

Jury debates man's motives in embezzling \$600,000

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MOUNT VERNON, Ill. — Prosecution and defense lawyers Monday agreed former University of Illinois official

Robert N. Parker stole \$600,000 from the university, but they disagreed in final arguments about why he did it. Parker, 60, is charged with

157 counts of felony theft in the embezzlement. Testimony last week indicated he lavished most of the stolen funds on women he met through an X-rated club in Chicago's suburbs.

In closing arguments, defense lawyer Arthur Lerner argued Parker, a long-time respected financial administrator at the Urbana campus, suffers from paranoia and is not responsible for the embezzlement or for spending the money on women and entertainment.

"It is a disease like cancer or like tuberculosis," Lerner told the Jefferson County six-man, six-woman jury in his final argument. "A mental disease is like a window into hell. It's something you can't control."

But prosecutor Thomas Difanis said Parker rationally tested the system of transferring money from one bank account to another, then spending it.

Defense psychiatrists testified Parker suffers from paranoid psychosis and was jealous of his boss, university Vice President Ronald Brady. The prosecution's expert witness said Parker has no mental disease.

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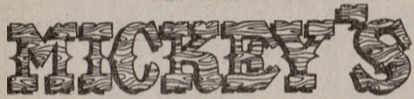
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What's Up at Texas A&M

Tuesday

MSC/OPAS: Beroff and Collaro, internationally acclaimed pianists, will perform at 8 p.m. in Rudder Auditorium.

EXTRAMURAL SPORTS CLUBS: There will be a meeting at 6:30 p.m. in 164 E. Kyle.

ACM-IEEE/CS: Mr. Robert Glass from Boeing Aerospace will speak on computing projects that have failed at 7 p.m. in 102 Zachry.

CARP: Program on Marxism and the church (in Spanish) will be presented from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. in 202 Harrington.

STUDENT DIETETICS ASSOCIATION: Discussion and planning of coming events at 6:30 p.m. in 126 Kleberg.

CHI ALPHA: Terry Tekyl will conduct a bible teaching at 7 p.m. at the All Faith's Chapel. Retreat transportation scheduling will also be discussed.

FOOD SCIENCE CLUB: Plans for the student section I.F.T. will be discussed at the meeting in 127 Kleberg at 7 p.m.

AGRONOMY SOCIETY: Meeting to discuss Cotton Pageant at 7:15 p.m. in 103 SCSE.

MSC AGGIE CINEMA: "What's Up, Tiger Lily?" will be shown at 7:30 p.m. in 274 E. Kyle. Admission is \$1.00.

TAMU SAILING TEAM: Meeting at 7:30 p.m. in 504 Rudder.

CLASS '82: Meeting at 7:30 p.m. in 401 Rudder.

SADDLE & SIRLOIN CLUB: Business meeting at 7 p.m. in 115 Kleberg.

AMERICAN HUMANICS STUDENT ASSOCIATION: A "New Games" Seminar will be presented from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. in DeWare Field House Basketball Court to learn about activities to get youth active in organizations.

CATHOLIC STUDENT ASSOCIATION: The inquiry class will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the student center and a rosary will be held at 10 p.m. in St. Mary's Church.

Wednesday

TEXAS AGGIE MOTORCYCLE CLUB: Joe Fisher will speak at the meeting in 110 Military Science Building at 8:30 p.m.

TAMU ROADRUNNERS: Dr. Duane Lagan, A&M Team Physician, will speak on "Common Runner's Injuries" at 7 p.m. in 267 G. Rollie White.

HILLEL JEWISH STUDENT FOUNDATION: Mrs. Radinsky will speak at Hillel on "The Orthodox Women in

Modern Day Society" at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

WHEELCHAIR MAT WORK: Special guest Ann McGowan will speak at 3 p.m. in the Wrestling Room in G. Rollie White.

C.A.R.P.: Meeting in support of solidarity from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. in 202 Harrington.

AGGIE SCOUTS: Meeting to discuss cookie booth sales and other activities at 9 p.m. in 502 Rudder.

UNIVERSITY LUTHERAN CHAPEL: Candle service, meditation and communion at 10 p.m. in the University Lutheran Chapel.

MSC AGGIE CINEMA: "Aguirre, the Wrath of God" will be shown at 7:30 p.m. in Rudder Theatre.

UNITED CAMPUS MINISTRY: The Aggie Supper will be at 6:15 p.m. in the A&M Presbyterian Church, 601 Church St.

EL PASO HOMETOWN CLUB: Important meeting to discuss the All Night Affair at 7:30 p.m. in 201 Physics Building.

PRE LAW SOCIETY: Monthly meeting and discussion of February 19 University of Houston Law School field trip at 7 p.m. in Rudder.

Thursday

DATA PROCESSING MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION: Tymshare will be holding a technical session on the subject of data processing at 7 p.m. in the Aggield Inn.

A&M MUSICIAN'S CLUB: Meeting to discuss free space concert at 7:30 p.m. in 401 Rudder. Bring \$3.00 for dues.

HILLEL JEWISH STUDENT FOUNDATION: Folk dancing with university folk dance group at Hillel at 8 p.m.

LATTER-DAY SAINT STUDENT ASSOCIATION: LDSA council and student meeting at 7 p.m. in 507 A&M Rudder. A social will follow at 8:30 p.m. at 100 Dexter College Station.

STUDENT 'Y' SPRING PROJECT: Meeting to plan 10 p.m. run at 6 p.m. in 607 Rudder.

UNIVERSITY LUTHERAN CHAPEL: Leave for vacation and singing at Sherwood Nursing Home at 6:30 p.m. at University Lutheran Chapel, 315 N. College Main.

UNITED CAMPUS MINISTRY: Women's bible study at 7 p.m. at 1002 Pershing St.

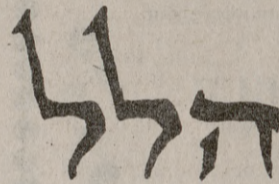
MSC CEPHEID VARIABLE: The Omen Trilogy: "The Omen", "Damien", and "The Final Conflict" will be shown at 7:30 p.m., 9:50 p.m., and 12:15 p.m. respectively in Rudder Theatre.

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LOS ANGELES — The Atlantic Richfield Co., the nation's seventh largest oil company, is considering ending its credit card service in what analysts believe could be an industry-wide move to get out of the credit business.

Arco spokesman Albert Greenstein disclosed Thursday that the company is studying such a move to ease the growing burden that credit sales are placing on the cost of selling gasoline.

But Greenstein emphasized the move is just one proposal for dealing with the credit card burden.

He said other alternatives under consideration for lowering the cost of credit sales include charging fees to dealers or customers who use the service.

Greenstein declined to speculate on what such a move would do to the price of gasoline at the pump, or what other credit services may be offered in lieu of oil company sponsored cards.

Credit sales are estimated to add up to three cents a gallon to the cost of gasoline. Major gasoline companies are taking a closer look at such a move which they can hardly afford to pass on to consumers when they are feeling increased competition from lower-priced independent companies.

Sanford Margoshes, analyst for Bache Halsey Shields, Inc., in New York, said "It wouldn't surprise me to see companies making an effort to ease themselves out of their credit card business."

Steve Shelton, executive director of the Southern California Service Station Association, said dealer reaction to discontinued oil credit card service would hinge on how much the oil company would lower prices as a result.

As interest rates and gasoline prices have soared during the last decade, oil companies have grown increasingly concerned over the cost of carrying the looming monthly customer debt.

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