

Sports

Out of the Blue

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The Giant's predicament

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(...to continue our fable of the giant, his followers and the golden path to the crown...)
As the evil Duke Sutton of Mutton made good his escape, the giant stood, stared and wondered at his predicament.
He was supported all around by his loyal legions of faithful followers. His mentor, Magical (call me Merlin) Metcalf and the giant looked around into their tired, sad faces; he thought of the chance he had just lost to the evil Duke. *It made him fighting mad.*
Who would have thought that the sly, evil Duke would have slipped the everclear, rot-gut moonshine into the judges coffee?
Who could have dreamed that the Duke could have substituted his own henchmen into the zebra coats? The duke made good his escape before the followers of the giant had realized that they had been tricked.
Ah, the life of the game...
Yet, there is no rest for the giant. He must travel to the smoke-thick stronghold of one of his greatest adversaries.
Sour Lemons, who lays in wait in that Sodom and Gomorrah of cities... Austoned.

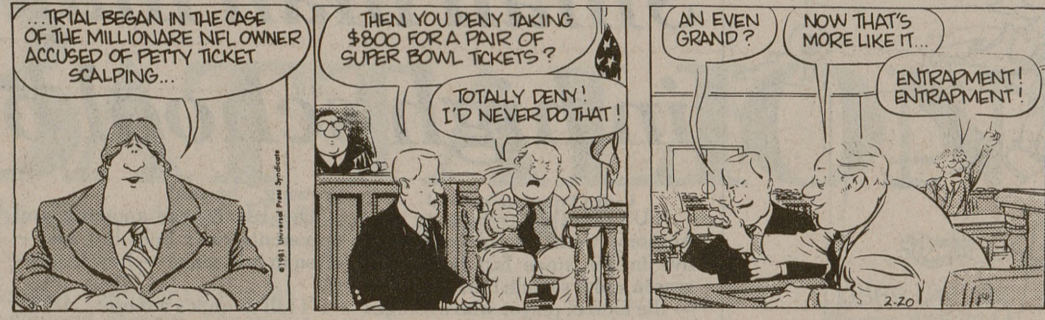
Sour Lemons is the lead singer in a new wave (punk rock) group, that has taken over the once great metropolis called Austone. The group, called BEVO, has overrun the once great city and now the sounds of the group can be heard in every corner.
BEVO even changed the name of the once great city, slightly, to make it a mockery of what it once was.
From the outskirts, parks, rivers and lakes of Austoned to that dreaded temple of BEVO...the strange orange tower, all knew of and worshipped the group. All Austoned had been subverted to the obnoxious orange cause.
Strange noises arise from the area at night when all the BEVO-maniacs are on the prowl, frequenting the establishments that cater to their strange desires.
Places like the hated dens on the street of Guadaluped. And the strange mini-temples on the second and sixth streets.
Giant cults with strange symbols on their clothing, things that don't even make sense (it's all greek to me), scream obscenities at one another at these strange places on the dragge.
But the cults and groups of Austoned have grown and prospered since the early days of the obnoxious orange. They have formed new ideas and different ways of thinking. They have learned to live with things in Austoned that they never had to before. They have really mellowed out. (But for some strange reason still see red in the early Autumn.)

The giant must go in to battle all these weird cults, groups and forces to eventually get another shot at the evil Duke Sutton of Mutton.
But he wants another shot at the Duke. Perhaps he will be able to get it.
The giant's mentor, Magical (call me Merlin) Metcalf will first have to reach deep into his bag of tricks to overcome the power of BEVO's drummer.
The man (or whatever) that keeps the beat going for BEVO is LaSalle (boom-boom) Thompson. He has stunning rolls and has turned matches around with a quick flick of his wrists and a drum cadence.
The giant will have to devise a roll of his own to out-drum boom-boom. Will he be able to? Does he have the strength left in that tired, weary giant body of his to get past BEVO and into San Antone?

The giant has a long way to go and many adverseries to pass.
Sour Lemons, Killer Killingsworth and his funny frogs and Gambling "Lucky" Lewis, with his hit man Rob "the sting" Williams, all to get a home-castle advantage in the first round of the fabled golden path to the crown.
The funny frogs of the Killer are dangerous. When he tried to squash them earlier, they spit back and put the giant to sleep.
And Lucky had out-rolled the dice in the giant's other meeting with "the sting." The giant has to watch his step and play with his poker face in these two battles.
The giant needs support from all his loyal followers to get to the finals of the all-mighty tourney. The odds are against him but that's what it will take to get another shot at the evil Duke.
Can Magical Metcalf come up with the spells needed to have the giant stride to the front (and the crown)? or will the giant go back (heaven forbid) to sleep? Only time, the skill of the giant and the roll of the dice will tell...

TANK McNAMARA

by Jeff Millar & Bill Hinds



Aggies hoping to defend SWC title in indoor meet

United Press International
FORT WORTH — The weather likely will be good enough for outdoor competition, but the activities will be indoors instead Friday night at the eighth annual Southwest Conference track and field championships.

The indoor meet figures to be the best ever for the SWC, which returns 12 of last year's 13 individual champions, six current individual record holders and athletes who won five NCAA indoor and outdoor titles last year.

Texas A&M will be trying to defend its 1980 championship, but Arkansas, Houston and Baylor all have a chance to win on the bright red track of the Tarrant County Convention Center.

The Texas Longhorns and SMU Mustangs, who have been built into a potential contender almost overnight by Coach Ted McLaughlin, also could score heavily in some events.

A&M scored 103 points last year to win its first SWC indoor championship. Five different teams have won the previous seven indoor titles.

In addition to the individual champions returning, the Baylor

Bears — who won all three relays last year — will return all but two of the 12 legs on those relays.

Among the returning individual champions will be Houston triple jumper Keith Gilreath and long jumper Carl Lewis, pole vaulter Randy Hall of Texas A&M and his teammate, high jumper Don Jones.

Also back will be defending shot put champion Michael Carter of SMU, Texas A&M's Mike Glaspie in the 60-yard hurdles, Texas' Herkie Walls in the 60-yard dash, Baylor's Zeke Jefferson in the 440-yard dash, Arkansas' Stanley Redwine in the 600 and Randy Stephens in the 880, Baylor's Todd Harbour in the mile and SMU's Ray Cardinal in the 1,000.

Some of those returnees may have a hard time repeating as champions. Stephens, for instance, ran an SWC record 1:51.51 in the 880 last year but SMU's Sammy Koskei has turned in a 1:50.60 this season.

And another SMU newcomer, Keith Conner, has recorded a triple jump of 56-0 1/2, better than the SWC record of 50-4 set by Gilreath last year.

There will also be five other competitors on hand who won SWC indoor crowns prior to the 1980 meet, but who failed to win an individual title last year.

They include Pat Mitchell of Arkansas (440), Bruce Gingrich of Rice (600), James Mays of Texas Tech (600), James Wheatfall of Texas (60 hurdles) and Brett Dames of Houston (pole vault).

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