

Santa Monica Daily Press

A newspaper with issues

Mysterious political mailers linked to anti-living wage faction

Group maintains they are not 'responsible' for fliers

BY ANDREW H. FIXMER
Daily Press Staff Writer

Deceptive mailers which may have swung Santa Monica's vote on the living wage have been linked to the measure's opponents, despite their prior denials of involvement.

State campaign disclosure forms list FAIR — Fighting Against Irresponsible Regulation — as the main source of funding for three, last-minute mass leaflet mailings which appear to have misled voters.

One controversial mailing, under the heading "Democratic Voters Ballot Guide For Santa Monica," listed "No on JJ" beside a checked box, beneath the Democratic candidates for governor and other state offices, Congress and city council. However, the Democratic Party said it endorsed JJ, the living wage ordinance, which was narrowly defeated Nov. 5.

The mailers were sent in the name of groups created shortly before the election by two well-known conservative and pro-life campaign strategists — James V. Lacy and William Lord-Butcher —based in Orange County.

FAIR is listed by the California Secretary of State as the only donor for three "slate mailers" in question that were sent to thousands of Santa Monica voters

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kill the living wage."**

— DANNY FEINGOLD
SMART spokesman

just days before the Nov. 5 election. Slate mailers are created by for-profit companies that sell space on the fliers to candidates and causes as an inexpensive way to reach potential voters. Some candidates pay for space, while others don't. The result can be deceptive, since the "No on JJ" movement paid for its listing while candidates appearing above it did not.

In this case the mailers — which featured numerous Democratic candidates and causes which didn't pay to appear there — were created days before the election and mostly paid by money from opponents of Santa Monica's proposed living wage law.

When the leaflets began appearing in mailboxes across the city, FAIR spokesman Seth Jacobsen said the group was nei-

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NYC studies cruise ships as option for housing homeless

BY ERIN MCCLAM
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK — Desperate for ways to combat a surge in homelessness as winter nears, New York City is looking into whether retired cruise ships could be converted into shelters.

The city's commissioner of homeless services and other officials flew to the Bahamas on the mayor's private jet Wednesday to inspect retired ships.

"They're looking at options that would provide safe and appropriate shelter to the homeless, just looking to see if this may present a viable option," said Jim

Anderson, spokesman for Commissioner Linda Gibbs.

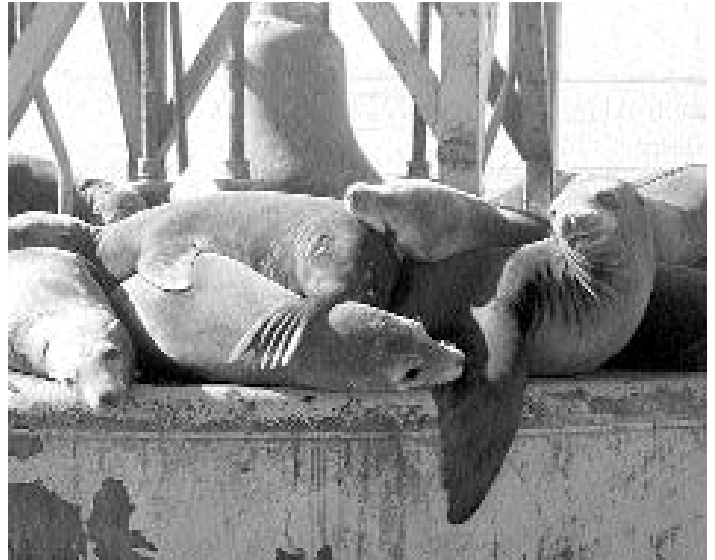
Last month, a record 37,100 homeless people were sleeping in city shelters each night, according to the Coalition for the Homeless, which compiles statistics for the city. The number was 21,000 as recently as 1998.

City officials stressed it is too early to speculate on how the cruise-ship idea might be applied in New York, what it would cost or how long it would take to implement.

Homeless advocates said the idea is out-

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Sea lion around



Carolyn Sackariason

Sea lions bask in the Santa Ana winds Wednesday on the Santa Monica Bell Buoy, just north of the Santa Monica Pier.

Local consultants fleece Mando's furniture shop

BY JOHN WOOD
Special to the Daily Press

If you hire a consultant to help incorporate your business, be careful whom you hire.

Gabby Romero of Mando's Furniture in Compton hired Jano and Robert Cunningham to get the business incorporated. Now, she claims the Cunninghams are scam artists.

In January, Romero paid I-CORP Solutions, the Cunninghams' Santa Monica-based business, to "help secure a business loan and become a corporation."

I-CORP assured the furniture retailer everything was in order and to send a fee of \$3,000. But several months later, Mando's was still unincorporated and I-CORP had stopped returning phone calls.

So Mando's took I-CORP to court Aug. 23 and won a \$3,000 judgment. When I-CORP still didn't pay up, the frustrated plaintiff sought a "judgment debtor examination," in which the defendants are forced to disclose their assets under oath.

Jano Cunningham told the court I-CORP had gone out of business and couldn't repay Mando's.

But Romero tells a different story. It ends with a husband who, failing to show up in court, was outside in the parking lot. It starts as a routine business arrangement.

"They said they were just waiting for the paperwork, that we had been accepted," said Romero. "But after we sent in the money, they told us we were not eligible for the loan because the owner was not a U.S. citizen."

Romero said she quickly realized she wasn't dealing with straight players. She demanded her cash be returned. But the Cunninghams told Romero it was Mando's fault the loan didn't go through, and refused to refund the fee.

Then they stopped returning calls.

So Romero took the enterprising couple to court and won a \$3,000 judgment. But, as is often the case, they found collecting it was another matter.

So last week they brought the Cunninghams to court for the "judgment debtor's examination" in search of their assets.

Jano Cunningham told the court I-CORP Solutions had gone out of busi-

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ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★★ What seemed like a puzzle never to be solved, suddenly becomes crystal clear in the next few days. Others have very different ways of looking at life than you. Good news comes your way if you are willing to be creative and spin with the moment. Tonight: Speak your mind.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★ Think in terms of opening up rather than closing down. The past few months might have been interesting, to say the least. Don't throw your cares away today, at least when it comes to your finances. Plan for an expenditure. Tonight: Happy at home.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★★ Work toward lightening up a situation, but don't count on a key controlling individual to back off his or her position just yet. Learn to not challenge this person, and you will discover that you'll get the results you've pinned for. Tonight: Ask, and you shall receive.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★ Slow down when dealing with a child, as well as friends. Your interests might be changing before you know it. Also, your perspective could massively transform because of events in the next few weeks. Decide what is important. Tonight: Use your sixth sense.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★★ Reach out for friends. Prepare to work as a group; you're the team leader. Together solutions come forward through hashing out a disagreement. Positive thinking hits a home run this week. You're unstoppable. Tonight: The action follows you.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★ Take charge right now. Consider your options that involve a boss or a community matter more carefully. Keep your eye on long-term objectives, and don't allow your personal life to interfere. Tonight: You know how to impress another.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★★ Make a leap of faith. Even if you think you have tripped over yourself, trust for the moment that you'll ultimately land on your feet. You will have reason to celebrate sooner rather than later. Aim high. Tonight: Go out of your way for a friend.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★ Deal with someone more directly. How you discuss a problem can make a big difference in its outcome. You could be uptight about a money matter. Trust a boss or authority figure to present the whole truth and nothing but the truth as he or she knows it! Tonight: Let someone else treat.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★★ Let someone suggest whatever he or she wants. You might opt to go in your own direction no matter what. Carefully think through a decision that involves a trip. Information you get might not be exactly right-on. Tonight: Opt for something totally different.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★★ You experience changes in the most unanticipated manner. A work-related matter might unduly pressure you. You cannot come to a conclusion that works in your mind. Don't hem and haw. Tonight: Let a loved one convince you of his or her plans.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★★ What you enjoy and even laugh at could drive a friend up the wall. Be indulgent of this person. Understand more of what he or she needs. Together you can and will create a happier situation, be it personal or professional. Tonight: Go along with a friend's suggestion.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★ You're in a pressure cooker, as others make demands left and right. You could feel as if you need to stop running on this treadmill. Get off and detach. Life looks a lot different from the other side. Tonight: Head home. It's your time now.

QUOTE of the DAY

"I could now afford all things I never had as a kid, if I didn't have kids."

— Robert Orben

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LOCAL



Courtesy of St. Joseph Center
St. Joseph Center unveils its plan for a renovated facility, above, to the community last week.

St. Joseph Center unveils plans to the community

By Daily Press staff

Close to 100 interested Venice community supporters, homeowners and business leaders were present on Nov. 12 at St. Joseph Center to learn about, and discuss, the center's plans to rebuild its outdated and cramped facility at 204 Hampton Dr.

Those who attended were supportive of the project, which will provide greater space for food storage, clothing donations and group meetings for children and families. One homeowner observed that the new building and extended social services

will improve the quality of life in the community.

"We want to work with Venice residents to develop a new building that serves community needs for everyone and that we can all be proud of," said SJC Executive Director Rhonda Meister.

St. Joseph Center provides human services on seven sites in West L.A., Santa Monica and Venice, and its programs empower more than 900 families each year toward self-sufficiency with child care, tutoring, parenting programs and services for seniors and veterans.

Less than one second decides 'adventure' champ

By Daily Press staff

With two teams sprinting towards the finish line at the end of the 79-mile course, it was uncertain who would win the Balance Bar 24-hour Adventure race in Santa Monica Sunday. Teams Earthlink and SoBe were neck and neck, but Jason Middleton of Earthlink made a dive for the blue finish banner and won the championship for his team. SoBe's Mike Kloser was only one one-hundredth of a second behind him.

Santa Monica was the final stop of the 2002 Balance Bar 24-hour Adventure series, which is a physical and mental endurance test that involves kayaking, mountain biking and trail running. Other contests took place in Phoenix, Portland, Boston and New York. The Outdoor Life Network will broadcast the Santa Monica race on Dec. 18, and the total purse for the winners is \$110,000. For more information, visit the Web site at www.BalanceBar24hour.com.

surf report

Information compiled by Jesse Haley

Surf should remain small today thanks to a diminishing northwest swell. Size will actually increase in northern California, but unfortunately the new, 300-degree northwest is too steep for L.A.

Our local breaks will keep seeing knee- to waist-high surf on average. Better locations will be west facing spots like El Porto and P.V.

South Bay will enjoy inconsistent chest-high sets.

Thursday, conditions continue as we ride out the tail end of the last swell. Expect surf in the one- to three-foot range, mostly.

Friday forecasts are calling for new northwest swell; still a steep angle, but this one may show better in SoCal than the last.



Today's Tides:

Low-	2:22 a.m.	1.93'
High-	8:30 a.m.	5.77'
Low-	3:47 p.m.	-0.23'
High-	10:02 p.m.	3.60'

Location	Thursday	Friday	Water Quality
County Line	2-3'/Fair	2-3'/Fair	A
Zuma	2-3'/Fair	2-3'/Fair	A
Surfrider	1-2'/Poor	1-2'/Fair	B
Topanga	1-2'/Fair	1-2'/Fair	B
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But there has been talk that the district may put another measure before the voters during a special election in March, and teacher layoffs, student bus fee hikes and classroom size increases, among

other things, may be avoided.

So Q-line wants to know:

"Should the voters bail out the school district and ensure the public education system won't suffer? Or should the school board find a way to tighten their belts during these lean economic times just like everyone?"

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LETTERS

More balance on landmarks

Editor:

People generally believe that what they read in a newspaper is factual and fairly presented. That it balances both side of an issue. I am concerned when it comes to the controversial issue in our city about historic preservation and the related proposed ballot initiative that balance is lacking at the Santa Monica Daily Press.

Your paper and initiative supporters continue to portray the historic preservation laws that we have on the books in Santa Monica as tools of city officials. For example, your article in Thursday's paper on the initiative mentions that "the city can bestow their residences with preservation status ..." as if city officials possess some type of magic wand. Maybe it would be informative to your readers if you would point out that the preservation ordinance we have on the books today came about in the 1970s when citizens rose up against the city council when it tried to tear down the Santa Monica Pier. This ordinance exists because the people wanted to preserve the city's great, older structures. It was crafted to benefit the citizens of Santa Monica, by the citizens and not for the benefit of a city bureaucracy.

So what has changed since the 1970s that makes the situation different today? Well, it seems the biggest change has been the value of real estate. The principles behind the ordinance have not changed, just the stakes.

You state in your recent article and another earlier one that the controversy arose from an inventory that the city and its consultants produced. Once again, not accurate. This controversy started when residents on 18th Street approached the Landmarks Commission because they were concerned about all the demolitions of old homes on their street and they wanted to know if there was something they could do about it. The Landmarks Commission realizing that the historic resources inventory from that neighborhood was dated, waited for an update. One that was being completed so they could properly evaluate the situation. While a potential historic district was considered, demolition permits on the block were not granted.

The historic resources inventory you refer to does not recommend landmarks. People do. The inventory is simply a tool for the citizens and the Landmarks Commission to evaluate what is out there much as your grocery list tells you what you have to buy at the market. The landmarking ordinance and its procedures are not mysterious, as many have inferred. It is a rational process, with standards and extensive public input. Could the ordinance be improved? Sure, but not by gutting the protec-

tions that exist in the ordinance.

Last, I find it interesting that other than council members, the only people quoted in your article were supporters of the initiative. There were no quotes from the majority of the speakers at the council meeting who, by the way, were from opponents of the initiative. I myself was interviewed at some length for your article and spoke that night before the council but was never quoted.

As this matter proceeds forward in a public process, I hope this paper can rediscover a balance in its journalism that will justify the trust of the citizens of this city.

Tom Cleys

President

Santa Monica Conservancy

Congratulations on inheriting slate politics

Editor:

While this reader is being grateful for your insightful coverage over the past year, I truly hope that you are giving thanks for the greatest gift any local editor could ever receive: Santa Monicans for Renters Rights.

Let's face it, they and their cohorts at the HERE union sure make your job easier and the paper eminently more readable. Pathos, drama, conspiracy, messianic vision, high and low comedy — SMRR has it all but effective local government.

The one constant in their activities is a propensity for more whining and crying than you could hear in a first day of kindergarten school yard! Hijacked conventions, secret mailings and incessant mewling because their own carefully orchestrated, pre-ordained results somehow went astray sure make for entertaining reading.

It's just too bad that their lust for total domination of local thought precludes devotion of full attention to actually solving the problems of local government. Still, they do keep you busy, so I guess that's something. Anyway, congratulations on your anniversary, and keep the editorial light shining. It's for certain that we could never expect unbiased information from the local powers that be.

Bob Abernethy

Santa Monica

Small steps of common sense, good will make true progress



TITTINGER'S TAKE

By Michael J. Tittinger

So moved by Pope John Paul II's speech touting family values to the Italian parliament last week, a fugitive Mafia boss, convicted in absentia, turned himself in to authorities. Benedetto Marcianite's surrender came shortly after the pontiff's historic appearance, where the 82-year-old Pole was interrupted by chants of "Viva il papa!"

Marcianite's attorney said the felon was inspired. He now faces a 30-year jail sentence on charges of homicide and Mafia association, proving it is never too late to put your best foot forward, that honor can be cast aside or earned anew each morning.

In the end, Marcianite was compelled to do the right thing. An extreme example to be sure, but we all face challenges each day in our efforts to do the right thing, adhere to our consciences. Hopefully, at the end of the day when we put head to pillow, we can live with the choices we made, that the majority were not just self-serving, but also to those around us.

Laws, in essence, are in place to try and ensure that we do the right thing, at least the "right thing" by society's standards. They are a consensus — provisions enacted to prohibit what the masses decide are

immoral, unethical and harmful acts. They are, in reality, a safeguard necessitated by a lack of trust in one another's constitution.

They are also absolutely necessary ... today.

But maybe not forever.

Possibly, we are just meant to come full circle eventually, and return to an age of lawlessness, not anarchical chaos, but an epoch whereby laws are no longer necessitated by individuals' shortsightedness, selfish choices and poor decisions. Maybe, just maybe, we are destined to realize a world replete with love and trust and tolerance ... someday.

We need the ability to see beyond governments and laws and statutes for answers.

It's hard to envision a world like that in today's tumultuous world, with news of terrorism, weapons of mass destruction and ethnic cleansing splattered across the front pages. It may appear we are headed for a world quite the opposite. I choose not to believe that, noting small steps in the right direction around us each day. And while these steps are just a blip in the grand scheme of the world — a veritable drop in the ocean — we are heading there.

Achingly small step by achingly small step.

It begins with putting trust back into the individual, relying on each person's sense of goodwill and conscience. It begins with peeling away the laws and the restrictions that are no longer necessary due to growth as a society, progress of the person. At some point in time we need to

bank on the citizen's ability to choose the right thing. With the impetus placed back squarely on the individual, hopefully the compulsion to choose wisely is all the more imperative.

Let's take affirmative action, the nation's most ambitious undertaking to redress the hundreds of years of racial and gender discrimination. A phrase first used by President John F. Kennedy in 1961, the subsequent government program called for women and minorities to be given special consideration in matters of employment and education.

Aggressive opposition leaders call for a wide-scale end to the practice, arguing the struggle to gain equal rights for all has been fought and won. Supporters counter the playing field is not yet level.

I supported the decisions by several universities to revoke the practice some years ago, and the state of California's brave approval of Proposition 209 in 1996, effectively banning the use of racial or gender preferences in the scholastic and business world. Not because I was a member of the so-called "angry white men," crying foul that we were the ones being discriminated against. For I grew up in a world routinely implementing affirmative action and was eager to experience a new reality wherein people were judged solely on their abilities and character. A world similar to the one dreamt by Martin Luther King Jr.

Few things irk me the way needless legislation has a tendency to do. The more laws we enact, the less freedoms we

enjoy. The less freedoms will we have, the less need to use our own judgment. Politicians and supporters who propose more and more laws are, in a sense, expressing less and less faith in us.

Take the legislation geared towards banning smoking in Santa Monica's public parks. Common sense for most of us would dictate that we should butt out when it comes to smoking near a children's playground. Do we really need legislation forcing us to back up 15 paces? Or the proposed red light cameras summarily shelved by Santa Monica's city council. Is it just to remove all human contact from enforcing the subjective laws we created in the first place?

City council last week instructed its staff to study an initiative that would serve to make the preservation of historic homes a voluntary undertaking. Bravo. Homeowners for Voluntary Preservation has garnered more than 9,000 signatures in favor of the proposal giving homeowners final say as to whether their home — signed and paid for — is designated with preservation status, which often bars them from making any significant renovations.

Imagine ... voluntary compliance in this day and age. It's easy if you try.

Everyone has to do their part if we are going to make it to that next level, and it may as well be sooner than later. Achingly small step by achingly small step, yet still a step forward ... a step in the right direction.

Mike Tittinger lives in Santa Monica and is a regular columnist.

LOCAL

Critics say 'No on JJ' mailer influenced voters

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ther "responsible" for them nor "affiliated" with the groups that sent them.

And FAIR officials still maintain they didn't create or sponsor the groups that sent the mailers to residents.

"It's a separate company," said local land use attorney Tom Larmore, who is on FAIR's steering committee. "We didn't send them out. We paid to be on them, just like other people did."

It appears there were no donors other than FAIR that contributed over \$1,000. Donations of less than \$1,000 aren't required to be reported under state law until Jan. 1.

FAIR paid \$14,000 to appear on the Pro-Choice Voters Guide, \$13,000 for its placement on the Quality Schools Coalition and \$12,000 for the Democratic Voters Ballot Guide. Each appeared to suggest that Democrats, or proponents of quality schools and women's rights to choose, should oppose the living wage proposal because each of those groups did. One mailer contained the statement, "Santa Monica's Pro-Choice Leaders Agree: No on JJ." The "Pro-Choice Ballot Guide" was created Oct. 28, about a week before the election. And the "Quality Schools Coalition," which apparently opposed JJ, was created only three days earlier.

It costs approximately \$17,000 to \$20,000 to send a plain mailer to every registered voter in Santa Monica. Based on that, some political observers say the amounts paid by FAIR could reasonably send each flier to targeted groups of roughly 30,000 voters — for example, Democrats, or those who favor quality schools and women's choice.

Last year, the Santa Monica City Council adopted the "living wage" ordinance that would have required businesses near the coast with annual revenues in excess of \$5 million to pay their workers a minimum wage between \$10.50 and \$12.25 an hour, depending on whether workers also received benefits. But before it took effect, local business interests won the right to put the measure to a citywide vote.

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A 'No on JJ' mailer sent to Santa Monica voters.

fought through mailed leaflets and editorial pages, the ordinance was narrowly defeated 13,930 to 12,990 — a margin of 940 votes, or 51.7 to 48.3 percent.

The campaign supporting passage of the living wage ordinance — Santa Monicans Allied for Responsible Tourism, or SMART — attributes its narrow loss to the mailers. Shortly before the election, on Oct. 25, a SMART poll showed likely Santa Monica voters favored the measure by a 19 percent margin.

"This was an effort by very corporate and conservative causes to kill the living wage," said SMART spokesman Danny Feingold. "We believe it's critical people know the facts about how they were deceived."

State law requires slate mailers identify those candidates and causes which pay to appear on the flier with an asterisk. The law also requires a prominent disclosure noting that causes and candidates appearing on the mailer are not representative of any political party or candidate endorsement. In this case, the disclosures appear in small print at the bottom of the mailers. The disclosure notes that, for example, the mailer doesn't "imply" the Democratic Party endorsed a no vote on JJ. But the mailer, by listing a slate of candidates and naming the political group to which they belong, appears to do exactly that.

The mailers note that someone also paid to back Measure EE, a \$300 parcel tax to benefit the school

district. Measure EE campaign manager Denny Zane said his group didn't pay to appear on the mailers in question, though they did pay to appear on other slate mailers.

FAIR campaign officials say they didn't pay for Measure EE to appear on the mailer, though under state law it appears it would have been legal for FAIR to pay for both causes' appearance.

The firm hired to create the slate mailer told FAIR officials other candidates and causes had paid to appear on the flier, though it was never asked who else would appear.

"We get solicitations to be on slate mailers all the time, and I can't be expected to remember the circumstances of each one," said Lee Stitzenberger, president of the Westwood-based Dolphin Group, the campaign consultants in charge of FAIR's campaign to defeat the living wage ordinance. "But I would be surprised if we were the only donors."

The Dolphin Group — known nationally for producing the Willie Horton ads for President George H.W. Bush — was paid more than \$24,000 in October alone for its work on FAIR's million-dollar campaign.

The first piece to appear was from "The Quality Schools Coalition," which urges voters to approve education bonds under state Proposition 47, Proposition 49 and vote yes on Measure EE. The

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Groups were created less than a week before election

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last line reads, "Vote no on Reduced Funding for Schools and Youth Programs: Vote No on Measure JJ."

The second was from the "Pro-Choice Voter's Committee," which advocates a Democratic state-wide ticket, yes on the local school parcel tax and no on the living wage ordinance. The flier states voting no on Measure JJ would "... stop discrimination and protect vital city services including women's health services."

The last of the three fliers was the "Democratic Voters Ballot Guide," which favors a straight Democratic ticket, a yes on the school parcel tax and no on the living wage. The flier states that Measure JJ would "eliminate jobs for our young people, eliminate jobs for our poorest people (and) eliminate health and other social services for women."

Supporters of the measure say the mailers are clearly deceptive because the state Democratic Party and several local and state educators endorsed Santa Monica's proposed living wage ordinance, which had nothing to do with education, youth or women's services.

The tactics used in the mailers are completely legal under state law, according to political observers.

When the "Democratic Ballot Guide" piece hit mailboxes on the afternoon before polls opened, the state chair of the Democratic Party, Art Torres, and Santa Monica's Congressman, Harry Waxman, issued statements denouncing the flier and reiterating their support for the proposed living wage ordinance.

As it turned out, if voters began evenly divided about the measure, the mailers needed to sway only 1.7 percent of them — 471 out of 26,920 voters in Santa Monica's 66 polling precincts — to defeat JJ.

Some argue having Measure EE appear on the mailer as a paid participant helped the

"No on JJ" campaign's legitimacy on the fliers and may have helped persuade voters to vote against the living wage ordinance.

"Obviously they are using EE to add legitimacy to No on JJ," said election law attorney Fred Woocher. "Putting the asterisk on there may make some people think those that support EE oppose JJ as well."

"It's the height of hypocrisy and it's misleading, but it's the First Amendment."

— **FRED WOCHER**
 Election law attorney

The mailers were sent from groups that were officially created less than a week before the election — the Quality Schools Coalition was formed on Oct. 25, while the Pro-Choice Ballot Guide and the Democratic Voters Ballot Guide were created on Oct. 28, according to the documents.

Lacy and Lord-Butcher — who created the apparent dummy committees backing Democrats, pro-choicers and quality schools — weren't available for comment Wednesday. Lord-Butcher is credited as being the "father of the slate mailer," and Lacy worked in Ronald Reagan's administration. Both are considered tops in their field.

It's not unusual for conservatives, such as Lacy and Lord-Butcher, or liberals to send out slate mailers advertising their opponents' candidates and causes alongside their own measures, political experts said.

"It's the height of hypocrisy and it's misleading, but it's the First Amendment," Woocher said. "It's sort of caveat emptor — voters have to beware."

Plaintiff waits in parking lot

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ness and had no assets. But Romero didn't buy it.

"When we were going to exchange information about her assets, she started giving us the sob story about how they'd gone out of business, how they didn't have any assets and how Robert (Cunningham) had been in and out of the hospital with a kidney problem," said Romero. "I didn't believe it."

Romero said she had been to I-CORP's place of business and even spoken to a receptionist that assured her I-CORP was still up and running. But Commissioner Donna Groman, the judge in the case, said that because Cunningham had sworn under oath that she had no assets, there was little else the court could do.

Romero then asked why Robert Cunningham, who was also subpoenaed for the hearing, had not appeared.

After Cunningham explained that her husband was "very, very sick," Commissioner Groman noticed a disturbing pattern. Apparently, Cunningham had missed a previous hearing for the same reason.

So the commissioner rescheduled the debtor's examination for Dec. 3, and told Cunningham that a bench warrant would be issued for her husband's arrest if he

didn't show up.

It gets more interesting.

On her way out of court, Romero said she ran into Robert Cunningham, waiting for his wife in the parking lot.

"He was out there," she said. "I wanted to go back to tell the judge, but I knew he'd be gone" by the time any action could be taken.

Romero is now looking for ways to prove the Cunninghams aren't penniless before the Dec. 3 hearing. And she's hoping that other people won't fall for what she believes to be a blatant business scam.

Robert Cunningham returned a phone call shortly before this newspaper went to press. He said Mando's hired him to put together a business plan, but later decided not to pay him for his services.

"The deal fell apart because the (owner of Mando's) didn't have the right documentation," said Cunningham.

Cunningham, who said I-CORP is "dead, folded, over," said he might be willing to return some of Mando's fee, but not all of it. He did not know if his wife had filed an appeal to the August ruling and said he was not aware he was expected in court.

"I've never had to deal with this before," said Cunningham. "I thought my wife could take care of it."

STATE



Film agency president will remain despite investigation

By The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — The head of a film agency trying to lure movie and television productions to Southern California said he will not step down as president despite an ongoing criminal investigation into possible misuse of agency funds.

Cody Cluff, president of the Entertainment Industry Development Corp., told the organization's board in a letter that he has done nothing wrong and that leaving now would be "destabilizing, unfounded and rash."

"I am an entrepreneur at heart and I hope to have many successful ventures in my future," Cluff wrote in the letter dated Friday. "However, I would be negligent in abandoning EIDC at this time."

Cluff is under investigation by the Los Angeles County District Attorney's office, which is trying to determine whether Cluff misused funds through lavish expenditures and political donations to

elected officials.

Cluff said he plans to remain in his post throughout a management review and audit ordered by the EIDC's executive committee. However, he did say that he does not plan to spend the rest of his career at the agency.

Last week, three elected officials on the agency's board, including Mayor James Hahn, called for Cluff to take a leave of absence.

The agency was set up in 1995 by the city and county as an experiment in privatizing public services, in this case the processing of permits for location filming, which previously had been handled by government.

Cluff said in his letter that agency bylaws prevent the executive committee, scheduled to meet Friday, from firing him. He cited provisions that he said require the full EIDC board of directors to meet twice before the president can be dismissed.

Theatrical union reaches agreement with producers

By The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — The union representing workers who provide behind-the-scenes labor in Hollywood productions reached a new agreement with producers eight months before the current contract expires.

The agreement between producers and the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees was reached during the weekend, however details were withheld pending a ratification vote by members in about a month.

Successful negotiations with the Alliance of Motion Picture and Television Producers concluded well in advance of the current contract's expiration date of July 31, 2003, IATSE said in a statement Monday.

Union President Tom Short, citing rising costs of health care and the fluctuating stock market, said much of the negotiations focused on benefits.

Short said he believed the union was able to maintain the health care benefits to which its members are accustomed, and as for retirement benefits, "we believe we have reached an agreement which will

secure their future."

AMPTP President Nick Counter said the early conclusion of negotiations will allow producers to plan production for next year and keep it going without a work stoppage.

The results of IATSE and studio negotiations were in sharp contrast to last year's potential strike by writers and actors. The threat led to a yearlong industry slowdown as studios stockpiled productions to carry them through a possible strike, then postponed projects until the surplus had been aired.

The three-year agreement covers about 30,000 IATSE jobs, including cinematographers, costume designers, set designers, art directors, production designers, grips and lighting technicians.

The new contract provides upgrades in pension amounts and medical benefits — key issues among union members.

It also includes additional, unspecified labor incentives for producers who shoot in Los Angeles, a provision aimed at reducing so-called runaway production to cheaper locales such as Canada and Australia.

Maria Shriver gets restraining order against alleged stalker

By The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Television journalist Maria Shriver has obtained a restraining order against a man she claims is stalking her, a television show reported.

The 47-year-old wife of actor Arnold Schwarzenegger who files reports for NBC's Dateline filed the request July 23 for a restraining order against Bruce Fiorani, Celebrity Justice reported.

Shriver said she began receiving phone calls from Fiorani more than a year ago, initially saying that he attended high school with her, the TV show reported.

She became concerned about Fiorani

after he left her a phone message saying that he had just returned from the Kennedy compound in Hyannis, Mass., where he was looking for her and her family. Fiorani allegedly told Shriver that he was coming to Los Angeles to find her.

Shriver is a niece of Democratic former President John F. Kennedy.

Shriver said the man has tried to get inside NBC Studios in Burbank to see her, claiming to be her ex-husband.

"I have never met Mr. Fiorani and I have certainly never been married to him," Shriver said in court documents, adding that she fears for her safety.

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Young Americans flunk geography, according to survey

BY PAUL RECER
AP Science Writer

WASHINGTON — One in 10 young Americans could not locate his own country on a blank map of the world, a survey of geographic literacy shows. Only 13 percent could find Iraq.

"Someone once said that war is God's way of teaching geography, but apparently today neither war nor the threat of war can adequately teach geography," John Fahey, president of the National Geographic Society, said Wednesday.

The organization's survey found that about one in seven of Americans between age 18 and 24, the prime age for military service, could place Iraq. President Bush has said he is prepared to use force to rid Iraq of any weapons of mass destruction.

The majority of young people surveyed knew that the Taliban and al-Qaida were based in Afghanistan, but only 17 percent could find that country on a world map, though American-led forces have waged war there.

When more than 300 young Americans in the survey were shown a blank world map and asked to indicate the location of the United States, only 89 percent could do so.

Only 25 percent could select the correct population figures for the United States from a multiple choice list.

The international survey of young people in the United States and eight other countries — Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Mexico, Sweden and Britain — asked 56 questions about geography

and current events; there was only slight improvement in the score when compared with a 1988 survey.

The Americans got a "D" grade this year, with an average of 23 correct answers. Mexico was last with an average score of 21, three points from a failing grade.

Sweden's 40 average led the way, followed by Germany and Italy, each with 38. None of the countries got an "A," which required average scores of 42 correct answers or better on the 56 questions.

Robert A. Pastor, vice president of international affairs at American University in Washington, said the survey was "a good test about young people's knowledge of the world" and offered a snapshot of geographic knowledge "that we should take very seriously."

Fahey said the results indicated a larger problem — which may take a generation to correct — than the simple lack of geographic knowledge. He referred to "the apparent retreat of young people from a global society in an era that doesn't allow such luxury."

"This generation is highly skilled at what they want to block out and what they want to know," Fahey said. "Unfortunately, the things that they block out seems to include knowledge of the world that we all live in."

National Geographic is convening an international panel of policy-makers and business and media leaders to find ways to improve geographic education and to encourage interest in world affairs, the society said.

Other findings from the survey:

— 34 percent of the young Americans knew that the island used on last season's "Survivor" show was located in the South Pacific, but only 30 percent could locate the state of New Jersey on a map. The "Survivor" show's location was the Marquesas Islands in the eastern South Pacific.

■ When asked to find 10 specific states on a map of the United States, only California and Texas could be located by a large majority of those surveyed. Both states were correctly located by 89 percent of the participants. Only 51 percent could find New York, the third most populous state.

■ On a world map, Americans could

find on average only seven of 16 countries in the quiz. Swedes could find an average of 13 of the 16 countries.

■ Only 71 percent of the surveyed Americans could locate the Pacific Ocean, the world's largest body of water. Worldwide, three in 10 of those surveyed could not correctly locate the Pacific Ocean.

■ Although 81 percent of the surveyed Americans knew that the Middle East is the Earth's largest oil exporter, only 24 percent could find Saudi Arabia on the map.

Results from the survey are based on face-to-face interviews with at least 300 men and women. The questionnaires were in the local language, but the content was universally the same.

Ex-jail considered as shelter

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landish and unnecessary. They want the mayor to promote cheap, permanent housing.

"Studies have shown the way forward is clear — the provision of affordable, supportive housing," said Ann Duggan, a policy analyst for the Coalition for the Homeless. "It is simply that easy."

The city has explored a number of options.

This summer a judge blocked Mayor Michael Bloomberg's plan to use a former Bronx jail as a shelter. The city, bound by law to provide shelter for its homeless, has also considered converting empty convents and community centers.

So far this year, the city has contracted with social service providers to set up 18 new shelters in failing hotels, in many cases angering neighbors who were unaware of the plans. In all, the city now has about 125 family shelters.

The number of homeless families seeking shelter in New York City was 8,925 in October, up from 7,916 in June. A family's average length of stay in a shelter also has climbed, to 11 months, up from five months in the mid-1990s.

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Bush visits Prague



Susan Walsh/Associated Press

As NATO leaders gather for summit talks on terrorism in Prague, President Bush attends the Prague Atlantic Student Summit in Prague, Czech Republic, Wednesday. Admitting seven more ex-communist nations and readying NATO forces for rapid-reaction missions worldwide will make the alliance a credible force in the fight against terrorism, Bush said Wednesday.

More work needed to stop terrorists' money supply

BY JEANNINE AVERSA
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — A U.S.-led campaign to stop the money supply to terrorists has made progress, but keeping up with the increasingly risky financing schemes will require more training and work with other countries, a top Treasury Department official said Wednesday.

Roughly \$113 million in assets belonging to al-Qaida and its associates have been frozen worldwide since the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.

"We have made substantial progress since Sept. 11 ... but realize that much work remains to be done," Jimmy Gurule, Treasury's undersecretary for enforcement, told the Senate Judiciary Committee.

As terrorist financiers are forced out of the traditional banking system, they are turning to riskier ways to move money, he said, including smuggling cash and cigarettes; trafficking of diamonds, gold and drugs; and siphoning money from charitable donations.

"We recognize the dynamic nature of terrorist financing and the need to maintain a comprehensive and flexible long-term strategy to combat this threat," Gurule said.

U.S. officials have developed an international training program to help foreign customs and law enforcement officials detect methods used by terrorist financiers to move money or other financial assets. The program was first offered in the United Arab Emirates in October. Programs are planned for Qatar, Kuwait, Pakistan and India, Gurule said.

Since September 2001, the U.S. Customs Service has made 650 seizures of bulk cash totaling \$21 million, including \$12.9 million with a Middle East connection — more than a twofold increase of bulk cash seized with a Middle East connection when compared with the year preceding Sept. 11, 2001, Gurule said.

The Treasury Department began a training program last September to help investigators, regulators, prosecutors and others stay on top of the latest terrorist financing schemes. Regional seminars in key locations in the United States are planned, with the first one slated next month in Los Angeles, Gurule said.

He said that a sweeping law enacted last year to crack down on money laundering and terrorism has given the government crucial tools to track down people and groups that provide financial support to terrorist organizations.

Frats attend party in blackface

By The Associated Press

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va. — Two predominantly white fraternities at the University of Virginia were suspended by their national organizations after students showed up at a Halloween frat party in blackface.

According to news reports, fraternity members were dressed as tennis stars Venus and Serena Williams.

Photographs taken at the Oct. 31 party had circulated on the Internet.

National leaders of Zeta Psi and Kappa Alpha said Wednesday that they are investigating. The student-run Inter-Fraternity Council at the college also suspended the fraternities and is investigating.

"Obviously, I am disappointed in the choice of a few of our students to display imagery or portray individuals in a way that is very offensive and painful to other students," said Aaron Laushway, assistant dean of students for fraternity and sorority life.

The presidents of the two fraternity chapters could not immediately be located for comment Wednesday.

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Oil, gas imports will grow, says Energy Department

BY H. JOSEF HEBERT

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — Oil imports will continue to grow in the next decade with two of every three barrels coming from overseas by 2025, the Energy Department predicted Wednesday.

The long-term outlook, generated by the department's Energy Information Administration, said that net imports of oil and oil products will reach 68 percent of U.S. consumption by 2025, an increase from just over 55 percent today.

America also will rely much more on foreign refineries to meet demand for gasoline, heating oil and jet fuel because of a shortage of refineries in this country, the report said. By 2025, refined products are expected to account for 34 percent of

petroleum imports, more than twice the share today.

The report also said the country's reliance on foreign sources of natural gas is expected to increase significantly, although some of that will depend on an expansion of pipelines from Canada and on construction of new terminals for imports of liquefied natural gas.

If those improvements are made, net natural gas imports are projected to double, accounting for 22 percent of expected demand by 2025. Imports will jump from 3.6 trillion cubic feet to 7.8 trillion cubic feet.

The Bush administration and many congressional Republicans have often cited the growing reliance on petroleum imports as a reason to open more federal lands to oil and gas exploration, including drilling for oil in the Arctic National

Wildlife Refuge.

But environmentalists argue that even if the Alaska refuge and other protected lands are developed, it will not dramatically reduce the country's reliance on imports unless the government pursues new measures to dampen oil consumption such as requiring more fuel efficient cars and trucks.

The EIA's long-term forecast also projected that:

■ Average oil prices will reach \$48 a barrel by 2025, about double the current price. But that will be equivalent to about \$26 in today's dollars, taking into account normal inflation.

■ Average electricity prices will decline slightly over the next five years because of excess capacity and then grad-

ually increase.

■ Natural gas prices will increase steadily from current levels of less than \$3 a thousand cubic feet to just over \$7 a thousand cubic feet by 2025.

■ Coal will remain the primary fuel for electric power plants although natural gas will take a larger share than now.

■ The amount of electricity generated by nuclear power will increase slightly and then level off at current levels as most producers keep reactors running under extended operating licenses.

■ Electricity generation from renewable sources, such as solar and wind, will increase about 2 percent a year. Faster growth is expected to be held back because the cost of power from coal and gas will remain relatively low, the report predicts.

Jackson faces furor after dangling son from window

BY GEIR MOULSON

Associated Press Writer

BERLIN — Media scolded Michael Jackson on Wednesday for endangering his young son by dangling him over a fourth-floor balcony railing at a Berlin hotel, with outraged British tabloids demanding an investigation of the star.

After video images of the squirming baby in a blue jumper shocked viewers in Europe and the United States, the reclusive pop legend issued a statement saying he made a "terrible mistake" by holding Prince Michael II aloft from a window 60 feet off the ground.

The boy's face was draped with a white cloth, which German newspapers reported was a precaution to protect his children from being kidnapped.

"I got caught up in the excitement of the moment," Jackson's statement said. "I would never intentionally endanger the lives of my children."

British tabloids were especially critical of Jackson. The Sun called him "You lunatic" and the Daily Mirror, "Mad bad dad." In New York, the Daily News front page called "Wacko!" while the New York Post proclaimed "Jacko goes over the edge."

"The Berlin police should arrest this negligent father

for reckless endangerment of his own child," the Mirror's show business editor, Kevin O'Sullivan, wrote.

Berlin prosecutors said they were not investigating the incident, although an inquiry could be opened if any complaint were filed against Jackson.

Jackson had plenty of supporters and appeared unfazed by the trans-Atlantic flap as he toured Berlin on Wednesday, taking two of his children, their faces covered with burgundy-colored scarves, to see gorillas at the Berlin Zoo.

At one point on the zoo tour, Jackson, protected by bodyguards, shielded his two children from photographers with a large, black umbrella.

He even dared to appear again at the same balcony window — this time with two smiling German children waving next to him. Young Prince Michael II, however, was nowhere to be seen.

Little is known about Jackson's youngest son, but People Magazine reported in August that he was six months old and that he had not been adopted; however, no mother was identified.

The singer's 5-year-old son Prince Michael and 4-year-old daughter Paris were born during his marriage to Debbie Rowe, which ended in 1999.

While fans and friends alike said they could not imag-

ine ever holding a child over a railing from such a height, they seemed to agree Jackson meant no harm.

"He probably did it because he was overwhelmed emotionally by the fans," spoon-bending psychic and Jackson friend Uri Geller said in London. "I think it was a silly thing to do."

Jackson came to Berlin to receive a Bambi entertainment lifetime achievement award Thursday, taking a break from California hearing on a lawsuit seeking damages for canceling two concerts. Later Wednesday, he planned attend a celebrity benefit for homeless children where he was to auction off a silver studded jacket he wore at the American Music Awards and a hat he wore in the "Smooth Criminal" video, organizers said.

Despite the furor over his parenting skills, Jackson's appearance in Berlin has added a hint of glamour to the gloomy pre-winter, with radio and newspapers reporting Jackson sightings — eclipsing parallel visits by Pierce Brosnan and Halle Berry to promote the new James Bond film and Robbie Williams to launch his latest record.

After arriving Tuesday night, Jackson was photographed buying a video copy of the movie E.T., and devoted young fans have kept vigil below his hotel room window.

"It was rather bizarre, what he did," said Joerg Diestel, 17, from Berlin. "But Michael's a bizarre person."

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INTERNATIONAL



Spain seeks to ease fears of environmental disaster

BY MAR ROMAN
Associated Press Writer

CAION, Spain — Winds reaching 60 mph and high waves hindered shoreline cleanup and seafood farmers scrambled to salvage the cockle, mussel and clam harvest Wednesday, a day after the tanker Prestige and its cargo of fuel oil sank off Spain.

Yet the high winds, which pushed waves to 26 feet, helped break up a large oil slick off Portugal as Spanish authorities worried the storm was shoving a second fuel oil slick closer to the coast.

Seeking to ease fears of an Exxon Valdez-style catastrophe, Spain's Interior Ministry said no fuel had spilled since the single-hulled vessel broke apart and sank about 150 miles off the Spanish coast Tuesday, six days after it ruptured in a storm. Officials said they hoped the oil would solidify two miles down in frigid water, limiting damage in the short-term.

The Prestige has spilled about 1.6 million of its 20-million-gallon load of heavy fuel oil, a total twice the size of the Exxon Valdez crude-oil spill off Alaska in 1989.

Spain said Wednesday it had spotted four oil slicks, including one 10 miles long and 3 miles wide, near the wreckage about



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Spanish navy personnel unload buckets of oil-soaked sand into a container in Baranan, northern Spain, Wednesday.

150 miles off the Galician coast.

Two smaller slicks are about 40 miles west of Cape Finisterre, and a third is just off the coast at the Muros inlet, Spanish officials said. Portugal said a large slick it was monitoring Tuesday apparently dispersed in rough seas.

Spanish Environment Minister Jaume Matas said oil has contaminated nearly 180 miles of Galicia's scenic coastline and rich fishing waters. During a visit to a soiled beach near the fishing port of Caion, he estimated economic losses at \$42

million so far, and said the cleanup could take six months.

"We have to wait and be prudent because we still don't know whether we have passed the threshold of this crisis," Matas said.

Crews with shovels and buckets worked in strong wind and heavy rain to scoop up sludge along Galicia's craggy coast. The government said more than 250 tons of fuel oil had been recovered so far, half on land and half at sea by skimmer boats.

Rough seas kept two of the vessels — sent from France and Holland — out of the mission Wednesday, the interior ministry said.

In some coastal areas not yet hit by the fuel oil, seafood farmers rushed to harvest mussels, clams and cockles ahead of schedule. Spain's fishing industry is worth \$330 million a year.

In the inlet of Ria de Arosa, described as one of the world's top mussel grounds, harvesters pulled up ropes on which clusters of black mussels grow, and plucked them all. Normally smaller ones are left behind to mature.

"The accident has hit us very hard," said Francisco Gomez, a 41-year-old fisherman in the village of Cosme. "The consequences are going to last a long time, at least two years."

Luis Ferreira, 42, was pessimistic and recalled that the people of Galicia have a long history of emigration, often to Latin America. "If the situation does not change we will have to pack our bags, just like our ancestors did."

He accused the government of understating the amount of oil in the water and said officials don't know the sea. "They only go there on vacation," he said.

The same area of northwest Spain suffered a disastrous spill 10 years ago when the Greek tanker Aegean Sea ran aground near A Coruna and lost 21.5 million gallons of oil. In 1999, an oil spill from the tanker Erika polluted 250 miles of French coastline.

A U.N. treaty banning single-hulled tankers entered into force this year, but the phase-in period stretches to 2015. European Union officials say their efforts to impose stricter inspections are being subverted by shipowners who avoid EU harbors or avoid dropping anchor when they refuse or pick up supplies.

French President Jacques Chirac said Wednesday he would raise the issue of maritime security at next month's EU summit and criticized European officials for not taking a tougher stand against "garbage ships."

Inspector says Iraqis quietly accept inspections of sites

BY CHARLES J. HANLEY
AP Special Correspondent

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Iraq's vice president said Wednesday there would be limits on the U.N. weapons investigation, though the top inspector says Baghdad has agreed to unannounced checks even on Saddam Hussein's "special" sites.

The question of unannounced checks on sites like Saddam's palaces, an issue that helped derail inspections in the 1990s, "is settled by the resolution. It wasn't even discussed," chief weapons inspector Hans Blix said Wednesday after departing Baghdad at the end of a two-day visit inaugurating a new U.N. oversight program, four years after the last inspections.

The Swedish ex-diplomat was referring to the new U.N. Security Council resolution describing the inspections as a "final opportunity" for Iraq to meet its post-Gulf War obligations to give up any weapons of mass destruction. In accepting the resolution, Iraq accepted full and unfettered inspections. President Bush has threatened military action if the Iraqis don't disarm.

The United States was contacting allies in search of support if military action is required. In Copenhagen on Wednesday, Danish lawmakers approved the participation of Danish soldiers and equipment in any international force in Iraq, if necessary.

Australian Prime Minister John Howard, in a speech Wednesday in his capital to a group of economists, said Australian defense officials had held contingency talks with their U.S. counterparts over a possible strike against Baghdad. He did not describe what any Australian contribution might be.

In London, British Defense Secretary Geoff Hoon said Wednesday the United States has requested British troops to join a possible war on Iraq. Hoon said Britain had not yet decided on its response.

Meanwhile, U.S. warplanes bombed three air defense communications facilities in southern Iraq on Wednesday, a day after Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld said Washington would immediately respond

to attacks on American and British warplanes.

Rumsfeld said the United States would retaliate in such circumstances involving the patrolling of no-fly zones regardless of whether the United Nations views the shootings as violations of U.N. resolutions.

U.S. warplanes struck at the Iraqi defense facilities after Iraqi air defenses fired surface-to-air missiles and anti-aircraft artillery at U.S. and British planes.

The Security Council has never specifically approved the flights over northern and southern Iraq, which Baghdad considers violations of its sovereignty.

Iraqi Vice President Taha Yassin Ramadan said Wednesday that Iraq would fully cooperate with weapons inspectors, but he vowed to prevent them from gathering "intelligence."

"Any demand or question or a manner of work that conforms with the objective of the inspectors who want to verify that Iraq is free of weapons of mass destruction will be met with full cooperation," Ramadan said in an interview from Baghdad with the private Lebanese Broadcasting Corporation.

"But for demands which are clearly (meant) for intelligence or for other objectives that have nothing to do with the weapons of mass destruction, we will act in such a way so as to safeguard the country's sovereignty and security," he said.

Iraq had raised sovereignty in barring inspectors from Saddam's palaces and other sites in the 1990s.

On Tuesday, Iraqi presidential adviser Amir al-Saadi confirmed Iraq would meet a U.N. deadline and file by Dec. 8 a comprehensive list of nuclear, chemical and biological programs. But he gave no indication whether it will contain anything beyond an inventory of Iraqi work in peaceful uses of nuclear, chemical and biological materials. The Security Council resolution demands the Iraqis include any work in weapons development.

Blix said Iraqis were "somewhat concerned" they would not have time to gather all the information needed by Dec. 8.

"They had particular concerns about reporting on the peaceful industries, like chemical industry ... they have

quite a lot of that and they were a bit concerned about how they would go about" compiling information in that area, Blix said.

The Dec. 8 list is the standard by which the international community will judge whether Saddam's government is telling the truth about its interest in the most advanced weapons.

Blix and chief U.N. nuclear watchdog Mohamed ElBaradei said that if the Baghdad government cooperates fully with their inspections, they might be able to report in about one year that it has complied with Security Council requirements and U.N. economic sanctions on Iraq should be lifted.

Blix and ElBaradei left Iraq on Wednesday as scheduled, leaving behind most of the two dozen inspectors and other U.N. staff who had accompanied them. Additional inspectors arrive next Monday, and the first field operations are expected by Nov. 27.

ElBaradei, speaking to reporters on arrival in Cyprus hours after leaving Baghdad, said that the work that begins Nov. 27 will be "the real test" of the Iraqis' pledges of cooperation.

The seven-year inspection regime in the 1990s dismantled Iraq's nuclear program before it could build a bomb, and destroyed large amounts of chemical and biological weapons and longer-range missiles forbidden by postwar U.N. resolutions.

But some chemical weapons in particular were believed never destroyed, and U.S. intelligence reports suggest the Iraqis may have rebuilt some weapons programs since the inspectors pulled out in 1998.

Blix said the Iraqis had agreed in their discussions to open a U.N. inspectors office in the northern city of Mosul, and to expand their Baghdad office to accommodate the hundreds of international weapons experts who will come and go in coming months.

ElBaradei and Blix will leave the day-to-day inspections to their teams, supervising from Vienna and New York respectively unless developments here require high-level intervention.



SPORTS

Michigan-Ohio State, Apple Cup: Rivalries, more at stake

BY RICHARD ROSENBLATT
AP Football Writer

Two of college football's top rivalries will have more at stake than just trophies and bragging rights: There's a national championship hanging in the balance when No. 2 Ohio State hosts No. 12 Michigan, and Washington visits No. 3 Washington State.

The Buckeyes (12-0, 7-0 Big Ten) can wrap up a spot in the BCS national title game at the Fiesta Bowl on Jan. 3 with a win over the Wolverines (9-2, 6-1), who have a habit of spoiling perfect seasons for Ohio State.

If the Buckeyes lose, they not only squander a chance for their first national title since 1968, but Iowa (11-1, 8-0) would win the conference and qualify for the Rose Bowl, and possibly the Fiesta.

Even though the season has come down to one game, Ohio State coach Jim Tressel said, "The whole season has felt like a playoff."

The Cougars (9-1, 6-0 Pac-10) would clinch at least a share of the league title with an Apple Cup win over the Huskies (6-5, 3-4). WSU closes at UCLA on Dec. 7. To get to the national title game, though, Washington State still needs either Miami or Ohio State to lose so it could move up from third in the BCS standings.

Ohio State closes its regular season Saturday. Miami has three games left — home to No. 17 Pittsburgh on Thursday night, then at Syracuse on Nov. 30 and home to No. 13 Virginia Tech on Dec. 7.

"We're not playing for the BCS or national championship," Washington State coach Mike Price said. "We're playing for the Apple Cup and, trite as it might seem, we're playing one game at a time."

At Pullman, Wash., Cougars quarterback Jason Gesser has center stage for a Heisman Trophy audition. He has thrown for 2,696 yards and 24 TDs for a team averaging 34.3 points per game.

The Huskies are pretty strong in the scoring category, too. Cody Pickett, with 3,818 yards and 25 TDs, directs an offense averaging 31.4 points per game.

At Columbus, more than 100,000 fans will turn out to see if the Buckeyes can avoid having their title hopes dashed again by the Wolverines. In 1995 and '96, Ohio State came into the game with a perfect record and left with a loss.

Ohio State star running back Maurice Clarett missed last week's overtime win against Illinois with a shoulder injury, and his status is likely a game day decision. Clarett, despite just 91 yards in Ohio State's last four games, still has 1,071 yards and 13 TDs.

If he can't play, the Buckeyes will rely on defense and the decision-making of quarterback Craig Krenzel.

The defense allows just 12.5 points per game, second nationally, and Krenzel has thrown for 1,864 yards and 12 touchdowns. His favorite target is Michael Jenkins with 53 catches for 980 yards and six TDs, including the game-winning grab against Purdue two weeks ago.

Michigan counters with an ever-improving offense led by quarterback John Navarre (2,339 yards, 20 TDs) and running back Chris Perry (949 yards, 10 TDs). The Wolverines are averaging 37 points over their last three games. The picks: No. 17 Pittsburgh (plus 20 1/2) at No. 1 Miami (Thursday)

Canes rise to occasion ...

■ MIAMI, 35-17.

No. 12 Michigan (plus 4) at No. 2 Ohio State
Buckeyes comfy at home ...

■ OHIO STATE, 27-21.

Washington (plus 8) at No. 3 Washington State
Cougs QB Gesser makes Heisman pitch.

■ WASHINGTON STATE, 34-31.

No. 24 Texas Tech (plus 13) at No. 4 Oklahoma
Winner advances to Big 12 title game.

■ OKLAHOMA, 35-21.

No. 7 USC (minus 4) at No. 25 UCLA
Bruins take Victory Bell, end Trojans' Pac-10 title chance.

■ UCLA, 31-21.

Rutgers (plus 28 1/2) at No. 8 Notre Dame
Irish warm up for USC on Nov. 30

■ NOTRE DAME, 42-10.

Auburn (plus 10 1/2) at No. 9 Alabama
No Iron Bowl surprise — 'Bama's plain better.

■ ALABAMA, 30-14.

No. 10 Kansas State (minus 15) at Missouri
Wildcats scoring 46.4 points per game.

■ KANSAS STATE, 44-24.

No. 14 Florida State (minus 5 1/2) at North Carolina State
'Noles out to avenge '01 loss to 'Pack.

■ FLORIDA STATE, 34-27.

Michigan State (plus 21) at No. 15 Penn State
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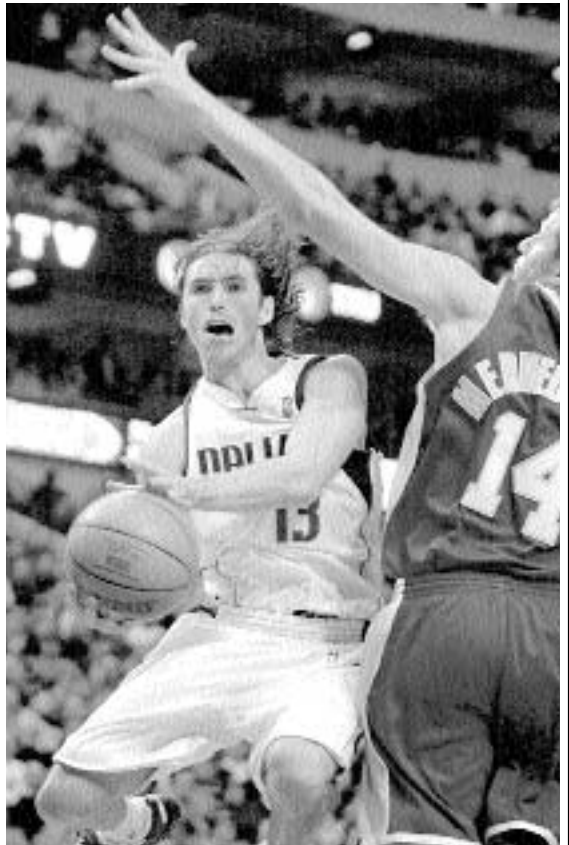
■ PENN STATE, 35-17.

No. 18 Maryland (minus 9 1/2) at Virginia
Terps turning terrific after slow start.

■ MARYLAND, 31-21.

New Mexico (plus 16) at No. 20 Colorado State

Destination: 2 points



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Dallas Mavericks' Steve Nash (13) drives to the basket against Los Angeles Lakers' Stanislav Medvedenko (14) during the fourth quarter in Dallas, Tuesday. The Mavericks won, 98-72.

Rams looking for perfect Mountain West record.

■ COLORADO STATE, 33-13.

Mississippi (plus 10) at No. 21 LSU
LSU not as bad as last week's loss to 'Bama ...

■ LSU, 27-21.

No. 22 TCU (minus 9) at East Carolina
Horned Frogs on course to win C-

USA.

■ TCU, 28-17.

No. 23 Boise State (minus 19) at Nevada
First stay in AP poll a pleasant one.

■ BOISE STATE, 49-24.

■ Last week: 12-4 (straight); 10-6 (vs. points)

■ Season: 173-58 (straight); 116-104 (vs. points)

Inside man pleads guilty in Breeders' Cup scam

BY JIM FITZGERALD
Associated Press Writer

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. — A computer programmer admitted in court Wednesday he was the inside man for a series of betting scams on horses that culminated with a \$3 million win from the Breeders' Cup last month.

He also implicated his two co-defendants, who were his fraternity brothers in college.

Chris Harn, 29, of Newark, Del., told a federal judge he used his job at Autotote, which handles most of the nation's race-track and off-track betting, to manipulate bets during races.

In pleading guilty to fraud and money laundering conspiracies, Harn said he used one co-defendant's Off Track Betting account to place a Pick Six bet on the Oct. 26 Breeders' Cup "and later modified it so it would win."

The \$12 wager — six \$2 bets — immediately drew the scrutiny of authorities

because of its unusual nature. The \$3 million was not paid, and an investigation was launched.

On a Pick Six wager, bettors try to select the winners in six consecutive races, but they usually choose different combinations to increase their chances of winning. The suspicious bet picked the same combination six times, selecting the winners in the first four races and every horse in the last two.

Because of a routine delay in reporting bets to the Arlington racetrack near Chicago, Harn was able to change the wager after the first four races to make sure the bet had the four winning horses, which included two long shots. That guaranteed winning tickets.

Now, all bettors who picked five of the six winners at the Breeders' Cup stand to earn more money. The racing commission in Illinois will determine how to redistribute the winnings.

Also Wednesday, the National Thoroughbred Racing Association

announced that a consulting firm headed by former New York Mayor Rudolph Giuliani had been hired to review the industry's electronic wagering system.

"We have a great sport that is threatened by wrongdoing," NTRA commissioner Tim Smith said.

The NTRA has already introduced steps for improved security in electronic wagering at tracks nationwide.

Prosecutors compared the Breeders' Cup betting scam to "The Sting," the 1973 film in which con men played by Paul Newman and Robert Redford take advantage of a delay in the reporting of horse-racing results to dupe a wealthy crook.

Harn said he placed and manipulated similar bets on two earlier races to win more than \$100,000 for the other co-defendant and found a way to duplicate and cash winning tickets worth tens of thousands of dollars that had gone temporarily unclaimed at tracks in New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

Harn was fired Oct. 30.

No mention was made in court of whether Harn will testify against co-defendants Derrick Davis, 29, of New York, and Glen DaSilva, 29, of Baltimore. The U.S. attorney's office would not comment.

Harn, DaSilva and Davis surrendered to the FBI last week and were charged with conspiracy to commit wire fraud, which carries a prison term of up to five years. They were Tau Kappa Epsilon frat brothers at Drexel University in Philadelphia.

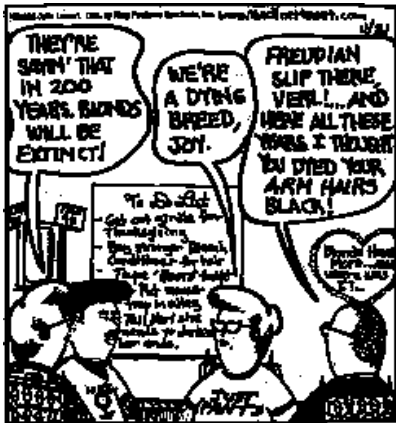
The crimes to which Harn admitted carry a maximum penalty of 25 years in prison but federal guidelines would probably make it a much shorter term. He remains free on a \$200,000 bond pending sentencing Feb. 19.

While the big money from the Breeders' Cup was never paid out, Harn said in court that his share of the winnings from the earlier races was enough to pay off a \$25,000 second mortgage on his home and a \$6,500 car loan.

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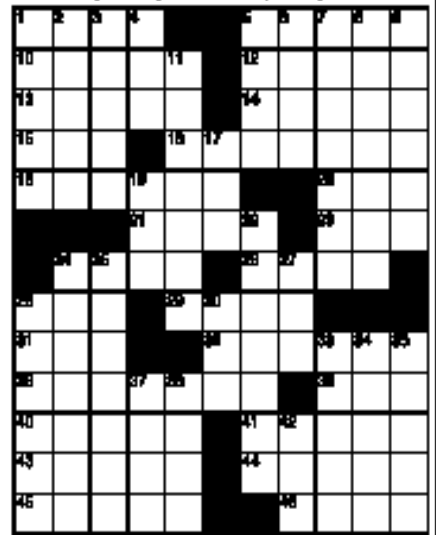
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 - 13 Davis of "Beats-Jules"
 - 14 In the buff
 - 15 Coffee container
 - 16 National park in Texas
 - 18 Church leader
 - 20 Saul — Marle
 - 21 Russian river
 - 23 Hauler's unit
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 - 26 Press
 - 28 One of the Bradys
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 - 31 Gardener of Hollywood
 - 32 Extremely popular
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 - 8 Melville character
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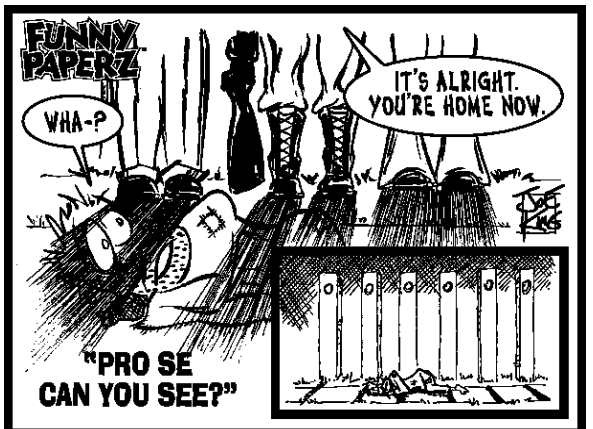
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Woman bites husband ... to death

Police in Modesto, Calif., arrested Kelli Pratt, 45, in October and charged her with domestic abuse after she, enraged by her husband's refusal to have sex, allegedly held him down and bit him so viciously and so many times that his severely ripped-open skin was ripe for the bacterial infection that killed him six days later. Kelli suffers from multiple sclerosis and often uses a wheelchair; husband Arthur, 65, had recently been hospitalized for diabetes. Said an arresting officer, "(Kelli) refused to wash up (before we videotaped her), so she basically looks (on the tape) like a vampire with blood all over her face and teeth."





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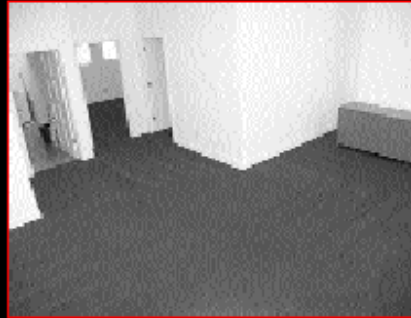


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Calendar

Thursday, November 21, 2002

movies

Loews Broadway Cinema
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Comedian (R) 11:45, 2:00, 4:15, 6:45, 9:15. Femme Fatale (R) 11:00, 1:45, 4:30, 7:15, 10:00. Jackass: The Movie (R) 12:00, 2:15, 4:45, 7:00, 9:30. Half Past Dead (PG-13) 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45, 10:15.

Mann Criterion
1313 Third St.
The Ring (PG-13) 12:45, 4:00, 7:30, 10:40. My Big Fat Greek Wedding (PG) 11:20, 2:00, 4:40, 7:20, 10:00. Punch-Drunk Love (R) 11:45, 2:30, 5:15, 7:45, 10:15. Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets (PG) 9:30, 10:30, 12:00, 1:00, 2:15, 3:30, 4:30, 6:15, 7:00, 8:00, 10:00, 10:30.

AMC Theatre SM 7
1310 3rd Street
Red Dragon (R) 4:20, 7:20, 8 Mile (R) 1:00, 3:15, 4:00, 6:15, 7:05, 9:15, 10:00. Santa Clause 2 (G) 1:10, 2:10, 5:00, 7:00, 7:45, 10:05. I Spy (PG-13) 1:45, 4:05, 4:45, 7:50, 9:25, 10:00. The Transporter (PG-13) 1:20, 10:05. Sweet Home Alabama (PG-13) 1:55, 4:30, 7:25, 9:55.

Landmark Nu-Wilshire
1314 Wilshire Blvd.
Bowling for Columbine (R) 1:30, 4:15, 7:30, 10:15. Far From Heaven (PG-13) 11:30, 2:00, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30.

Laemmle Monica
1332 2nd St.
Real Women Have Curves (PG-13) 1:00, 3:15, 5:30, 7:45, 10:00. Spirited Away (PG) 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00. Bank Ben 1:45, 4:35, 7:30, 10:05. El Crimen del Padre Amaro (R) 1:30, 4:20, 7:15, 10:05.

Aero Theatre
1328 Montana Ave.
West Side Story 6:00, 9:00

Today

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Comedy Underground presents SPLAT! Admission is \$5.00, show starts at 9pm. 320 Wilshire Blvd. For more information please call (310)451-1800.

Friday

Community

Santa Monica High School Theater Arts

Department presents Romeo & Juliet. Friday and Saturday nights at 8:00pm. November 22nd through December 21st. \$10.00 for students, children, and seniors, \$15.00 for adults. Humanities Center Theater at Santa Monica High School, 601 Pico Blvd. For more information please call (310)458-5939.

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BACK PAGE

German doctor conducts public autopsy in London

BY JANE WARDELL

Associated Press Writer

LONDON — In a gruesome spectacle reminiscent of the pre-Victorian past, a German doctor defied threats of prosecution Wednesday night and conducted a public autopsy in an art gallery, charging spectators \$19 a head.

Compounding the controversy over the first public autopsy in Britain in 170 years, a TV network said it would broadcast edited footage.

Professor Gunther von Hagens began the post-mortem in front of 500 people in London's East End, a district whose tourist attractions include the Tower of London and Jack the Ripper walks. In the audience were anatomy professors who were asked by Scotland Yard to attend after a government inspector warned the autopsy could be illegal.

Scotland Yard had refused to say whether it would stop the autopsy before a crowd and a TV camera crew at the exhibition center in Brick Lane where von Hagens has created a sensation with his Body Worlds exhibition of preserved human corpses, some dismembered or cut open.

The professor insisted he had the permission of the deceased's family and a sound legal basis for performing the autopsy before the sellout crowd.

Moments before starting the dissection with a German and an English doctor assisting, von Hagens said he regarded his audience as "newcomers" to the science of anatomy.

One of his assistants identified the

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Performing autopsy

hairy, potbellied body as that of a 72-year-old German man. "There was nothing exceptional in his life. He was a businessman, an employee, who lost his job at the age of 50. At that time he started drinking," the assistant said.

The man drank up to two bottles of whiskey a day and was a heavy smoker for the last 50 years of his life, the assistant said.

Moments later, von Hagens, wearing a black fedora and a blue surgical gown, took his scalpel to the naked preserved corpse. He sliced across his chest with one stroke, then down from his chest to his stomach, and pulled back the flap of chest with both hands.

The autopsy was shown on giant screens inside the gallery. During the procedure, the organs were to be passed around the audience in trays.

In an age when forensic pathology features prominently in TV dramas such as the American "CSI: Crime Scene Investigation" and Britain's "Silent Witness," von Hagens

said he wanted to bring medical knowledge to a wider audience.

"There is huge demand among the public to see what an autopsy entails, especially in light of the fact that this procedure can be ordered on them or their loved ones without their consent according to British law," he said.

But the Body Worlds exhibition has twice been attacked by protesters. Martin Wynness tossed paint across the floor and threw a blanket over the corpse of a pregnant woman, saying he could not bear to look at the 7-month fetus in the womb. Wynness was not charged.

Geoffrey Lee was charged by police with criminal damage after attacking a corpse on display with a hammer.

The government said there was a time and a place for autopsies, and this was not it.

Dr. Jeremy Metters, the official Inspector of Anatomy, said it was illegal under the 1984 Anatomy Act because neither von Hagens nor the venue had post-mortem licenses.

Metters said he wrote to von Hagens warning that he faced criminal penalties and that police were asked to take "appropriate action."

Von Hagens denied he was breaking any laws and said he had a "briefcase full of books" to support his case.

The inspector's attitude, he said, "reminds me of the times when clergymen reserved the right to read the Bible."

Von Hagens changed earlier plans to carry out the examination on the body of a 33-year-old woman who was epileptic — reportedly because of opposition from epilepsy groups.

Public autopsies became popular across Europe from the 16th century, after the Roman Catholic Church gave permission for surgeons to dissect bodies to help understand the miracle of creation.

They were banned in Britain in 1832, five years before Queen Victoria ascended the throne, to stop unscrupulous surgeons taking unclaimed bodies from workhouses for dissection.

Dr. Roger Soames, of the British Association of Professional Anatomists, said taking a post-mortem out of licensed premises and into a public place raised ethical issues.

He said people's curiosity was understandable, "because most of the public are fascinated by the way their body works."

But "I'm not sure if this is the way to do it," he said.

Britain's Channel 4 said it would broadcast the event to "demystify the taboos" that surround death.

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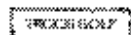
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