill Murray, while portraying Hunter S. Thompson, taught his doberman to rip the balls off of a mannequin outfitted with a three-piece suit and a

Nixon mask.

Reactions to the ex-president, while strong, were usually not of this fervor and immense hatred. No one hated Nixon like Thompson, and he never let anyone forget it.

No modern president, however, has staged the kind of post-mortem comeback that Nixon achieved. The black hat was lifted from his head and a halo set squarely down. Few would ever dream of defaming the dead, even if that meant forgetting Watergate.

Even weeks later, Nixon is the subject of articles in the July issue of Esquire and the final page of The New York Times Magazine.

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# Holy comeback!

## The caped crusader returns to fight crime in Gotham City

NEW YORK (AP) — He's back, he's better, and he's the REAL Batman.

Millionaire Bruce Wayne, who hung up the cape and cowl last year after suffering a severe spinal injury, returns to his rightful spot beneath Wayne Manor in issue No. 63 of "Batman: Legends of the Dark Knight." To reclaim his role as defender of Gotham City, the original Batman must defeat his successor — a vindictive killer named Azrael.

Where Batman was clever and quick, Azrael was brutal and ugly.

Batman is recovering from major injuries; Azrael is young and hungry.

Holy showdown, Batman! Who will win? That's easy. The comic's not titled "Azrael: Legends of the Dark Knight," is it? Azrael took over for Batman in May 1993 issues of the Batman series. Batman editor Dennis O'Neil, who wrote the final issue of the story cycle, said DC Comics editors had been afraid that readers might prefer the new vigilante Batman to the old Bruce Wayne model.

"We were relieved when the hate mail started to pour in," O'Neil said. "Readers clearly prefer Bruce Wayne's Batman, with humanistic values intact." Those values are evident in the new issue, in which Batman manages to outwit his nemesis rather



Batman, courtesy DC Comics

than whip him physically. In fact, it was a fistfight that started this whole mess for Batman.

Bat badguy Bane, a steroid-chomping sociopath, snapped Batman's

spine and left him wheelchair-bound. As the superhero went to rehabilitate himself, Azrael — then a collegiate computer nerd — took over as Batman with Bruce's blessing.

The changeover occurred without the knowledge of Gothamites.

Azrael's mean streak soon surfaced, and the folks in Gotham City were divided over his tactics.

That debate is definitely over. The new comic ends with the victorious Batman walking back into Wayne Manor.

One bit of bad news: Robin is missing. Azrael booted the Boy Wonder, who went on to get his own comic.

Batman's return means America's two leading comic book heroes are back where they belong. Superman returned to Metropolis last year after an unprecedented resurrection, which came about 10 months after his death.

O'Neil is particularly happy to see Batman.

"We were told that Batman was passe, that a modern hero is dark, brooding and nihilistic," he said. "I disagree."

## Nevada leads nation in rate of smoking deaths

ATLANTA (AP) — Nevada leads the nation in the rate of smoking-related deaths, while the Mormon Church's prohibition against using tobacco keeps Utah relatively smoke-free. Overall, smoking-related deaths are declining.

These were some of the conclusions of the government's first state-by-state look in five years at cigarette smoking, the single most preventable cause of premature death in the United States.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention analyzed deaths in 1990, and found that 20 percent, or 415,226, were caused by smoking. A 1988 estimate found that 434,000 people died from smoking-related causes.

Improvements in the emergency care of heart attacks and strokes and better treatment for cardiovascular diseases offset a slight increase in lung cancer deaths, said Mike Siegel, an epidemiologist with the CDC's Office on Smoking and Health.

"Only a small percentage could be due to a drop in the smoking rate," Siegel said.

The CDC looked at each state's deaths from cancer, cardiovascular and respiratory

conditions, infant diseases and burn deaths caused by smoking. The agency then analyzed the numbers using formulas based on the prevalence or percentage of adults who smoke, and on risks of health problems among current and ex-smokers, compared to nonsmokers.

It estimated that in each state males had about twice as many deaths attributable to smoking as females.

Smoking took its heaviest toll in Nevada, where 24 percent of all deaths in 1990 were blamed on tobacco use. The CDC linked 2,234 Nevada deaths to smoking, for a smoking-related death rate of 478.1 per 100,000 people.

Nevada's rates may be attributable in part to its large number of retirees; 80 percent of its residents were born elsewhere, said Willie Edwards, the Nevada Health Department's first tobacco education and information officer.

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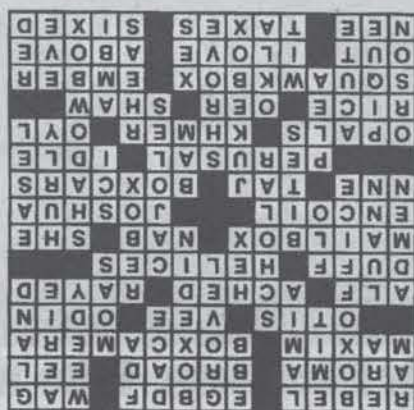
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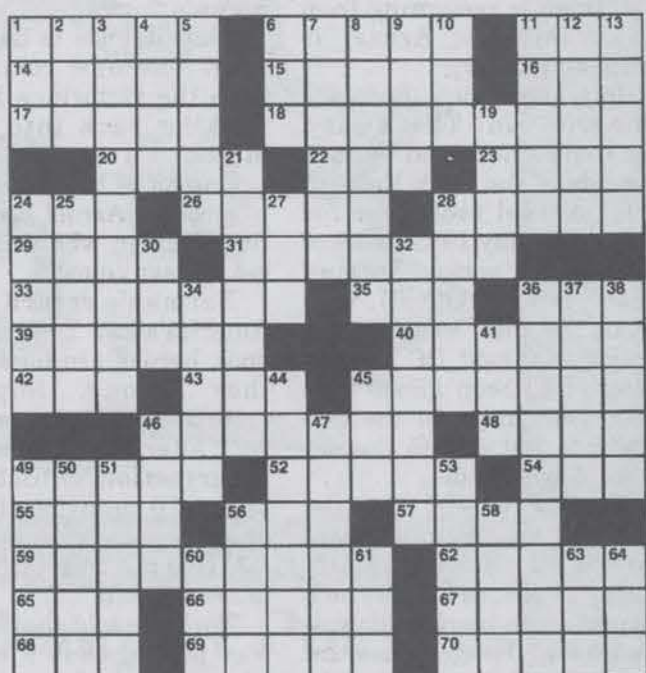
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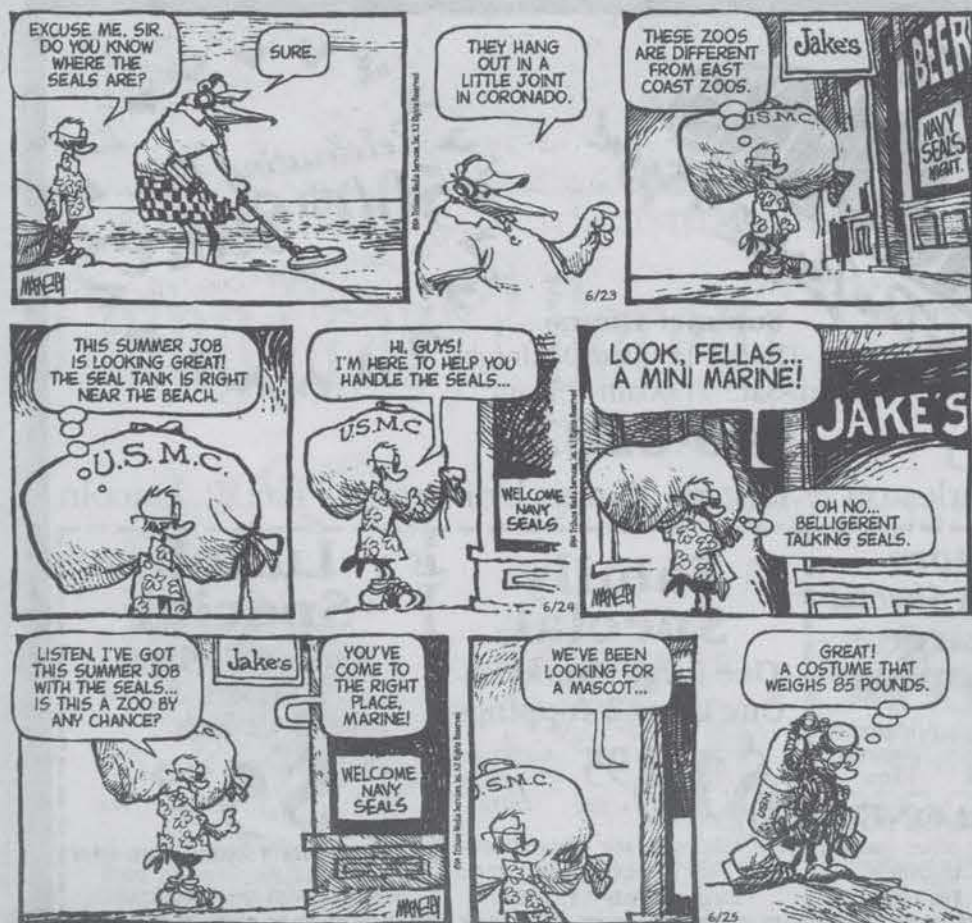
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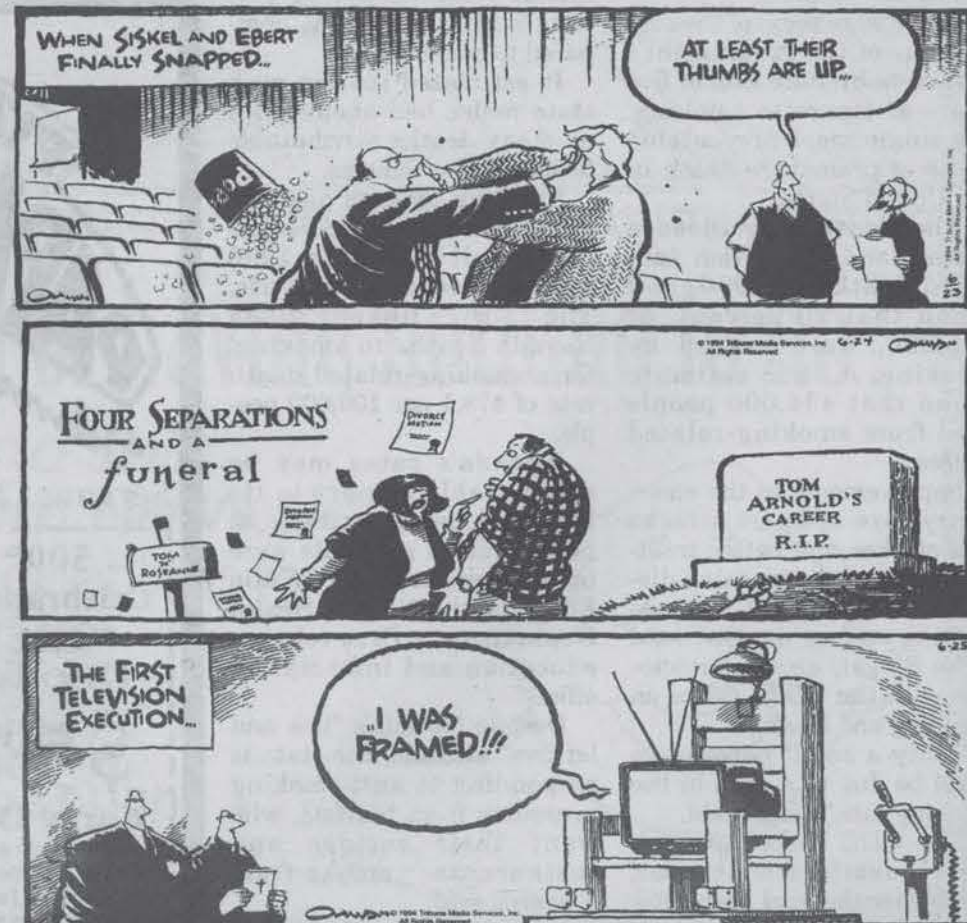
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# Flack Sox

## Questions and blame fill Sox season

CHICAGO (AP) — The signs of a team in trouble surround the Chicago White Sox these days — post-game meetings, a somber locker room and a suddenly unreliable bullpen.

It seems no lead is safe anymore for a team that was favored in the AL Central, a team that won the AL West last year and that features the league's MVP and Cy Young winners.

The White Sox moved Tuesday to remedy the problem in the bullpen by making Class AAA pitching coach Rick Peterson the team's bullpen coach, replacing Dewey Robinson, who has been reassigned within the organization.

For 44 days this season, the White Sox were right where they thought they would be — in first.

But no more. Now, after 12 losses in 15 games, the White Sox are in third place, six games out.

"It's getting a little contagious," said Frank Thomas, the 1993 MVP who hit his 25th homer Monday night but still was trying to explain what happened in a 12-6 loss to the Texas Rangers.

"I'm looking around the field and everybody looks the same: 'Here we go again,'" Thomas said. "There is no excuse for it."

"They outthit us at the end. It will turn around. We just can't start pointing fingers. We have to stick together." The White Sox led 6-2 in the eighth and then the Rangers, in a skid of their own, scored seven in the eighth and three more in the ninth.

"It's been a pretty weird little run," said Cy Young winner Jack McDowell, who for the third straight game took a comfortable



lead into the late innings only to get a no-decision when the bullpen failed.

"A lot of times in losing streaks you just get beat. We've had our share of them. But we've also had some where we seem destined to lose no matter what," said McDowell, still with only three victories

after 22 last season.

"I've had this part of it happen before. But not on top of throwing as poorly as I did at the beginning of the season. That does make it kind of tough. I keep plugging away, but this is probably as tough as it's been," said McDowell.

Manager Gene Lamont called a meeting Monday night after the disheartening loss, the second closed-door session he's held in nine days.

"It's tough. I don't want to point fingers. We win as a team and we lose as a team," Lamont said.

But if he were to look for a main reason for the slide, he'd probably turn to the bullpen.

The relievers have squandered a lead five times in the last 11 games. And during that stretch, the Sox have allowed 31 runs from the eighth inning on.

Roberto Hernandez, who had 38 saves last season, has been bounced from the closer's role because he's been ineffective with four blown saves and three losses.

Lamont tried a bullpen by committee Monday night, using five relievers, including three who combined to throw nine pitches.

## Lakers believe in Magic

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Magic Johnson will become part-owner of the Los Angeles Lakers in a deal that could be finalized this week, according to a report published Sunday.

Johnson's stake in the team would probably be less than 10 percent, but he apparently would have a front-office role, the Los Angeles Times reported.

Lon Rosen, Johnson's agent, confirmed to The Associated Press that a deal was imminent but declined to name the team with which Johnson was negotiating.

"We're very close to making

a deal," he said. "It's going to be announced in the very near future. Earvin will be involved in all aspects of the team, not just the basketball operations."

The Lakers are the only team Johnson played for after he left Michigan State in 1979. Johnson led the Lakers to five NBA championships, then retired in 1992 after he was diagnosed with the AIDS virus.

Johnson briefly returned to the team for the final 16 games of the 1993-94 season as interim head coach, and remains close to the team.

Johnson has described his relationship with Lakers' owner Jerry Buss as father-son.

After his retirement, Johnson made several moves toward the front office. He was part of a group that lost a bid for an expansion franchise in Toronto, and he reportedly negotiated as part of a group to buy the Minnesota Timberwolves.

The Timberwolves were to be sold for \$152.5 million to Top Rank of Louisiana, which wanted to take them to New Orleans, but the deal was overturned by the NBA.

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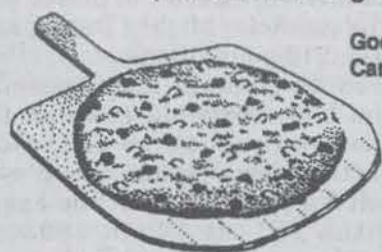
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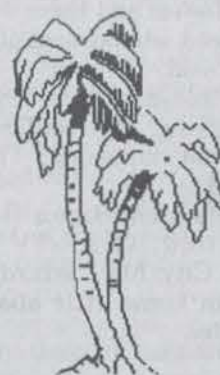
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## Sprinter of discontent

### Cooper ends his sprinting post-season

By Jonathan Etchison  
Staff writer

Eastern sprinter Obidiah Cooper's post-season has come to a disappointing halt.

Cooper qualified for post-season play in mid-April of this year and was ranked in "Track and Field News" as high as ninth in the nation. This summer though, he had back-to-back disappointments at both the NCAA Outdoor Championships and the USA Mobil Outdoor Track & Field Championships.

Cooper seemed on his way to placing in both events after qualifying in the 100m dash with a time of 10.22 early in the season, and then maintaining his consistency up until the week before the NCAA Outdoors by winning the 100m dash in Twilight Meet at the U of I with a time of 10.23.

At the NCAA Outdoors, Cooper ran a 10.36 in his preliminary heat, which qualified him for the semifinals. Cooper then ran a 10.39, which was not enough to get him to finals.

"I think I could've done a lot better," Cooper said. "In the meet before (the Twilight Meet at U of I) I ran a lot faster."

"I thought I was consistent enough to place highly."

Cooper did not fair much better at the USA Mobil meet.

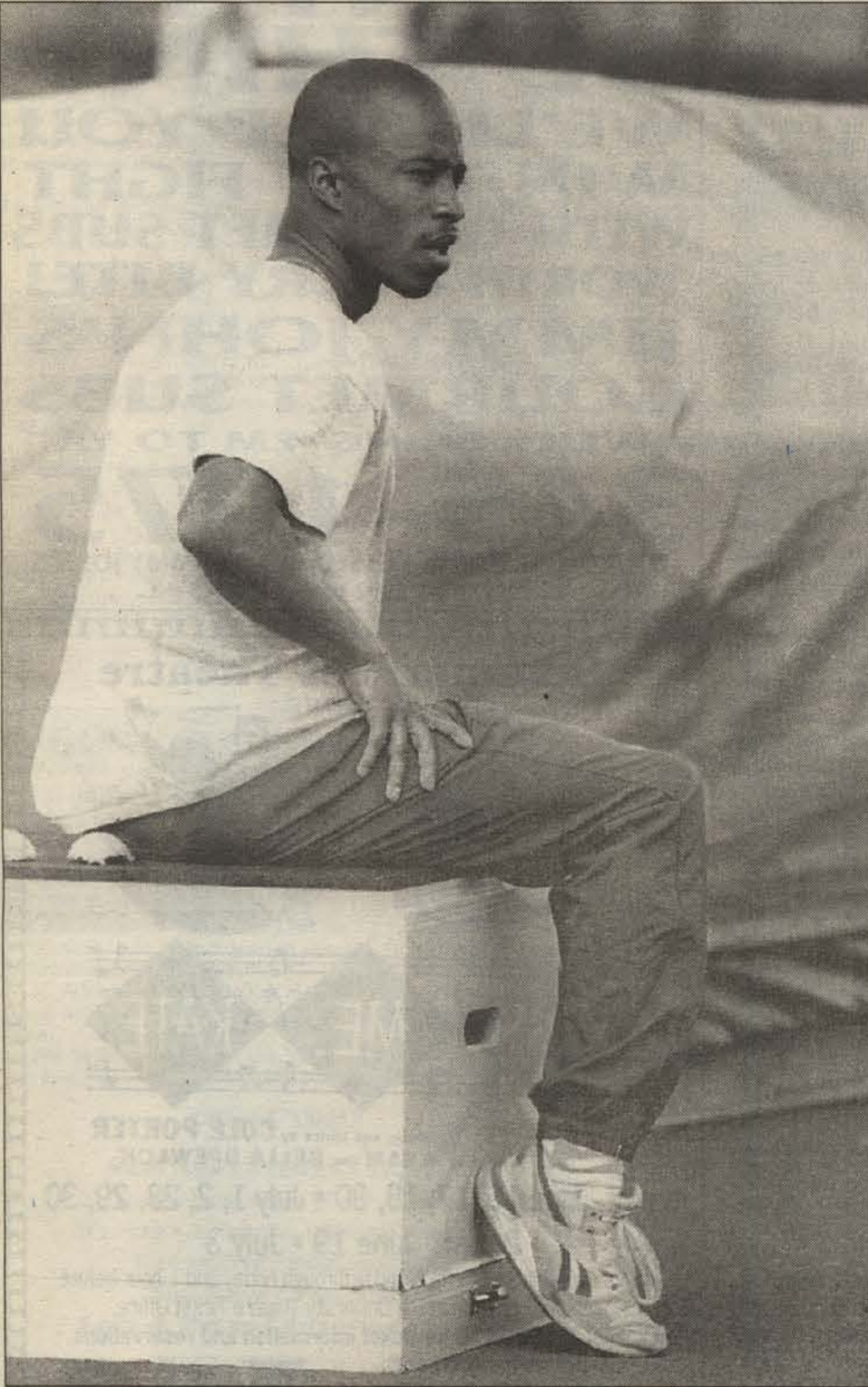
He competed in both the 100m and 200m dashes.

Cooper ran in the fastest preliminary heat of the 100m dash and posted a time of 10.36, which was not good enough to advance him to the semifinal round.

In the 200m dash, he surprisingly ran his best time of the season with a 20.99, but this was not good enough either.

This fall Cooper will be back at Eastern for one more year to complete his sociology degree. Cooper is eligible for this fall's indoor track season.

File photo



Eastern sprinter Obidiah Cooper will have to wait until next year.

## Romania blanks the USA

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) — Instead of taking the easy route, the U.S. soccer team will go down the most difficult path.

The United States wasted a chance to clinch World Cup advancement for the first time in 64 years, losing to Romania 1-0 Sunday in the Americans' final game of the opening round.

It would take an unusual series of results to prevent the Americans from advancing. But they now probably will have to play one of soccer's powers in the second round: Brazil at Stanford Stadium, or possibly Germany at Soldier Field in Chicago.

Dan Petrescu got the Romanians' goal in the 18th minute of the first half, when the Americans got caught on one side of the field and Romania played the ball around with precision. Petrescu sent it between goalkeeper Tony Meola and the right post, with Meola looking out of position on the play.

With the win, Romania won the group to qualify for the second round. Switzerland, despite losing 2-0 to Colombia on Sunday, finished second in Group A and the Americans were third.

The United States controlled the action for most of the game, especially in the opening minutes.

## 'Confused, crying' maid names wide receiver in assault

MILWAUKEE (AP) — Kansas City Chiefs wide receiver Tim Barnett posted \$3,500 bond Saturday after being jailed temporarily concerning an allegation that he exposed himself in a motel.

Barnett, 26, was listed on a jail blotter Saturday as under suspicion of second-degree sexual assault, pending a meeting Monday in the Milwaukee County district attorney's office to discuss the complaint.

Barnett reportedly had been visiting Milwaukee to attend a friend's wedding.

His Milwaukee attorney, Martin Kohler, did not immediately return a message from The Associated

Press seeking comment Sunday.

Marlene Perkins, a manager at a motel on the city's northwest side, said a 14-year-old maid reported she was forced from a second-story corridor into a room Friday afternoon.

"The guest approached her for towels and there was an alleged sexual assault," Perkins said.

The teen-ager was "confused, crying, very confused as to what happened," Perkins said.

Chiefs spokesman Bob Moore told WDAF-TV in Kansas City, Mo., Saturday the team knew little about the matter.

## Drafts highlight week

### NBA salivating over the Big Dog

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Glenn Robinson — expected to be the first pick in the NBA draft — may spoil the show as no-show Wednesday night. And he may not be alone in his protest.

The Milwaukee Bucks are expected to take the Purdue All-American. But Robinson might not be at the Hoosier Dome, his agent, Charles Tucker, told The Indianapolis Star in a story published Sunday.

The boycott would protest both the legality of the draft and a possible rookie salary cap, Tucker said.

"If he doesn't participate, Jason Kidd (California) and Grant Hill (Duke) have also said they're not going to participate," Tucker said. "But I haven't fully made up my mind on that situation yet."

"I'm in the process of figuring out what I'm going to do and I'll figure that out by Monday. Right now, Glenn Robinson is not in the draft."

### NHL believes Bonk is no bunk

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — While other young players were preparing for the NHL through the conventional path of major junior hockey, Radek Bonk took another route.

His gamble in the International Hockey League paid off. Now, he is the likely top pick Tuesday in the NHL draft.

"He proved he could play at a higher level," David McNab, director of player personnel for the Anaheim Mighty Ducks, said of the 6-foot-3, 215-pound Bonk.

"He scored 42 goals in a professional league. If he had scored 42 goals in the (Ontario Hockey League), no one would think he was that great." Bonk, who played for the Czech National Team at the age of 13, joined the IHL at 17, in 1993, to become the then-youngest European to sign with a North American professional team.

Bonk defied conventional wisdom by signing with the Las Vegas Thunder.