

Streakers catch probation

'Minimum punishment' handed out

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Streakers got struck with conduct probation.

Dr. Charles W. Powell, dean of men, met with the streakers Wednesday night around 7 p.m. in a tv room in the Krueger-Dunn Commons and informed them of their status.

Dean Powell had no comment to make about the meeting, as he said it is against the law to reveal disciplinary action against students.

Powell did say that indecent exposure

is a violation of the law. He said the streaking incident was brought to his attention by the resident advisors of Krueger-Dunn.

Powell said 20 or so (23) males were involved in the incident which had many witnesses. He also said that a slight scuffle occurred between several of the streakers and a student when the streakers crowded the student and his date.

Powell said he conducted personal interviews with each of the streakers, consulted the RAs, made a tentative decision and then discussed it with the RAs to see if they

agreed.

Mark Williams, head RA of Dunn, said that the RAs met with Dean Powell and that they "totally agreed with his discipline."

Streakers at SMU and Baylor were fined and removed from the universities.

"The minimum amount of punishment was given to cure the situation," Powell said.

The streakers had no comment after the meeting but were overheard telling friends, "We all were on conduct probation, but one guy got a letter in his file."

Anyone caught streaking across campus nude will be suspended from the University.

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Freedom is simply being able to choose your own cage—Ric Masten

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Baby born in Krueger early Friday

A baby was born in Krueger residence Hall early Friday morning.

The new mother's roommate called an ambulance but the baby appeared on the scene before they arrived.

Mother and child are doing well, according to reports, but they will not be returning to TAMU this spring.

Military Weekend features marching, dancing, concert

Saturday will find the Corps of Cadets front and center at its annual Military Day activities. The uniformed Aggies' activities will be kept busy, either marching or dancing.

Friday and Saturday night dances are planned. The corps, led

play in one wing of Duncan Hall and rock and roll will play in the other for the Friday dance. By combining the Air Force and Combat balls, cadets and their dates have the choice of either type of music.

It starts at 10 p. m., after a

7:30 p. m. Town Hall performance by Roy Clark and The Sound Generation at G. Rollie White Coliseum.

The Military Ball will be a more formal Saturday event. It starts at 9 p. m. and will employ the second floor of the MSC.

Postal service to charge ten cents for letter

WASHINGTON (AP)—It will cost 2 cents more to mail a letter or postcard after midnight Friday.

And before long people will be paying more for mailings from their book or record club, merchandise from mail-order houses and, in some cases, magazines and newspapers.

The new cost for first-class mail will be 10 cents, for airmail 13 cents and for postcards 8 cents.

The cost of mailing a one-pound bundle of books or records will go up to 30 cents over five years, an increase of 14 cents. As an example of magazine costs, the Postal Service estimated that mailing the Reader's Digest will go from the current 4 cents a copy to 8 cents a copy in three years.

The new stamps are available now. The Jefferson Memorial replaces former President Dwight Eisenhower on the nation's basic stamp.

Publishers can choose to absorb the increased costs or raise advertising rates instead of subscription rates, but a spokesman for the Publishers Association said publishers are expected to pass along the increases to subscribers where possible.

The publishers association and other bulk mailers still are trying to convince the Postal Rate Commission to trim the increases. But Postal Service officials see no chance the commission, which must grant final approval to rate changes, will act before Saturday.

The Cost of Living Council earlier had delayed the increases for two months, saving mail users \$236 million. The Postal Service will ask Congress to make up the money.

The service contends it needs the money for operating expense increases and a modernization program which has increased capital expenditures by five times since Congress ordered the Postal Service to become self-supporting.

The Postal Service expects the rate increase to enable it to become self-supporting in fact next year.

Nixon denies order; Ehrlichman refuses single charge bargain

Nixon

WASHINGTON (AP)—Lawyers for President Nixon have defended his refusal to appear as a witness at a California state trial on the grounds that no court, state or federal, can order a President to testify in person.

If a President was forced to appear in court, his lawyers argued in a brief filed Tuesday in D.C. Superior Court, "his inability to perform the duties as the chief executive would threaten the security of the entire nation."

The argument filed by James D. St. Clair, the President's chief Watergate lawyer, was directed as much to appearances in a federal as a state court.

Nixon disclosed Monday night that he had rejected a request from a Watergate grand jury to testify.

St. Clair's brief was issued in response to a California Superior Court judge's order directing Nixon to appear as "a material and necessary witness" at the trial of former White House aide John D. Ehrlichman.

The subpoena, issued by Judge Gordon Ringer in Los Angeles, was forwarded to the District of Columbia court for a decision on whether Nixon must comply.

"In the 187 years since our Constitution was adopted no court, federal or state, has held that the President of the United States can be compelled to testify in person in compliance with a summons," St. Clair wrote.

Attorneys for Ehrlichman have until March 8 to file their argument supporting their request for the President's appearance.

In related developments, The Associated Press learned Tuesday that the special Watergate prosecutor's office has decided that any action on alleged presidential involvement in the Watergate scandal should be up to the House impeachment inquiry rather than a grand jury.

The House judiciary committee disclosed that John Doar, chief counsel for the impeachment inquiry, has sent a letter to St. Clair requesting White House tapes and documents.

Details of the request were not disclosed but the letter was based on a summary given the committee by special prosecutor Leon Jaworski of material he has received from the White House.

Ehrlichman

WASHINGTON (AP)—John D. Ehrlichman received and turned down an offer within the last two weeks to plead guilty to a single charge in return for his cooperation with Watergate prosecutors, his attorney said Wednesday.

If he entered the plea, said lawyer Frank H. Strickler, Ehrlichman was promised he could avoid more serious charges, expected shortly from one or more of the three Watergate grand juries.

Strickler said he expects President Nixon's former domestic aide, already facing trial in Los Angeles on state charges, to be indicted in more than one Watergate case.

Ehrlichman was offered an opportunity to plead guilty to a charge of violating the civil rights of Daniel Ellsberg's psychiatrist, Dr. Lewis Fielding. He was in charge of the group that broke into Fielding's office in September 1972 searching for Ellsberg's records.

SUCH PLEA-BARGAINING would have involved a promise to cooperate with investigators and to testify for the government at any future trials.

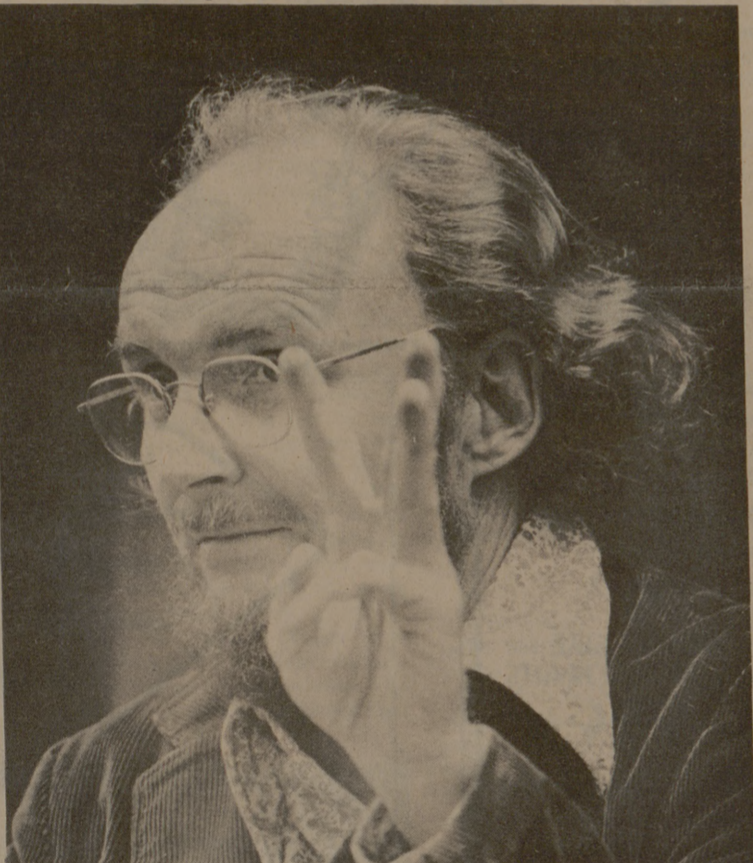
Ehrlichman's former assistant, Egil Krogh, accepted a similar deal, pleading guilty to the civil rights violations charge. He has begun serving a six-months prison sentence at Allenwood, Pa.

Ehrlichman is scheduled to go on trial in Los Angeles Superior Court on April 15 on state charges of burglary, conspiracy and perjury. Two other members of the White House Investigations Unit, known as the plumbers, also are scheduled for trial there.

Asked if the testimony sought from Ehrlichman included presidential involvement, Strickler said, "It's only fair to say that we know of nothing that would have satisfied a prosecutor along these lines."

Ehrlichman's California lawyers are seeking the testimony of President Nixon to support their contention that Ehrlichman was acting in the interests of national security in the Ellsberg case and that the plumbers unit had presidential sanction.

WITHOUT THE PRESIDENT'S testimony, Ehrlichman's lawyers are expected to ask dismissal of the charges on grounds they are being denied evidence available to prosecutors.



"PROFESSIONAL REAL PERSON" Ric Masten, poet, philosopher and minstrel, makes a three-pointed answer during a session with a journalism class. He brought his own brand of audience experience to various groups throughout the day, ending with a concert at the Unitarian Center. (Photo by Steve Ueckert)

Reagan to refuse swap of prisoners for Hearst

HILLSBOROUGH, Calif. (AP)—California Gov. Ronald Reagan says he would refuse to release two prisoners whose freedom may be the ultimate ransom demand by Patricia Hearst's kidnapers.

"It would be the wrong thing to do," Reagan told newsmen Tuesday in Sacramento. "If you start doing anything of that kind, it would be like opening prison doors. It would make kidnapping a very common occurrence."

Reagan said there would be no legal way he would comply with any demand to free Joseph Remiro, 27, and Russell Little, 24. Under executive clemency, he can grant pardon to convicted criminals, but he has no authority under state law to free persons awaiting trial.

Remiro and Little are being held at San Quentin Prison on charges of murdering Oakland School Supt. Marcus Foster last November. Both men have pleaded innocent.

The Symbionese Liberation Army, a terrorist group that says it is holding Miss Hearst, claims responsibility for Foster's murder. The SLA also has referred to Little and Remiro as members.

Miss Hearst, 20, was abducted Feb. 4. Her father, Randolph A. Hearst, is editor and president of the San Francisco Examiner and the Hearst Corp.

People in Need, the \$2 million food distribu-

tion program that Hearst set up at the kidnapers' demand for free food for California needy as a precondition for negotiations for Miss Hearst's release, geared up to dole out more bags of groceries Thursday.

Violence and confusion that marked the opening of the food giveaway last Friday caused director A. Ludlow Kramer to cancel plans to resume distribution Tuesday.

Reagan criticized the thousands of persons who accepted the free food as "aiding and abetting lawlessness."

"I regret that the people are willing to take that food," he said. "I think it would be great if everyone would refuse."

In its last message Thursday, the SLA denounced Hearst for offering only \$2 million and said if he didn't add another \$4 million in 24 hours it would cut off all communication with the family.

Hearst said he couldn't afford the extra money, but the Hearst Corp. said it would provide the \$4 million if Miss Hearst first were released unharmed.

The SLA also said if Hearst didn't meet the new demand, Miss Hearst would be held indefinitely as a prisoner of war for what it said were crimes her parents had committed in service of the corporate establishment.

Kunstler scheduled

William Kunstler did not come to A&M as a guest of Student Council on National Affairs.

He was uninvited by SCONA chairman Steve Kosub for "non-political" reasons.

Nevertheless, Kunstler will be here Sunday, at 7:30 p.m. in the Rudder Auditorium, due to the American Civil Liberties Union.

The student ACLU invited Kunstler to come here after seeing a story in The Battalion announcing Kunstler's cancellation and his offer to come if any group wanted him.

The Brazos Valley ACLU helped the effort by donating funds. Consequently, there will be no admission charged for the event.

Kunstler is a controversial criminal lawyer who has defended such luminaries as Martin Luther King, Stokely Carmichael, Adam Clayton Powell, the Berrigan brothers, H. Rap Brown and the Chicago Seven. He is now defending the Wounded Knee Indians.

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Weather

Partly cloudy and warm Thursday. Southerly winds 8-16 m.p.h. Today's high 73°. Tonight's low 59°. Continued partly cloudy and warm Friday with temperatures in the mid 70's.

Referendum voting at MSC, library, Sbisa, Commons until 6 p.m.