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NEWS DIGEST

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Court prohibits race as factor in custody cases

WASHINGTON -- The Supreme Court ruled the same racial or ethnic origin." unanimously last week that courts may not consider racial prejudice in child custody cases. The ruling resulted from the court overturning a Florida court's decision to remove a child from her white mother's custody because the woman married a black man.

Writing for the court, Chief Justice Warren Burger pointed out that courts making custody rulings must Seffner, Fla., who lost custody of her daughter, Melanie, decide what is in a child's best interest, but cannot use the harsh realities of racial bias as part of their measuring is black. stick.

"It would ignore reality to suggest that racial and ethnic prejudices do not exist or that all manifestations of those prejudices have been eliminated," he said. "There is a risk that a child living with a step-parent of a different race may be subject to a variety of pressures and stresses not present if the child were living with parents of

Crime Prevention Man attacked, robbed at Post Office

taken.

The following "Crime Box Score" is designed to keep you abreast of criminal activity in your community during the past week and to help you protect your family and property from crime.

Strong-Armed Robbery

•500 block, Trade Street

Upon returning to his vehicle after mailing a letter at the Post Office, the complainant was attacked by two black males, dragged behind the Post Office and robbed of his wallet. The suspects then drove off in a green-overwhite vehicle. •1500 block, Claremont Avenue

Three suspects, two of whom have been identified,

assaulted the complainant and stole his money. Storebreaking

•800 block, Cherry Street

Several sets of socket wrenches and hand tools were taken.

•100 block, North Broad Street

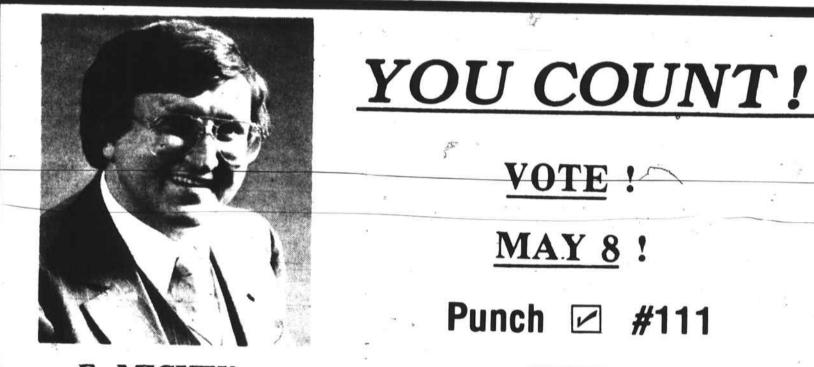
Officers arrested a subject on the inside of a husiness

He was charged with storebreaking and larceny.

- •900 block, East Second Street A 16-horsepower John Deere riding mower was taken.
- •200 block, West 25th Street A portable electric organ and four speakers were taken

from a church.

- •100 block, South Claremont Avenue Several cases of assorted brands of cigarettes were taken.
- Housebreaking
- •1700 block, East 12th Street
- A stereo and two speakers were taken.
- •900 block, East 18th Street
- An RCA black-and-white TV, diet pills and a clock
- radio were taken.
- •800 block, West Seventh Street



Despite the Supreme Court's ruling, Mrs. Palmore may have to go back before the Florida courts before the custody battle is decided. State Judge Morison Buck in Tampa, who awarded custody of the child to Sidoti, had mentioned that factors other than the effects of racial prejudice contributed to his decision.

· However, the larger question, Burger wrote, is whether

the reality of private biases and the possible resulting

damage are permissible considerations for denying a

parent custody of a child. "... We have little difficulty

The decision is a victory for Linda Sidoti Palmore of

now 6, in 1982 after she married Clarence Palmore, who

concluding that they are not," he said.

F. MICKEY ANDREWS

DISTRICT COURT JUDGE For

Clothing and a Texas Instruments computer were

Household items and boots were taken. The suspect

Two TVs, a stereo, oven and money were taken.

has been arrested and all merchandise recovered.

Food and a .22-caliber rifle were taken.

•1500 block, Argonne Boulevard

A 19-inch color TV was taken.

•2700 block, Ivy Avenue

•500 block, Lunar Court

Larceny

I100 block, Newport Street

•1100 block, East 15th Street

Cement supplies were taken.

200 block, Waterworks Road

Metal scaffolding was taken.

•5300 block, Sunrise Terrace

•400 block, East 27th Street

•900 block, East 21st Street

•1800 block, Short Street

A camera was taken.

Two trash cans were taken.

A Huffy bicycle was taken.

•3800 block, Patterson Avenue

Telephone Recording Machines

•4100 block, Liberty Street

•1400 block East Fourth Street

A 26-inch boy's Schwinn bicycle was taker

Fourteen mobile home tires and wheels were taken.

Many people are purchasing telephone recording

machines so they can record messages when they are

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Jewelry was taken.

Money was taken.

Urban League criticizes Reagan's poverty stance WASHINGTON -- National Urban League Vice President Dr. Douglas Glasgow said Monday that he hopes the Reagan administration does not intend to redefine pover-

ty, as has been reported in the media. "It is unconscionable to even consider making the poor pay for social programs by treating benefits as income," said Glasgow. "To do so would punish millions of Americans who are too poor to pay for these services because they are teetering on the brink of poverty and need government assistance."

Glasgow also criticized the administration's use of a panel of economists to seek ways to measure the value of non-cash social program benefits. He termed it

unrealistic for economists to determine who is poor and who isn't based on the notion that the market value of such benefits as food stamps, Medicaid and housing subsidies represents real income.

"Medicaid payments for treatment rendered a sick person who is poor do not increase that person's income," he said. "That person remains poor."

Glasgow said the Urban League takes the position that public policy cannot be established without public input. "The process must be open to involve those who best know the status of the poor based on experience gained from working with the poor," he said.

Band leader Count Basie, 79, dead of cancer

HOLLYWOOD, Fla. -- Count Basie, the famed jazz pianist who began his career in the 1920s, died last week of cancer, a disease his doctors never told him he had. Basie was 79.

"It's a great loss," said fellow jazz musician Lionel Hampton. "I hate to even think about it. Hampton called Basie "one of the true greats of music" and said his bright, simple piano style "was one of the greatest styles you could hear."

Basie, born William Basie in Red Bank, N.J., started his career in a Chinese restaurant as a \$3-a-night piano player By 1939, Basic and his band were playing. Catherine, who died in 1989. His body was fle Carnegie Hall, and became the first American group to York for services on Monday.

play a royal command performance for the queen of England.

He had performed at the Hollywood Palladium in California on March 19, his last public appearance before his death.

"Had he known or been aware that he had cancer -- he had such a fear of it -- he would have given up hope of living. Anyone that might have seen him in Hollywood would know that he did not look as though he had a problem," said Aaron Woodward, Basie's adopted son.

Basie had lived in the Bahamas with his wife,

Fire Prevention

First aid for summer emergencies

By THOMAS FLYNN Syndicated Columnist

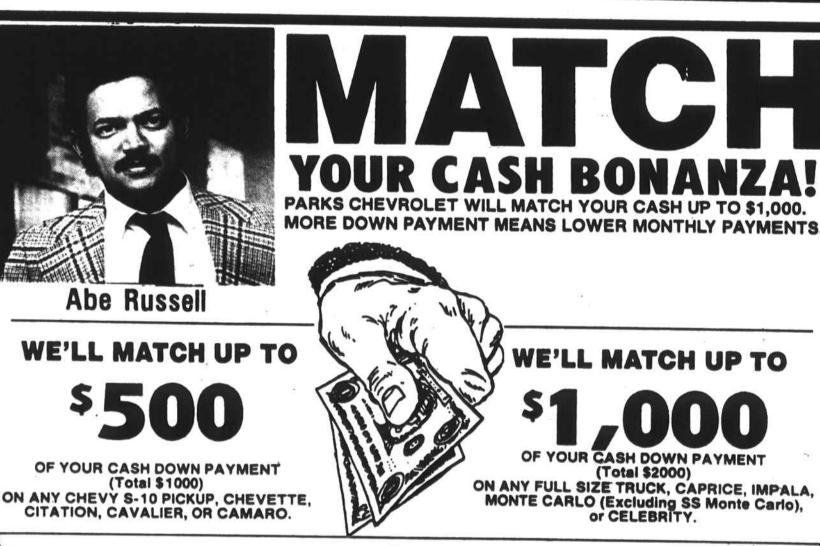
School ends soon, and there'll be plenty of warm weekends and evenings for summer fun -- and summer injuries. Here's how to deal with typical summertime accidents:

Minor cuts respond well to washing with soap and water and covering with a sterile bandage. Larger cuts with moderate to heavy bleeding call for steady pressure directly over the wound. This cuts blood flow so that

burned skin. Don't cover a burn with any kind of oil, butter or grease.

Second-degree burns are more serious. They can be identified by a mottled appearance with deep redness and/ or blisters, accompanied by more severe pain. Cut away or otherwise remove clothing around the burn and immerse in cool water for several minutes. Then cover with a sterile bandage or dressing. Don't disturb or break the blister and don't apply grease, creams or ointments.

Third-degree burns are the most serious, involving clotting and healing can begin. Once bleeding stops, total destruction of tissue. Third-degree burns are caused cover a larger cut with sterile gauze. If a cut is deep, conby prolonged contact with very hot objects or liquids, by tains foreign matter or was made by a metal object, or if open flame or by clothing fires. The skin may appear bleeding is profuse, seek emergency medical assistance. either white or charred; there may be severe pain or the As for burns, it's wise to know the three major types, patient may report very little pain (because nerve endings their symptoms and how to treat them. have been destroyed). Remove clothing but cut away First-degree burns are minor burns caused momentary loose clothing so that any clothing which has become contact with a hot liquid or object. There is reddening of stuck to the burn is not disturbed. You cannot treat a the skin and some pain. Soak the burn in cool water or third-degree burn. Call for medical help or transport the run water over it. This not only relieves pain; cool water patient to the hospital at once! also removes absorbed heat which could cause further Second-degree burns, which involve more than 15 perburning of tissues. Covering the burn with a light, clean cent of the body (100 percent in children), should be aressing will keep objects from striking the sensitive Please see page A3





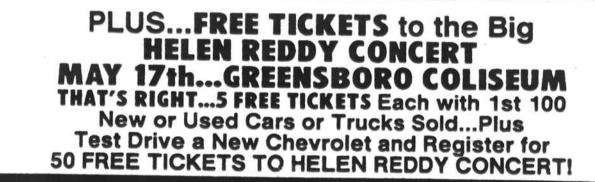
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