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Shawn Brown, a junior theater arts major from Washington, D.C., is a student worker for the Texas A&M Police Station. Among her duties, is to give tickets

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Mr. Greenjeans blue over changes in show

United Press International
SHAWNEE-ON-DELAWARE, Pa. — Color Mr. Greenjeans blue.

Fans of Captain Kangaroo and his sidekick had to get up a half hour earlier Monday if they wanted to see the children's show on CBS, and the actor who plays Mr. Greenjeans is disappointed.

Hugh "Lumpy" Brannum, 72, said in a weekend interview from his home in the Pocono Mountains that the network's decision to start the program at 6:30 a.m. EST is ridiculous and shows CBS is more concerned with making money than providing children's entertainment.

It was the second time in a year that CBS has changed the show's starting time.

On Sept. 8, the title of the show was changed from "Captain Kangaroo" to its current "Wake Up With the Captain." The program's running time was cut from an hour to a half-hour, and its starting time was moved from 8 a.m. to 7 a.m.

"In my most optimistic view of what has been happening to us, I figure that if we keep going backwards in time, we will soon be on at the same time as Johnny Carson (on NBC's "Tonight

Show" at 11:30 p.m. EST) and eventually we'll roll right into prime time," Brannum said.

He said the time change was dictated to make room for an extra half-hour of the CBS's "Morning" news program and to make "Morning" more competitive with ABC and NBC news programs, which also air at 7 a.m.

Brannum has played the TV character since 1955 when Captain Kangaroo, played by Bob Keeshan, first took to the airwaves.

"I think the whole thing is ridiculous," Brannum said of the new time slot. "I don't believe children are up and about to look at television at that time."

"They (CBS) are forgetting that although money is an important thing, it is not the only thing," he said. "We have other responsibilities. If the treatment of 'Captain Kangaroo' in the past six months is any indication, CBS has not been terribly concerned about responsibility to children."

Gene Mater, senior vice president of the CBS Broadcast Group, denied Brannum's assertions, said: "If money was the issue, 'Captain Kangaroo' would have been cancelled a long time ago. That's not the issue. We feel we have a responsibility to children and to the adult audience."

Police promise investigation of protest break-up methods

United Press International
MIAMI — Miami is asking the Justice Department and a blue ribbon panel of community leaders to investigate charges that police used excessive force to break up a protest by Cubans angered at the swift deportation of a stowaway.

Police Chief Kenneth Harms promised that his department would investigate the charges but said, without providing evidence, there were very strong rumors that the weekend violence might have been provoked in part by Communist agents from Cuba.

Thousands of Cuban exiles demonstrated Saturday to protest the deportation of Cuban stowaway Andres Rodriguez Hernandez, 20. He was sent back to Havana by immigration officials just two days after he arrived in Florida — making him the first Cuban refugee to be deported since Fidel Castro took power.

Police made 34 arrests as the result of skirmishes Saturday afternoon and that night. Minor injuries were reported by 10 officers.

Although police were wary that more demonstrations would occur Sunday, there was

no repeat of the violence.

Cuban leaders charged police with violating the rights of peaceful demonstrators by forcing them off the streets and causing the rock-and-bottle throwing melees that finally were put down by tear gas grenades.

City commissioners, in an emergency session called Sunday night, approved a resolution calling on the Justice Department to launch a probe into the incident.

The commission also called for an investigation by a blue ribbon citizens' panel. No opposition was voiced on either resolution.

The police chief met with

community leaders earlier Sunday and promised that all allegations of brutality would be investigated through the department's Internal Affairs Division, the Office of Professional Compliance and the State Attorney's office.

Harms also told the group, which included City Manager Howard Gary, that he had heard some very strong rumors that part of the violence was provoked by "outside agitators, some Communist agents that were put here specifically by Castro to disrupt local government and create an international incident."

He offered no proof in support of the rumors, however.

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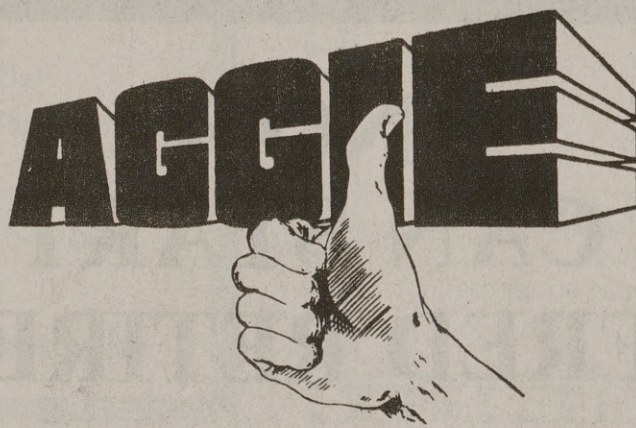
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