

**Talk show  
hoax spurs  
lawsuit**

CHICAGO (AP) — If you think no topic is taboo for TV's much-maligned talk shows, try this one: "Scam Artists Who Pose as Dysfunctional Guests."

Of course, that wasn't the real title of an episode of "Jerry Springer," in which a man was said to reveal to his wife that he'd been sleeping with their children's teen-age baby sitter.

The actual title was "Honey, Have I Got A Secret For You!" But the secret wasn't the one Springer and his producers had counted on.

Turns out the philandering husband was really a Toronto comic, as were his purported wife, the baby sitter and the baby sitter's boyfriend, all of whom appeared on the show.

When the truth was revealed, the show's producer, Multimedia Entertainment Inc., filed suit against the four in federal court in Chicago, maintaining their hoax threatens the integrity of shows like Springer's.

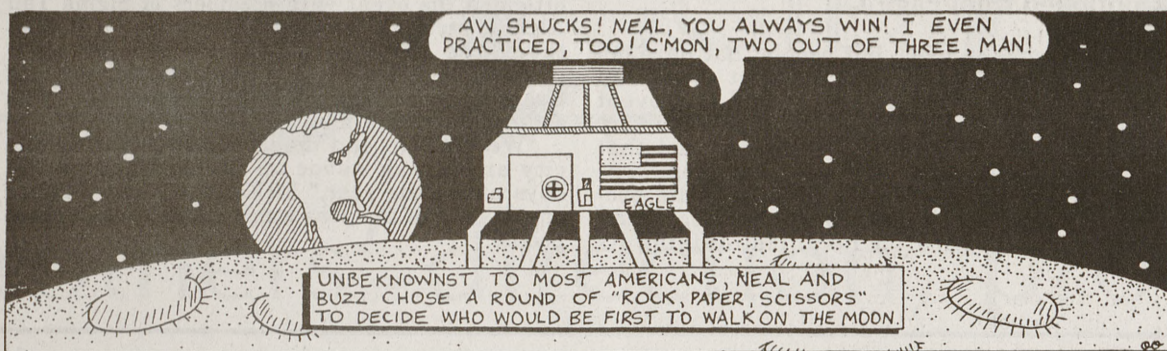
The comics' counterclaims of generally slimy and dishonest behavior by Springer's producers essentially put TV talk shows on trial.

"By trying to make an example out of us they've laid themselves bare," said Suzanne Muir, 28, who portrayed the unsuspecting wife.

Facing what could be a highly publicized trial where the comics promised to tell all, Multimedia has reached verbal agreement on a settlement of the lawsuit, spokesman Robert Zimmerman said last week. But he said the settlement was not final, and added that the comics might have breached it by discussing the episode with The Associated Press.

Beyond that, Multimedia will say very little about hoaxers and even less about the comics' allegations. Springer declined repeated requests for an interview. And a spokeswoman said a self-imposed gag order was essentially in effect.

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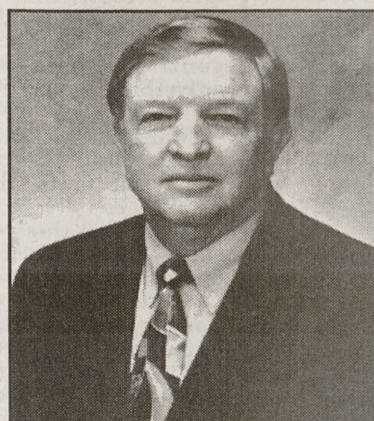
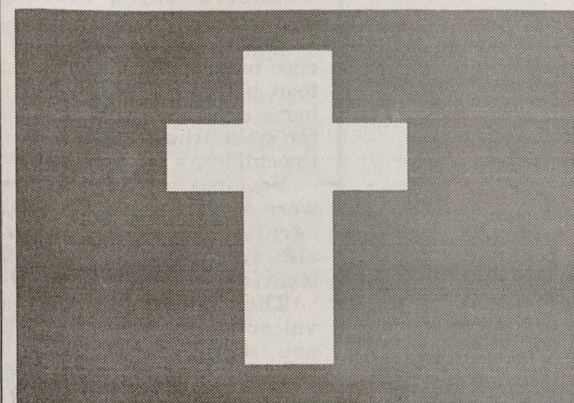
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- Monday**.....Grant Teaff, speaker  
Rudder Auditorium, 7:30 PM
- Tuesday**.....Rich Mullins Concert  
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- Wednesday**.....David Smithers & Pam Moore  
Men - MSC 224, 8 PM  
Women - Rudder Theater, 8 PM
- Thursday**.....Bible Study and Prayer  
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Crucifixion Scene  
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