Smart play crucial to win

GULLANE, Scotland (UPI) — On the eve of the 121st British Open golf championship, three-times former winner Jack Nicklaus Wednesday described what it takes to win at Muirfield.

And he should know. In a glittering career that includes 18 major titles, Nicklaus won the 1966 British Open at this links course.

"Nicklaus is one of a glittering 'set of stars' to have won post-war Opens at Muirfield. The others were Henry Cotton, Gary Player, Lee Trevino, Tom Watson and Nick Faldo.

Nicklaus, 52, will be teeing off in his fifth Open at Muirfield, but he admitted Wednesday: "I'm just learning the course."

"Somebody who wants to win this golf tournament will have to play intelligently," he said. "It will require a lot of restraint.

"If you are standing out there and drive over the bunkers, and challenge the bunkers, you will end up in a lot them. Which is the same as at most British Opens — but more so here.

"The bunkers are placed very well and you have to use your head very well."

Nicklaus had previously suggested this might be his last visit to the British Open as a player, but Wednesday he added the proviso:

"I suppose if I won this week I would have to come back and defend.

"But I don't really know," he added. "We're on a year-to-year basis. I don't know what I'm going to do. Muirfield could well be my last Open, or it could be one of my last 10 Opens."

Nicklaus played his final practice round Wednesday in a foursome which included his good friend and 1986 champion Greg Norman, whom the Golden Bear described as being "fairly confident about what he is doing. He (Norman) challenged the course a great deal and was successful about doing it."

"I think the pressure to win is greater as you get older," said Norman, who is 37.

"When you are a rookie, for the first five or six years you have nothing to prove. You have had experience — you go for broke.

"As you get older and more experienced and as you develop over the years, whether winning or losing, the combination of both, the pressure gets harder as you know you have been there under pressure and you know you are capable of winning."

Styling Salukis

Modification of SIUC mascot reflects authenticity

By Jay Reed
Sports Writer

The Saluki mascot, a familiar sight at SIUC athletic events, is being modified to reflect a more authentic design.

Nancy Esling, Saluki Spirit coordinator in charge of the new costume, said the change is being made because of complaints from athletic boosters about the costume.

"We had some complaints that the dog was not similar to a real Saluki," she said. "Some people thought that it looked like a bear.

"Eising said the costume's snout will be elongated, the face will not be as blunt, and the mouth will have fierce teeth showing."

"That is trying to get that powerful fierce look," she said. "There is a muscle vest which will add to the chest and shoulders. The vest and neck collar can hold ice to keep the costume cooler."

Eising said the older costume was brown and the new model will be gray, the natural color of a Saluki.

The new costume design was given to a consultant with expertise in costume design.

DeNoon returns to racewalking, snags TAC national championship

By John Bolger
Sports Writer

Returning to racewalk competition after an 18-year lay off, Don DeNoon, Saluki women's cross country and track and field coach for the last nine years and a former world-class athlete, has regained a championship title in national competition.

DeNoon won The Athletic Congress national championship in the 10,000 meters racewalk in the master's division and finished seventh overall in the race with a time of 45 minutes, 17 seconds.

In racewalking, a racer's feet must remain in contact with the ground at all times.

DeNoon said the racewalk is a combination of endurance and skill.

DeNoon entered and improved his times dramatically during the first few months. He found himself in the national 'class rankings' in his first year of competition.

DeNoon held several world records and won seven national championships before he hung up his racewalking shoes in 1974.

Last November he tried racewalking again and has competed throughout the country.

His main goal was to break the time of 1:30 for the Olympic distance of 20 kilometers. Which would qualify him for an Olympic tryout.

"My best time ended up being 1:37, which wasn't good enough," DeNoon said. "But I just did it for myself to see if I could do it."

DeNoon began his racewalking career in the Air Force when the team needed a competitor for the event.

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NY Jets first to start training; Nagle thrust into QB position

HEMPESTED, N.Y. (UPI) — The New York Jets opened training camp Wednesday with untested Browning Nagle poised to become the starting quarterback and incumbent Kent O'Brien at home without a contract.

Three years into the engines of Coach Bruce Coslet and General Manager Dick Steinberg and coming off their first playoff game since 1986, the Jets hope to improve on last year's 8-6 record with the strong-armed but raw Nagle as the starter.

Nagle said the most experienced quarterback in camp, in his second year out of Louisville and the veteran of one game, two passes and one completion in the NFL. The other signed quarterback is sixth-round draft pick Jeff Blake from East Carolina.

O'Brien, 31, and third-year veteran quarterback Troy Taylor join guard Dave Cadigan as the team's only untried players.

"I'm in a good situation," Nagle admits frankly. "I know I was cut from the pressure of being a starting quarterback."

Nagle, who spent the entire off-season at the Jets' training camp, will benefit from an extra exhibition game. The Jets open the preseason Aug. 1 in the Hall of Fame Game at Canton, Ohio, against the Philadelphia Eagles.
Democrats nominate Clinton for president

NEW YORK (UPI) — Arkansas Gov. Bill Clinton won the Democratic presidential nomination Wednesday, closing a long, rough campaign that brought him from near obscurity to a possible three-way race for the White House.

With Ohio casting 144 votes for the 45-year-old governor, Clinton went over the 2,145 needed for the nomination.

Watching television with Arkansas friends and dancing with his wife Hillary at a nearby restaurant, Clinton smiled and laughed as the party's 51st national convention picked him to do battle this fall with President Bush and possibly independent Ross Perot.

Ohio's vote set off a massive demonstration at a convention that seemed more united than in past years and definitely was presenting a more conservative front for the coming campaign.

The harmony was exemplified Wednesday when New York Gov. Mario Cuomo, a major figure in the party's Northeast liberal wing, nominated Clinton, a moderate from the South, as the Democrats' next presidential nominee.

Cuomo's nominating speech came after the convention heard from two other who sought the presidential nomination but fell short — former California Gov. Edmund "Jerry" Brown and former Sen. Paul Tsongas of Massachusetts.

Brown had his name placed in nomination but fell short — former Senator Edward Kennedy, who had been leading in polls but was not openly competing for the nomination.

But it was clearly Clinton's convention, even as the nominee spent most of the day in his hotel room working on his acceptance speech that he will give to the convention on Thursday's closing night, when his vice president will also be nominated.

As a young moderate from a small poor state, Clinton did not start with much of an advantage when he entered the Democratic race last September when bigger names in the party were opting not to run.

He went through a rough and tumbly primary season when other candidates criticized him for his moderate stands and from press reports alleging possible marital infidelity and draft evasion.

But he stuck it out and his reward was the nomination and at least a temporary rise in the polls.

Record high

University summer enrollment increases to 11,898 students

By Chris Davies
General Assignment Writer

SIUC summer enrollment is at a record high of 11,898 students this year. Enrollment last summer was 11,821.

This university currently has 8,798 undergraduates, 2,778 masters and doctoral students, 107 law students and 215 students in medical studies for the summer semester.

Graduate student enrollment decreased by 195.

Ralph Keim, director of Admissions and Records, said graduate student enrollment reflects economic trends.

"Last year 2,730 graduate students enrolled for summer classes," he said. "This year only 2,535 did. Usually when jobs are plentiful graduate students leave school and enter the job market and, when they are not students tend to stay in school."

John Yopp, dean of the Graduate School, said teachers make up a good number of summer students each year and that the Department of Education has had increased enrollment.

"Teachers tend to come back to school in the summer to gain administrative training, but some schools set mandates that require teachers to periodically take classes that sharpen their skills," he said.

Keim said the overall increase in enrollment is reflecting national trend.

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Spare change

Starr vows to devote $40,000 to economy

By William Ragan
Politics Writer

Congressional candidate Mike Starr says economic redevelopment is so critical that he will put his share of the pay raise Congress gives its members toward it.

"Congress doesn't deserve a pay raise and I won't take it," Starr, R-St. Louis, said in a recent press release. "We need jobs, so I'm going to put my effort and money where all of our goals are:"

The 12th-district candidate said he will devote $40,000 out of his $129,500 salary to a loan fund for developing small businesses in southwest Illinois.

While large-scale investment in industry is important, small businesses provide more immediate potential for job growth, he said.

Starr said he feels the need money for a loan fund from his own congressional salary would be a start, and "dedged to continue donating a portion of his salary every year he is in Congress. He also said he would solicit funds from others.

In addition, Starr said he personally would recruit businesses to southwest Illinois.

Starr's opponent, incumbent congressman Jerry Costello, said Starr's "good Samaritan claim" amount to little more than election-year hot air.

"We have had over two years of a Republican recession," Costello said. "If my opponent were serious about this proposal, he would have made this gesture long ago."

"This is just another way to get his name in the newspaper," Costello said.

Starr said he wants to establish a federal enterprise zone in the metro-East area, which would offer monetary incentives for entrepreneurs to form businesses. Small businesses result in the creation of more jobs than large industries, according to the National Federation of Independent Businesses.

Three-fifths of the private work force is employed by companies with fewer than 100 employees. Between 1982 and 1986, nearly 19 million jobs were created by small businesses, three-fourths of them by the creation of new businesses, the federation said.

Starr said small businesses have been in a slump for the past few years. In fiscal year 1991, new businesses starts rose by only 2.2 percent while business failures increased by 40 percent.

Starr said state enterprise zones are a beginning, but the success has been limited and must be boosted by the incentives a federal zone can offer.

"No district in the nation is so deserving of an enterprise zone as this one," he said.

Expansion brings Southern Illinois 15,000 new jobs

By Rebecca Campbell
General Assignment Writer

The Illinois General Assembly passed legislation authorizing a $60 million expansion of Scott Air Force Base in Belleville that will create 15,000 permanent jobs in Southern Illinois, Sen. Ralph Dunn (D-Du Quoin) said.

The jobs created will be positions associated with the daily running of an airport, Dunn said.

The Legislature approved the expansion July 2.

The joint-use plan, which allows civilian airlines to use military installations, is intended to redirect traffic from Lambert Airport in St.

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Former pollution director charged with theft, forgery

By John McCadd
Police Writer

A state prosecution witness testified that he noticed discrepancies in business transactions involving landfill consultant John Meister, who is on trial this week for accusations of theft and forgery.

Ron Stroke, of the Illinois State Police division of criminal investigations, said during questioning Wednesday that he noticed irregularities in several permit numbers and dates inscribed on records of waste disposal, called manifests, needed by Meister to lawfully complete a landfill project.

Meister, former SIUC pollution control director, was indicted Nov. 15, 1991 for two counts of theft by deception and 12 counts of forgery following an investigation by the Illinois State Police.

The investigation uncovered Meister's alleged illegal dumping of waste in the Jackson County Landfill and crude-oil contaminated soil in his business partner's land, cheating clients out of nearly $30,000.

This week's testimony centered on events surrounding a clean-up transaction of asbestos-contaminated soil in 1988 at the Crab Orchard Wildlife Refuge when two buildings treated with an asbestos tar mixture caught fire, leaving contamination in the soil.

Meister's indictment charges that he used fraudulent manifests to charge a high price for what was believed to be special waste, when it was actually dumped as ordinary waste at a lower cost.

The prosecution focused on the manifest irregularities and Meister's inability to obtain a special waste permit from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency to dump the soil in the Jackson County Landfill.

Stroke said during the investigation he found Meister used old manifests with permit numbers which actually correlated with sewage sludge that was dumped at the landfill in 1985.

Prosecution witness Cathy Frierson of Allen Waste Management testified that when Meister made the transaction, while being paid on commission by Allen Waste, he quoted $45.00 per yard for disposal of the alleged special waste, when $5 per yard usually is assessed for normal waste.

Purifying the 'gold'

Robert Colvis of Chester, a SIUC gardener, weeds marigolds near the Shryock Auditorium. Colvis was sprucing up the campus grounds Wednesday to get ready for the new school year.

Summer engineering courses prepare minorities

By Lynelle Marguardt
General Assignment Writer

The College of Engineering and Technology is trying to create a pool of minority students who are prepared to attend college by providing summer engineering programs.

The dean of the college, Juh W. Chen, said the purpose of the minority engineering program summer sessions is to get young students interested in the math and science fields.

"We want to give them the background they need in these areas," Chen said.

The college has been focusing on elementary school students because high school students already have ideas about what they want to study, he said.

"We found out that you have to get them interested in engineering and science early in school because in high school, it’s too late. They have already decided," he said.

Chen said the purpose of the program is not exclusively to recruit future SIUC students.

"That’s not the sole purpose," he said. "We tell them if they want to come to SIUC in the future, we would be delighted. On the other hand, if they want to go to other schools, that’s perfectly fine with us."

James Rogers, an engineering graduate student from Jefferson City, Mo., taught a program called Project 1st Class last week.

"We are trying for continuity so see COURSES, page 6..."
BOT neglects input of students, faculty

THE SIUC PRODUCTIVITY Report for fiscal year 1993, which details plans to reallocate and save $3.5 million from the university budget, may be what SIUC needs to survive the economic troubles facing higher education in Illinois. And then, it may not be. A draft of the proposal was made public last week by Board of Trustees.

The fact is that the way in which the trustees have handled the preparation of the document is offensive to faculty, staff and students, whose input has been blatantly disregarded in the drafting of the plan.

In the introduction of the Productivity Report by the SIU Office of the Chancellor it is stated that "The board and the Chancellor recognize and acknowledge that identifying and implementing productivity improvements requires the involvement and commitment of administrators, faculty, staff and students.' Yet many of the changes proposed in the report are already in process of implementation, even though the document was presented to the Faculty Senate and Graduate Council on Tuesday and student groups have not been given the opportunity to study or respond to it.

The trustees gave the groups until September to review the cuts before presenting the resolution to the Illinois Board of Higher Education in October. But in a joint resolution of the Faculty Senate and Graduate Council the organizers request more time to review the cuts. The trustees, if anything, have a moral obligation to extend this deadline so that the voice of the faculty can be heard in an issue as transcendent as the future structure of the University.

If the deadline is not extended and the faculty do not get the opportunity to voice opinions and give input on the cuts, the IBHE will receive a document that will have been unilaterally drafted, approved and implemented by the Chancellor and the BOT, a purely top administrative decision.

IT DOES NOT MATTER that the proposed cuts were arranged with input from individual departments. Many of the cuts are probably necessary and the changes are likely to benefit the University. Surely the trustees have both the intention and the capability to make wise decisions concerning the elimination, consolidation and restructuring of programs and the general productivity of the institution. That is not the point. The proposal should have been drafted with the consideration of all administrators, faculty and students from the beginning, including reviews of all the options that could have been considered to save SIU $3.5 million.

The proposal raises questions regarding the criteria followed to decide which were the best changes to make. In the proposal, the humanities seem especially hard hit, with elimination of the full department of religious studies and the loss of some 70 liberal arts classes. Sports, on the other hand, is exempt from the cuts, despite the fact that two swimming coaches were hired this year to replace head swimming coach Joe Button, who resigned his position. The reasoning behind the hiring was that Ingram's salary would pay two new coaches. If the team could do with one coach before, it surely can do with one now, using the second pay to save any of the courses that will have to be cut because of lack of funds.

The BOT SHOULD NOT forget that before a business, SIU is an academic institution and that those who make it possible, including faculty and students, should have a say in the decisions made to ensure the best possibilities for the resources available to the University.

Commentary

Individual stupidity cause of many social ills

While the Democrats yammer about social problems, let us look at one. It is not earthshaking. But it shows what we're up against if we do not have a more activist people's party is going to purge us of googliness. This social problem begins with Bob, a romantic fellow with an eye for the ladies.

More than an eye unfortunately, Bob is one of those men who becomes a father, then makes himself scarce.

There are many men like Bob, which is why we have so many single mothers and fatherless tykes and big welfare budgets. So, what does society do about dads like Bob? If we are a harsh society, a doc would go snap, snap, and Bob would no longer distribute his seed so casually.

But we can't do that. It would be cruel and insensitive. So society tries to make guys like Bob support his kids.

It happens that Bob has a regular job.

He pushes a broom at the water plant.

So Eileen, who has Bob's baby, got a judge to award her about $30,000 in child support.

Because Bob couldn't be trusted to send a check, the school system was ordered to deduct it from his pay and pass it along to Eileen.

But the checks stopped coming. Eileen, known as the school's nosy and asked where her money was. They said they'd look. After she missed 10 weeks of checks, the bureaucrats finally had the answer.

It seems that Bob is also paying support for a child he fathered in Missouri. Bob gets around.

So a bureaucrat pushed the wrong button on a computer and Eileen's money was sent to the mother of the Missouri child.

By the time the error was found, the love of Eileen's support money had gone to the other woman.

Eileen told the bureaucrats that since they made the mistake, they should just send her $815. But they said they couldn't do that without a court order.

So Eileen got a lawyer and he went to court and asked a judge for an order. The judge said he didn't have to issue an order, since there had already been an order that Bob pay the child support.

Because Bob's money was the issue, Bob had to hire a lawyer. And, of course, the school board had to hire a lawyer to defend its part in the case. The case bounced in and out of court for months, finally, a judge ordered the board to pay Eileen her $815.

Because this went on for months, the legal fees piled up. And somebody has to pay.

So the judge ruled that since it was the school bureaucrats who goofed, they should pay the lawyers.

The lawyers submitted their bills. Eileen's lawyer got $4,337.50. Bob's lawyer was awarded $4,250. That's $8,567.50 in legal fees.

Of course, it wasn't paid by the bureaucrat who hit the wrong key on the computer.

It comes out of the real estate taxes paid by Chicagoans. And while it might seem a trifling sum, there is another way to look at it.

The average Chicago homeowner's tax bill is about $1,300. That means that the taxes paid by the owners of about six or seven modest bungalows were used to pay the lawyers.

And that doesn't include the cost of the social agencies that have to chase guys like Bob. Or the salaries of the judges and other court personnel, who ought to have something better to do.

Or the paychecks of the bureaucrats who can't hit the right button.

If given a choice, those bureaucrats would have found a better way to spend their money.

So let us examine this as a social problem. If we do so, we find that the root cause is individual stupidity. If we look close enough, that is the root cause of most of our problems.

First, we have Bob, who impregnates women, then takes a walk.

Then we have the women who allow Bob to use them that way. Of course, it is their choice to use their bodies as they see fit, so it would be politically incorrect to criticize them.

And we have the bureaucrats who hit the wrong button on a computer and send Bob's money to the wrong woman.

And we have the education administrators who won't admit to an $815 mistake and let it wind up in the hands of a judge and lawyers.

Then we have a legal system that allows a nickel-and-dime case like this to bounce around the courts for so long that the lawyers pile up fat.

So what is there in the new Democratic platform that addresses the great social problem of galloping individual stupidity?

Is there anything in there that says, "Bob, if you can't keep your pants zipped, at least wear a condom. Those little taxpayers shouldn't be paying for your jams."

Is there anything in the platform that says, "Eileen, if you can't be good, try being careful."

And is there anything in the platform that says, "We believe that bombing bureaucrats should pay for their mistakes, not the defenseless taxpayers."

No, the Democratic platform doesn't address the single biggest social problem in America, which is individual stupidity.

But it would be too much to ask that a political party, platform itself exist of our existence.
California’s credit plunges as state stays budgetless

SACRAMENTO (AP) — California’s once-testy but now battered credit rating plunged to its lowest level in history Wednesday as the state entered its third week without a budget.

Standard & Poor’s Corp., lowered California’s credit rating from AA to A+, becoming the second Wall Street bond rating house in nine days to downgrade the state because of the budget crisis.

“It is a disgrace,” state Treasurer Kathleen Brown told reporters. “We are in a ratings fireftrail.” Standard & Poor’s cited the failure of Gov. Pete Wilson and the Legislature to resolve the budget stalemate in time to avert widespread use of IOUs. S&P said it lowered the rating because it is concerned that California will face recurring budget deficits in the future.

“State officials have failed to take any substantive action to contain the deficit crisis it developed over the last 12 months, and rejections indicate that without action, the deficit could double in 1993, representing nearly 20 percent of general fund spending,” Standard & Poor’s said in a report.

It said the lower rating “represents a lack of confidence that the state would not experience a replay of recent crises in the future, and the likelihood of budget-balancing solutions will continue to rely on on-shots and accounting changes that cannot be relied on to keep the state’s cash operations in a weak position for several years.”

Inflation has seen its gold-plated AAA credit rating tumble into the cellar among states. In July, the state was rated by Standard & Poor’s. Only three other states — Massachusetts, New York and Louisiana — have lower credit ratings from S&P.

The A+ credit rating is the lowest ever given to California by Standard & Poor’s, and equals a single A+ bond rating. In late 1938 by Moody’s Investors Service when it graded the state for the first time.

Last week, Moody’s dropped California’s credit rating one notch from Aa1 to Aa2. The lower ratings from Moody’s and S&P will cost taxpayers an estimated $198 million in higher interest payments on $10 billion in authorized but unused bonds. In its weekly letter of the老字号, Brown spokesman Michael Reese said. A single A-1 bond rating from a credit rating firm, Fitch Investors, also threatened Wednesday until the budget is enacted before making any decision on California’s rating.

Wilson said he was “concerned” by the S&P downgrade, but said he would not back down on his demand that the Democratic-controlled Legislature pass a budget.

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Noid, doodles frustrated in pointless waste of film and ink
By Ronn Byrd
Entertainment Writer

Most people do not associate cartoon characters with sex, or how the toons feel about it. The new film "Cool World" makes you think about it whether you want to or not.

In fact, this entire film revolves around sex, frustration: a toon, or Noid, named Holly Wood wants to become real so she can make it like real people do: 'keep his pencil in his pocket.'

The movie's animation was not just bad, it was pointless. Doodles wielding axes and insinuating four across the screen announced by 'Noid' and, whenever the Noid interacts with Doodles, the percentage of bad sex is bad. You can see the mat lines where the two images were put together.

The only two things enjoyed about the Cool World are the soundtrack and the background animation. The songs by the group My Life With The Kilb Kill Koh perfectly match the heaving and bizarre landscape paintings unfortunately seen only from a distance.

As "Cool World" slogs on, the movie's plot literally comes out of its own butt. Holly begins to revert to Doodle form and decides she needs to reach The Spike, located atop a Las Vegas hotel. Where The Spike comes from or why it can make a real world is never explained.

What does happen is Holly reaches The Spike and opens a hole into Cool World that nearly destroys Las Vegas. The ironic twist is that the end of Vegas would come at the hands of a horny showgirl.

"Every place should be erased" is a line from the film that could not be more appropriate. Cool World is a pointless waste of film and ink that fails to use any of the wonderful modern film techniques between animation and real life actors.
Super soaker

High-tech squirt guns making splash in local toy stores

By Ronn Byrd
Entertainment Writer

With 90-degree-plus weather stretching out for weeks and no relief in sight, a squirt gun that holds two quarts of water and shoots a high pressure stream of water over 50 feet may be the perfect relief.

The Super Soaker line from Larami and many imitators exploit the toy scene last year. Both kids and adults cannot seem to get enough of the guns, and stores are having a hard time keeping the shelves stocked.

Larami Vice President Al Davis said the idea behind the Super Soakers was to win squirt-gun franchise realism.

"The idea is that I'm having a water fight and you run out then guns who - 'fire,'" he said. "The idea is to get the other guy wetter than you.

These futuristic water-weapons even managed to maintain sales through the summer, an unusual feat for a summer toy.

"When the summer came around the guns just took off," said Bob Quimbaugh, inventory control manager for Toys 'R Us. "It's basically a new concept in the sense that it was something people wanted for Christmas. It did not die off as a summer toy would be expected to."(5)

The handy finger-activated squirt gun was introduced a few years ago, but that only provided a broader range. The guns still had to be refilled when the puny clip was empty.

The new guns rely on pump action and air pressure that was invented by aerodynamic engineer Lonnie Johnson, the man behind the Super Soaker line and now employed at NASA. The 20, 30 and 50 size models all utilize the same pumping mechanism. With these models, you can't tell just by looking at the gun that it has a water reservoir as the user would expect to.

"My grandson has got two of them," said a woman who doesn't think it's anymore of a problem than them learning by throwing rocks. Squirt guns have been around for a long time. The water don't come out with enough force to hurt anyone, it's more of a fine mist by the time it gets out.

Davis said he felt the blame the Super Soakers were getting was idiotic.

"People have been playing with water guns for as long as I can remember," he said. "As long as the gun does not look like a real gun where it can be confusing, there shouldn't be a problem."(5)

A council man in Red Banks, New Jersey, was to make New Jersey safe for all the children by banning the Super Soaker. His reasoning is the Soaker throws a lot of water out and is supposedly dangerous.

"But he's one of the 56 councilmen who voted to repeal the ban on assault weapons," Davis said. "So we're in trouble if there's people happen to walk around with an uzi, but you shouldn't have a water gun.

The idea is to get the problems that have come up are social pr blems," Davis said. "You're always going to get the kid who puts the rock in snowball and always does the thing that it's unnecessary. It's in his upbringing. In Philadelphia there was a shooting where there was a 2-year-old man who was squirting water at passing cars. One of the cars rolled down the window and shot the guy. The guy who was the one with the gun was the one with the water from a fire plug. So does that mean we should turn off all the fire plugs? No, we punish the idiot who have a gun.

Davis has tried to make the Super Soakers look as unrealistic as possible with bright shapes and colors, Davis said.

"Anybody could distinguish it from a real weapon," Davis said. "The water doesn't stain and it doesn't hurt, so it's good clean fun."

Whether Larami plans to come out with an ever larger version of the Super Soakers remains to be seen. But Quimbaugh said it will ultimately depend on how much water the gun's owner plans to use.

"Once you get to the gallon sizes it's going to be hectic," he said.

Water guns drench market, leaving competition all wet

By Christine Levinson
Entertainment Editor

The latest rash of pressurized-water guns has added a new dimension to the water guns.

These pump versions of water guns come in sizes and styles ranging from the mini-soaker to the Super Soaker and more.

The Super Soaker, priced at $2, is a tiny version of the other super soakers and uses a pump on the back of the gun to squirt a 10-foot stream.

The Super Soaker 20, priced at $6, shoots a 20-foot stream.

The Super Soaker 30, priced at $8, shoots a 30-foot stream.

The Super Soaker 50, priced at $10, shoots a 50-foot stream, and is recommended for ages 5 and up.

■ The Super Soaker 100, retails at $20, shoots a 50-feet of highly pressurized water, and is recommended for ages 8 and up.

■ The Super Soaker 200, retail at $30, shoots a 50-foot stream from two big tanks that hold two liters of water and includes the same high pressure reservoir as the 100 model, it is recommended for ages 8 and up.

The largest of all the guns is the VX2000. It is a pumped-up square that holds two gallons of water in tanks that can be strapped to the user's back.

The cost for the gun is $25, and is guaranteed to shoot 50 feet.

Other water-guns come in battery and trigger operated models that have the same range in cost, but the battery-operated guns feature blinking lights and a "real machine gun sound."
Charges dropped in dream killing

CHICAGO (UPI) — Prosecutors Wednesday dropped charges against a former Oak Park man twice convicted in the 1980 killing of a nursing student because new, sophisticated tests make it impossible to determine whether he was involved.

A spokesman for the Cook County state’s attorney’s office said rape and murder charges were dropped against Steven Linscott, 38, who was convicted in 1981 of killing Karen Ann Phillips, 24.

Linscott was charged with the killing after he told police he dreamed he saw a man strangle Phillips. The spokesman said the dream bore striking similarities to details of the killing.

The appellate court twice found there was not enough evidence to convict Linscott but the Illinois Supreme Court in 1986 and again in 1991 found there was sufficient evidence to support a conviction.

A new trial had been scheduled to begin July 20.

However, Cook County officials said new investigative techniques have made retrying Linscott impossible.

The spokesman said the state’s attorney’s office hired an expert in Boston to determine whether semen found in Phillips’ body belonged to Linscott.

"The expert issued a report which said if a similar sample was the source of the DNA typed in (the semen, Mr. Linscott can be excluded," the spokesman said. "If there are two or more donors, Mr. Linscott cannot be excluded."

"Chief spokesman said there is no way now to determine whether the semen belonged to one individual or more."

Linscott spent three years in the Centralia Correctional Center before he was released on bond in 1985. He now lives in Springfield with his wife and four children.

"I was just elated when the news came," said Linscott. "I’ve learned that there can be come supreme injustices even in the best of systems and unless people do their jobs absolutely right — make good judgments — there is going to be people suffering out there."

Linscott said he supports a strong press to keep an eye on cases like his.

Rollins resigns from Perot’s unofficial campaign

DALLAS (UPI) — Ed Rollins, the Republican insider who six weeks ago was heading high-flying but unofficial presidential bid of Texas billionaire Ross Perot, said Thursday he resigned from the campaign co-manager Wednesday in a disagreement over strategy.

Perot’s top aide, Gary Olds, and campaign chairman Luce announced Rollins resignation just one day after having to squelch rumors about the possible resignation of campaign co-manager Ed Rollins, who ran the 1976 and 1980 campaigns of former President Jimmy Carter.

Perot’s statements after the Luce announcement Rollins resignation at a news conference, and before the “the decision” caught political observers off guard in Washington and at the Democratic National Convention in New York.

“I’m surprised,” said White House press secretary Martin

Clinton meets with Mandela, promises peacefull changes

NEW YORK (UPI) — Bill Clinton, as he awaited the Democratic presidential nominating, turned his attention to foreign affairs Wednesday when he met with South African leader Nelson Mandela.

Mandela later said Clinton pledged his support, if elected president, for the black nationalist’s leader’s efforts to bring about peaceful but sweeping changes in South Africa.

"We will give us all the support which they are capable of placing at our disposal," Mandela said. "And I am very much aware of the meeting that we had gotten the support of the Clinton presidential organization."

Mandela, careful to stay out of the domestic politics of the United States, also said President Bush has expressed support when he has spoken to him in the past.

With the exception of his meeting with Mandela, Clinton’s attention over the past two days has been focused on domestic matters as he prepared to receive his party’s presidential nomination and lay out plans for the fall campaign.

Mandela was invited by Clinton to discuss the current outbreak of violence, the suspension of the negotiations with the South African government, and the emergency session of the United Nations Security Council.

Attending the meeting in Clinton’s hotel suite were aides to both Clinton and Mandela as well as Clinton’s designated running mate, Sen. Albert Gore, and New York Mayor David Dinkins.

Pacific Bell offering new phone service

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI) — Pacific Bell unveiled three new phone service Wednesday, including a special service allowing customers to program 10 numbers into their phones that will produce a distinctive dialing sound.

The Priority Ringing feature, dubbed the “Mother-in-Law service,” is aimed to people who frequently identify the calls they want and don’t want them to hear.

The new services will be available in the Los Angeles and San Francisco Bay Area beginning July 21.

A Pacific company said Priority Ringing contains a feature that allows a special tone to sound if the subscriber enters the phone when he or she get a call from one on the 10-number priority list.

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Edberg, Stich fly to round two in Mercedes Cup

STUTTGART, Germany (UPI) — Top-seeded Stefan Edberg of Sweden Wednesday cruised to an easy 7-5, 6-2 victory over the unseeded Christian Minardi of Argentina in the second round of the $1 million Mercedes Cup.

Edberg, 25, ended the 90-minute match with an ace on the second match point to set up a meeting with No. 16 Javier Sanchez of Spain, who defeated No. 7 Tony Roche of Great Britain 6-3, 7-6 (7-4), 7-5 winner over Andre Chanas of the CIS.

Defending champion Michael Stich, seeded fifth in 1992, thrilled the home crowd with a 6-4, 7-5 victory over qualifier Andrei Olhovskiy of the CIS.

Stich meets No. 12 Thomas Muster in the round of 16. Muster dumped big-serving Rainer Schuettler of Stuttgart, 6-3, 6-0. Stich, the world’s No. 2 ranked player, broke through in the third game of the first set, but the 73rd-ranked Minardi answered with a series of unforced errors to even the set at 3-3.

However, Minardi dropped his serve for the second time in the 11th and Edberg held to win the set in 53 minutes.

Second half of season to stress pennant race

SAN DIEGO (UPI) — The second half of the 1992 major league season could feature four different pennant races and is bound to be followed by a bitter winter of fire-agent negotiations.

The American League’s 13-6 blowout Tuesday night gave the AL five straight All-Star Games triumphs over the National League. The winners set an AL-Star record with 19 hits and tied a record for runs.

According to Oakland Athletics slugger Mark McGwire, the domination could continue into the foreseeable future.

"These guys could be around for the next few years," he said of his AL teammates after the game.

However, not everyone agrees. The A’s status as a 2.0 grade point average or higher has made the costume for potential free agents to single in the first inning Tuesday night as the AL squad collected seven straight singles off Tom Glavine to score four runs and set the tone for the evening.

The other four were Wade Boggs, Kirby Puckett, Joe Carter and Cal Ripken Jr. In all, 14 potential free agents played Tuesday night, including Barry Bonds, Ruben Sierra, Greg Maddux, Ozzie Smith, Benito Santiago, David Cone, Dennis Eckersley and Doug Arns.

The upper echelon of those players — Bonds, Puckett, McGwire, Sierra and Maddux among them — could be looking for $50 million contracts. Most teams have put contract talks on hold until after the season and will be looking to hold down spending. Baseball’s television-contract expire next year and owners could re-open collective bargaining negotiations in December of this year.

MASCOT, from page 12

SIUC Athletic Director Jim Hart who then took it to SIUC President John Guyon and the Intercollegiate Athletics Committee who approved the new and improved dawn.

The mascot was first introduced in the 1960s, but was plussed out and reintroduced in 1976 and redesigned in 1981.

Facemakers Inc., of Savannah, Ill., will be making the costume for SIUC for approximately $1,500 which is being paid for out the Saluki Spirit budget.

Eising says that the Saluki Spirit program is looking for mascots for the 1992-93 school-year.

Tryouts will be held this fall. Applicants need to have full-time status and a 2.0 grade point average or higher.

DENOON, from page 12

DeNoon’s responsibilities as track and field coach restricted his time to train and travel for the races.

"There were a couple of occasions when I was away after track meet and traveled all night and had to race in the morning," he said. "So that affected my performance."

DeNoon, a 49-year-old, said his times have slowed in the last 25 years but not to the extent that he cannot still compete at the top of the class.

"Since 1967 my 3,000 meter time has only slowed by 13 seconds, you just can’t keep counting getting older," DeNoon said.

Jim Hart, SIUC athletic director, said DeNoon is a great asset to the track team because he can practice what he preaches.

"Anytime a coach can relax and practice with their athletes, that gives them an edge over the other teams," Hart said.

DeNoon said he thinks he is still one of the top two or three masters performers in the world. He holds the masters world record for the 5,000 meter race.

DeNoon said he may give racewalking a break soon so he can have time to look at the upcoming track season.

"I don’t like to admit I’m getting old. I’m not sure how much I still want to compete," he said. "I’ll find a 5,000 meter race I’d give it one more try because I think I can break the world record."

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